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MAE-7/ MEG-22

M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION — JANUARY, 2009.

Second Year

English

LITERARY CRITICISM

Time: 3 hours Maximum marks: 75

- I. Answer any THREE of the following questions in about 50 words each: $(3 \times 5 = 15)$
- 1. What, according to Aristotle, are the elements of tragedy?
- 2. Mention three faults of Shakespeare.
- 3. Why does Coleridge praise Shakespeare?
- 4. How would you consider the essay, "Literary Criticism and Philosophy" as F.R. Leavis' rider to Dr. Rene Wellek's criticism?
- 5. What does Eliot mean when he says that poets will be "judged by the past"?

- II. Answer any THREE of the following questions in about 150 words each: $(3 \times 10 = 30)$
- 6. Comment on Dryden's views on British playwriting.
- 7. Discuss the merits of Shakespeare in his plays.
- 8. Write a critique of Arnold's views on Chaucer.
- 9. Describe Freud's concept of "Id" and "Ego".
- 10. What are the charges levelled against New Criticism?
- III. Answer any TWO of the following questions in about 300 words each: $(2 \times 15 = 30)$
- 11. How would you consider Aristotle as a literary critic?
- 12. Appraise Wordsworth as a critic.
- 13. What are Eliot's views on tradition, poetic creativity and honest criticism?

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