Learning's Triumph: The Age of Elizabeth in the Age of Johnson

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The Elizabethan Age was a time of great achievement in England. England’s success in commerce brought prosperity to the nation and gave a chance to many people of talent to develop their abilities. Explorers, men of letters, philosophers, poets and famous dramatists appeared in rapid succession. The great men of the so-called “Elizabethan age” distinguished themselves in many fields and displayed a thirst for knowledge. They were often called the Elizabethans. Spenser began his literary work at the age of 17. Once, a fellow-student introduced him to the famous Sir Philip Sydney, who encouraged him to write. Sydney himself was the author of an allegorical romance in prose called “Arcadia” which had become very popular as light reading at court. Learnings triumph historicism and the spirit of the age. 38. Call Britannias glories back to view Tudor history and Hanoverian historians. 57. The rage of Reformation religious controversy and political stability. 78. The groundwork of stile language and national identity. 97. Studied barbarity Jonson Spenser and the idea of progress. 120. The last age Renaissance lost. 143. Notes.