M. Jules Claretie's recent lecture on "Shakespeare and Molière" is published in full in *The Living Age* for Sept. 16. It is an extremely interesting appreciation and comparison of the two great dramatists.

The Living Age for Sept. 30 will have for its leading article the last contribution which the lamented M. Victor Cherbuliez made to the *Revue des Deux Mondes* over his familiar signature "G. Valbert." The subject is "The Colonial Principles of an American Naturalist." In the following number of *The Living Age* will be printed M. Ferdinand Brunetière's funeral oration over M. Cherbuliez.

Miss Frances H. Low's "Woman's Criticism of the Women's Congress" in *The Living Age* for Sep. 23 will be read with lively interest by conservative and "advanced" women.

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