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The Poems of LeopardiEssays, Dialogues, and Thoughts (Operette Morali and Pensieri) of Giacomo LeopardiThe Poems of Giacomo LeopardiZibaldoneCantiOperette MoralizibaldoneDelphi Collected Works of Giacomo Leopardi (Illustrated)Flower of the DesertMoral FablesGiacomo LeopardiCantiBeyond the Suffering of Being: Desire in Giacomo Leopardi and Samuel BeckettGiacomo Leopardi’s Search For A Common Life Through PoetryWomen and Feminine Images in Giacomo Leopardi, 1798-1837The Letters of Giacomo Leopardi 1817-1837The Poems (‘Canti’) of Giacomo Leopardi: CantiThe Moral EssaysGiacomo Leopardi’s Search for a Common Life Through PoetryPoemsMapping LeopardiGiacomo Leopardi and the Theory of PoetryLeopardi’s NymphsPoems of LeopardiLeopardiGiacomo LeopardiGiacomo Leopardi: The Poems of LeopardiTranslations from LeopardiGiacomo Leopardi’s Idylls and Nineteenth-century European Landscape PaintingLeopardi and ShelleyAn Introduction to Leopardi’s CantiThe Poems of Giacomo LeopardiSelected Poems of Giacomo LeopardiThis book traces the life of Giacomo Leopardi by examining four different yet interrelated aspects: his social origins and class in relation to his evolving conception of nobility; the mixture of idealism and misogyny in his attitude toward women and in his conception of love; his poems and prose on the theme of Italian independence; and his philosophical materialism as expressed in his poetry, intellectual diary, and essays. Frank Rosengarten pays particular attention to the ways in which the thought of Arthur Schopenhauer and Friedrich Nietzsche illuminates Leopardi’s world view. He also devotes a section of the book to the different personal, moral, and philological components of Leopardi’s humanism. Throughout, he maintains a sharp focus on the connections between Leopardi’s life and the historical period in which he lived. The major themes and human concerns expressed in Leopardi’s writings relate to his life experiences and to the historical period in which he lived. Of central interest are nobility and love, since Leopardi’s perception of these two themes evolved and changed as he acquired a more general and universal conception of life. This fascinating combination of classical and modern perspectives on life and literature is highlighted throughout the book.”Giacomo Leopardi, one of the greatest Italian poets, was born in Recanati in 1789, and died, not yet thirty-nine in Naples. Love, death, beauty, youth, hope, nature are among his themes. GIACOMO LEOPARDI, POEMS is a bilingual collection of sixteen of Leopardi’s best known Canti, with a verse translation by Arturo Vivante facing the Italian text. Giacomo Leopardi (1798-1837) and Percy Bysshe Shelley (1792-1822) crossed paths during their lifetimes, and though they never met, the legacy of their work betrays a shared destiny. As prominent figures who challenged and contributed to the Romantic debate, Leopardi and Shelley hold important roles in the history of their respective national literatures, but paradoxically experienced a controversial and delayed reception outside their native lands. Cerimonias wide-ranging study brings together these two poets for the first time for an exploration of their afterlives, through a close reading of hitherto unstudied translations. This intriguing journey tells the story, from its origins, of the two poets critical fortunes, and examines their position in the cultural debates of the nineteenth century; in disputes regarding translation theories and practices; and shows the configuration of their identities as we understand their legacy today. First published in 1923, this book presents the complete text of Giacomo Leopardi’s Canti in the original Italian with facing-page English translation, along with extensive critical notes. The text also contains a biographical introduction, appendices and a detailed bibliography. This book will be of value to anyone with an interest in Leopardi, Italian literature and the Romantic movement in general. Regarded as the greatest Italian poet of the nineteenth century, Giacomo Leopardi was also a noted philosopher, essayist and philologist. A principal figure of Romanticism, Leopardi wrote poems that reveal a constant and sensitive reflection on existence and the human condition, characterised by a sensuous and materialist inspiration. Leopardi is widely regarded as the central figure of nineteenth-century lyric poetry, and the major poet of the Romantic period in Italy. An influential writer and central figure of world literature, the Delphi Poets Series offers readers the works of literature’s finest poets, with superior formatting. This volume presents Leopardi’s collected works, with related illustrations and the usual Delphi bonus material. (Version 1) * Beautifully illustrated with images relating to Leopardi’s life and works * Concise introduction to Leopardi’s life and poetry * Two translations of Leopardi’s seminal collection of poems, ‘I Canti’. (Frederick Townsend, 1887 and Francis Henry Cliffe, 1893) * Includes the 1835 Italian text of ‘I Canti’ – ideal for students * Images of how the poetry books were first printed, giving your eReader a taste of the original texts * Excellent formatting of the poems * Easily locate the poems you want to read * Includes Leopardi’s prose works – Charles Edwards’ translation