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Divine retribution, Robert Reed argues, is a principal driving force in Shakespeare's English history plays and three of his major tragedies. Reed finds evidence of the playwright's growing ingenuity and maturing skill in his treatment of the crime of political homicide, its impact on events, and God's judgment on the criminal. Reed's analysis focuses upon Tudor concepts that he shows were familiar to all Elizabethans—the biblical principle of inherited guilt, the doctrine that God is the fountainhead of retribution, with man merely His instrument, and the view that conscience serves a fundamentally divine function—and he urges us to look at

Shakespeare within the context of his time, avoiding the too-frequent tendency of twentieth-century critics to force a modern world view on the plays. Heaven's power of vengeance provides an essential unifying theme to the plays of the two historical tetralogies, Julius Caesar, Hamlet, and Macbeth. By analyzing these plays in the light of values held by Shakespeare's contemporaries, Reed has made a substantial contribution toward clarifying our understanding of the plays and of Elizabethan England.

Reading Shakespeare through a Christian Lens Not only huge English literature fans or apologetics aficionados will be delighted by this special Advent issue of An Unexpected Journal. The aim is to inter-

est the scholar, yes, but also the general reader who has no special knowledge of English literature, Shakespeare, or apologetics. The defense of the Christian faith believes that no domain of human experience. All areas, including the history of ideas political, philosophical, scientific, and social, are fair game for apologetic research and discussion. All that we express in literature (especially the dramatic arts) deals with our experience, and experience is tied to the One who Makes, Redeems, and Sanctifies experience. With features from guest editors: Joe Ricke: "A Guide to Reading this Volume," "Introduction," "Against Pessimism: As You Like It (or Not)" Sarah R.A. Waters: "Lewis, Lear, and The Four

Loves" As well as contributions from Shakespearean Scholars: Jem Bloomfield: "Disclosures of Form" John D. Cox: "Paradoxia Shakespeareana" Jack Heller: "Dogberry's Inscrutable Grace in Much Ado about Nothing" Laura Higgins: "Shakespeare's Hidden Ghosts" Crystal Hurd: "Ophelia" Corey Latta: "Hamlet's Father" and "Othello" Tony Lawton and Editors: "Shakespeare and Cultural Apologetics" Tracy Manning and Editors: "An Interview with Tracy Manning" Louis Markos: "Letters From Shakespeare: Love" and "Letters From Shakespeare: Fools" D.S. Martin: "A Poem Emerging From An Epigraph Concerning Hamlet's Indirection" G. Connor Salter: "Adaptation and Cultural Apologetics" John Stanifer: "Authorship: A Poetic Meditation" Jennifer Woodruff Tait: "Scripture" and "Jaques Tells His Story" Grace Tiffany: "Who is't can read a woman?" Gary L. Tandy: "O, I have ta'en too little care of this" Including excerpts from the works of William Shakespeare: "Sonnet 55" "Cordelia To Lear" "Isabella's Speech (On Mercy)" "Bottom's Dream + Biblical Source" "On Mercy and Prejudice" "Sonnet 116" And commentary from classic au-

thors: "On Shakespeare" by George MacDonald "On MacBeth" by G.K. Chesterton Erasmus On Fools "On Shakespeare" by John Milton 250 pages Volume 5, Issue 4 (Advent 2022) Die Festschrift für Herbert Mainusch stellt eine Momentaufnahme der Forschungsinteressen und des Forschungsstandes der Literaturwissenschaft und Ästhetik dar. Insgesamt 36 Beiträge namhafter Fachgelehrter aus Australien, der Bundesrepublik Deutschland, der Volksrepublik China, Großbritannien, Kanada, Österreich, Sri Lanka, Südafrika und den USA beschäftigen sich mit Themen aus folgenden Bereichen: Utopieforschung, Satiretheorie, Dramentheorie, Übersetzungskritik, moderne Literaturtheorie und Stilgeschichte. Literaturhistorische Arbeiten von der Antike über Mittelalter, Renaissance und Barock bis zur jüngsten Literaturgeschichte etwa Australiens, oder Sri Lankas finden sich ebenso wie Untersuchungen zu einzelnen Autoren wie William Shakespeare, Alexander Pope, David Hume, William Blake, S.T. Coleridge, Bernard Shaw, E.M. Forster, James Joyce, Denis Johnston, Brian Friel und Lebbeus Woods.

