path taken by Huygens, whose work, particularly the *Horologium Oscillatorium*, confirmed rather than suggested his own more rapid evolution. If Descartes had not influenced Newton as profoundly as he influenced every one else in the late seventeenth century perhaps the *Principia* might never have been written, but the development of modern science through that classic owes little to the mediation of Huygens, whose reputation must stand or fall on his own achievements, and not on his influence over his greater contemporaries.

A. R. H.

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BUTTERFIELD, Prof. Herbert, M.A., Peterhouse, Cambridge.

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