of ‘Operette morali’, an important collection of dialogues and essays * Features a bonus biography * Scholarly ordering of texts into chronological order and literary genres Please visit www.delphiclassics.com to see our wide range of poet titles CONTEMPORARY: The Life and Poetry of Giacomo Leopardi Brief Introduction to Giacomo Leopardi by William Dean Howells I Canti – Frederick Townsend translation, 1887 I Canti – Francis Henry Cliffe translation, 1893 I Canti – Original Italian Text, 1835 The Prose Essays and Dialogues (Translated by Charles Edwords) The Edwords Classic Leopardi Charles Henry Cliffe Please visit www.delphiclassics.com to browse through our range of poetry titles or buy the entire Delphi Poets Series as a Super Set Originally published in 1941, this book contains 14 English translations by British poet R. C. Trevelyan of poems from Leopardi’s Canti. This is a study of the role of female chacters and feminine imagery in Leopardi. It aims to place his views on women in context, examines thematic concerns, formal practices and ideological positioning of the time, and focuses on the impact of contemporary women writers such as Madame de Stael and Madame de Lambert on Leopardi’s philosophical writings and literary theory. It brings together biographical, philosophical and literary aspects of Leopardi’s works in relation to the notion, influence and depiction of women and feminine images. A profound meditation on Leopardi’s art and thought as well as a reframing and reassertion of Negri’s own philosophical and political project of liberation. Antonio Negri, one of Italy’s most influential and controversial contemporary philosophers, offers in this book a radical new interpretation of the nineteenth-century Italian poet Giacomo Leopardi. For Negri, Leopardi is not the bitter, idealistic individualist of conventional literary history, but rather a
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profoundly materialist thinker who sees human solidarity as the only possible solution to the catastrophes of history and politics. Negri traces Leopardi's resistance to the transcendental idealism of Kant and Hegel, with its emphasis on reason's power to resolve real antagonisms into abstract syntheses, and his gradual development of a sophisticated poetic materialism focused on the constructive power of the imagination and its "true illusions." Like Nietzsche (who admired him), Leopardi provides an alternative to modernity within modernity, expressing a force of rupture and recomposition—a uniquely Italian one—that is relevant now as it was in the nineteenth century, and which connects to the theory of Empire as the political constitution of the present that Negri has elaborated in collaboration with Michael Hardt. These translations of the major poems of Giacomo Leopardi (1798-1837) render into modern English the work of a writer who is widely regarded as the greatest lyric poet in the Italian literary tradition. With themes of mutability, landscape, and love paralleling an attitude of unflinching realism, readers will find Leopardi's poems a unique amalgam of philosophical toughness and the lyrically bittersweet. An anthology of the work of one of Italy's finest lyric poets. This book challenges critical approaches that argue for Giacomo Leopardi's and Samuel Beckett's pessimism and nihilism. Such approaches stem from the quotation of Leopardi in Beckett's monograph Proust, as part of a discussion about the removal of desire. Nonetheless, in contrast to ataraxia as a form of ablation of desire, the desire of and for the Other is here presented as central in the two authors' œuvres. Desire in Leopardi and Beckett is read as lying at the cusp between the theories of Jacques Lacan and Emmanuel Levinas: a desire-as much as modernity-itself is thought to be defined in terms of the desire of and for the Other (or 'infinity,' an infinity pitted against the nothingness crucial to pessimist and nihilist readings). A groundbreaking translation of the epic work of one of the great minds of the nineteenth century Giacomo Leopardi was the greatest Italian poet of the nineteenth century and was recognized by readers from Nietzsche to Beckett as one of the towering literary figures in Italian history. To many, he is the finest Italian poet after Dante. (Jonathan Galassi's translation of Leopardi's Canti was published by FSG in 2010.) He was also a prodigious scholar of classical literature and philosophy, and a voracious reader in numerous ancient and modern languages. For most of his writing career, he kept an immense notebook, known as the Zibaldone, or "hodge-podge," as Harold Bloom has called it, in which Leopardi put down his original, wide-ranging, radically modern responses to his reading. His comments about religion, philosophy, language, history, anthropology, astronomy, literature, poetry, and love are unprecedented in their brilliance and suggestiveness, and the Zibaldone, which was only published at the turn of the twentieth century, has been recognized as one of the foundational books of modern culture. Its 4,500-plus pages have never been fully translated into English until now, when a team under the auspices of Michael Caesar and Franco D'Intino of the Leopardi Centre in Birmingham, England, have spent years producing a lively, accurate version. This essential book will change our