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substantial work done, & also the unique character of the book which renders it one of the most fascinating works on the subject, in this, or as I firmly believe, in any other language. I am glad Piazzi S. uses the term unique in reference to his father's work, it is most suitable to the character of the work, it is an unique book. I believe S. has been urged by (XYZ) to undertake the attack upon the Cycle, & if (XYZ) thought it necessary to be done I for one think he (XYZ) should have done it himself. If (XYZ) had framed a calm quiet paper without any hostile, offensive epithets, a mere statement of facts, it would have carried great weight with it x x x It seems to me that for all the curious & deeply interesting out-of-the-way information which is so plentifully dispensed over its most attractive pages,