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### A STUDY IN THE HISTORY OF THE REIGN OF CHARLES II

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"Some truth there was, but dashed and brewed with lies."

Absalom and Achitophel.

"Oh! it was a naughty Court. Yet have we dreamed of it as the period when an English cavalier was grace incarnate; far from the boor now hustling us in another sphere; beautifully mannered, every gesture dulcet. And if the ladies were... we will hope they have been traduced. But if they were, if they were too tender, ah! gentlemen were gentlemen then—worth perishing for!"—The Egoist.

"Donner pour certain ce qui est certain, pour faux ce qui est faux, pour douteux ce qui est douteux."—Mabillon.

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