

paniment the bear. Under the staff follow these enigmatical lines:

Principis hic Barculus, patriæ columenque, decusque,  
Hoc uno, ingratos quod bæet, ipse miser."

*V. T. in Notes and Queries, 1853.*

Dugdale, the great antiquary, says: "Robert Dudley, Earl of Leicester, designed to retire unto his castle at Kenilworth, but being on his journey thitherwards, at Cornbury Park, in the County of Oxford, he died upon the fourth of Sept. A.D. 1588, of a fever, as twas said, and was buried at Warwick, where he hath a noble monument."

Leicester always pretended to be a friend to religion, built churches and hospitals, and extolled clergymen. He was benevolent to his relations and servants. His fidelity to the Queen and his patriotism and courage were above reproach. He was an excellent writer, and of very great ability every way. His tact in keeping the favor of a sovereign so jealous was never surpassed. Leicester's son Robert, whom he called, in his will, his "base son," became a very great man in Italy; and he was the fourth in succession of this Dudley family, whose fame and influence even fate and misfortune could not extinguish.

#### DUDLEY MONUMENTS

*In St. Mary's Church at Warwick Castle.*

On the North side of the Chapel lie the much-admired marble statues of Robert Dudley, Earl of Leicester, and Lady Lettice, his wife, Countess of Leicester, upon a magnificent tomb of marble, inclosed with iron rails, with this inscription:—

DEO VIVENTIUM S.

Spe certa resurgendi in Christo, hic situs est illustrissimus Robertus Dudleyus, Johannis, Ducis Northumbriæ, Comitis Warwici, Vicecomitis Insulæ, &c., filius quintus; Comes Lecestrie, Baro Denbighie, ordinis tum S. Georgii, tum S. Michaelis, Eques auratus; Regiæ Elizabethæ [apud quem Singlari gratia florebat] Hippocomus, Regæ Aulæ subinde Seneschillus; ab intimis Consilij: Forestarum, Parcorum, Chacearum, &c., citra Trentham summus Justiciarius; Exercitus Anglici a dicta Regi, Eliz: missi in Belgio, ad Anno MDLXXXV. ad Annum MDLXXXVII. Locum tenens et Capitaneus generalis: Provin-