and the quartering of troops, and in the navy, especially 'ship-money' and the shameless embezzlements of Verres, and then passes on to the corruption of Roman magistrates and senators by client princes and the misuse of embassies and missions as means to private profits. Sometimes he takes too literally the wild invectives of Cicero against Piso and Verres; sometimes (pp. 58, 70) he suspects corruption where none can be proved; but, on the whole, he paints us a true if gloomy picture of this deepseated disease in the administration of the dying Roman Republic.

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CORRESPONDENCE

PLATO, REPUBLIC 421A: A REJOINDER.

IF I understand Mr. Ferguson's argument (in C.R. XXXV. 17 f.) aright, the main difference between his view and mine is that, whereas he would confine the horizon of the writer's thought to Athens, I would extend it to embrace Sicily. If I am right, $\gamma \epsilon \omega \mu \delta \rho \sigma v s$ seems at least a tolerable correction; but if he is right, then $\chi o \rho \eta \gamma o \omega s$ is much the superior. As against the limitation of the reference to Athens, I would refer to the words (of the objector) in 420A $\delta \sigma v$ $\delta \lambda \omega \kappa \tau \lambda$. (with Adam's n.), to the allusion to Syracusan luxury in 404D (cf. Ep. 326B), and to Sicilian affairs elsewhere in Rep. (e.g. 473D). Moreover, the word $\pi a \nu \eta \gamma \nu \rho s$, which Mr. Ferguson regards as a 'clue' word, may well mean

a 'promiscuous gathering' $\pi \alpha \nu \tau \sigma \delta a \pi \hat{\omega} \nu d\nu \theta \rho \hat{\omega} - \pi \omega \nu$ (cf. 604E) rather than an official Athenian festival. Finally, as to $\gamma \epsilon \omega \mu \delta \rho \sigma \nu s$, may not Stallbaum be right when he says (ad Leges 737E), 'singulis locis semper videndum, qua vi et potestate vocabulum accipiendum sit'?

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CORRECTION.

THE last three lines of the paragraph on Art in the summary of the Berliner Wochenschrift (C.R., February-March, 1921) should have read: 'Fig. 142 is a clever modern forgery, copying a relief in the Museo Barracco (LII) with the aid of a plate, published in the Annali dell' Instituto, after a lost Madrid copy.'

SUMMARIES OF PERIODICALS

CLASSICAL WEEKLY (NEW YORK).

(1921.)

- ART. Jan. 10. F. Studniczka, Das Bild Menanders (Bates). Scholarly and accurate, save for mistakes about American museums.
- save for mistakes about American museums. LITERATURE.—Jan. 17. F. Holland, Seneca (Gummere). An interesting sketch of an interesting man.—Jan. 24. J. Geffcken, Die griechische Tragödie (Fitch). Brief but suggestive.—A. Körte, Die griechische Komödie (Fitch). On the same lines as the preceding, but hardly so well phrased.—Jan. 31. U. von Wilamowitz-Möllendorff, Die Itias und Homer (Bassett). 'Even W.'s analysis is a long step towards the Unitarian position,' though he has hardly a good word for its defenders.—Mar. 28. Helen E. Wieand, Deception in Plantus (Rolfe). Carefully done. —R. D. Elliott, Transition in the Attic Orators (Van Hook). Thorough but dull. —Agnes C. Vaughan, Madness in Greek Thought and Custom (Robinson). Systematic, readable, and sound.—W. C. Summers, Silver Age of Latin Literature (Mustard). Praised. M. adds further quotations to show the influence of Silver Latin authors on modern literature.
- NUMISMATICS.—Jan. 10. E. A. Sydenham, Historical References on Coins of the Roman Empire (Agnes Brett). Warmly commended to students of Roman history.

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- RELIGION.—Jan. 24. N. Bentwich, *Hellenism* (Allen). A discussion, sometimes monotonous, of Hellenistic Judaism.
- SCIENCE.—Mar. 7. T. L. Heath, *Euclid in* Greek, Book I. (Humphreys and D. E. Smith). Highly praised.
- Jan. 24 and Feb. 28. Contain useful lists by Grace H. Goodale and W. S. Messer respectively of recent classical articles in nonclassical periodicals (written in English, with few exceptions).

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(1918-20.)

- ARCHAEOLOGY, ETC.—1920, pp. 116-125. A. Frickenhaus, *Die altgriechische Bühne* [Strassburg, 1917. M. 16] (A. Körte). On the whole disappointing, especially on controversial topics such as Theologeion and Lycurgan stage.
- HISTORY.—1919, pp. 419-35. Otto Th. Schulz, Vom Prinzipat zum Dominat. Das Wesen des römischen Kaisertums des dritten Jahrhunderts [in Drerup, Grimme, Kirsch, Studien zur Geschichte und Kultur des Altertums, IX. 4, 5. Paderborn, 1919. M. 13+20 per cent.] (J. Kromayer). A continuation of his earlier work (*ibid.* 1916) dealing with the first two centuries. An exhaustive collection of material, not however arranged to the best