ACT V. Scene 1.

smade, that it was ; 'Lands be given ow that I shall die ne prophesie of me ife in Ierusalem'"

this petty outh of corruption of God, s wounds, and simi-The pic may refer ice-book, which was nme pie, or pica, is e-book showing how pon each day. The fers to "the number ie, and the munifold rhand, The Cock and e magpie, was a com-. Boswell quotes A hich shows that cock to the birds or to they do not offende d because they will se it, they sware by by the mouse foote, e considers that the ts of the days of chls presented to each r vow he had chosen. disuse, the pencock ish at the feast, and collection of the old less serious, or even not only by the bird adds: "Even if the the service-book, this penre's time (llke the in Mary), and the cock in the popular mind

and with wheat? avy.

Illusive etymologies

the old tavern-signs."

th an old practice of land than in the rest being used for turning condition for sowing It is still common in is, a spring wheat—on wheat—that is, winter

of Woncor. — Edwards
Woncot might be Woodloucestershire. Tollet,
"Wolphmancote, vul... Woncot is probably
tford-on-Avon, referred

to as Wincot in Taming of the Shrew, Ind. 2.23: "the fat ale-wife of Wincot." (See note 13 of that play.)

326. Lines 80, 90: which is four terms, or two actions — Johnson remarks: "There is something humorons in making a spendthrift compute time by the operation of an action for debt."

## ACT V. SCENE 2.

327.-The much-disputed incident of Prince Henry's committal by Gascoigne has been already referred to, vide supra, 1. 2. 62-64. It occurs in The Fumous Victories of Henry the Fifth, scene 4, where Cutbert Cutter is the name of the robber on whose behalf the princo intervenes. Stow, Annales (edn. 1592, p. 548), takes from Sir Thomas Elyot's Gonernor a long relation of the story, The prince, he says, came to the bar of the King's Bench, where one of his servants had been arraigned for felony, ordered him to be set at liberty, and, on being answered by the Chief-justice that this was illegal, endeavoured himself to take away his servant. The judge "commanded the prince upon his allegiance to leave the prisoner, and to depart his way: with which commandment, the prince being set all hi a fury, all chafed, & in a terrible maner came vp to the place of judgement, men thinking that he would have slaine the ludge." Hollushed, who makes only a brief mention of the story, says the prince "had with his fist striken the chiefo iustice" (p. 61). In the old play there is the stage-direction, "He gineth him a boxe on the care." "The ludge," Stow continues, "with an assured bold countenance, had to the prince these words following: 'Sir, remember your selfe, I keep here the place of the king your soneralgue lord and father, to whom you owe double obeisance, wherefore eftsoones in his name 1 charge you desist off your wilfulnes and valawful enterprise, and from hencefoorth gine good example to those which hereafter shall be your proper subjects: and now for your contempt and disobedience, go you to the prison of the kings bench, whereunto I commit you, and remain you there prisoner vutil the pleasure of the king your father be further known." The prince obeyed. The king, Stow continues, being informed of the matter, "abraid1 with a lowde voice: 'O merciful God! how much are I bound to thy Infinit goodnes, especially for that thou hast given me a Judge, who feareth not to minister it stice, and also a sonne, who can suffer semblably and obey justice."

Shakespeare, in representing Gascoigne to have been continued in his office by Henry V., followed The Famons Victories. In scene 9 of that play occurs the following

Hen. 5. O my Lord, you remember you sent me to the Fleete, dld

you not?

Iust. I trust your grace have regetten that.
Hen. 5. I truly my Lord, and for revengement,

I haue chosen you to be my Protector oner my Realme, Until it shall please God to glue me speedle returne

Out of France.

Just. And if it please your Maiestie, I am far vnworthie Of so high a dignitie.

1 Exclaimed.

Hen, 5. Tut my Lord, you are not vitworthic, P.cause 1 thinks you worthic; For you that would not spare me,

I thinke wil not spare another.

-Shakspere Quarto Facsimiles, no. 39, p. 37.

328 Line 38: A ragged and Forestall'D REMISSION.—
Perhaps a forestall'd remission means "a pardon the terms of which have been settled before my defence has been heard." Monek Mason explains it "a remission that it is predetermined shall not be granted, or will be rendered meantory." Malone thinks that forestelled means only "asked before it is granted," "obtained by previous supplication."

329. Line 48; Not Amurath an Amurath succeeds—Amurath or Monrad the Third, sixth sultan of the Thirks, succeeded his father Selim 11. In 1574. Immediately upon his accession he caused his brothers to be straugled. He died in 1596, leaving several sons. Mahomet the eldest, who was favoured by the Junizaries and great Bassas, on his arrival at Constantinople, invited his brothers to a feast, where he had them all strangled before amouncing his father's death, so as to prevent any inconvenient disputes concerning the succession. Previous sultans are recorded as having done the same on their accession.

330. Lines 123-125:

My father is gone wild into his grave, For in his tomb lie my affections, And with his spirit sadly I survive.

"My wild dispositions having ceased on my father's death, and being now as it were buried in his tomb, he and wildness are interred in the same grave" (Malone). Compare Henry V. i. 1, 25-27:

The breath no sooner left his father's body, But that his wildness, mortified in him, Seem'd to die too.

"After his fathers decease," says Stow, "was neuer no youth or wildenes that might hane place in him, but all his acts were sodenly changed into granitie and discretion" (Annales, 1592, p. 549).

331. Line 132: the state of floods.—The majesty of the ocean. Hammer stupidly transposed the expression into the floods of state.

## ACT V. SCENE 3.

332. Line 3: a dish of caraways.—It is probable, on the whole, that Warburton was right in explaining this as "a comfit or confection," in which caraway seeds were a prominent Ingredient. Goldsmith, on the other hand, thought that "a dish of apples of that name" was meant. Malone quotes Florio's Second Frutes, 1591 (p. 63), where, after a dinner, a servant is ordered to bring in "apples, pears, . . . biskets, and carowaies, with those other comfeets;" compare also the Booke of Carvyng: "Serve after meat, peres, nuts, strawberies, hurtleberies and hard cheese: also blaudrels or pipins, with caraway in cofeets." Steevens cites Cogan's Haven of Health, 1595: "Howbeit we are wont to eate caractaies or biskets, or some other kind of comfits or seedes together with apples, thereby to breake winde ingendred by them: and surely it is a very good way for students." Compare Parkinson (quoted by 505