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of the Work of Presses established
between 1465 and 1924*

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PREFACE

THIS is a volume of reproductions of pages and title-pages from books composed in the “roman” form of letter immediately related to that used by printers today for books, newspapers, catalogues, etc. The first roman was cut for two printers at Subiaco, near Rome, for a text of Cicero’s *De Oratore* in 1465, and it is the first plate in the book. Printing of the fifteenth century has already been so considerably studied and is so amply illustrated elsewhere that the exhibits from this period are reduced to a minimum. Hence the bulk of the volume is devoted to the work of the four later centuries. The earlier pieces given will, I hope, be sufficient to introduce the reader to the work of the first Italian printers.

The specimens are grouped, as a rule, in order of time and place. Where possible the inclusion of specimens with which the reader may have become familiarised by illustration elsewhere has been avoided. In most instances the title-page best displays the book’s typographical character and presents a representative exhibit of the style and skill of the individual printer. In numerous instances additional examples are shown, e.g. a number of pages are taken from the pretty 12mo *Calendrier Historial* (Jean de Tournes, Lyons, 1563) and from the splendid folio *Livre de Perspective* of Jean Cousin (Paris, 1560).

The illustrations are selected, in the main, from books of general interest rather than musical, legal, liturgical and biblical texts. The pages from the *Horae* of Geofroy Tory, or the *Bible*

and *New Testament* of Jean de Tournes, are shown for the interest of their decoration. In every case the type area of the original page is indicated, as most of the specimens are necessarily printed in reduced size in this octavo edition.

It is a pleasant duty to record my obligations to the officials of the British Museum, above all to Mr. A. F. Johnson; to MM. Châtelain and Beaulieux of the Library of the Sorbonne; Dr. Guido Biagi of the Laurenziana, Florence; to Mr. George Parker Winship of the Widener Library, Cambridge, U.S.A.; to the late Berkeley Updike of the Merrymount Press, Boston, U.S.A., and to Mr. Bruce Rogers, for kindly lending me specimens of their work; to the late A. W. Evans, Messrs. H. V. Marrot, A. Ehrman, A. Zwemmer and Ernest Maggs, for lending me scarce volumes from their collections; and to Mr. Conan Nicholas for assistance with the proofs and index.

My greatest debt, however, is to the admirably arranged Grisebach collection in the Library of the Berlin Kunstgewerbe Museum, to which, by the kindness of the Keeper, Dr. Peter Jessen, I was enabled to refer freely and informally at a time, soon after the end of the 1914-18 War, when visitors from Britain were few. From 1921 Dr. Jessen was good enough, by correspondence, to help my typographical studies that were then just beginning.

This book was my first published contribution to the study of printing. The original edition of 1924 was limited to 400 copies for Great Britain. The format measured 13 by 18 inches, comprising upwards of six hundred examples reproduced in collotype. A German edition was printed under the title *Meisterdrucke aus vier Jahrhunderten* and a French edition under the title *Les plus belles pages de l'imprimerie*. Some of the illustrations were later reproduced by the half-tone process in a volume which the present publishers entitled *The Art of the Printer*.

In the present demy octavo edition, only a few revisions in the text have been made. Some new examples have been added to the plates, of which nearly three hundred are included. The book is reprinted, after twenty-five years, on the initiative of the publishers of the original edition, and I desire to thank them for making it available to a wider public on both sides of the Atlantic.

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FOUR CENTURIES OF FINE PRINTING

I

As a definition I suggest that for the present purpose "printing" shall be the device of placing together moveable pieces of metal (types) each having upon its upper end a character in relief, which, being inked and impressed upon suitable material, leaves a mark, or "print".

The designing of the letters and their founding upon metal bodies precede the several processes involved in their composition into words, building into pages, inking and impressing upon the selected material. When all has been accomplished with ordinary care there will issue that very useful production, a piece of clear printing.

Printing can be much more than this. When all these processes are conducted by a man of exceptional talent and skill the result of his work will be an exceptional piece of printing. The *fine* printer begins where the careful printer has left off. For "fine" printing something is required in addition to care—certain vital gifts of the mind and understanding. Only when these are added to a knowledge of the technical processes will there result a piece of design, *i.e.* a work expressing logic, consistency and personality. Fine printing may be described as the product of a lively and seasoned intelligence working with carefully chosen type, ink and paper. Of all the printer's materials, that which contributes most immediately to the fineness or otherwise of the product is his type. Though a competent designer may, by the agreeable disposition of his lines, go

far towards redeeming the page from the original sin of bad letter, the work, whatever his cunning, will never be above criticism. The necessity of fine letter to fine printing is, however, too plain to need justification here. It is otherwise with the principles of selection of fine letter: these are less obvious. Apart from that will-o'-the-wisp "legibility", what light can be thrown on the question: in what does fine letter, the necessary preliminary to fine printing, consist?

First it must be borne in mind that a fine book is more than "something to read". The amateur looks for character in printing. The book, therefore, which essays to rank above the commonplace, will, while not failing in its essential purpose, carry the personality of its maker no less surely than that of its author and its subject. The problem of the typographer is to achieve an individual book without doing violence to its essential purpose, or to any accidental character conferred by an artist or book-decorator. Thus the whole mystery of fine typography lies in the perfect reconciliation of these interests. Moreover, there is here no master-formula: almost every book is a challenge to the artist-typographer.

The practice of varying the type with the nature of the text goes farther back than the age of its invention, and there can be no doubt that in our own day the vast increase, not only of printing but of kinds of printing, requires the use of different kinds of type. In the early history of the craft the conservatism of the clerical and legal professions long secured the retention of gothic types for liturgical and legal texts. The letter which we call "roman" was then largely restricted to classical texts, but is today in universal use even by ecclesiastics and lawyers. There is, in consequence, little opportunity for the use of black letter. This, as I think, unfortunate result makes us even less patient of the notion that there is, or may be, a best of all types of universal application and appropriateness. Satisfaction indeed comes no more easily to the typographical than to any other

enthusiast. Whether of today or yesterday, the fine printer in his zeal is continually adding here and modifying there. In his wisdom he changes his type-form but little; for, as the reading public is multiplied to a figure beyond the imagination of any Aldus or Plantin, the alphabetical code must of necessity remain stable. The bizarre evolutions of the German calligrapher between the wars are the experiments of those to whom the roman letter is still a relative novelty. In much of its finest work the rest of the world is going back for its models to the day when the roman letter was a novelty to all save the Romans.

Here indeed the typographer and the calligrapher find their first *datum*: that set of capitals evolved by the epigraphers of first-century Rome. These are the master patterns which must rule our alphabets. This is not to say that the only satisfactory capitals are those which exactly reproduce these classical forms or which are built according to the geometrical formulae elaborated by Luca de Pacioli in 1509, or the copies made by Dürer in 1525 and Tory in 1529. These mechanical devices afford an admirable exercise—and no more. The fine letter must be as free from the mechanical perfection of set-square and compass as from the monotony of laboured characterisation. It must be understood then, that by requiring types to be built according to the essential form of classical roman inscribed letters, we do not by the same rule exclude either the individuality of the craftsman or the felicity of the tool he uses, but only the tendency towards corruption and complication of originally pure and simple lines.

What the craftsman of trained eye and hand can do with the classical roman shape may be seen from the lettering round the finest portrait medals of the renaissance. I need do no more than cite such a finished example as Pisanello's "Malatesta" and "Lysippus Junior's" portrait medal of himself. A comparison will reveal the fact that whereas the essential form is the same, the characterisation is very different. The difference is to

be found in the craftsman and his tool. *Tot homines. . . .* There need therefore be no fear that with the classical capitals as a basis we are keeping the art of letter design in a strait waist-coat. Thus, in a word, it is for the typographer to meditate upon the ancient forms, to digest them, to make them his own and then to draw. He will find that it requires consummate sensitiveness and skill, first to form the letters and, secondly, so to set them upon type bodies that none is conspicuous in weight and that each sorts with the greatest fellowship of feeling and colour with the small letters. These small letters, lower-case as printers call them (or in the language of palaeographers, *minuscules*), represent an even more difficult problem.

Here we have a set of models possessing nothing like the authority and finality of the simple classic roman capitals. We have inherited instead a series of mixed forms, some extending above and others below the normal lines; some of these are simple rigid letters like v w x z immediately derived from the capitals, and others are more complex and curved forms like g q, etc., which afford a maximum of opportunity for modification, variation and corruption. Is there an essential form of these letters? By what authority may we impose it? A little history may tell us.

Lower-case letters developed during the sixth to the eighth century, through the uncial and half-uncial stages. Independence was secured in the eighth century, when the so-called caroline minuscule (still essentially roman in derivation) was developed. It is this type of writing mediated to us by scribes of the fifteenth century which is the model for our lower-case letters. The caroline minuscule when wrought to perfection was a magnificent letter; it was clear, symmetrical and, above all, simple. Nevertheless succeeding centuries witnessed the engrafting upon it of a very important and far-reaching modification, *i.e.* a gradual movement from the original, round and open, into a pointed and condensed character. This is our so-called "gothic".

The gothic script plainly represents not so much a departure from, as a variation of, the caroline letter. It is often of the greatest beauty; and it may be contended with some show of reason that, by transforming curves into joints, the gothic writers secured for their alphabet a greater degree of homogeneity than resides either in the caroline or in the neo-caroline letter to which we as printers are immediately indebted for our present-day types.

With the fifteenth century there came an intensely deliberate reversion to an aesthetic based in an enthusiasm for the civilisation and culture of ancient Rome. The eyes of all, including calligraphers, became fascinated by pre-gothic art and literature. Thus it happened that, for the transcription of classical texts, the scribes under the direction of artists and scholars turned aside from their inherited black letter and founded a new hand upon the basis of that in which their classical originals were most frequently preserved. Since known as neo-caroline, the new hand was anything but a reproduction even of the ninth-century minuscule. Perhaps, however, the experiment is most noteworthy in respect to its treatment of the majuscules. A whole-hearted reversion to the ancient stone letters marked the capitals of the new script in its mature form.

This early renaissance hand, though founded upon the caroline minuscule, is significantly different from its predecessors. Its minuscule is slightly compressed, though very much rounder than the pointed gothic which it supplanted; its perpendiculars are well proportioned, and over all there is a note of the characteristic elegance which was so diligently sought by the scribes of the time. They were immediately concerned to rival the beauty of all existing manuscripts; and in spite of the appeal of fine codices in the half-uncial and caroline scripts, there can be little doubt that their ambition was realised. It may be argued, and I think successfully, that the finest gothic MSS. of the thirteenth century are uniquely beautiful, that the gothic

letter in its best form possesses a picturesqueness, a vigour, versatility and a dramatic quality not surpassed by the pure roman letter. Nevertheless the greater simplicity and elasticity of the pure roman letter predestined for it a much wider use. Nor is the renaissance hand merely practical. Even in its earliest form it is exceedingly beautiful.

Among the earliest MSS. in this letter is a *Valerius Flaccus* written in Florence by one Antonio di Mario, who completed it—according to the colophon on his last page—in December of the year 1429 (MS. Laur. 39, 35, cf. Vitelli e Paoli, *Collezione florentina di facsimili paleografici*, Firenze, 1886, serie latini, tav. 48). In this MS. the majuscules retain certain gothic characteristics though the minuscules are well formed. The new letter was not perfected for a decade or two. The exact year of the foundation at Florence of Niccolò de' Niccoli's school of calligraphy is apparently not known; but the famous humanist died in 1447, and it is suggested by the Neapolitan scholar Nicola Barone that the MS. to which we have referred is the outcome of his foundation. This would mean that the school was founded *circa* 1425. However it may have been, it is certain that there were other humanists beside Niccoli, men like Poggio for example, who founded schools for teaching the new hand, and that Florence was the centre of a movement which spread rapidly. The seventeenth general council, which debated for nine months the relations of the eastern and western Churches, was held at Florence, 1439; and it is likely enough that on this occasion the advantages of the new script were noticed by the secretaries and notaries who came in the train of hundreds of bishops of the west. Certain it is that the new hand soon conquered Rome. It was accepted by Nicholas V in 1447 for use in the Vatican chancery as the distinctive hand for the engrossing of papal briefs—but with a difference. The roman practice was to slope the minuscules while retaining upright majuscules.

