

GEORGE BULL  
1634-1710

Defensio Fidei Nicaenae, ex scriptis catholicorum doctorum, qui intra tria prima ecclesiae christianae secula floruerunt, &c. 3 vols. Ticini 1784-6. 8°.

No copy of this edition examined. The title is here cited from a combination of digital images of editions close in date and a library catalogue record.

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Previously recorded as a “lost book” in *CM (CC)*; this entry replaces that one. Only the annotated flyleaf has been recovered, although C apparently possessed all three vols. George A. Armour of Chicago owned them in 1884, when he sent a transcript of this note to EHC: *CM (CC)* I 800. (EHC’s letter of acknowledgment is now also at VCL.) It is most likely that only the flyleaf was annotated. Armour’s accompanying letter mentions no other note, and few of C’s books with multiple marginalia were annotated before 1807.

DATE. 12 Oct 1805 (1), in Sicily.

[1 flyleaf, pencil](#)

Bought this work at Catania October 2, 1805—/. Finished the careful Perusal of this Volume, at Messina, 12 Oct/ (Sat), having read in the same time the Pastor Fido.<sup>1</sup>— Heaven knows, I need to lose myself in some Thoughts and Subjects the most remote from my existing circumstances, baffled as I am daily, detained, & almost hopeless of arriving in England this year/ Me miserum!<sup>2</sup> S. T. Coleridge

<sup>1</sup> C’s copy of this pastoral drama by Giovanni Battista Guarini survived the return to England. In 1812 when Mrs C was teaching SC Italian, C asked her to send him his copy “for the sake of the minor Poems” included in it, promising her

“a handsomer Edition” in return: *CL* III 393. C also at some point made a fragmentary translation of a portion of the drama: *PW (CC)* I 903-6.

<sup>2</sup> “Poor me!”