This book reads tragedy as a genre in which the protagonist is estranged from the world around him, and, displaced in time, space, and language, comes to inhabit a milieu which is no longer shared by other characters. This alienation from others also entails a decomposition of the integrity of the individual, which is often seen in tragedy's uncertainty about the protagonists' autonomy: do they act, or do the gods act through them? Where are the boundaries of the self, and the boundaries of the human? After an introductory essay exploring the theatrical and linguistic means by which the protagonist is made to inhabit a strange and singular world, the book devotes essays to plays from classical, renaissance, and neo-classical literature by Aeschylus, Sophocles, Seneca, Shakespeare, and Racine. Close attention is paid to the linguistic strangeness of the texts which is often smoothed over by editors and translators, as it is through the weirdness of tragic language that the deep estrangement of the characters is shown. Accordingly, the Greek, Latin, and French texts are quoted in the originals, with translations add-

ed, and attention is paid to textual cruces which illustrate the linguistic and conceptual difficulties of these plays.

This selection of papers that were presented (or nearly so!) to the Boston Colloquium for the Philosophy of Science during the seventies fairly represents some of the most disturbing issues of scientific knowledge in these years. To the distant observer, it may seem that the defense of rational standards, objective reference, methodical self-correction, even the distinguishing of the foolish from the sensible and the truth-seeking from the ideological, has nearly collapsed. In fact, the defense may be seen to have shifted; the knowledge business came under scrutiny decades ago and, indeed, from the time of Francis Bacon and even far earlier, the practicality of the discovery of knowledge was either hailed or lamented. So the defense may be founded on the premise that science may yet be liberating. In that case, the analysis of philosophical issues expands to embrace issues of social interest and social function, of instrumentality and arbitrary perspective, of biological constraints (upon

knowledge as well as upon the species-wide behavior of human beings in other relationships too), of distortions due to explanatory metaphors and imposed categories, and of radical comparisons among the perspectives of different civilizations. Some of our contributors are frankly programmatic, showing how problems must be formulated afresh, how evasions must be identified and omissions rectified, but they do not reach their own completion.

Surveys the scholarship published from 1940 to the present, as well as major earlier contributions. The introduction traces the history of recent criticism and research. The bibliography itself--fully annotated, cross-referenced, and thoroughly indexed--is divided into sections that indicate the dominant critical and scholarly concerns, e.g. translations, state history, major productions, films, music, television, and criticism. Annotation(c) 2003 Book News, Inc., Portland, OR (booknews.com)

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ternational bibliography.

Ewan Fernie argues that the demonic tradition in literature offers a key to our most agonised and intimate experiences. The Demonic ranges across the breadth of Western culture, engaging with writers as central and various as Luther, Shakespeare, Hegel, Dostoevsky, Melville and Mann.

Religious issues and religious discourse were vastly important in the sixteenth and seventeenth century and religious language is key to an understanding of Shakespeare's plays and poems. This dictionary discusses just over 1000 words and names in Shakespeare's works that have some religious denotation or connotation. Its unique word-by-word approach allows equal consideration of the full religious nuance of each of these words, from 'abbess' to 'zeal'. It also gradually reveals the persistence, the variety, and the sophistication of Shakespeare's religious usage. Frequent attention is given to the prominence of Reformation controversy in these words, and to Shakespeare's often ingenious and playful metaphoric usage of them. Theological and religious commonplaces also assume a major place in the

dictionary, as do overt references to biblical figures, biblical stories and biblical place-names; biblical allusions; church figures and saints. Entries include: angel, baptism, catechism, cross, death's-head, devil, equivocation, evil, fool, Saint George, GOd, grace, heaven, idolatry, Jove, Lutheran, merit, Navarre, obsequy, Pope, pray, reform/reformation, sanctify, scripture, sin, soul, troth, unction, vice, and York.

Combines historical and literary data in this discussion of the sources and background of Shakespeare's plays.

As the first translator of Plato's complete works into Latin, the Florentine writer Marsilio Ficino (1433-99) and his blend of Neoplatonic and Hermetic philosophy were fundamental to the intellectual atmosphere of the Renaissance. In Spain, his works were regularly read, quoted, and referenced, at least until the nineteenth century, when literary critics and philosophers wrote him out of the history of early modern Spain. In *Ficino in Spain*, Susan Byrne uses textual and bibliographic evidence to show the pervasive impact of Ficino's writings and translations on the Spanish Renaissance. Cat-

aloguing everything from specific mentions of his name in major texts to glossed volumes of his works in Spanish libraries, Byrne shows that Spanish writers such as Miguel de Cervantes, Lope de Vega, Bartolomé de las Casas, and Garcilaso de la Vega all responded to Ficino and adapted his imagery for their own works. An important contribution to the study of Spanish literature and culture from the fifteenth to the seventeenth centuries, *Ficino in Spain* recovers the role that Hermetic and Neoplatonic thought played in the world of Spanish literature.