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And this brings us to the thorny subject of nomenclature, involving definition where none exists. So far in this discussion I have ventured to allude to the renaissance hand as a pure roman hand. It is known to Italian palaeographers as the *scrittura umanistica* (so Barone, Carta, Vitelli, Biagi), to the French as *écriture de la renaissance* (de Wailly, Giry), and to the Germans *humanistische Schrift* (Steffens). In the opinion of English palaeographers "humanistic" is a thoroughly unscientific term. They find it preferable to use *roman* just as the printer does. But the term "roman" will sound well only to those who think of gothic, beneventan or other national hands as essentially "non-roman". The difficulty increases with the development of the sloping form of the same minuscule. It has always been the English custom to distinguish upright and inclined letters of this renaissance kind, whether in MS. or in print, by the terms *roman* and *italic* respectively, in spite of the obvious fact that the so-called *roman* is most probably florentine, and the so-called *italic* perhaps *roman*. We have accustomed ourselves to regard *italic* as essentially a sloped letter. It will be found, I think, that in this matter of terminology, whether calligraphical or typographical, the Germans have the best of it; for our "*roman*", their equivalent is "*antiqua*", for *italic*, "*kursiv*". The term "*antiqua*" is not without excellent precedents. A very fine Athanasius exists in the Biblioteca Nazionale at Turin. It was written in an upright hand at Naples in 1492–93 by Ioannes Rainaldus Mennius for Ferdinand of Aragon. When Professor Nicola Barone was working in the Neapolitan archives he came across a receipt signed by the calligrapher: "Giovanni Rinaldo Mennio . . . riceve 6 duc. per la scrittura in lettera antica di 4 quinterni dell' opera de Atanasio" (so N. Barone, *Cedole di tesoreria dell' archivi di stato di Napoli*, 148/678). Other similar

terms may be found in contemporary use, *lettera antica nuova*, *lettera rotonda*, and, applied to capitals only, *lettera romana*, *lettere romane antiche*. On the other hand the more running, ligatured and less formal script used in diplomatic documents and in correspondence was known as *cancellerescha* (which is little use when we recollect the running gothic script of the eleventh to the fourteenth centuries current under the same name), and also *corsiva*. Nearly always the *corsiva* was slightly inclined. Cursive hands are, however, found in which the letters are upright, or mostly upright. In nearly every instance the capitals are upright. We are accustomed to think of cursive, or italic, as essentially a sloped letter, whereas there remain specimens of this type in which all the current characteristics of the cursive script exist, except that neither the capital nor the lower-case is sloped. It will be seen, therefore, that a scientific terminology to cover the roman letter in its fourteenth-, fifteenth- and sixteenth-century variations is overdue. That the matter is an important one and not of mere specialist interest will be appreciated when it is desired to make a classification of types. Fortunately it is not necessary to do this in any considerable detail, since the present volume does not attempt a complete history of the roman letter, but rather an exhibition of the growth of typographical style.

Since a one-volume treatment of the subject must accept severe limitations, I have sought to exemplify the development of the typography which employs that union of the ancient roman capitals with the mid-fifteenth-century lower-case, which we call "roman type". The examples begin with a page from Cicero's *De Oratore* printed by Schweynheym and Pannartz at Subiaco in 1465. The type appears to agree with a scientific definition of the word "roman", and would have been recognised by contemporary calligraphers as an adequate reproduction of the hand they knew and practised as humanistic. The two Germans, removing from Subiaco, set up a press in Rome in the palace of the De' Massimi family. Here they

printed a Cicero (1467) in a roughly cast roman letter of little grace, compared with which the Da Spira type (1470) clearly represents a vast improvement; but not an absolute invention as was boldly claimed by the brothers.

A rather more mellow appearance attaches to the work of Nicolas Jenson, produced from 1470; but it does not materially differ from that of the Da Spiras—it would seem that their example was far from lost upon Jenson. The latter's editions, however, quickly achieved a higher reputation than was secured by any other printer. Jenson's associate and successor, Herbort, issued a catalogue of books for sale (?) 1482) which, after the manner of advertisers, contained a lengthy commendation of Jenson's types wherein exaggeration was certainly not lacking. After speaking of the correctness of the Jenson editions he proceeds to claim that "the quality and value of his types is another marvel to relate for it ought to be ascribed rather to divine inspiration than human wit". The panegyrist is, however, well within the mark when he claims that "the characters are so methodically and carefully finished by that famous man that the letters are not smaller or larger or thicker than reason demands or than may afford pleasure".

In spite of Jenson's almost divinely assisted craftsmanship, fine writing nevertheless was elsewhere so highly esteemed that even his printing failed to please many contemporary collectors of books. The bibliophiles of Florence insisted that it was so inferior to the manuscript as to be unworthy of their libraries. It may be well to point out here that whatever preferences some of us may have for the illuminations and miniatures of an earlier age, it can well be claimed that calligraphy was at its best during the hundred and twenty years after the foundation of the writing schools in Florence by Niccold de' Niccoli, Poggio Bracciolini and others. The productions of these schools were at their finest just at the time when there were issuing from the Venetian press the books of Jenson which modern amateurs

are prone to rank as the finest achievement of all time. Their excellence almost persuades one authority to doubt that they were made with human hands. Notwithstanding, it may be judged that the Florentine *conoscenti* were right in their preference for the work of Antonio Sinibaldi, Pietro Strozzi and Gherardo di Giovanni del Ciriago and other scribes, whose work was utilised by Lorenzo the Magnificent, Federigo duke of Urbino, and by Ferdinand of Aragon, who even put himself to the pains of bringing Sinibaldi and Strozzi to Naples.

Quite apart from the matter of decoration which all printers before, and many after Erhard Ratdolt, left to professional designers outside the office, it is certain that Jenson's letters are individually less satisfactory than those of Sinibaldi; nor is this surprising. Twelve years before Nicolas Jenson settled at Venice as typefounder and printer he was mint-master at Tours. In the exercise of this craft such lettering as he needed to engrave would almost exclusively have been capitals, just as the founder of the medallic art, Pisanello, never employed lower-case. But with Sinibaldi the conditions were very different; his eye and pen were practised in the formation of fine lower-case and in the achievement of the greatest possible ease in combination of capitals and small letters. In any case, the elasticity and freedom of his pen gave it tremendous advantages in combining power over that of the metal punch and type body; and in addition it was an essential point of the Florentine calligraphic school to follow a manuscript tradition which had existed at least since the caroline reform of the ninth century. Sinibaldi and his peers, unlike Jenson, made their upper-case noticeably shorter than the ascending lower-case letters b d f l, etc., and by this means prevented their capitals from becoming conspicuous when combined with the small letters. Jenson elevated his capitals almost to the height of these ascending letters and thereby gave his printed page a certain spottiness; that is to say, the eye is attracted to the masses of form and colour

representing the capitals. In homogeneity, therefore, the finest Florentine manuscript is superior to the printed book of Jenson, as it must inevitably be in respect of elasticity, sharpness, decoration and, above all, of personality.

In the light of the welcome that printing received at Venice we cannot but be surprised at the coldness shown to it at Florence. In so mean an estimate was typography held in the city of Cimabue, Giotto and Michelangelo that its first book was issued almost two years after the publication of Jenson's Eusebius; and, much more to our astonishment, only six years before the introduction of printing into London. Nor is the first Florentine printing of anything but the slightest interest. It was a Virgil printed by Cennini, a capable goldsmith enough, but who, unlike the Venetians, lacked the patronage of the artists and nobles of his city; yet he worked at a time of unparalleled enthusiasm for scholarship and for letters. The celebrated Medici Library, begun in 1444 by Cosimo, and opened by him to all scholars, contained thousands of Greek and Latin books. Federigo Montefeltro, duke of Urbino, was another enthusiast who by means of his ample resources strove to emulate Cosimo's example. That great bookseller of Florence, Vespasiano da Bisticci, *princeps librariorum florentinorum*, played a great part in assembling the collections of the Medici and of the Aragonese Court at Naples. His *Vite di uomini illustri del secolo XV* describes at length the library made by the duke with his help, and he adds the words: "In this library all the books are superlatively good, all are written with the pen; and were there a single printed book it would have been ashamed in such company. All are most beautifully illuminated and written on vellum."

It cannot be doubted that these words were written with great deliberation and feeling. Vespasiano was himself a master scribe and at that time the largest employer of copyists in all Italy. Printing would need to be fine to satisfy the taste of such

a man, and though we may well admit in parenthesis that Vespasiano's vested interests as well as his sympathies lay in the scriptoria, it is demonstrable that his judgement was sincere. At least he could hardly have been expected to be a friend to such poor printing as Cennini produced. In this connection it may be recalled that, according to the estimate of their latest biographer, the Medici family alone spent upon books a sum equal in present money to some three millions sterling. An immense sum therefore passed through the hands of Vespasiano to the Florentine scribes, illuminators and miniaturists. Venice—in spite of its maritime trade and wealthy syndics, at this time on the decline—never knew such spendthrift enthusiasts as the Medici.

Lorenzo, however, was induced to patronise printing, and actually accepted the dedication of several volumes issued by the Giuntas of his city. But nothing better illustrates the temperamental difference between Florence and Venice in their attitude to printing than the fact that as many as 4000 or more books or editions were produced in the latter city during the fifteenth century. The typography of Venice thus reflects both the high accomplishment of its artists and the progressive instinct of an essentially vigorous maritime city. The Florentine school, on the other hand, while going beyond the excellence of the Venetian school in painting and knowing no rival in sculpture, pursued the arts of miniature-painting and of calligraphy with a conservatism in which printing could find little or no place. We cannot doubt that masterpieces greater than Venice ever gave us awaited the collaboration of Sinibaldi the scribe and Gherico the miniaturist with a craftsman-printer of Jenson's calibre; but by the time of the death of Lorenzo the Magnificent, Florentine printing was hardly out of its cradle, and except for experiments in illustration, offers scant typographical interest before the time of Lorenzo Torrentino (1547).

Thus the mightiest intellectual and artistic centre of modern

times, surpassed in conservatism only by Rome itself, almost refused to admit the printing press. The consequences were notable. The irresistible practical advantages of the invention were welcomed by a city which, if it lacked in some degree the cultivation and the artistic competence of its neighbouring city, enjoyed the compensation of greater practicality and clearer vision.

Venice naturally gained by its position on the great highway between Germany and Italy over the Brenner Pass, and thus, being one of the first important places which German craftsmen would meet on their way south, it assumed a position in the art of typography which quickly grew to be paramount. The mere invention in 1469 by Johann van Speier (da Spira) of what is now recognised to be a really fine roman letter conferred upon the city a distinction which his successors more than maintained. It remains a matter for keen regret that the manuscript tradition of subordinating the majuscules in the interest of homogeneity was not followed in the city of Venice, whose typographical authority became, with the advent of Jenson, nothing less than magisterial. The renowned Frenchman's books, even though their pages are marred by heavy capitals, are technically fine, business-like volumes. They secured such a reputation that though many have criticised his press-work none has ventured to criticise either his composition or the design of his type. His setting is careful, he leaves no ugly white at the end of his sentences, and if his books were often spoiled by hand decoration it was not of the master's application. Jenson's services to typography are undoubtedly unique, but it may be perhaps that his work has been honoured more by superstitious adoration than by discerning worship. His books are not novelties, and herein lay Jenson's strength: he worked carefully within the limits of a fine if rigid convention. It is important to note this in appraising early printing.

