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### **Remarks On The Life and Writings Of Dr. Jonathan Swift, Dean of St. Patrick's, Dublin**

**Orrery, John Boyle of**

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Queen Anne dies, and Dr. Swift goes to his deanery in Ireland.

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treffed in her situation : while faction was exerting itself, and gathering new strength every day. The part which he had to act upon this occasion, was not so difficult, as it was disagreeable. He exerted the utmost of his skill to reunite the ministers, and to cement the apertures of the state. I could descend into very minute particulars, were I to tell you what I have heard him say upon this occasion : but, my dearest HAM, let me speak to you with my usual sincerity. We are at present too near that æra, and have had too many unexpected consequences from it, either to judge impartially, or to write undauntedly, of those tempestuous times. Be contented if I tell you, that as soon as SWIFT found his pains fruitless, his arguments unavailing, and his endeavours, like the stone of SISYPHUS, rolling back upon himself, he retired to a friend's house in *Berkshire*, where he remained till the Queen died. So fatal a catastrophe put a final period to all his views in *England*, and made him return, as fast as possible, to his deanery in *Ireland*, loaded with those agonizing passions, grief and discontent. I am sorry to leave him in so uneasy a situation, but I must hasten to subscribe myself,

Your affectionate Father,

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