

Ee. 4.30 WALTER HILTON, SCALA PERFECTIONIS

Vellum, $10\frac{3}{4} \times 7\frac{3}{4}$ in., i + 137 ff (136 lost) + i, single column, 31 lines to a page ruled in purple. XV cent. clear gothic, with red headings, blue paragraph marks, blue initials with conventional foliage filling and flourishing in red, line fillings of serrated pieces in red and blue. On 4 and 66 gold initials with conventional foliage filling on particoloured grounds of blue and purple, and partial borders of typical English flourishing in blue, pink, gold, and green.
 1 flyleaf: a - q⁸ r⁸ (wants 8) s². 1 flyleaf; catchwords and signatures. The catchwords embellished with scrolls which in the early part of the book are coloured green and yellow.
 XVIII cent. rough calf, rebacked.

2^o f^o Of diverse

1 - 135. This is the table of the firste part of his booke p^e which is cleped Scala perfeccionis 3^o blank 4. Here begunne p^e firste party of the booke p^e is cleped Scala perfeccionis compiled be a ful devoute man pat was called Mayster WALTER HILTON to an Ancresse. 1^a pars. That p^e yuner havyng of mannes soules be lyke to the utter. Capitulum primum. Godthly susten in Ihesu Criste — pen myght be writen in a grete boke. Deo infinitas gracies. 2^a p^elicit libellus Magistri Walteri Hilton canonici de Thurgarton (large script) qui obiit Anno domini Millesimo CCC^o nonagesimo quinto decimo kalendas Aprilis circa solis occasum. Nunc finem feci. perit et me si male scripsi.
 Pt II (66), preceded (63) by table of chapters
 135, 137-8 blank; 136 cut out; i, i^o, ii^o blank ii. Same late receipts and scribbles including the proverb (xv)
 Quando lapis est in muro tunc non deus est in celo

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From the Charterhouse of the Salutation of the BVM: in the lower margin of each of the rectos of ff 4-62 a single 'Lombardic' capital letter forming the inscription *Liber domus Salutacionis Matris Dei Ordinis Cartusienensis Prope Landon*. On 138^b the xvi cent. inscription *Thys ys mayster Asshes boke of Petar howsse: And writtens her of ys John Sutton and John Bregge. In the inter margin, per me Johannem Sutton servientem Georgii Colte Armigeri manentem apud Bury Sancti Edmundi in Con. Suff.* For 'mayster Asshe' cf T.A. Walker, Biographical register of Peterhouse men (Cambridge, 1927), 160 Moore 33

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