III

The tradition, or at least the memory, of fine writing which the local scribes bequeathed to the printers who ousted them, protected the fifteenth-century printed book from the introduction of novelties, experiments and eccentricities. The printer's necessity was to make his book as much as possible like the scribe's. The writers communicated to their successors not only the craft of drawing letters but the equally high mystery of handsomely placing the matter upon the page—or we should rather say, *pair* of pages, since it is impossible to open any text without envisaging the pair. Much of the grandeur of early books is due to the generosity of their margins, and it may be that present-day amateurs have more to learn from the *mise en page* of Jenson than from anything else of his. The press-work of these books is often as bad as good. In this matter Ratdolt is considerably Jenson's superior, but both appreciated the fact that as they had chosen to work in roman letter so they were bound to leave aside the gothic and its ideal, the black page. The rounder, slighter, roman letter means not a black but a grey page. The roman means indeed a totally different sort of book, slenderer type, therefore greyer page, thinner paper, and slighter binding. In a word, the roman book is a typical renaissance product, just as the black letter is gothic. The lightness of line in the roman character naturally induced a correspondingly fine line in book illustration. The grey page therefore (and it is worth repeating) is the renaissance product just as the black page is the mediaeval. And here it may be observed that the wood-cutters who supplied the decorations and illustrations to early Italian books were not necessarily the artists of the designs but merely the artificers. They were competent craftsmen, making it their business to effect the greatest harmony between the printer's type and their cut. If in many

cases it may be felt that their title devices and illustrations tend to be so large as to be more successful as single sheets, there can be no two opinions about the *Poliphilus* (1499) of Aldus Manutius. Here indeed the wood-engravers produced a masterpiece. In spite of the excellence of Francesco Griffo's roman letter the volume owes its reputation entirely to its cuts. Nevertheless this fine type, and even more its first state used in Pietro Bembo's dialogue *De Aetna*, printed by Aldus in 1495, justifies a paragraph as well as a picture. The type is indeed a notable one. It is clear, open but not too round, and bold without being black.

To those interested in printing types, as for the purpose of this discussion we must necessarily be, the type of the *De Aetna* (1495) offers a problem. Typefounding describes it as an "old face" or as a "venetian". It is, as a design, the direct progenitor of the letter-form we know by the nineteenth-century nickname of "old face" or "old style"; it is not a venetian, if Jenson's letter is typical of that school of type forms. The type of the *De Aetna* has little or nothing in common with the latter, and the point is worth stressing, because Venetian printing of the succeeding century gradually drew away from Jenson's model and, as we shall see, by 1560 was using almost exclusively a set of entirely different characters. The type of the *De Aetna* and of the beautiful *St. Katharine of Siena* gives a hint of this approaching change.

It may be noted that, from the time of his establishment as a printer until his death, Aldus never employed types which were immediately based on the Jenson model, nor did he employ them when, through marriage, much of Jenson's material came into his hands. Whether or not the Aldine letters are an improvement upon those of his illustrious predecessor is a matter of taste, but it will at least be agreed that they differ in many important respects. To our eyes they may claim to possess a much more "present day" feeling than is conveyed

in the letters of the earlier master. The finest floriated initials give the *Poliphilus* a unique splendour; but it is unfortunate that Aldus, who published this work on commission and not as a venture of his own, should not have taken more pains with the production. The press-work is but average, and he made shift with at least two sets of initials, of which one series is demonstrably poor and inconsistent.

Though Aldus's merits as a fine printer have, like those of Jenson and Plantin, been exaggerated, his influence upon the printed book is certainly important. He began printing and publishing with great energy in 1495, and before the end of the century had printed some thirty-seven volumes, among them a five-volume Aristotle and other fine folios. His reputation, however, was made with books of smaller format. Aldus, indeed, wrought a remarkable change in publishing, and the *Poliphilus* is practically his last example of a large book. One of his literary friends, Urceus Codrus, wrote to Aldus in 1498, saying that he was pleased with the craftsmanship and accuracy of the Aristotle, but was indignant at the price. He added that with the money paid for Aldus's five volumes he could have purchased ten of the largest and best MSS. in Latin. Aldus's answer to this was the octavo series begun in 1501; and here we have at once the inception of the modern book and the modern publishing method.

The type of the *De Aetna* equally marks the new epoch in typography. The fame of the publisher added to the prestige of the new letter. It was copied in France (by Garamond, Colines and others), and later made its reappearance in Venice cast from French punches and with an added note of conscious elegance and technical perfection. The Jenson letter was no match for this newcomer, and we soon find that the taste of Venetian printers preferred these French copies and the French manner of display. Aldus's sons, for instance, are to be found using them in 1550. Thus Italian and French typography merged

in the stream of that vigorous "old face" tradition which took its rise from the type of the Aldine *De Aetna*, and, as we shall see, suffered temporary eclipse during the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, but which renewed its youth and strength under Pickering, until at the present day we find it dominating the finest typography of two continents. But this is to anticipate.

In spite of the illustrious and unique *Poliphilus*, Aldus was not greatly interested in typographical decoration. His work is, in the main, without ornament. As has been said, it is perhaps the case that Aldus has been over-praised. His reputation largely rests upon the cursive letter of Francesco Griffio, which he was the first to employ, and the octavo classics set in this letter, which are very workman-like volumes, thus gave the cursive a European advertisement. But there was another variety of cursive, based on the more formal chancery hand of the writing masters, which had its importance in the history of italic type. Lodovico degli Arrighi da Vicenza was employed at Rome as a "scrittore de' brevi apostolici" and as a writing master he was the first to print specimens of his hand. From 1524 to 1527 he was a printer at Rome, using two founts of italic of greater distinction and formality than the Aldine model. Their influence can be traced among other Italian printers and also at Paris. Arrighi's first fount was secured by Janiculo at Vicenza and the second fount passed to the Roman printer, Antonio Blado. Blado was a connection of Aldus and became papal printer in 1545, a position which he held until his death in 1567. Many of the productions of his press are notable and one or two are quite remarkable. His press early discerned the uses of the floret, and later of those units which combine to form arabesque ornaments (printers' flowers). Blado maintained his individual style throughout his career. His sons, however, were, like other Italian printers, obviously influenced by the charming title-pages to the productions of perhaps the most prolific of the sixteenth-century Venetian presses, that of

the Gioliti. These volumes, in spite of their inferiority to the work, say, of Ratdolt, possess many points of interest. The Gioliti were, for instance, one of the earliest Italian houses to use printers' flowers. In the matter of decoration the craft is less indebted than might be imagined to Venetian inspiration. As I have previously remarked, the Ratdolt influence had borne no fruit and the appropriate typographical decoration of the printed page remained a problem—and, since it is human to decorate—an urgent problem.

The primitive impulse to decorate was followed by a satisfaction equally natural—the flowers and the leaves of the way-side became the simple ornament of the building, the table or the person. They found their inevitable echo in plastic art with its conventional garland and festoon, and the ornament won its way into every handicraft; the papyrus, the manuscript and finally the printed page is so adorned. The Venetian printers were rather slow in transferring decoration in the current taste to wood or metal blocks, and the first decorated title-page, that to Müller's *Kalender* published by Ratdolt in 1478, did not interest his fellow-craftsmen sufficiently to secure many imitators. In this matter Ratdolt, the son of a carpenter and wood-carver, was in advance of his time, and the rich borders of his Appian remain strangely isolated examples. His colleagues contented themselves with allowing the professional illuminators to decorate the printed sheets; and thus the principles of typographical decorations were somewhat tardily developed in spite of their considerable public interest.

The twofold inheritance of Venice as a leading renaissance city and the commercial gateway to the east brought with it a skill in two modes of floral decoration, the naturalistic form derived from classical art and the conventional form imported from the Mahomedan east. Ratdolt's decorative work affords examples of both these. His *Kalender* bears a particularly fine classical floral border, while the opening page of the Appian

already referred to is framed in a border of conventional entrelacs. In varying forms, but by no means at once, these two streams of ornament overflow the typography and book decoration of the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries.

Italy gave Europe the finest type forms, the finest decorations and the finest printing-papers of the fifteenth century, but its primacy in two most important points was destined to be lost in the early years of the sixteenth. It was from France that the printed book was next to receive its formative influences.

IV

The printing of France, of course, owes its introduction to travelling German craftsmen. Strangely, they began with a type of the Roman kind, but the strength of public opinion in favour of the older style brought them back to the black letter. In one form or another the gothic type with appropriately heavy ornament ruled until the generation of Jodocus Badius and the first of the Estiennes. Henri of this dynasty, like his contemporaries, first used gothic derived types and ornaments, which he discarded when, like so many lesser men in Florence, Paris, Lyons and Basle, he yielded to the profitable temptation of copying Aldus. This was but a temporary phase, however. The first distinctly French contribution to the makings of the fine book was not delayed for long. The period during which the work of the best Parisian printers, Henri and Robert Estienne and Simon de Colines, exhibited obvious evidences of external influences, first of Venice and secondly of Basle, was succeeded by a time of great local enthusiasm for the renaissance which, rapidly assimilated by the French Church and the court, brought a new skill into the Arts and Crafts, and to printing a native style. By 1525 the French renaissance,

though originally Italian in almost every line, possessed a soul of its own. The work of designers, craftsmen and decorators imported from Italy by Francis I, penetrated architecture and the handicrafts. In book production, however, it was a native-born genius who effected in an incredibly short time that change from the gothic type and decoration to the roman type which it took almost two hundred years to do in England. The work of Geofroy Tory marks a new epoch in printing. He was a many-sided genius, a typical renaissance scholar. Originally lecturer in philosophy and sometime reader in the offices of Gilles de Gourmont and Henri Estienne, his enthusiasm for typography and the graphic arts led him to experiment with printing and publishing. A prolonged sojourn in Italy greatly affected him; after publishing with Simon de Colines, he established himself as bookseller, engraver and printer, and he became the most powerful European influence in these crafts. Henceforth the work of the Parisian press is composed in lighter faces of type and correspondingly lighter wood-engraved illustrations. The heavy types, initials and borders derived from Basle and used by Jodocus Badius were discarded by his son-in-law successor, Michel Vascosan, in favour of Tory's crible initials and graceful entrelacs.

Many other fine printers followed the new taste, and Tory gathered round him a number of craftsmen whom he trained in the method of the finest Italian wood-engravers, achieving nevertheless an individual note in his style. To pure typography as to book-illustration his contributions were epoch marking, if indirect. He was a great enthusiast for pure roman letter. He made two or three sets of ornamental initial letters related in design and colour to the type of the page and to the head-piece. He was a most fertile creator of floral evolutions, of which he made beautiful use in title-pages, borders and decorations. Thus the *Pot Cassé* was the symbol of a new spirit in printing. In-debted as he was to Italy, Tory was not a slavish imitator, as is

proved by his *Heures* of 1525. It is not in the least surprising that the office of Imprimeur du roy in the French language was created for him in 1530. The leading Parisian printers of a later day strove to continue Tory's styles and the craft used his blocks for almost a generation after his death. The typefounder, Claude Garamond, became a figure of prime importance. The early cursives of Colines, which are derived partly from Aldus and partly from Arrighi, are probably his own work; and an enthusiasm for the type of the *Poliphilus* evidently prompted the cutting of the types used in the *Terentianus* of 1531. In the year 1530, a succession of strikes resulted in the separation of typefounding from printing, and Garamond established himself as a founder. After his death his types were sold to Plantin and others in the Low Countries, while Guillaume Le Bé was at Venice, and another pupil, Robert Granjon, carried the Garamond designs and his own italics to Florence and Rome. Types in these designs duly appeared in England and Spain, and in a few years French fashions dominated the whole of European typography, and initiated that powerful tradition which lives in William Caslon's so-called "old face", cut *circa* 1725. After Denys Janot, Parisian printing became obviously inferior to that of Lyons. The next creative impulse came from this city, which had early given a welcome to the craft but whose style, having fallen for a period under the influence of Basle, evolved a character of its own *circa* 1540.

