



The MidVictorian Literature and Loss of Faith

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Mittal Publications, New Delhi, 1989. N.A. Book Condition: New. Xii+249pp The Victorian Age was culturally, intellectually and scientifically perhaps the most prolific period of history. It contained the seeds of modernity. It may be appropriate to say that what we find now in the 'modern age', is the outgrowth of the scientific spirit of enquiry and creed of rationalism of the Mid-Victorian era. The bewildering scientific discoveries that brought about the Industrial Revolution, changed the thinking, outlook, attitude, temper and conscience of the Victorians. Naturally, different intellectuals, mostly of the sensitive type, reacted differently a result of free and fearless thinking. Scores of books have been written by scholars, all over the world on the Victorian Age, or the 'Victorian Doubt' This era witnessed a revolution which was peaceful and not 'bloody' Now-a-days, loss of faith is not shocking as it was during the Victorian era, particularly the 1860's. Now people can afford to live without it and without any prick of conscience. Was not Tennyson during his early phase bold enough to say: 'There lies more Faith in ' Honest doubt', Than in all the Creeds.' Similarly, Darwin's doctrine of the 'Survival of the Fittest,' seems to have become now...



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