

teurer mehrbändiger Festschriften an verdiente Wissenschaftler, wenn eine durchgehende Qualität der Festschrift nicht garantiert werden kann.

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*Acta omnium gentium ac nationum conventus quinti Latinis litteris linguaeque fovendis. A die XXX mensis Augusti usque ad diem V mensis Septembris anno MCMLXXXI Augustae Treverorum habiti. De Roma et provinciis septentrionalibus ad occidentem vergentibus. Cooperante Rhoda Schnur edidit Nicolaus Sallmann. Domus editoria Rainardi Brune, Leichlingae 1984. XXXV, 292 p.*

Acta quinti conventus Academiae Latinitati fovendae hoc tomo publici iuris facta sunt, quo continentur orationes et relationes doctorum virorum in consessibus necnon inaugurales et conclusivae allocutiones salutationesque varii generis. Res proposita erat — ut loco ad conventum habendum convenit — de Roma et provinciis septentrionalibus ad occidentem vergentibus deque commercio inter eas conspicuo. In consessibus sexto septimo octavo de humanistis, de scriptoribus posthumanisticorum temporum deque linguae Latinae pronuntiatu et usu hodierno viri docti rettulerunt.

De proprietate ac ingenio huius tomi dicendum est hoc. Omnes fere relationes magni momenti sunt, argumentum grave est et bene conceptum. Haec acta mihi multo maioris momenti videntur Actis quarti conventus Academiae (conferas quaeso quae scripsi Arctos 1981, 172). Rite editores has relationes optima veste typographica nobis paraverunt. Gratiam nostram optime meriti sunt. At viri docti Augustae Treverorum non solum erudite sudabant. Si forte existimas acta conventus omnia referre quae in conventu facta sint plane erras. Eheu praesens non aderam, sed ex pluribus allocutionibus necnon ex praefatione editoris indefessi Nicolai Sallmann accipi potest eos qui conventui intererant maxime delectatos esse amoenitate civitatis Treverensis aliisque rebus ut spectaculis discursationibus urbanis peregrinationibus maioribus. Porro memoranda est vinorum gustatio, de qua videas p. XXVIII—XXX (bene fecerunt hospites, quod eius rei non obliti sunt, nam ita memoramur Romanos inter alia beneficia vites vinumque provinciis Germanicis induxisse, vinum instrumentum et profanum et sacrum, quo adhuc homines ad meliorem humanitatem semper incitantur); ibi mirari potes optima vina ut vinum praemio ornatum aut vinum summae bonitatis bacis selectis expressum. Vina vinorum.

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*Friedrich Gottlieb Welcker, Werk und Wirkung. Vorträge, gehalten auf der Welcker-Tagung in der Werner-Reimers-Stiftung in Bad Homburg vom 5.—7. November 1984 (I) und zur Eröffnung der Ausstellung „Friedrich Gottlieb Welcker (1784—1868): Philologe, Archäologe und Oberbibliothekar in Bonn“ in der Universitätsbibliothek Bonn am 5. November 1984 (II). Herausgegeben von William M. Calder III, Adolf Köhnken, Wolfgang Kullmann, Günther Pflug. Hermes, Einzelschriften 49. Franz Steiner Verlag Wiesbaden GmbH, Stuttgart 1986. VIII, 293 S. DEM 58.*

The papers from the Welcker symposium held in 1984 form a remarkably many-sided review of the achievements of one of the most prominent classical scholars of the first half of the 19th century; indeed, they illuminate the entire epoch in a most interesting manner. Most of the twelve contributions are comprehensive studies adjusted for publication and provided with full references. Critical distance is combined here with interpretation, understanding, and elegance. The influence of William M. Calder III can be traced throughout the volume.

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*Michael Silk: Homer, The Iliad. Landmarks of world literature. Cambridge University Press, 1987. VII, 116 p. GBP 3.95 (paperback).*

A brief first introduction to the Iliad, written for the general reader with literary interests. A minimum amount of facts and theories relating to Homeric poetry are given. The main part of the booklet gives a clear and vivid presentation of the contents of the poem. It serves its purpose but (contrary to what is said on the back cover) includes little or nothing for the specialist. The selection of references for further reading at the end has some unusual features.

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*Lene Andersen: Studies in Oracular Verses: Concordance to Delphic Responses in Hexameter. Det Kongelige Danske Videnskabernes Selskab. Historisk-filosofiske Meddelelser, 53. Munksgaard, Copenhagen 1987. XX, 274 p. DKK 300.*

Concordances are usually useful within their specific limits. Here the limits are extremely narrow, but the method used is precise and comprehensive. It is understandable that the author and her advisers preferred not to double or triple the amount of work (and pages) by including all oracular responses in hexameter. But the title of the book is slightly disappointing: no attempt is made to utilize the word lists, e.g. to study the relation of Delphic hexameter to the Homeric, Hesiodic and Orphic traditions.

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*Andrea Tessier: Verbum de verbo. Tradizione semitico-latina del "De generatione et corruptione" aristotelico. Università di Padova. Bollettino dell'Istituto di filologia greca, suppl. 8. "L'Erma" di Bretschneider, Roma 1983. 66 p. ITL 35.000.*

Lo studio deriva dalle note critiche accumulate dall'autore durante il suo lavoro per l'edizione della traduzione ebraica del *De generatione et corruptione* di Aristotele. La tradizione semitica del trattato aristotelico si dirama nella sua fase terminale in due versioni,