In spite of the distinction given to the Basle press by the competence of Froben, the cuts of Holbein and a series of bold types, the city did not long retain any importance as a centre of printing style. Its affinities were German, and though a number of admirable books in the Basle style were put forth, its influence, though at first strongly exerted upon early Parisian and Lyonnese craftsmen, was temporary. Geofroy Tory's achievement rapidly overcame it. The latter's floriated headbands and initials were carried wherever the victorious Garamond

letters were called for. Antwerp with Plantin, Frankfurt with the Egenolffs and the Wechels, and, of course, most of Switzerland and Italy came under the spell of the Parisian fashion. The national characteristics which had been so consistent a feature of the manuscripts gave way before the success of Tory's solution of the problem confronting every printer, that of uniting the type and the decoration in one colour, in one weight, and, if possible, in one convention. In many parts of the Continent and particularly Holland the imitations of Tory's style flourished for generations. We find them a consistent feature in that very overrated series, the 12mo Elzevirs, copied indeed, but without yielding the slightest pleasure.

In France, however, a fine solution of the same problem was worked out in another convention by the great Lyonnese printer Jean de Tournes, in association with the wood-engraver Bernard Salomon. Some of the printers of this city have earned a reputation for their unscrupulous imitation of Venetian models. The enterprise of Jean de Tournes, however, went far beyond this; and to him we owe a number of the very finest achievements of printing.

Jean de Tournes I was born in Lyons in 1504, and was apprenticed to the Trechsels. Afterwards he became foreman to Sebastian Gryphius, whose brother Francis had for some time worked in Paris. To what extent de Tournes was inspired by Tory's work it is not possible to say. It is, however, to the hand of Bernard Salomon that de Tournes was indebted for the marvellous arabesques which give his editions such notable distinction. Colines' 1543 *Book of Hours* includes a number of borders in precisely the same convention, but *le petit Bernard* (as he was known) carried it to an even finer conclusion. Thus, there appeared in French typography beautiful large floating fleurons such as those in the *Marguerites*. Though many of these afterwards appeared in Paris, their usage was invariably finer in Lyonnese work. They represent indeed a contribution to

standard typographical decoration of the very first importance and that in a double degree. *Le petit Bernard's* preoccupation with the arabesque, his interest in engraving, and a family connection with one of the finest of all typefounders, Robert Granjon, perhaps assisted the latter to carry further the idea of placing decorative units upon type bodies which may be found in its simplest form in the title-pages of Antonio Blado of Rome from about 1530, and which there were copies of binders' tools. Granjon transformed the simple and complete *petit-fers* into a unit which would admit of the most marvellous combinations. This happy invention was, however, not too quickly received in France. Some varieties were used in Lyons and others in Paris, but it was in Venice, in Antwerp, in Frankfurt, in Nuremberg, in Rome, and in London, that they received the heartiest welcome. In the Netherlands, Granjon's dexterity was especially appreciated. The poet Van Vaernewyck of Gand, for instance, writes that Granjon "has as many ingenious ideas as hairs to his head", and he adds that he has seen a glorious arabesque as large as a man's hand made up from forty-eight pieces.

Examples of these interesting ornaments occur in work executed in Antwerp; rich and pleasant as these are, the eye is perhaps even better pleased by a series Granjon cut later and which are put to magnificent use by the brothers Le Preux, first at Paris, then at Lausanne and finally at Geneva.

Christopher Plantin holds a foremost position among the great printers of the past. It should be remarked at once, however, that his eminence is due more to his great activity as a publisher. At the same time it must be conceded that Plantin was not the man to rest content with accepted methods of book illustration, no matter how honoured by time and school. He was one of the first to extend the use of printers' flowers which had recently arrived in Antwerp. Plantin secured large supplies of fresh varieties, thus giving notable support to a fashion which

long endured in England. Plantin's later intimacy with the artists of the Low Countries led him first to commission wood-cut borders in the current and fast decaying renaissance style. Later he employed the engraved plate, to which he gave very extensive use. The engraved title-page quickly became a European vogue, spreading at once to France and even to England, at that time a backwater in printing. Plantin's affection for copper engravings did not stop at the title-page. He engaged the foremost artists and practitioners to design and execute the illustrations to the liturgical books, a patent for which he had secured in 1565. His books, unfortunately, exhibit a distinct tendency towards excessive decoration. Plantin was far from possessing that exact sense of values which characterises so many fine books issued in Paris and Lyons from 1520 to 1570. In fact, it would not be too much to say that as a printer Plantin has not merely been over-written but overrated. The truth is that Plantin editions are more distinguished by their number than by their typography. Before Plantin's arrival there were already in Antwerp several printers the excellence of whose work is certainly not surpassed by that of the newcomer. The fine madrigal books of Jean Bellère (with whose assistance Plantin was to issue his first book) come readily to the memory. There were also smaller printing shops where fine work was done. Such was the office of Jean Loe, who printed many of the theological and philosophical disputations for the University of Louvain, then, as now, the headquarters of scholasticism. Still another worthy Antwerp printer was Stelsius, who, in spite of his rather mean Bible, wrought well and consistently in a number of pretty little volumes. When Plantin arrived in 1554 he found Antwerp printing already prosperous and distinguished, and it cannot justly be said that he raised its aesthetic standards.

V

That sixteenth-century printing is indebted to France for several most important developments is clear. In the meanwhile Italian typography had sunk to a low level, and it must be confessed that by the end of the same century, though the best printing in Europe was still French, it marked a great declension from the golden age of Tory and the Estiennes. In the seventeenth century, France, after almost two generations of uninteresting and careless work, was to renew its enthusiasm and endeavour. There are signs of this by the year 1640, when Richelieu was able to persuade Louis XIII to establish a royal printing-house, from which the State documents and certain other works could be published.

Richelieu's interest in typography dated probably from his appointment to the direction of a privileged group who printed missals, breviaries and other liturgical works. The Cardinal later extended the work of the group to cover the printing of the New Testament, catechisms, and grammars of oriental languages for the use of missionaries in the Levant. It would appear that the concerted action of this society of some eighteen printers failed to realise the hopes which Richelieu had conceived. However it may have been, in 1639 the Cardinal persuaded Louis XIII to establish a press in the Louvre. On November 17th, 1640, the Imprimerie Royale, or Typographia Regia, commenced work under the direction of Sébastien Cramoisy. Its first publication was a handsome folio text of the *De Imitatione Christi*. It is printed in types after the Garamond design, but its merits are somewhat compromised by the insipid copper-plate vignettes of Nicolas Poussin, whom Richelieu induced to leave Italy and to reside in the precincts of the Louvre. In 1642 Richelieu's own book *Principaux points de la foi* was set in new types acquired from Jean Jannon of Sedan.

These romans and italics were named “caractères de l’Université” and were, in the nineteenth century, wrongly assigned to Garamond, to the confusion of typographic historians. In rather royal and leisurely fashion the press proceeded to bring out a number of imposing folios. At this period its work was sufficiently well handled to arouse the envious interest of printers abroad. An interesting evidence of foreign endeavour to secure supplies of French types is afforded by a Royal Decree of March 25th, 1642. This enactment forbids booksellers, printers, typefounders and all other persons of whatsoever quality to vend or convey to foreigners matrices or founts of any kind, under a penalty of 1000 livres. This order seems to have secured obedience. In 1663, however, Ant. Estienne was found to have sold a fount of the Royal Greek to one Lucas, who purveyed them to Jean Berthelin, a Rouen merchant in touch with foreign booksellers. The types were at once seized and Estienne mulcted in a fine.

This incident indicates the growing jealousy with which the King and his Ministers watched over the Crown types. It is therefore not surprising that with the death of Sébastien Mabre-Cramoisy (grandson and successor of the first director) and the accession of Jean Anisson to the directorate of the royal press in 1691, there should have been suggested the creation of an entirely new set of roman types. It was proposed that the use of this letter be absolutely reserved to the Louvre. Monsieur de Pontchartrain, Court Chancellor, favoured the project, and in 1692 Louis XIV sanctioned it.

The enterprise was undertaken with remarkable deliberation. A commission of experts appointed by the Académie Royale des Sciences set to work excogitating and codifying rules for the formation of perfect roman letter. The chairman of the commission, one Jaugeon, embodied its findings in a bulky report which even now lies unprinted. Attached to the report are a number of elaborate geometric designs in which the

traditional roman form was submitted to the discipline of the rule and compasses. The letters were drawn upon a square which subdivided into no fewer than 2304 small squares. The royal road to a perfect roman letter was, therefore, a mathematical one. This was well enough for the patterns which were ordered to be transferred to copper by the elder Simonneau, one of the finest engravers of the day. Philippe Grandjean, however, to whom had been committed the task of punch-cutting, elected to work with a considerable degree of independence.

Treating Simonneau's plates merely as valuable suggestions, Grandjean preferred the guidance of his own trained eye. His variations from Jaugeon's standard are consequently not unimportant. The *romain du roi Louis XIV*, as the new letter was called, remained a distinct novelty. In comparison with Garamond's roman it displays a sharper contrast between its thick and thin strokes, and is also more regular and more mechanically perfect, *i.e.* better in its justification. The most important general difference, however, is in respect to serif. For the first time the thin, flat unbracketed variety was employed and on the top of the roman lower-case ascenders the new feature extended both sides.

The royal monopoly of the *romain du roi* was safeguarded by the enactment of penalties against its reproduction by trade typefounders. In the meantime Grandjean and his assistants, Jean Alexandre and Louis Luce, were cutting it in many sizes. In 1702 the Imprimerie Royale issued its first specimen, displaying the *romain du roi* in a large variety of bodies. As the stocks of the new letter increased, the "old face" of Garamond was superseded. The first publication (*i.e.* apart from the specimen just mentioned) to employ the *romain du roi* was a volume issued in 1702: *Médailles sur les évènements du règne de Louis-le-Grand*. This work is a magnificent folio and reaches the very highest pitch of craftsmanship. The book, as we learn from the preface, was begun in 1694. It has an engraved frontispiece by

the elder Simonneau after Coypel *fils*; its borders and fleurons are by that prince of decorators, Berain; the head of the king on the medals is from the burin of Gerard. As for the types, they were "nouveaux, dessinez, gravez et fondus par le sieur Grandjean".

The *Médailles* is undoubtedly the most splendid example of the ornate and sophisticated book. It provides a most distinguished first setting forth of the *romain du roi*. Grandjean's improved justification and the novel cut of his type sorted most consistently with the Berain borders, the silky hand-made paper and the cut of the medals; the volume was a popular no less than an artistic success. The quarto edition was issued in the same year to content the interest of the public; Coypel's frontispiece and the medals were retained, and a smaller face of Grandjean was employed for the body of the work. In spite of its comparative plainness this edition also found a ready sale and a third was needed. The *romain du roi* instantly captivated the taste of the book-buyer; by 1714, when Grandjean died, there had been cut some twenty-one sizes, of which the chief punch-cutter had himself accounted for fifteen. The booksellers, printers and typefounders of Paris were now face to face on the one hand with a change in the public taste and on the other a royal decree forbidding any counterfeiting of the new face. The *goût nouveau* had to be satisfied with as great an approximation to Louis XIV's types as would escape the vindication of the law. Thus was the way paved for compromise. The leading Parisian typefounders slowly recut their capitals in the new mode and refined somewhat their lower-case roman. As to the cursive, the founders (and notably Fournier in 1737) were more bold, producing a letter almost identical with that of Grandjean. Concurrently with the change of type fashion initiated by the letters of Louis XIV the public taste, stimulated by the luxury of the baroque and rococo styles, grew to demand abundance and variety of adornment in its books. The luxurious

appetite of the Court established the *livre de luxe* as one of the essential extravagances. The letter-press of the printer, therefore, joined with the rolling-press of the engraver, to produce the sumptuous and fascinating works illustrated by such masters as Nicolas Cochin and J. M. Moreau-le-jeune.

