

an extensive series of buildings, which fire and the growth of the city have long since swept away. Dr. Sheppard's industrious researches have enabled him to reconstruct in description the Whitehall of a former time, and to exhibit the palace as the theatre of some of the most interesting events in English history.

The palace of Whitehall was for many years the London residence of the Archbishops of York, being known in consequence as York House or York Place. Under Cardinal Wolsey, who probably built or rebuilt considerable portions of it, it became distinguished "by a sumptuous magnificence that probably has never been equalled in the house of any other English subject, or surpassed in the palaces of many of its kings." Wolsey was the last archbishop to occupy the palace, and on his fall in 1529 it was taken over by the King, being treated by Henry VIII. as though it were a part of the Cardinal's private estate, although it was in fact a part of the patrimony of the see. In 1536 it was annexed to the ancient palace of Westminster. Henry VIII. took up his residence at Whitehall, and the palace continued to be the London residence of the sovereigns until the disastrous fire of 1698.

Under Henry VIII. the buildings were extended and improved, and the landed area considerably added to. By the time of James I., however, the palace was in a dilapidated condition, and the King contemplated its restoration and enlargement on a magnificent scale, but, with the exception of the Banqueting Hall, the elaborate plans of Inigo Jones were never carried out. Charles I. also contemplated reconstruction, and employed Rubens to paint the ceiling of the Banqueting Hall, but the unfortunate monarch accomplished little in the way of building. The palace had grown to immense size by the reign of Charles II. James II. made further additions and alterations, and William III. seriously con-

sidered rebuilding after the designs of Inigo Jones; but the destruction of nearly the entire collection of buildings, except the Banqueting Hall, by fire in 1698 put an end, not only to these plans, but to the further use of Whitehall as a royal residence. On the accession of George I. the Banqueting Hall was converted into a chapel royal, and was so used, save in the years 1829-37, until 1891, when it was lent by Queen Victoria to the United Service Institution.

Whitehall will always be most commonly associated with the execution of Charles I., and Dr. Sheppard devotes much attention to the difficult questions of the location of the scaffold and the determination of the window through which the King passed to his death. The palace was also, however, the home of Cromwell during most of the period of the Protectorate, and it was there that Cromwell died. Charles II. received the Lords and Commons there on his restoration, in 1660, and it was there that the same Lords and Commons met in 1688 "to settle the Prince of Orange upon the throne." William, however, disliked the palace as a residence, being always ill there, and in consequence Whitehall virtually ceased to be a royal residence after the abdication of James II.

The wealth of detailed information contained in Dr. Sheppard's book is, on the whole, well arranged and fairly digested, though at times the work savors too much of a compilation. The numerous full-page illustrations add greatly to its value. There is a careful index.

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Howard, Dr. B. *Prisoners of Russia: A Personal Study of Convict Life.* D. Appleton & Co. \$1.40.  
Jordan, Leopold. *Interviews with a Monocle.* San Francisco: The Whitaker & Ray Co. 50 cents.  
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Kingsley, Rev. Charles. *Westward Ho!* 2 vols. London: Dent; New York: Macmillan.  
Lathers, Richard. *Biographical Sketch of Colonel Richard Lathers.* Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott Co.  
Louttit, G. W. *A Maid of the Wildwood.* Fort Wayne (Ind.): The Colonial Press.  
Marchmont, A. W. *Miser Hoadley's Secret.* New Amsterdam Book Co. \$1.25.  
Meyer, Kuno. *Lladain and Curithir: An Irish Love-Story of the Ninth Century.* London: David Nutt.  
Needell, Mrs. J. H. *Unstable as Water.* Frederick Warne & Co. \$1.25.  
Nield, Jonathan. *A Guide to the Best Historical Novels and Tales.* London: Elkin Mathews; New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons.  
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Scott, E. H. *Mother Holda.* E. P. Dutton & Co. \$1.25.  
Schuyler, Montgomery. *Index Verborum of the Fragments of the Avesta.* (Indo-Iranian Series.) Columbia University Press (Macmillan).  
Simmons, J. C. *My Trip to the Orient.* San Francisco: The Whitaker & Ray Co. \$1.50.  
Simon, Pierre. *A Philosophical Essay on Probabilities.* John Wiley & Sons. \$2.  
Some of the Rhymes of Ironquill. New ed. G. P. Putnam's Sons.  
Sumichrast, F. C. de. *Racine's Athalia.* Macmillan. 60 cents.  
Temple Bible. Numbers.—The Earlier Pauline Epistles. 2 vols. London: Dent; Philadelphia: Lippincott. 60c. each.  
Thackeray, W. M. *The Newcomes.* 3 vols. London: J. M. Dent & Co.; New York: Macmillan.  
Thring, Lord. *Practical Legislation.* Toronto: George N. Morang & Co.; Boston: Little, Brown & Co.  
Tompkins, H. W. *Highways and Byways in Hertfordshire.* Macmillan. \$2.  
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