

Transcription of M.R. James's unpublished description
Cambridge, University Library, MS Li.4.27

Title	Anon. de Homoysion
Secundo folio	Incipit
Language	Latin
Material	vellum
Measurements	11 x 8 ins.
Collation	1 flyleaf I ⁸ – XVI ⁸ i ⁸ – vii ⁸ viii ⁶ (wants 4, 5) 1 flyleaf
Number of leaves	190
Columns	single
Lines to a page	28
Date	XII late
Handwriting	clear and fine: German
Binding	stamped pigskin over wooden boards: clasps

Parris 279 Lib. 7 (Holdsworth 7)

The flyleaves are from a finely written missal in German minuscule of cent. xi – xii, with part of the offices for Easter Eve (at beginning) and Good Friday (at end).

A piece is cut from the top of the first leaf of text.

The book very likely came from Germany at the same time as many of Laud's MSS.

Contents

It contains three treatises by an author not yet identified. See Haskins, *Mediaeval Science*, 209, who prints in full the preface to the second treatise and points out that the writer cannot be Anselm of Havelberg (d. 1158) for he visited Constantinople in 1179. He is well acquainted with a good deal of Greek theological literature.

1	Inc. liber de homoysyon et homoeysion Sanctus hylarius pictaurorum episcopus in libro de synodis Hunc autem tractatum in iii ^{or} distinctiones diuisi. in prima de substantie ambiguitate. in secunda de unitatis multiplicitate. in tercia de similitudinis et equalitatis uarietate. in quarta de consubstantialitate agens et homoeysii atque homoeysii proprietate. Upper part of f. 3 ^a left blank for heading. Rubr. Quod modis uariis substantia dicatur in diuersis facultatibus Substantia est proprium nomen naturalium On 8 ^b Victorinus is treated of (besides Boethius etc.). On 19 Theodericus = Theodore Dist. II 28. Athanasius often quoted. Dist. III 70 Dist. IV 108, ending 129 ^b : non enim infinitus et inmensus deus breuibus humani sermonis eloquiis uel intelligi uel ostendi potest.	2
2	Inc. liber de diuersitate nature et persone proprietatumque personalium non tam latinorum quam ex grecorum auctoritatibus extractus. Circumspicienti mihi — non sit lectori tedious. Printed by Haskins l. c., 210-12. Rubr. Ad officium theologi spectat rerum ueritatem et uerba congrua obseruare. Archana theologie inuestigare uolenti 139 ^b blank (inferior vellum)	130

After 153 is a slip in the hand of the author.

— sed cum semper in eo maneat quicquid eternaliter existit.

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| 3 | Inc. liber de ignorantia.
Quid ignorantia sit multi ignorant
— si ignoranter, delinquere uenialiter dicetur. 188 ^b blank. | 178 |
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Doubtless all three treatises are by the same author, whose own hand perhaps appears on the slip and on 154^a.