

**WEITZER UND WELTE'S KIRCHENLEXICON.** Second edition, 89th number. Freiburg and St. Louis: Herder. 1893.

The latest number of this great work, which has engaged the collective labors of Catholic Germany for several years, brings the Lexicon down to the letter *N* and the beginning of the ninth volume. To say that this

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Lexicon is indispensable to the Catholic student, being absolutely without a rival in any language, is to state its importance in the mildest terms. Would it not be advisable and feasible to issue a *Latin* edition of it? This might satisfy the large number of theological students who are unfamiliar with the German, biding the time when a similar work will issue from the Catholic University of America.

The present number contains an exhaustive and candid article by Felten on *Nepotism* and another by Funk on *Nestorius and the Nestorians*.

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THE DAWN OF ITALIAN INDEPENDENCE: Italy from the Congress of Vienna, 1814, to the Fall of Venice, 1849. By *William Roscoe Thayer*. Two volumes. Boston and New York: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. 1893.

The author has drawn his information chiefly from anti-Papal sources. If the tree is to be judged by its fruits, we doubt whether modern Italy should be regarded as redounding to the glory of the great "Liberators" and their methods. We hope our author will survive to correct many grave errors into which he has fallen.

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LEHRBUCH DER DOGMATIK. Von *Dr. T. H. Simar, Bischof von Paderborn*. Freiburg and St. Louis: Herder. 1893. Price \$3 85.

Another edition of this valuable treatise on Dogmatic Theology. Would that we possessed a similar work to put into the hands of educated English laymen! That a solid essay like this should have passed so soon into a third edition sufficiently demonstrates the need of and demand for such works.

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INSTITUTIONES THEODICÆÆ, SIVE THEOLOGIE NATURALIS SECUNDUM PRINCIPIA S. THOMÆ AQUINATIS AD USUM SCHOLASTICUM. Accommodavit *Josephus Hontheim, S. J.* Freiburg and St. Louis: B. Herder. 1893. Price \$3.

An exhaustive treatise, in 831 pages, large octavo, on Natural Theology, grappling with all the questions, old and new, bearing on this very important subject.

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