

Transcription of M.R. James's unpublished description
Cambridge, University Library, MS Library Ii.3.4

Title: Senecae Epistolae etc.

Secundo folio: ple]rique inter.

Language: Latin

Material: vellum

Measurements: 12¼ x 9¾ ins.

Collation: 2ff. gone. 1⁶ 2^{10?} (one canc.) 3⁸-15⁸ (+1) 16⁸ || 17¹² 18¹⁰ 19¹⁰ 20⁴

Number of leaves: 174

Columns: double

Lines to a page: 33 to 39

Date: XIII

Handwriting: two volumes, the second one clearly written: both good.

Binding: rough sheep

James 75 (73 on fore edge) Rotheram 2 31 on f.1 F.γ.7

Contents:

I.1 Senecae Epistolae

Two leaves gone: beings imperfect in Ep.3 (just few words wanting): scribis amico tuo
There are arguments in the margin in smaller but original script & some variants
Ends with Ep.88: quod nobis reliquerunt nichil scire.
Vale. 128^b blank

II.2 L. annei S. moralium epistolarum lib. XIII

inc. S(eneca) L(ucilio) suo salutem 129
Rem utilem desideras (Ep. 89)
The marginalia appear to be in the same hand as in vol. I
Lib. XV not marked XVI.143^b (Ep. 96) XVII.148 (Ep. 101)
XVIII-XX not marked. Ends with Ep. 124: esse felices. Vale lucile karissime.

3. Seneca ad Gallionem de remediis portentorum 172^b
Licet cunctorum poetarum -sit ista felicitas. Vale.
Expl. (not by Seneca)

The text continues without break: XXXVII (marg. Boetius de consol.)
Nero [?] Senecam familiarem -cogit arbitrium. a
single sentence.
Marg. Aug. de civit. dei. Annei Senece sunt nisi
fallor hii versus. Duc me summo pater
-apertissime declaratur.

Fick in his edition, p.XIV, speaks of the probability

that Erasmus used this MS.

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