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### THE NEWSPAPER THE "KVALI" ON EREKLE II

The "*Kvali*" paid great attention to the period of the reign of Erekle II, it systematically published articles on the developments and historical figures of this period. The particular interest in this time was due to the fact that it was closely linked with the developments, having occurred a century before, and the fundamental changes in the life of the Georgian people. The conclusion of the protective treaty between Russia, and Kartli and Kakheti ended in the abolishing of the Kingdom of Georgia and the establishment of the Russian rule. In this respect, the article of A.Garsevanishvili "From the History of the Annexation of Kartli and Kakheti" and the article of G.Tsereteli "King Erekle II" are interesting (the "*Kvali*", 1893, No. 29).

The "*Kvali*" generally devoted great attention to Erekle II and tried to assess the advantages and disadvantages of his reign. Although some articles of the newspaper on Erekle II are somewhat biased, they have historiographic importance for the evaluation of the position of the newspaper and the reign of the great king.