Though the Elzevirs since 1630 had produced their dull duodecimos, there had been issued in Paris few books to relieve the everlasting folio and quarto. The very dexterity of the illustrators in *taille-douce* tended to keep the French book in a size no smaller at least than octavo. Smaller books, however, were not now long in coming from the French presses. The most prominent of the Parisian typefounders, Pierre Simon Fournier, brought out *Modèles des caractères de l'imprimerie nouvellement gravés par P. S. Fournier*, in oblong folio, 1742: this contains a number of faces in the new taste, and a vast number of fleurons and vignettes-de-fonte which, as Luce had shown, could be built up into the festoons and borders, head- and tail-pieces, beloved of the period. With Fournier's devices it became possible for printers to produce a charming book with less recourse to the copper-plate. Head-pieces formerly commissioned from the engraver gave place to bouquets of Fournier's flowers, or to the convenient woodcuts of Papillon and his pupils. Slowly the eighteenth-century book underwent a change. The typefounders marketed their plain and decorated initials and a variety of *caractères de fantaisie*, imitated from the hands affected by the engravers. The dainty 12mo series of classical authors begun by Francis de la Tour in 1743, later bought up by Barbou, the handy volumes issued by Prault, uncle of Moreau-le-jeune, assisted public appreciation of the small volume. In time spared from his work at the Louvre, Luce cut some fifteen sizes during the years 1740 to 1770. These types, entitled the *Poétiques*, with a large number of new ornaments and borders, were purchased for the considerable sum of 100,000 livres by Louis XV in 1774. The *Poétiques* represent the first attempt in France to found a

condensed letter. They of course owe little to Garamond, and are indeed too ugly to be shown in these pages. It should be added that Dutch and German founders had for some years been experimenting with space-saving types, types of a large x height; witness the work of Anton Janson, a Dutchman who founded at Leipzig, and the series of surviving types which have been given the name of "Janson".

Luce's types linked with the future Didot and Bodoni types, of which European printing was far too long patient. About 1780, François Ambroise Didot, first of a great dynasty of printers, caused to be cut a roman and cursive which show an increased contrast between the thicks and thins, a hair-line serif and condensed capitals; and at least two generations of readers came to accept this as the typical French face. The French Revolution naturally assisted a break, even with the typographical past. Ornaments and decoration were dropped as propaganda of the *ancien régime*. The cold, widely spaced and leaded pages of Baskerville, which had been copied by G. B. Bodoni, the renowned printer of Parma, were popularised in France by the Didots and a complete abandonment of the old faces resulted. In 1790, Bodoni himself cut a type heavier in weight, but whose contour was in the main identical with that of the Firmin Didot 1775.

Meanwhile printing abroad was corruptly following French fashions; Dutch printers reproduced more or less exactly the characteristics of French typography. English printers, even of the sixteenth century with superb achievements of French colleagues before their eyes, seldom rose above the commonplace, and the promise of the pretty title-pages of Denham and Bynne-man is not fulfilled in the body of their books. The fair pitch of craftsmanship reached in the early part of the seventeenth century was ruined by the civil war. "Fine" printing therefore began late in England. The beginning of a style at once national and fine can be discerned in the work of the University presses

of Oxford and Cambridge and, in London, in the enterprise of the elder Bowyer, and the development of sound English type-faces brought to our craftsmen the raw material of fine printing. It was the letter and, above all, the style of John Baskerville's books which emancipated our printers from the habit of imitating, albeit corruptly, the current heavy Dutch fashions in typography. Now, for the first time, English printing became an influence in Europe. Baskerville was the first who not merely freed himself from that tutelage to Continental printing which had been our characteristic since the time of Caxton, but was himself to influence profoundly the whole course of subsequent typography, both English and Continental. With his open round letters, widely spaced upon luxurious paper of his own invention, and exaggerated margins, his work astonished his English contemporaries and immensely interested his foreign colleagues.

Foremost among the latter was Bodoni, who had been appointed printer to the Court of Parma in the year 1768. When he first began to print, Bodoni employed the characters and ornaments of Fournier and produced several delightful specimens with this material. Likely enough it was Baskerville's 1773 edition of Ariosto's *Orlando Furioso*, handsomely printed in Italian, which excited the admiration of Bodoni. Accordingly, within the next few years Bodoni is to be found widely leading his pages and in other directions following the Baskerville model. In his type form, however, Bodoni remained faithful to the narrower-bodied letters of Grandjean and Fournier. Bodoni, however, cut several series of his own design; he strengthened the thick lines and refined the thins, thus producing that sharpness of contrast which, exaggerated by the brilliance of his impression and the luxury of his paper, seduced every European typographer from allegiance to the more soundly built letters of obviously finer design known to printers as the "old faces".

Thus Paris was at last surpassed in typographical prestige by Bodoni if not by Baskerville. The typography of the French Revolution is often handsome and striking, but its inspiration is to be traced in the work done in Birmingham twenty years before. In the nineteenth century the Didots carried on the Bodoni tradition and certainly made a much finer use of it than Bodoni's Italian successors. A really fine period in English work opened with the closing decades of the eighteenth century. The interest created by Baskerville had been further excited when Bodoni printed books for Horace Walpole, whose Strawberry Hill Press itself encouraged interest in typography. Much finer work, however, was produced by John Bell, Bensley, Bulmer, Johnson (of the *Typographia*) and others. It is in fact no exaggeration to say that the years 1770 to 1820 represent the finest period of English typography. It was characterised by extremely simple use of standard material, and high technical craftsmanship. The style, though it reminds us from time to time of Baskerville and Bodoni, is undeniably native in character and it represents the end of an epoch. The work of John Bell, however, should be excepted, in that he was a pioneer in typographic history. When he established his British Letter Foundry with Richard Austin as punch-cutter he began a new tradition in English type design. Bell and Austin's types were clearly derived from the new Didot types of 1783-1784, and proved to be the beginning of the type-founding style known as "modern" face, the predominant style of the nineteenth century and well into the twentieth.

VI

Here it becomes important to emphasise that the changes in printing style which had passed over the craft since the days of

Jenson had been slow and gradual in their development. It may be well, too, to remark that there have been few entirely bad periods during the centuries, but long periods of good typography and bad machining, and of fair decoration and bad types, and so on. At last some conscientious and instructed craftsman impels his fellows by his own example to higher efforts. Thus a better period opens and printing gradually improves. It has been observed that the principal changes in book production are associated with the names of Jenson, Aldus, Tory, Grandjean, Fournier, Baskerville, Bodoni. Now must be added the name of Pickering, a publisher who designed his books; and here a change of high significance is to be noted.

An entirely new attitude now shows itself, an attitude which is at the present day fast becoming distinctive of American and English fine book work. Pickering's experiments were made outside the bounds of the convention of his day; so far this is not very remarkable. Grandjean, who in 1702 equipped the Imprimerie Royale with a set of newly designed types, broke fresh ground. Baskerville, the Didots, Bodoni and Bell carried further his ideas. But, it is essential to remember, none dreamt of returning to the typography of a past age. It was reserved for Pickering to make a series of experiments which were inspired by the models of sixteenth-century Paris, Lyons and Basle. In the case of Pickering, however much we may admire the revived renaissance borders which gave distinction to his reprints of sixteenth-century divines like Jeremy Taylor and Joseph Hammond, it may be doubted whether their use is very appropriate. He is happier, one may think, in his un-decorated volumes or in such experiments as Fuller's *Good Thoughts*, where he is influenced by the propaganda of Pugin. The gothic revival indeed has a number of interesting books to its credit. John Philip, for instance, produced more than one fine liturgical book, appropriately enough decorated in this

fashion; and William Morris's own romanticism was no doubt but an extension of the interest in mediaevalism inevitably created by the Oxford Movement. Morris's preoccupation in this regard led him to see the printing of preceding generations from the standpoint of a somewhat impatient censor. The Kelmscott Chaucer is splendid in its conception, its ornament and its archaism.

The influence of Morris's work was enormous, but it is infinitely to be regretted that his enthusiasm for the Middle Ages led him to go behind the roman letter. The Golden type is his single contribution to its development, for which he might have done so much had he not been under the spell of the incunable. The Golden type is a barren achievement because the Kelmscott master had not realised that, though black is the ideal colour for a gothic age, the roman letter with its finer contour demands a different colour, and can be brought into conformity with gothic standards only by compromising its essential grace and form. So the Golden type is coarse and heavy in comparison with that of, say, Tory. William Morris's merits as a book decorator in the mediaeval manner, however, are unapproachable; but the present generation of amateurs and practitioners of typography owes him a greater debt than is represented by the great Kelmscott Chaucer and his other books. His passion for perfect craftsmanship and his whole-hearted application to detail are an enduring inspiration, and his energy, by focusing interest in the craft, has made possible much of the variety and excellence which characterise present-day typography. Progress has been slow, nevertheless, and greatly as Morris helped us, he might have done more had he been less blind to the merits of great printers of the previous generation, Martin, Bulmer and Bensley. Though he came immediately after Pickering his example distracted attention from the most permanent of the early Victorian's endeavours towards fine printing—his reversion to Caslon's so-called "old

face" for title-pages, and later for text use. Morris's work, however, powerfully recommended printing to the interest of the public, and thus the trade was stimulated almost indeed against its will; and one or two establishments were soon to put forth efforts in the direction of improvement. The press of the University of Oxford, long content with the commonplace, produced under Horace Hart a number of careful productions, advancing later to several fine books in the Fell types, which Daniel had been for some years using in his individual and carefree way for the composition of small editions of poems by his friends. These last count rather as interesting than as fine printing, and it still remained for the University Press to make handsome use of this seventeenth-century material. In 1899 the *Yattendon Hymnal* appeared, printed by the interest of its editor in the Fell types and employing for the music the characters cast from the punches of Peter Walpergen, cut *circa* 1660. The title-page of the volume is decorated with arabesque flowers, of which Robert Bridges had made similar use for the first edition of his *New Poems*, published in 1874 by Basil Montagu Pickering. Other works by Bridges are decorated by happy combinations of the Fell flowers, but the most magnificent usage of this material is to be found in the two large quarto editions of the *Book of Common Prayer*, the fruit of the joint labours of Charles Cannan and Horace Hart. The competence of the press is, however, not limited to the expert handling of its unique seventeenth-century types, as is proved by a number of recent title-pages, some in Caslon "old face" and others in "modern".

Prominent among the public presses that drew inspiration from the Arts and Crafts movement is the Arden Press of Letchworth, and later, London, which, during the years 1904 to 1914, was distinguished by its fine use of Caslon types. The school of calligraphy founded by Edward Johnston may be counted among the influences upon the typography of the

Arden Press. The finest contribution from this school is, however, to be found in the productions of the Doves Press established in 1902, which employ a number of Johnston's initials of splendid form and colour. These appear at their best in that superb effort, the Doves Bible, produced by Emery Walker and Cobden-Sanderson in 1903-5. In spite of the fact that the Doves type suffers, as must all types directly based upon Jenson's, from over-large capitals, the Bible represents the finest achievement of modern English printing, and a standard to which subsequent Doves books never attained. It may be admitted that others, e.g. the *Sartor Resartus*, are simply bad books.

