
Regarding general aspects of this edition see the review of volume 1 [Cambridge University Press (2008; Zbl 1170.01010)]. This sixth volume of the Newton correspondence covers the period from May 1713 up to the end of 1718. It comprehends 321 documents numbered from 1004 up to 1295b, among them being 72 letters from Newton, 93 letters to Newton, and seven documents. While the numbers of extant letters written by Newton written on other than Mint business is relatively small, the majority of them is devoted to his controversy with Leibniz, Newton’s dominant interest during the concerned period. Notably Keill, De Moivre, Chamberlayne, Brook Taylor, the Abbé Conti, and Des Maizeaux interested themselves in the calculus dispute (Introduction p. XXI). Inevitably much space in this volume has been devoted to the controversy between Newton and Leibniz, or rather between the British and the Continental mathematicians. The editors elaborated a useful survey of the concerned letters and documents written during the years 1713-18 (Introduction p.XXVIII). They included a number of these documents so that they present a clear picture of the succession of printed papers in the journals. They consciously omitted the philosophical exchanges between Leibniz and Samuel Clarke.

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