## EXAMINATION FOR B.A.

## RHETORIC AND ENGLISH LITERATURE.

## EXAMINER: PROFESSOR MURRAY.

- 1. (a) At what date was the authorized version of the Bible published?
  - (b) What were the two versions which immediately preceded it?
  - (c) On which of these chiefly was it founded?

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- 2. Mention the principal works of Jeremy Taylor, and describe the character of his eloquence.
- 3. (a) What was the great work which Bacon planned, and towards which his chief writings were contributions?
  - (b) What two problems did Bacon aim at solving, and what two works may be regarded as containing his solutions of these severally?
- 4. (a) What were the principal prose works of Milton?
  - (b) Describe his most important minor poems.
- 5. Explain what is meant by the dramatic Unities, point out their relative importance, and mention the schools of dramatic poetry which are distinguished by their observance or non-observance.
- 6. (a) What period is comprehended in the history of the old English drama?
  - (b) What are the four stages into which that period may be divided?
  - (c) What plays of Shakspere, what other dramatists may be referred to these stages severally?
- 7. (a) Describe the character of the style called Euphuism.
  - (b) What was the origin of the name?
  - (c) In what comedy of Shakspere, in what novel of Sir Walter Scott is the style parodied?
- 8. What celebrated metrical translations does our literature owe to Chapman and to Fairfax respectively?
- 9. (a) Does obscurity of language always arise from obscurity of thought? Give the reason for your answer.
  - (b) Is perspicuity inconsistent with ornament of style? Give the reason for your answer.
- 10. Explain the difference between a loose and a periodic style.