St. John Hornby's Ashendene Press is another private press owing much to the calligraphic movement. His *Dante* is a magnificent book, second in merit only to the Doves Bible. The type used is a recutting of the first roman type that was employed at Subiaco by Schweynheym and Pannartz.

Fine printing in America is a post-Morris development. The Kelmscott Press began work in 1891, and it was in 1893 that Daniel Berkeley Updike established the Merrymount Press. In addition to a large output of workaday volumes the press has printed a number of special books of more immediate interest to the collector of fine printing. Its early productions in this field were conceived in the heavy style which Morris had striven for even with his Golden types; but these were followed by a series of reprints of humanistic writers, printed with complete appropriateness in the style of the Italian renaissance, but in a rather inferior letter. Updike was fortunate, however, in having secured much the best of the Horne types. More recently, Updike developed an enthusiasm for the period which I have ventured to call the golden age of English printing: the sub-Baskerville age or the period of Bulmer and Bensley. He has contributed in a unique degree to the solution of the problems that beset the modern typographer. Merrymount is a press established not as a personal hobby subject to private

subsidy, but as a commercial undertaking uniquely directed—by a printer singularly endowed with a ripe typographical scholarship and those rare complements, practical capacity and a discriminating susceptibility to the beautiful in all its forms.

Updike's equal, as scholar and designer, Bruce Rogers, has worked in Europe as well as in America. His is a lively spirit and his work exhibits the most remarkable versatility. Happily uninfluenced by Morris's spirit, his books include a number of fine inventions in every style from the Italian renaissance to the French Directory. They are perfect examples of their kind, and though, in a sense, the style of many of them is derivative, they are all marked with the impress of his own personality. Mr. Rogers knows better than anybody else how to make typographical form illustrate the literary content. He is, in fact, the first of typographers, and not a printer at all. Hence he will only design a book because he chooses to, whereas Updike would design a book because it was brought to him. Perhaps the most delightful of all the volumes in Mr. Rogers's diverse list is the *Compleat Angler*. The typography, while "period", is supported by original decorations of the happiest kind, and the title-page with its charming vignette, also by Mr. Rogers, is a masterpiece.

The typographical history of the last two generations is a study in revivals, notably in England and America; and abroad also. The revival of "old face" type under Pickering and the Whittinghams, for instance, has a parallel in France. A similar movement was initiated by the publisher Louis Perrin, who in 1846 cut a series of letters with capitals directly based upon the classical roman forms, and whose lower-case followed somewhat the types of Garamond. This revival occasioned an interest in old style printing and led a reaction against the Didot manner. It had, nevertheless, a purely literary success, and that a restricted one. The revived Lyons types were accompanied by a selection of decorations composed of conventional

renaissance flowers and grotesques, such as the Elzevirs had used two centuries earlier, and the style became known as neo-Elzevir. A number of pretty volumes was issued in this style—the Jouaust and Lemerre series are known to all. The finest work in Perrin's types is, however, to be found in that town with which Lyons had always been closely connected, Geneva. Here the press, directed first by Jules and later by Édouard Fick, produced a large number of elegant reprints in the style of the sixteenth century. The Fick press was the fortunate possessor of a large number of the original wood-blocks cut for Jean de Tournes by Bernard Salomon, and which the son conveyed with him when he fled from Lyons. The blocks, it may be interesting to record, remain in Geneva to this day.

In 1870 the printer, Jules Claye of Paris, recut a large number of decorated initials, vignettes and fleurons in the arabesque manner originally created by Peter Flötner of Nuremberg, 1546, and which were much used by Rouillé and Jean de Tournes II. Collectors, however, of fine French printing discover little of interest in even the best years of the nineteenth century. Volumes in which typographical ambition played any part were dressed in either the neo-Elzevir or the neo-Lyons style. These were hardly varied until the advent in 1896 of Édouard Pelletan, who, that year, established the first publishing house in modern days to employ for secular purposes the types of Jannon, Grandjean and Luce. Pelletan strove to conserve a very high standard, and in his several illustrated series achieved many successes.

The twentieth century witnessed an awakening among French bibliophiles. Pelletan's example was not without its effect, and at the same time there succeeded to the direction of the Imprimerie Nationale an erudite and practical enthusiast in Arthur Christian. During his period of office (cut short by his death in 1906), there was printed the immense work of Claudin, *Histoire de l'imprimerie en France* (1900), composed in large sizes

of Jannon and Grandjean types. This monumental work was followed by several admirably printed monographs by Christian. Though private clubs, supported by powerful personages in society and politics, were devoting themselves to the printed book, the private press as known to English and German amateurs secured no lodgement in the ambitions of French enthusiasts, but the close understanding on the part of publishers with contemporary artists resulted in the execution of many interesting books illustrated with wood-engravings, *eaux fortes*, etc. But consideration of these obviously belongs rather to the amateur of illustration than typography.

The most satisfying examples of German typography will be found, I think, not among the productions of the numerous private presses established by enthusiastic admirers of the Doves Press, but among the more normal productions of public presses. In this connection the Insel-Verlag takes a prominent position, if only for its series of German classics entitled the Grossherzog Wilhelm Ernst Ausgabe, printed by Germany's finest typographer, Herr Carl Ernst Poeschel, and which began to appear in 1905. The format of the series was designed by Sir Emery Walker, and the volumes possess calligraphic title-pages designed by Johnston and by Eric Gill. The most successful German efforts are of recent completion and are unfortunately outside the scope of this volume; yet notice must be given to the admirable work of the Bremer Presse, a Munich establishment formed in 1914 by Dr. Wilhelm Wiegand. The original type designed by Dr. Wiegand is perhaps too large for the page, but the smaller size cut for a text of the *De Civitate Dei* is undoubtedly a successful type, in spite of one or two questionable characters. The Bremer books are invariably undecorated save for the handsome initials designed by Anna Simons. In no country is printing more seriously studied than in Germany, and if their typographers can cultivate freedom without compromising the essentially traditional

character of the craft, they will achieve perhaps our greatest desideratum: the reconciliation of the old craft with the spirit of modernism.

Much of the so-called "fine printing" from William Morris to Bruce Rogers (though the latter's most recent works are delightfully "modern") is an anachronism, and will never be singled out by the historian of the future as the representative printing of our period. Nevertheless it must be admitted that so much does almost every individual among us assist in the cult of the past, that to provide the mock antique is one of the surest ways to a reputation for fine printing. Yet this seems fundamentally wrong. To some of us it may be more exciting to play with sixteenth-century flowers, and to all of us it is easier to copy old styles than to make a good one of our own. It may even be urged that in printing, as perhaps in most things, all possible combinations have been exhausted; but French and German typographers do not think so. The French are never afraid to shock us by some new trick of display, nor the Germans to do so with a new type face. But these attempts are to the average English and American taste not derivative enough. They fail to respect many traditions and conventions which are so strong with us, and very extraordinary things have been achieved by some of the Teutonic private presses ignoring them. Gradually, however, they are learning moderation. One of the extremest men of a few years ago, Professor F. H. Ehmcke, though he never rivalled Monsieur Georges Auriol, has produced a series of books in a newly designed cursive which really does resemble a printing type; and today type must look like type.

We come back to the question of basic principles. If we are acting against the highest interests of typography by remaining content with resurrected Garamond, Aldus, Jenson, and period usages thereof, what is the next step? We must have new types, new ornaments (perhaps even new conventions of display can

be worked out) by the living rather than copies from the illustrious dead; therefore it is proper, indeed necessary, to study the history of printing not as an end in itself, but as a means, an inspiration towards the typographical task before us. We may not obscure the old truths: we must not despise the new.

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NSTITVENTI michi . Q. frater eū sermonē
 referre & mandare huic tertio libro quē post an-
 thoni disputationē crassus habuisset acerba sanc-
 recordano. ueterē animi curā molesti. unq; reno-
 uauit. Nam illud immortalitate dignū mgemū illa
 humamatis illa iuratus. L. cr. aliū morere exicita su-
 bito est: iuxit diebus decem post cū diem q; hoc et superiore
 libro cōtempnē. Ut enī romanū reddit extremo scimicō & ludoy
 die uehemēter cōmotus ea oratione que fereb; & habita esse
 iēcione a philippo quē dixisse constabat uidendū sibi esse
 alius cōsiliū illo senatus se rē. p. regere nō posse mane idib⁹
 septembrib⁹. et ille et senatus frequētū uocati drusi in curiam
 uenit. Ibi cū cluīus multa de philippo questus esset retulit
 ad senatum de illo ipso quid in eū ordīne consul tam grāuter
 in cōcionē esset iuectus. Hic ut sepe inter hoīes sapientissimos
 constare uidi quāq; hoc crasso cū aliquid accuratius dixis-
 set semp fere cōgīsset ut nūq; di uise melius putareb⁹. tamē
 omnū confensū sic esse num iudicatiū audiri ceteros a crasso
 semp omnes illo autē die enā ipm a se se supatū. Deplor. aut
 enī casum atq; orbitatē senatus eius ordinis a consule qui
 quasi parē bonus. aut nitor fidelis esse deberet tanq; ab ali-
 quo nefario predone diripere patrimonii dignitas. Ne-
 q; uero inq; esse murādum si tuu suis consilii rem. p. psli-
 galiter. consilii senatus rei. p. repudiat. Hic cum homini et
 uehemēti et diserto et in p̄mis forti ad resistendum philippo
 quasi quādā uerboꝝ facies admouisset nō tulit ille. et grā-
 uer exarsit pignoribusq; ablatus crassū iſtituit coberere.

