

3145 RICARDUS DE BURY, ETC.

Vellum, $7\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$ in., 69 ff (out of 72; 8, 71 and 72 cut out), single column, 21-32 lines to a page. XV cent. German or Flemish hands, with headings, paragraph marks and capitals in red, capitals in the text touched with red. On ff 2, 9 and 10^b a blue initial with conventional foliage filling and flourishing. 1 pastedown. a⁸ (wants 8) | a-c⁸ d¹⁰ (4, 8 cancelled) e¹⁰ (2, 8 cancelled) f¹⁰ (3, 9 cancelled) g⁸ (wants 8) h⁸ (wants 8) inserted between 97 and the stub of 98. 1 pastedown

Original brown calf, blind tooled, over bevelled wooden boards to 4 bands. An intersecting frame formed by a pair of double fillets; the panel so formed divided by triple fillets into 8 rectangular compartments, each containing a square stamp of the Virgin and Child. In the frame a square stamp of the Adoration of the Magi repeated 8 times and an oblong scroll 'Hilf Maria' repeated 4 times. Brass seatings (lower board) for double strap and pen fastening now gone; on the upper board a modern paper label PHILOBIBLON / RICH: DE: BURI

2^o. f^o. Ex epistola

1^b. Verses on the vanity of human wishes. Nota. Preterit ista dies nescitur origo secundi / An labor. an requies. sic transit gloria mundi — ending with the exhortation Sunt tria que menti debent occurrere semper / Passio Christi. feter averni. gaudia celi

2-6. Ex epistola Magistri HENRICI de Hassia. ad decanum maioris ecclesie. Maguntinensis. Amicorum sincerissimo. virtutis et scientie meritis. Reverendo domino. S[er] [berhardo] de Yppelborn etc. H. Langensteyn dictus de Hassia etc. Audiens nuper de digniori promotione — miserabiliores sumus omnibus hominibus etc. Cf. F. W. E. Roth, Zur Bib-

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Biographie des Henricus Hembuche de Hassia (Beilage zum Centralblatt für Bibliothekswesen, II, 2, Leipzig, 1888), 17 #
Followed by the rubric H^c ibi. verte folium. and a later note

6^b-7. Ex meditationibus beati BERNHARDI [de humana conditione, cap. iii] Deat autem quid. Non possum mundum spernere — sequitur dyabolum. et ibi cum eo in supplicium eternum (PL CLXXXIV, 491) Followed by the rubric Quod avertat deus a nobis and Hec beatus Bernhardus in meditationibus (rubricated) 7^b blank; 8 cut out

9-59. Incipit prologus in librum de amore librorum qui Philobiblon dicitur. Universis Christi fidelibus etc. Richardus de Bury etc. salutem in domino sempiternam etc. Quid retribuam domino — Philobiblon amice bliter nunquam. Explicit prologus. 10^b. Incipit liber dictus Philobiblon. de commendacione sapencie et librorum in quibus sapencia habitat. Capitulum. 1. Thesaurus desiderabilis sapencie — fructibus faciei conspectum. Per dominum nostrum Ihesum Christum. Amen. The Philobiblon of Richard de BURY, sometimes styled d'Angeville of Bury, Bishop of Durham and Chancellor of England. Cited as Lg in the critical edition of A. Altamura (Naples, 1954)

716.1. c. 95. 3

59^b-69^b. [Johannes GERSON, De laude scriptorum] Scrutari scripturas exhortabatur olim Judeos Christus (John V, 39) — liber vite speciosissimus. Deus benedictus in secula Amen. Finitus Anno domini 1452 de mense Januarii. Explicit tractatus. M. Johannis Gerson cancellarii Parisiensis de laude scriptorum. compositus Lugduni Anno domini 1423. Sub quo ego Johannes de Stummel (see below) Anno domini 1405 fui promotus in artibus licet insufficient Parisius vel prius (Opera, Antwerp, 1706, II, 694-703)

E. 2. 2. — Act. m. a. 51. 73

70-70^b. [IDEM, Expositio super Dimitte nobis debita nostra, etc.] Pater

noster etc. Dimitte nobis debita nostra etc. (Matt. VI, 9, 12). Ego in primis sic dimitto — cui talem primum misericordiam inferis (Opera, III, 694) Explicit super illa particula Dimitte nobis etc. Magistri Jo. Jarson etc. Anno Domini 1453 in Aprili

On the pastedown at the beginning, in a very large hand, part of a metrical inscription: O felix mortale genus si sem... / eternum pre mente bonum fine t... The pastedown at the end is from a Missal (late XII), double columns, with part of the Office for the Dead

From the Carthusian monastery of St Barbara, Cologne: on f. 1 the partly erased XV cent. inscription Liber domus beate Barbare in Colonia ordinis Carthusiensis. Quem pro sui memoria... dominus Magister Johannes de Stummel decanus Ecclesie sanctorum apostolorum in Colonia ad usum fratrum prefate domus dedit. In quo continentur (followed by a list of contents) For biographical references to Johannes de Stummel cf. H. Kessen, Die Matrikel der Universität Köln, I (2. Aufl.), 98 (Publ. der Ges. für Rheinische Geschichtskunde, VIII, 1, Bonn, 1928) —

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Another erased inscription (XVI/XVII) occurs on the pastedown at the beginning, together with the note 136 in an early XV cent. hand Bought by David Laing the antiquary and librarian to the Society of Writers to H. M. Signet, 20 June 1839 through the Rev. William Steven from J. L. C. Jacob of Rotterdam whose invoice is guarded in at the back of the volume Subsequently presented by David Laing

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