understanding of nineteenth-century culture. This is an extraordinary, epochal publication. A New York Times Notable Book for 2011 Giacomo Leopardi is Italy's greatest modern poet, the first European writer to portray and examine the self in a way that feels familiar to us today. A great classical scholar and patriot, he explored metaphysical loneliness in entirely original ways. Though he died young, his influence was enormous, and it is no exaggeration to say that all modern poetry, not only in Italian, derives in some way from his work. Leopardi's poetry is notoriously difficult to translate, and he has been less well known to English-language readers than his contemporaries Montale and Nervo. Singh has produced a strong, fresh, direct version of this great poet that offers English-language readers a new approach to Leopardi. Galassi has contributed an informative introduction and notes that provide a sense of Leopardi's sources and ideas. This is an essential book for anyone who wants to understand the roots of modern lyric poetry. Poems of Leopardi Giacomo Leopardi Translated from the Italian by Francis Henry Cliffe Giacomo Leopardi, the greatest Italian poet of the Nineteenth Century, was, born at Recanati, a town of the March of Ancona, on the twenty-ninth of June, 1798; the eldest son of Count Monaldo Leopardi, and Adelaide, his wife, daughter of the Marquis Antici. He had four brothers and one sister—Paolina. His father possessed a splendid library, and was a man of learning and literary tastes, appearing himself as an author in prose and verse. Recanati is situated on an eminence in the Appenines, not far from Ancona and the celebrated shrine of Loreto; and as a biographer of our poet says: "Its natural beauties are superb, and the genius of its great son has made them incomparable." Up to the age of twenty-four Leopardi did not leave his native place. The constant sight of this lovely landscape, bordered in the distance by the Adriatic, contributed in no slight measure to give him that exquisite taste and sympathy for nature, for which he is unique among the poets of his country. POEMS TO ITALY. ON THE MONUMENT OF DANTE ABOUT TO BE ERECTED IN FLORENCE. TO ANGELO MAI ON THE MARRIAGE OF HIS SISTER PAOLINA. THE SOLILOQUIY OF BRUTUS. TO SPRING; OR, THE FABLES OF ANTIQUITY. HYMN TO THE PATRIARCHS. THE LAST SONG OF SAPPHOS. THE FIRST LOVE. THE LONELY BIRD. THE INFINITE. THE HOLIDAY NIGHT. TO THE MOON. SOLITUDE. TO HIS LOVE. THE REVIVAL. TO SILVIA. THE MEMORIES. THE NOCTURNAL SONG OF A NOMADIC SHEPHERD IN ASIA. THE RULING THOUGHT. LOVE AND DEATH. TO HIMSELF. ASPASIA. ON AN ANCIENT SEPULCHRAL BASO RILIEVO REPRESENTING A MAIDEN TAKING LEAVE OF HER FRIENDS. THE SETTING OF THE MOON. THE GENISTA OR THE FLOWER OF THE DESERT.In this first detailed and comprehensive account of Leopardi's theory of poetry, G. Singh assesses both the literary and critical attainments of a poet whose eminence ranks him with Dante and Petrarch. Singh's analysis, which employs extensive reference to Leopardi's work in order to illustrate the author's own comments, sets forth Leopardi's views on the larger questions of tradition, inspiration, and the imagination in poetry. Later chapters are centered with the more specific matters of the poetic image style, and language."Giacomo Leopardi, Italy's great poet of the Romantic age, is the author of some of the most beautiful and best-loved poems in the Italian language and some of the most remarkable letters in European literature. The interest of the letters in both biographical and literary: they document the background - the difficult personal circumstances, the intense and troubled family relationships, the contacts and friendships with other writers - against which a haunting and compelling poetic voice came to maturity. The letters, not previously available in English except fragmentarily, are here offered in a new translation undertaken to celebrate the poet's birth in 1798. In the light of growing academic interest in Italy and the re-organization of many university courses in Italian along interdisciplinary lines, this book series brings together recent scholarly perspectives on Italy and its culture. Italian Perspectives
incorporates books and essay collections and is published under Maney's Northern University Press Imprint. It is notable for the breadth and diversity of themes covered, incorporating all aspects and periods of Italian literature, language, history, culture, politics, art and media, as well as studies which take an interdisciplinary approach and are methodologically innovative. The series welcomes books written in English and in Italian. The Italian Perspectives series is edited by two established scholars in the field of Italian studies, supported by an International Advisory Board. "There is a sense in which one might say, as Leopardi did say about poetry, that his poems are born of illusion, yet they what they register is a lament over its loss and a persistent rejection of all deception. The Canti are conspicuously influenced by illusion, but paradoxically dominated by a continual taking the measure, as it were, of truth, of a human and cosmic reality which simply is what it is. In generalising his convictions the poet does make a certain claim on our belief and he challenges us to take what he says seriously. However, the merit of the poems