Cicero: *De Oratore*

Subiaco: Schweynheym and Pannartz, 1465

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corporibus induant numina uocant que in spiritu recepto sibi occurserunt in insania habentur. Deinde aliquando per eum theologus in ratiis predictis in quoniam in dñis pblis sapientem locum non angelicam, ut potius habuit, nō. At illa, loco dientaliquis Credat ergo quod & terris desit ille & supra lunam at inter alios. Ego fuit autem a Platone ut per prophetum Stratoni, quae autem domum fuit tunc corpore alter fuit, anno. Et sic hoc respondens dixi ego nondem inquit Veneris uidentur. In Tullio autem Romule ac Tuuli Holtzii tunicae Costitutum Titus Titus dedicauit deum Dunn Tibeniusq; Roudolfi Holtzii Paulorum atq; Palliorum, tetramorphum hominum affectus quoq; alter mensura terreni motus est alter cororis ne moebius quod vellet. Et hinc numerus pentagonus & qd recipies. Dicit utrum titulus crudeliter turbulenta liberae scripti filii inquit uultes ubi partes amputari id lucros locat. Vbi transversis tunc quodque proprios minoruntur. Di uicem in milio ab estatis genitio & hec uolunt. Tintus est perturbans metus & temores fons paliuus habens, sed & placentur quemadmodum ne quidem i omnes. Inueniuntur in milio annularibus traditi crudelitatis. Tu in tua laetare uerant aliq; omnia membra namen sui latente uerant. Reges libidinis uoluptatis eti si tuum quidam in simo libidine uerit, illa subente domino manus manu. S. ipse tenet plicatus in domo auribus suis ac fangue supplicant. Sic tu in uita tua que facias quippe punitur inuenies tum inde ex benebit. Tam indiget in uita tum debilitatis ut necno fuerit dubitatus furens. Si tunc priuilegiis uarent utramque terrena clientem tuum: tantum patrem tuum. Et dominum tuum. Aliq; utq; plo capitulo fieri tolerat communis mortis & immortales omnino aegri, quis credat in istib; ueritatem aut fuitentibus tunc. Num cum in factis p. p. Olympe in pediu suo maximo autem de inuenito in ignis tuuli gratia dñe filii cum perdito cuius manuq; singulis dñoribus tam in aliis actiis tam in qdlibet tam in aliis libetibus aut fuitentibus tunc. Num cum in factis p. p. Olympe in pediu suo maximo autem de inuenito in ignis tuuli gratia dñe filii cum perdito cuius manuq; singulis dñoribus tam in aliis actiis tam in qdlibet tam in aliis libetibus aut fuitentibus tunc. Exponit, b. tam in inquietu tuoru eternum tempus est. Tolerabili est tunc in aliis in inquietu tempore peruenient. Pudet publicas demens quod quid libidinis bassat et ali et aliis nomina deo libidini aliis horis locu invenit aliis letari et aliis uerit qui nemo motu brachio omni inuitat magis. Scit que latet in libido. Minutus capillis disponit longe cypri, non tantu in latitudine, sed eti in longitudine, ut movent ornatum modo fuisse quod spiculatum tam in lumen, quam in latitudinem sua duxerint. Iam ut quid libido, nos etiam me et illis, cultum famulorum. Dicitus Archimedes fons & nymphae deceptus qui, nudo in cypri, omnium agredit quidam ab liberis expectavent quecum illi omnes deritarentur. Quoniam ille utribus genis operintur, dñs immortalis est, & dñs. Et paulo post. H. Ita hi tam in inquietu tunc superactuum atnam nocturnum me intime- reo permutant. Scitque quidam in capitulo quo le dñs uariorum putant nec fuisse quidam le de te pectus uis in aquilonibus respectu, tunc ut His libertate. Vero non habet in uitiummodo portum, tunc erga p. p. habet, aut ex equale non ad aquam usq; in aqua, ita coedit. Sed si frater p. p. a. tunc uerit te reprehendit, qd thara ubi linguitur. Vnde tunc in his scilicet doctis, qd res partis elegit. Seneca sapienter ac ipsius in inquietu legi non invenit nisi in a retulit singul. An enim quod omnia ipsius in inquietu legi non invenit nisi in a retulit singul. An enim quod omnia ipsius in inquietu legi non invenit nisi in a retulit singul. Et p. p. Quid est de maiorum in inquietu ac in quiete? Nonne pte quidam fratum felices & iocundum. Bonorum. Matri collocatis. Variorum. Venerum. Neptuni. Salutum. Qui fuisse tunc celestis in quiete, quidam, qui dicitur auctoritate de cento p. p. plebeiorum, qui tam autem fuit in p. p. pulchra. Ut ergo in dñi Romanae quibus non nisi p. p. reperirent etiam. Omnim uita

Augustinus: *De Civitate Dei*

Subiaco: Da Spira, 1470

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catera . Hic hiis ex quo iteratiuum figuratur hiatu: hiatas.
 Inchoatiuum uero figuratur hisco hiscis cum dicimus.
 Sed quanq̄ ita se habeant tamen plus esse uidetur i eo quod
 ē hicce q̄ hiatu . Hiat cim qui ore patet uel tacitus tñ quod
 in rebus factis animaduertit pōt . hiscere uero incipere loqui.
 Illud praterea nō nullis libuit animaduertere q̄ actius acti
 ua nōnulla figurata inchoatiua ē penūtur etiā passiuā: quale
 ē gelo gelas: cuius inchoatiuum facit gelasco quod ē capio
 gelare.
 Item cum ē lento lenta: Vnde Virgilius: Lentandus remus ī
 unda . Ex hoc inchoatiuum lenteſco facit ut idem Virgilius
 Et pīas in morem ad digitos lenteſcit habendo . Eiusmodi
 figuratio parum admisit ex se perfectum: nec conuenit ad
 mittere ut aut possit: aut debeat cum cætens temporibus p
 totam declinacionem uim incipiendi significare . Absurdū
 ē ergo ea qua: sunt inchoatiua perfecto tempore definite: &
 mox futurum declinando inchoatiua esse demōſtrare . Nec
 enim pote ē cum tota uerbi species inchoatiua dicatur alia
 parte finitiua uiden ut perfectum admittat . Nec enim pale
 scui: horrefciui dicimus: per aliam tamen transfigurationē
 haec uerba quidam declinare confuerunt. ut paleſco: pale
 factus sum: liqueſco liquefactus sum: quāuis quidam ad p
 fectum inchoatiuum uenerint modo primitu ut horrefeo
 horrui ex eo quod ē horreo . Nec tamen omnia inchoatiua
 habent primam positionem . Albeſco enim nō habet albeo
 licet figuranter Virgilius: Campi: igentes offibus albent.
 Item putrefeo: grādefeo: silueſco: uileſco: brutesco: iuene
 ſco nō habet iuuenio . Nam ſenefeo & ſenecio apud atīquos
 dicebarūt . Vnde & Catullus nunc recondita ſenet.
 Deducuntur item inchoatiua a neutris uerbis & appellationi
 bus. ex uerbis: utcaleo: caleſco: deliceo: delitesco: frōdeo: frō
 desco: floreо: florefeo . Et sunt haec qua: a perfecta forma ue
 nit . Sunt itē quae originē ſui nō habēt: ut cōfueſco: cōque
 ſco . Sunt quoq; alia inchoatiuā ſimilis qua: inchoatiua nō
 ēſſe temporum consideratione pernoſcumus . ut compesco

Diomedes: *De Arte Grammatica*

Subiaco: Jenson, 1480

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Herodotus

Subiaco: Ioannes & Gregorius de Gregoriis, 1494

PROLOGVS.

Prohemium Marsilii Ficini Florentini in epistolas suas. S. in primum librum ad Iulianum Medicem. V. Magnanimum.

MARSILIUS FICINVS IVLIANO MEDICI. V. MAGNANIMO. S.D



AGNS Cosinus Magnanime Iuliæ auus tuus patrⁿus sepe platonici illud habebat in ore: nihil ad tregis; as res agendas accomodatus est q̄ prudentiū doctorūq; uirorū benignitati: Nullūq; certus argumentū esse uel iustitie prudētiaeq; q̄ si amici huismodi adint: uel iniustitiae & ipso uidentiis q̄ si defint. Aureū hoc Platomis nostri p̄ceptū. Cosmus te ipsa ēē multomagis q̄ uerbi in oī eius uita pbauit uir certe p̄ter: diues pecuniarū. Longe ditor hoīum: prudētiae iustitiaeq; ditissimus. Atq; id qd̄ra rūsum & mirabile ē illū & uerotes huius oī thesaui re ligit here des. Q uo sit ut in Iuliano meo senī illū ex quo unico post deū salus mea pendebat agnoscā. Nemo est q̄ magis salutre cupiā q̄ iulianū. Atq; id qd̄e quotidie deū p̄cepto & obsecro. Ut aut̄ tibi animi mei uotū affectumq; certius de clararē: uolumen primum ep̄statum ad amicos mearū tibi amicorum regi dedicare decreui. Q uo & amici omnes ad unum p̄cipuum referantur amicum: & tu iis legendis: quotiens salutem legis: totiens Iulianum a Marsilio intelligas salutari. De felicitate desiderio.



Cosinus Medicus Marsilio Ficino Platonicus. S.D.
Ontuli heri me in agrū charögium: nō agri sed ai colēdi gratia: Veni ad nos Marsiliū q̄prinū. Ferreū Platonis nō sī libriū de sumo bono. Q uē te iſthīc arbōtorū iā & græca lingua latīna ut p̄miseras transflūsse. Nihil enim ardētius cupio: q̄ quā uia commodius ad felicitatem ducat cognoscere. Vale & ueni non absque orphica lyra.

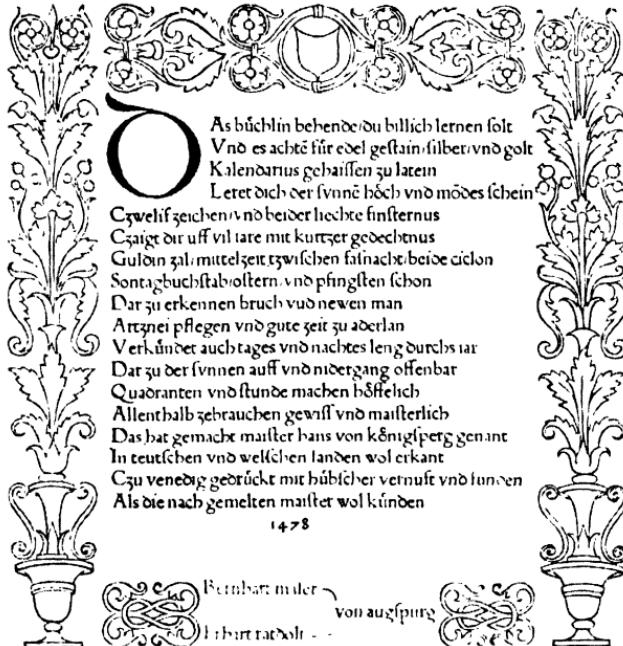
Q uo sit ad felicitatem uia.



Marsilius Ficinus Magno Cosino. S.D.
Enī ad te cū primū potero q̄ libetissime. Q uid. n̄. gratius q̄ in charögio hoc ē graciā uro una cū colmo gratiarū patre uerlai. Inter accipē paucis q̄ apud Platonicos uia sit ad felicitatē accōmodatissima. Et quis exstīmē non oppōtere ei uia mōstrari qui p̄p̄ uā puenit ad calcē: desiderio tamē tuo & iabentia & in p̄sū ita obsequendū est cenfū: Omnes hoīes bene agere hoc est bene uiuere uolit. Ne autē uiuent si bona illis adint q̄ plurima. Bona uero haec dicūt. Diuitiā: famas: forma: robur: nobilitas generis: honores potētia: prudētia: p̄terea iultia: fortitudo: tēperantia: & p̄. p̄teris oībus sapientia: qua: qd̄e uīoī ūīm ūīdīcītārī & cōplēctā. Felicitas quippe in p̄spēra op̄atīlinis cōfēcūtōne cōfūlit. Id autē in singulis lacūtib⁹ sapientia p̄ab̄et. Si quidē p̄ti tibicines q̄d̄ tibiarū ulūs regit optime cōlēcūt. Et eruditī grāmatici qd̄ ad litteras tum legendas cū scribendis p̄tēt. Sapientes quoq; gubernatores dī p̄serum nauigatio nis portū p̄terris ascēcūt. Necm̄ bellū dux sapiens qd̄ ad militiā atēnet tūcūs expedit. Et sapiē medicus melius adop̄atā p̄ducit corporis ualitudinē. Q uāob.