In what sense did Shakespeare's representation of the Weird Sisters participate in the rewriting of village witchcraft? Was it likely to "encourage the Sword"? Did opera's specific medial conditions offer Verdi special opportunities to justify the presence of stage witches more than three centuries later? How valid is the parallel between 19th century opera and the voyeurism of madhouse spectacle? Was Shakespeare's play really engaged in the project of exorcizing Queen Elizabeth's cultural memory? What does Verdi's chorus of Scottish refugees have to

do with shifting representations of 'the people'? These are among the questions tackled in this study. It provides the first in-depth comparison of Shakespeare's and Verdi's *Macbeth* that is written expressly from the perspective of current Shakespearean criticism whilst striving to do justice to the topic's musicological dimension at the same time. Exploring to what extent the play's matrix of possible readings is distinct from Verdi's two operatic versions, the book seeks to relate such differences both to the historical contexts of the works' geneses and to their respective medial conditions. In doing so, it pays particular attention to shifting negotiations of witchcraft, gender, madness, and kingship. The study eventually broadens its discussion to consider other Shakespearean plays and their operatic offshoots, reflecting on some possible relations between historical and medial difference.

Showing no propagandistic concern for theology, Shakespeare's tragedies with Christian settings (*R3*, *R2*, *Romeo and Juliet*, *Macbeth*, *Othello*, and *Hamlet*) are secular, sympathetic treatments of hu-

man downfall caused mainly by evil in external situations in the universe and society. In this book, D. Douglas Waters - defining Shakespeare's tragic vision - sees evil mainly in terms of cosmic and societal forces and only partially in terms of the weaknesses of the tragic figures. The scope of Waters's study is to analyze the tragic structure of several plays, to oppose present-day deemphasis on the genre of tragedy in discussions of Shakespeare by some structuralists and poststructuralists, and to stress Shakespeare's tragic mimesis (as artistic representation) and our response to it - our intellectual, moral, and emotional clarification of pity and fear for the tragic heroes and/or heroines. Here, Waters takes a combined historicist and formalist approach to Shakespeare's tragedies with Christian settings. He takes issue with both the theological critics of Shakespeare's tragedies and structuralist and poststructuralist interpreters (who either ignore or slight tragedy and tragic theory in Shakespeare interpretation). Waters's view differs notably from such diverse interpretations as Roy W. Battenhouse's *Shakespearean Tragedy: Its Art and Chris-*

tian premises, Irving Ribner's *Patterns in Shakespearean Tragedy*, Virgil K. Whitaker's *The Mirror Up to Nature: The Techniques of Shakespeare's Tragedies*, and Robert Grams Hunter's *Shakespeare and the Mystery of God's Judgments*. Waters questions, for example, Battenhouse's validity of Christian theological and didactic emphases on the old purgation theory of catharsis. His approach differs also from Northrop Frye's views on the tragedies in *Northrop Frye on Shakespeare*, an archetypal approach to representative plays including the tragedies. More in the tradition of such works as Roland M. Frye's *Shakespeare and Christian Doctrine and The Renaissance "Hamlet"* and Robert H. West's *Shakespeare and the Outer Mystery*, Waters's efforts go beyond those of Kenneth Muir and Ruth Nevo - and others with whom he generally agrees - by discussing tragedy in light of some recent structuralist and poststructuralist challenges to the importance of genre considerations in Shakespeare. This text is a valuable historicist/formalist contribution to critical theory and a specific literary analysis of the tragedies with Christian settings -

tragedies which give secular importance to human suffering without affirming the importance of theological premises. Waters holds that these tragedies emphasize all things human and cause spectators and readers of these tragedies to question rather than affirm God's goodness, grace, and providence.

Original Scholarly Monograph

The plays, theme or focus of this volume includes: *The Comedy of Errors*, *Hamlet*, *Henry IV, Parts 1 and 2*, *Timon of Athens*, *Twelfth Night*

A collection of critical essays concerning Shakespeare's tragic play of tyranny, revenge, and mental anguish.

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More than fifty specialists have contributed to this new edition of volume 1 of *The Cambridge Bibliography of English Literature*. The design of the original work has established itself so firmly as a workable solution to the immense problems of analysis, articulation and coordination that it has been retained in all its essentials for the new edition. The task of

the new contributors has been to revise and integrate the lists of 1940 and 1957, to add materials of the following decade, to correct and refine the bibliographical details already available, and to re-shape the whole according to a new series of conventions devised to give greater

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Nineteen modern scholars consider Shakespeare's use of imagery, symbolism, and language as well as the central meaning of the tragedy

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In *Exorcism and Its Texts*, Hilaire Kallendorf demonstrates how this 'infection' was represented in some thirty works of literature by fifteen different authors, ranging from canonical classics to obscure works by anonymous writers.