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tory of Spanish painting, he considers the Hispano-Flemish style in Northwestern Spain, which began roughly with the union of Castile and Leon under Ferdinand and Isabella near the end of the Fifteenth Century. He opens his discussion with a chapter on "The Historical and Cultural Setting of Gothic Painting in Spain in the Second Half of the Fifteenth Century," and then takes up in detail such masters as Jorge Inglés, Fernando Gallego, Francisco Chacón, and Pedro Díaz. At the end there is a chapter on "Galician and Asturian Frescoes." About half of Part II of the present volume is made up of additions to Volumes I-III, dealing with the most recent discoveries and speculations about the subjects considered therein. There is also an additional bibliography for the first three volumes. It is followed by an index of names of artists, and one of places. The two parts are profusely and excellently illustrated.

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By Thomas Hibben. The J. B. Lippincott Company \$2 6\% x 8\/4; 209 pp. Philadelphia

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By Clyde Kenneth Hyder.

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poet, in spite of singular limitations, Swinburne is sure of that immortality destined for those shining ones whose names are cherished for their creation of beauty." There are many extensive notes, a long bibliography, and an index.

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By J. W. Cunliffe. The Macmillan Company \$3 5\% x 8\%; 341 pp. New York

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