Dr. Johnston on the Danube

See how the wand'ring Danube flows
Realms and religion partin',
A friend to all true Christian foes,
To Peter, Jack, and Martin.
Now Protestant and Papist now,
Nor constant long to either;
At length an infidel does grow,
And ends his journey neither.
Thus many a youth I've known set out,
Half Protestant, half Papist,
And rambling long the world about,
Turn infidel and atheist.

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Idem Latine

Quot facit ambages errante binominis amni Danubius: populos dividit atque deos: Germanos, Italos, pariter Thracesque tuetur; Mille inimicorum captat amicitiam. Ritibus antiquis modo, tum popularibus auris, Utrius incertum partis, utrimque favet; Donec ad extremum .am jamque abiturus in un-

das,
Dedidicit quemquam conciliare deum.
Sic juvenum vidi saepe inter utrumque labantem,
Imperium externum propriaque arbitria:
Fiet et ille prius quam devius ambiit orbem,
Vocibus antiquis perfidus atque sibi.

-Maurice Hutton.

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The epitaph on Burton, author of "The Anatomy of Melancholy," runs-

Paucis notus
paucioribus ignotus
his jacet
Democritus junior*
cui vitam dedit et mortem
melancholia.

*This is a curious mistake for Heraclitus junior: Democritus was the laughing not the weeping philosopher.

Idem Anglice Redditum

A name to most men, and to most a name,
Here Burton lies;
He died of melancholy: by the same
He never dies.

Or, another sense being given to "vitam."
Here named by most men, and to most a name,
Lies Burton dead;
He died of melancholy: 'twas his fame
And daily bread.

Or, yet a third sense being preferred for "vitam."

He died of melancholy: by the same
His life was fed.

-Maurice Hutton.

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οὐδεσὶν ἄγνωστος γνῶτος δ' ὀλίγοις ὅδε κεἶται Αβδήροῖσι νέοις Δημόκριτος γ' ὁ νέος· τῷ τε μελαγχολικῷ πρότερον ποτ' ἀφιγμένος "Αδου κἀναβιωσκόμενος τῷδε μελαγχολικῷ.

-Maurice Hutton.

In politics, in politics,
The Other Side orates prolix,
The Other Side makes all the kicks,
The Other side throws all the bricks,
In politics.

In politics, in politics,
The Other Side plays knavish tricks,
The Other Side the ballots fix,
The Other Side's own conscience pricks,
In politics.

As for Our Side, (let us remove our hats when we speak of the great) it is not too much to say that for nobility of soul, unsullied integrity of character, and general praiseworthiness, it is certainly a copper-lined, hard-boiled, cow-hide, ringtail-snorter.

-E. H.



He can prove that wrong is right,
He can turn black into white,
For each contingency he has a trump;
He will cheat you, he will hoax you,
He will wheedle, lure, and coax you,
This most persuasive

But evasive Man upon the stump.