

5368 ORIGENES

Vellum, $13\frac{1}{4} \times 8\frac{1}{2}$ in., 179 (out of 180) ff., single column, 34 lines to the page ruled in pencil across pricking in both margins of the leaf. ^(from quire p onwards there is double ruling) XII cent., fine round

English hand, red headings and plain red capitals with occasional use of green.

a⁴ (wants 3) | b-z⁸ the rest lost; catchwords at the end of each quire.

Binding probably original, of ~~massive~~ oak boards with bevelled edges, uncovered, ^{to} 3 bands. The upper board alone remains, somewhat wormed, with the anchorage of a strap-and-pin fastening; also the semicircular flaps of white skin at each end of the spine.

(descrij)

2^o fo. frontier in hunc.

5-180^b Incipit Omelia prima ORIGENIS super Vetus Testamentum. In principio fecit Deus celum et terram. Quid est principium nisi Dominus noster—

The Homilies on Exodus follow (without title) f. 62; those on Leviticus f. 112^b, ending imperfect (one quire lost) at p. 486 l. 15 of the edition et 'innocentibus in presenti' (Seculo).

Ed. by W. A. Bashrens, Origenes Werke VI (Leipzig 1920); this is a MS of his class C (preface p. xi), for it contains the spurious 17th Homily on Genesis.

Ff. 1-4 (3 is lost) are flyleaves, with scribbled notes prescriptions etc. in XVI cent. (partly humanist) hands.

From the Cistercian abbey of Waverley (Surrey). On 4^b is a ^{XIII cent.} ~~contemp~~ list of contents ~~first in the hand of the MS~~: In hoc volumine continetur omelia Origenis/ Super Genesim; octodecim omel' / super Exodum; xiiii / Super Leviticum; xvi. Below this, in a smaller not much later hand: Waverlea, liber tuus est hic, crimine liber / Non erit ante Deum, qui tibi tollat eum. ^{Hause, Hauts.} Subsequently belonged to the Cope family, of Bramshill / not far from the abbey (Historical MSS Commission, Third Report, 1877, Appendix p. 242), and was no. 157 in the Cope sale at Sotheby's, 4 March 1913. Bought for the library of P. M. Barnard, 15 May 1913.