

Koncepcja historii Williama Robertsona

William Robertson's conception of history

SUMMARY

This paper represents opinion of history by the most famous historian of the Enlightenment period, William Robertson. Though being a Scottish pastor, he proclaimed thesis, that history should be separated from sacred and laic theory. It was result of his conviction, that history must be free from mythology, be reasonable and based on progressive research study.

The works written by this author: "History of Scotland", "History of the Reign of the Emperor Charles the Fifth" and "History of America" had very rich and professional sources. William Robertson in his books referred to important authors such as Cicero, Tacitus, Gregory from Tours, Jean Mabillon, Ludovico Antonio Muratori, Entien Pasquier and Christian Friedrich Pfeffel. William Robertson recognised and presented material which related to the past which in his opinion helped to achieve a better understanding of general historical processes.

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