themselves is the full expression of those convictions; it is this aspect that this Introduction addresses, and not whether we should agree or disagree with Leopardi. Its aim is to explain in order to help appreciate what is found on the page. It is an analysis of the poems and an attempt to create a coherent and comprehensive structure for students in which nearly all the Canti can be considered from several points of view. There have been few attempts to render the sublime poet of Italian literature into English as of the last few decades, but none have been able to best Frederick Townsend's 1888 translations. The languor, the rhythm and the syntax is versified with interpretative freedom and without the depth of the original. Leopardi I have already spoken in previous reviews, but suffice it to say for those that have yet to become acquainted with the Italian poet, classist, philologist and philosopher of the 1800, the crass analogy of likening him to a Wordsworth with the cadences and concision of a Keats may be useful; whereas for those more familiar with German literature you may well make the claim, as absurd as these may be, that he is similar to Holderlin, in a similar fashion given to a riddled existential angst, while intimating the dismal distress that only Nietzsche was since apt to give voice to, yet Leopardi's "pessimism" (beware those of you who adopt this term without responsible and adequate insight) is more akin to Schopenhauer. No literaryar intelligeal or lover should go without experiencing Giacomo Leopardi, a man who in spite of his avowed atheism and consonent hopelessness was as spiritual as any poet has ever dared to be. Upon the first edition of Townsend's translation of the Italian Lyric genius, O. Broth Frothingham observed in its preface that "Giacomo Leopardi is a great name in Italy among philosophers and poets but is quite unknown in this country." Why the English have yet to embrace this poetic genius 120 years later is a topic well worth discussing, especially so because in France, Germany, and Spain he has been received with the highest interest and esteem. Whereas he may be classified yet as a Romantic poet by the English readership he would never be branded as such elsewhere. Leopardi poses questions and allows them to lyrically dissolve into a peculiar angst-ridden beauty; he quantifies the infinite and disenchants the illusive tendencies of human nature while eulogizing them by means of an elegy; Leopardi reflects on language and tradition with an astute picturesque dissonance; he labours through the disquiet of a melancholy spirit while wrestling with an absent divinity. It is a hybrid beauty that depicts cantos as if Giorgio De Chirico were absorbed by Edvard Munch. And most astounding is the fact that from this monster comes beauty as pristine as any modernity has been able to compassished in literature. In this book primarily for the English language speaking university students, the selection was made with the idea of representing as fully as possible all stages of Leopardi's poetic career. The text also contains a detailed introduction, notes and bibliography, all in English. This book will be of value to anyone with an interest in Leopardi's poetry and Italian literature. The main themes and human concerns expressed in Leopardi's writings are related to his life experiences and to the historical period in which he lived. Of central interest are the book's discussions of nobility and love as these two themes evolve and change as Leopardi acquired a more general and universal conception of life. The fascinating admixture in his work of classical and modern perspectives on life and literature is highlighted throughout the book. Are you curious about the private laboratory of Giacomo Leopardi, Italy's greatest modern lyrical poet? Interested in using expert maps to explore it, while deepening your acquaintance with one of the most creative materialist thinkers? This collection of essays makes very original use of the new translation of Leopardi's Zibaldone di pensieri and investigates its connections to all his other works. Whether your primary interest lies in Italian literature and criticism, linguistics and poetics, the origins of genres such as the fantastic, or in philosophical queries regarding materialism and hedonism, this collection offers original research that will challenge the reader to view this outstanding intellectual in a new light. Offering some of the earliest reflections against anthropocentrism, championing the artist's interest in the natural sciences, and questioning humanity's purpose(s) in this world, Leopardi's work is presented in this volume as an indispensable tool to understand the complexity of Italy's cultural transformations between the 18th and the 19th centuries. "How can one make poetry in a disenchanted age? For Giacomo Leopardi (1798-1837) this was the modern subject's most insolvable deadlock, after the Enlightenment's pitiless unveiling of truth. Still, in the poems written in 1828-29 between Pisa and the Marches, Leopardi manages to turn disillusion into a powerful source of inspiration, through an unprecedented balance between poetic lightness and philosophical density. The addressess of these cantos are two prematurely dead maidens bearing names of nymphs, and thus obliquely metamorphosed into the charmingly