

Transcription of M.R. James's unpublished description
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Title	Plinii Historia Naturalis etc.
Secundo folio	
Language	Latin
Material	Vellum
Measurements	15 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ ins.
Collation	a ¹⁰ (wants 1) b ¹⁰ 1 ¹⁰ – 9 ¹⁰ 10 ¹² 11 ¹⁰ – 24 ¹⁰ 25 ⁶ 26 ¹⁰ (wants 10)
Number of leaves	viii + 276
Columns	Double
Lines to a page	58 to 60
Date	XIV
Handwriting	Italian round 'Bolognese' hand
Binding	Red morocco with gold tooling (xviii)

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Contents

- 1 Plinii Historia Naturalis
 $\frac{1}{2}$ quires a. b. containing Lib. I are in a different hand from the rest, smaller and pointed.
 Lib. I begins imperfectly:
 ego orationes sibi pretereo (siui praeterfluere). Nec plancus inlepide (= I. 30, 31, ed. Teubner).
 Most of 18b and all 19 blank.
 Lib. II 20 III 30b IV 37 V initial cut out 42b VI 49 VII initial cut out
 57b VIII mut. init. 66 IX mut. init. 75 X 82b XI 90b XII mut. init.
 100 XIII 105 XIV mut. init. 109b XV mut. init. 114b XVI 119b (change
 of hand or ink at 121) XVII 128 XVIII 137 XIX 148b XX 155 XXI
 163b XXII 170 XXIII mut. init. 176b XXIV mut. init. 182 XXV 189
 XXVI mut. init. 195b XXVII mut. init. 201b XXVIII 207 XXIX 216b
 XXX 222 XXXI mut. init. 227b XXXII 232 XXXIII 237 XXXIV 242b
 XXXV 248 XXXVI 255 XXXVII mut. init. 261b.
 Ends 267b: hispaniam quecunque ambitu mari (XXXVII 203 ed. Teubner).
 Very corruptly written. Mentioned by Sillig in his large edition. 1
- 2 Gaii Plinii Secundi oratoris ueronensis liber illustrium inc. De Proca rege Albanorum. 268
 Proca rex Albanorum amulium et numitorem filios habuit
 Ends (de Gaio Pompeio magno): et preciocissimis odoribus cremandum curauit.
- 3 Epistola Alexandri Regis magni macedonum ad Dindimum regem Branorum de 274
 philosophia.
 (S)epius ad aures
 The usual collection, ending: quorum omnium suggerunt nobis elementa.
 See Ward, Catalogue of Romances I, 136 sqq.
- 4 In another hand. De Plinio 276
 Breuis annotatio de duobus Pliniis ueronensibus oratoribus ex multis hinc collecta per

Iohannem Mans(ionarium) Veronensem (xiv early).
Plinii duo fuisse noscuntur eodem nomine
— ad C. Tacitum primi libri epistola sexta.
Described in the Paris edⁿ of Pliny 1827, I. xlvii.

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| 5 | Franciscus Petrarcha ad fr. Ioh. de Columna podagram familiarem esse diuitibus.
Anilem tibi fabellam
— pauperum tuguriis [<i>MS</i> tigurii] habitaret.
Part of Epp. III, 39. | 276b |
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| 6 | Principium physice Plinii
Frequenter mihi in peregrinationibus accidit ut aut propter me ipsum aut propter meorum
infirmiorem fraudes varias medicorum experirer
— non facturos illos ad me aditum nec captaturos occasionem.
The preface to Plinius Iunior's medical work. | 276b |

Decoration. The initials which survive are of very ordinary Italian work with a good deal of gold, but without figures [except for 189r, which has a dragon]. The list of the Books shows how many have been cut out.