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(2) The satirical speech made by him (pp. 219, 220) was called the *Tripus-speech*: and

(3) His humorous verses distributed by the bedels were called *Tripus-verses*.

(4) His office became obsolete in the last century; and similar verses being still circulated by authority each *sheet of verses* was called 'a *Tripus*,' or 'Tripus Paper' (*Gradus ad Cantab.* ed. 1803).

(5) On the back of each sheet after the year 1748 a *list* of 'Wranglers' and 'Senior Optimes,' or of 'Junior Optimes' (*Gradus ad Cantab.* ed. 1824). These lists were called the 'Triposes,' or first and second 'Tripus lists' (pp. 210, 255).

(6) The mathematical *examination*, whose interest centered in this list, was called the Tripus.

(7) When other 'honour examinations' were instituted they were distinguished as the 'classical tripus,' &c. from the 'mathematical tripus.'

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