disquieting deities that in Greek lore brought knowledge and poetic speech through possession. The nympha, Camilletti argues, can be seen as the inspirational power allowing the utterance of a new kind of poetry, bridging antiquity and modernity, illusion and disenchantment, life and death. By reading Leopardi's poems in the light of Freudian psychoanalysis and of Aby Warburg's and Walter Benjamin's thought, Camilletti gives a groundbreaking interpretation of the way Leopardi negotiates the original fracture between poetry and philosophy that characterises Western culture. Fabio Camilletti is Assistant Professor in Italian at the University of Warwick. This series is conceived as a library of bilingual editions of works chosen for their importance to Italian literature and to the international tradition of art and thought Italy has nurtured. In each volume an Italian text in an authoritative edition is paired with a new facing-page translation supplemented by explanatory notes and a selected bibliography. An introduction provides a historical and critical interpretation of the
work. The scholars preparing these volumes hope through Biblioteca Italiana to point a straight way to the Italian classics. GENERAL EDITOR: Louise George ClubbEDITORIAL BOARDPaul J. Alpers, Vittore BrancaGene Brucker, Fredi ChiappelliPhillip W. Damon, Robert M. DurlingGianfranco Folena, Lauro MartinesNicolas J. PerellaNewly awakened interest in Giacomo Leopardi (1798-1837), arguably the greatest Italian poet since the Renaissance, has resulted in this project to translate a major portion of his works. This volume is the first of four which will encompass the great Canti (in bilingual text), selections from the poet's correspondence, a substantial portion of his enormous intellectual journal, the Zibaldone, and the focus of the present volume, the Operette morali. Originally planned as a set of dialogues in the manner of Lucian, the Operette is a compilation of brief, interrelated works on questions of moral philosophy. By means of numerous characters, and by means of a range of styles, Leopardi grapples with a theory of pleasure, the concepts of fame, the infinite, human happiness, the function of poetry, and other topics. In the poet's own opinion, the Operette represented his major philosophical speculation and ranked just below his Canti.Great sensibilities are born in exile. - Shirley HazzardAlongside his monumental Notebooks and the poems collected in Canti, which make him one of Italy's greatest and best-loved poets, Giacomo Leopardi penned a number of fictional pieces, mostly in the form of gently humorous dialogues, in which he dealt with philosophical ideas and many of the metaphysical questions that preoccupied his restless spirit. First published in 1827 and here presented in a new translation by J.G. Nichols along with Thoughts, Leopardi's own selected pearls of wisdom and gems of social observation, this volume will enchant both those who are familiar with and those who are new to the works of Italy's last great polymath. These translations of the major poems of Giacomo Leopardi (1798-1837) render into modern English verse the work of a writer who is widely regarded as the greatest lyric poet in the Italian literary tradition. In spite of this reputation, and in spite of a number of nineteenth- and twentieth-century translations, Leopardi's poems have never "come over" into English in such a way as to guarantee their author a recognition comparable to that of other great European Romantic poets. By catching something of Leopardi's cadences and tonality in a version that still reads as idiomatic modern English (with an occasional Irish or American accent), Leopardi: Selected Poems should win for the Italian poet the wider appreciative audience he deserves. His themes are mutability, landscape, love; his attitude, one of unflinching realism in the face of unavoidable human loss. But the manners of the poems are a unique amalgam of philosophical toughness and the lyrically bittersweet. In a way more pure and distilled than most others in the Western tradition, these poems are truly what Matthew Arnold asked all poetry to be, a "criticism of life." The translator's aim is to convey something of the profundity and something of the sheer poetic achievement of Leopardi's inestimable Canti. Giacomo Leopardi's Canti were written in 1835. This collection of lyric poetry is considered one of the most significant works of Italian literature. The order of the poems here published in the English translations by Alan Marshfield, Tim Chilcott, A. S. Kline, and Frederick Townsend, does not follow their original position within the structure of Leopardi's Canti. 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A team led by Michael Caesar and Franco D'Intino, of the Leopardi Centre in Birmingham, has spent years producing this lively, accurate version. This essential book will change our understanding of the origins of modern culture. It is an extraordinary, epochal publication. 'Although all things great and beautiful and alive have been extinguished from the world, our inclination toward them remains. Though we may be denied these things, nothing has or ever could stop us from wanting them. Young people have not lost that longing which drives them to seek a life for themselves and to scorn nothingness and monotony.'