Marsiglio Ficino: *Epistole*

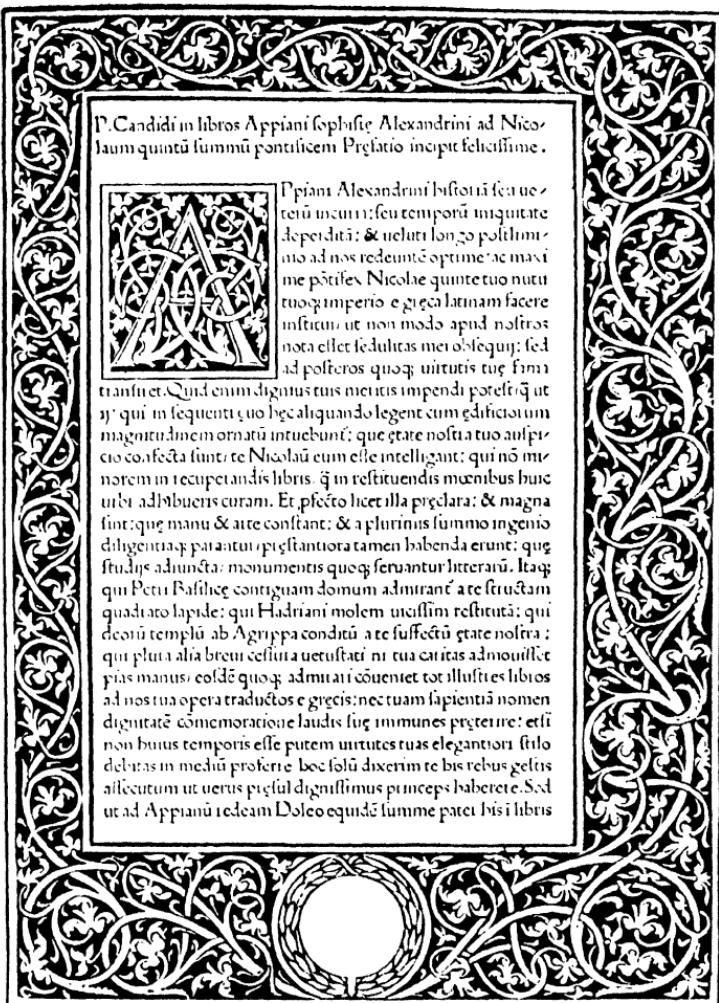
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Appianus: *Historia Romana*

Venice: Ratdolt, 1477

9 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ "

ita iocundis aliquot sumptis comitibus ,
 qui nos perducent , confessio equo Mel
 fanam reliquimus : sed iter facientibus no
 bis Taurominium usque memorabile
 nihil comspectum est : summa enim littor
 a eraduntur . A leua statim Rhegium , et
 Brutii agri paruo primum , mox latiori
 maris interuallo aperientibus se se paula
 tim angustus prospectantur : ad extra col
 les continui imminent , Bacchi tota fera
 cissima plaga , et Mamertinis uinetis mi
 nus fortasse , q̄ olim fuit , tanq̄ ab ipsa
 uetusitate contritis iam laudibus ; sed ta
 men satis nunc etiam per celebris . In me
 dio ferè itineris , uel paulo amplius castel
 lum Nisus ex aera montis rupe uiatori
 bus late prospicitur ; unde illud deue
 ctum . Ouidianum ,
 Nisiades matres , sicclidesq; nurus .
 Incolae uallem etiam omnem , quae sub
 est , Nisi regionem uocant . B. P. Erit
 isto sane modo etiam aliquid infra Tau

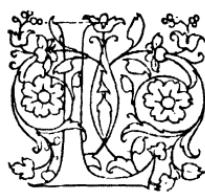
P. Bembo: *De Actna*

Venice: Aldus Manutius, 1495

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POLIPHILO INCOMINCIA IL SECONDO LIBRO DI
LA SVA HYPNER OTOMACHIA. NEL QVALE PO-
LIA ET LVI DISER T ABONDI, IN QVALE MODO ET
VARJO CASO NARRANO INTER CALARIAMEN-
TE IL SVO INAMORAMENTO.

NARRA QVIVI LA DIVA POLIA LA NOBILE ET
ANTIQUA ORIGINE SVA. ET COMO PER LI PREDE
CESSORIS VITRIVISIO FVE EDIFICATO. ET DI QVEL
LA GENTE LELIA ORIVNDA. ET PER QVALE MO-
DO DISAVEDVT A ET INSCIA DISCONCIAMENTE
SE INAMOROE DI LEI IL SVO DILECTO POLIPHILO.



E MIE DEBILE VOCE TALE O GRA
tiose & diue Nymphe absone peruererano &
inconcine alla uostra benigna audietia , quale
laterrifica raucitate del urimante Esacho al sua-
ue canto dela piangeuole Philomela. Nondi
meno uolendo io cum tuti gli mei exili cona-
ti del intelletto,& cum la mia paucula sufficie-
tia di satisfare alle uostra piaceuole petitone,
non ristaro al potere. Lequale semota qualunque heſitatione eſpe più che
ſi congruerrebbe altronnde,dignamente meritano più ubertimo fluvio di
eloquentia,cum troppo più rotunda elegantia,& cum più exornata poli-
tura di pronūtatio,che in me per alcuno pacto non ſitroua, di cōſeguire
il ſuo grato ſo affeſto. Ma a uui Celibe Nymphe & adme alquāto, quan-
tūche & confusa & incomptamē fringuitē haro in qualche portu-
nula gratificato aſſai. Quando uoluntarofa & diuota a gli deſii uoſti &
poſtulato me preſlaro più preſlo cum lanimo nō mediocre prompto hu-
mile parendo,che cum enucleata terſa,&uenuta eloquentia placēdo. La
prifica dunque & ueterrima geneologia, & proſapia, & il fatale mio amore
garruſando ordite. Onde già eſtendo nel uoſtro uenerando conuentuale
conſpecto,& uederme ſterile & ieuuna di eloquio & ad tanto preſtāte & di
uo ceto di uiu O Nymphe ſedule famularie dil acceso cupidine. Et itan-
to benigno & deleſteuole & ſacro ſito,di ſincere aure & florigeri ſpirami-
ni afflato,la acconciamente compulſa di aſſumere uno uenerabile auſo,
& tranquillo timore de dire. Dunque auante il tuto uenia date, o bellissi-
me & beauifime Nymphe a queſto mio blaſterare & agli ſemelli & terri-
geni, & puſilluli Conati, ſi aduene che in alchuna parte io incautamente

A

Poliphilus: *Hypnerotomachia*

Venice: Aldus Manutius, 1499

$8\frac{3}{4}'' \times 5\frac{1}{4}''$

TRIVMPHVS



ce ligatura alla fistula tubale, Gli altri due cū ueterissimi cornitibici concordi ciascuno & cum gli instrumenti delle Equitante nymphæ.

Sotto le quale triūphale sciughe era laxide nel meditullo, Nelq'le gli rotali radii erano infagi, delinimento Balustico, graciliscenti leposa negli mucronati labi, cum uno pomulo alla circumferentia. El quale Polo era di finissimo & ponderoso oro, repudiante el rodicabile crugine, & lo incēdioso Vulcano, della uirtute & pace exitial ueneno. Summamente dagli festigianti celebrato, cum moderate, & repentine riuelatione intorno saltanti, cum solemnissimi plausi, cum gli habitu cincti di fascole uolitante, Et le sedente sopra gli trahenti centauri. La Sancta cagione, & diuino mysterio, in uoce colōne & camini cancionali cum extrema exultatione amerosamente lauda uano.

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Poliphilus: *Hypnerotomachia*

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XV

A Thiodolio



to humilmente. Epistola .xv.



Vante desiderio & uolunta ho io de effetcho la presente al uostro couento & abiacime con letura tutto el maiuagliooso uostro coforno. Bene che questi ochi no lo meritino. Io n'sguardarei el deserto più d'leccuole che tutte le citta. Io uederei li luochi deserti de habitaron: effere occupati dale compagnie deli sancti. ad modo duno paradiiso. Ma peche qsto hanno fatto li me pecati che el mio capo repiendo de ogni uirtuo no si metcol nella compagnia deli beati. perho prego uui li qui io no dubito che no possiate ipetrare che con le uostre oratione me liberati dale tenebre di questo seculo. Et g'ia ue l'hueua dicto: quido io er' presente: & h'ora per l'utte no' cessò di manifestar el mio desiderio che la mia mète & adicio rapra con ogni cupidita ho ra se apriene a uui che lo effecto seguiti la uolunta. A me se apriente di uolere: & a le uostre oratione che io uoglia. & posso. Io f'onto come una morbofia pecorella. smarrita da tutta la giege. Et se el buona pastore poilo me su le sue spale. no'mi ripor'ta ala stalla le forze mi m'charano in cammino. Et mète chi io mi sforzato di rele uammi mi catcharano le gabe. Io f'onto q'llo prodigo figliuolo el quale dissipata tutta la substancia. la quale el pide me haueua data no'mi sono ancora ingnochiatto a piedi del mio padre. ne ancora ho cominciato ad cacciae uia di me le lusinge dela luxuria. Et peche uno pocheto no' so lamète ho cominciato a spicarmi da uittii

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A Paulu uechio

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quito ancora ho cominciato a uolere no' hauerli. Hora el diuolo mi lega co' nuove reue. Hora ppon' domi nuovi spedimenti li mani da ogni parte mi encudino & il p'oro. Hora posto in mezo delaqui no' uoglio idietro tornare. & andare innaci non posso. Rella che co' la uolla oratione lau' in del sancto spirto me accompagni & u'duca al porto del desiderato letto.

Duo Hieronymo a Paulo uechio dela concordia. Epistola .xvi.



A beuuta d' Ihumanitate & di uirtute de peccati & specie uolte nel mezzo del misterio della luce. seguitando la morte che chi nasce. co'fessa che ogn di li seculi trascorrono nel'utte per che quido el seipste hebe tuato alla tua el primo habitatore del paradiiso iuulparo da nodi uipenni la eternita dela morte lira mutata. h'auem prologata la miseria del maledicto huomo in noue eteo anni & piu. Come una tale fecida immortalita. Di poi a poco a poco iuudelido el peccato. la ipeta de giganti adusse el peniculo di tutto el m'ndo. d'apo' q'lo baptesimo del purgatorio m'ndo. p modo di dire la uita de gli huomini e abbreviata i picolo tempo & ancora quelto breuissimo spatio habiamo q'li pduto. sempre combattendo co' le nostre f'elecurate c'orta ale dueie cose. Et quia te uolte se uede puenue alcuno ala etea de eteo anno. o se pur ui puuenie che no' si penna'ci puenure. secido che testifica la scriptura nel libro de psalmi dicendo. Edi dela uita nostra separata anni. & se faciano piu. faciano ottanta. Et ciò che epiu. e fatti

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S. Hiëronymus: *Epistole*

Ferrara: L. de Rossa, 1495

10¹/₈ " x 6¹/₄"

**IOANNES STELLA SACERDOS VE
NETVS CLARISSIMO SENATORI
ALOVISIO TRIVISANO. S.P.D.**



OGITANTI mihi Iam
pridem: cui nam potissimū
Augustalem libellū meum
quē de impatoribus omni
bus cōscripscrā essem dica
turus: Vnus in primis oc
curristi:cuius nomini eū qualiscūq; eēt:quo
tutius uulgaretur destinarē:neq; enim absq;
patrocinio in publicum prodire debuit liber
qui mereri eternitatē uellet. Stilus est(ut fa
tear) quo uel itra me possim erubescere. Cete
rum materies operisq; totius argumentū(ut
arbitror) nō improbabit. Impatorq; nomina
uelut breuiario quodā perstricta: claraq; eoz
gesta ediscere cupienti: hec enim. Vtraq; dili
genter collegimus:& quo minus tibi libroq;
multoq; reuolutione laborandū esset in ordi
nem certum redigimus: Boni igitur cōsule:
nec q; offerimus magis q; tibi deditissimum
offeremus animum inspecta: Vale.

A ii

J. Stella: *Vitae Imperatorum Romanorum*

Venice: De Vitalibus, 1503

5½" × 3¼"



RIMVS igitur qui Ro/
manū arripuit Imperium
fuit Iulius Cæsar: Lutii fi/
lius ualétiſſimus omnium
principum: qui in uigore
animi non habuit parcm
nec ante ſe: nec post ſe: hic uixit annis quin/
quaginta ſex. Imperauit autem post finē bel/
lorum ſuorum tribus annis & ſeptem men/
ſibus: Interfectus in medio ſenatus: uiginti
tribus uulncribus.

Primus
Ro. Imp.

CCAESAR Augustus: dictus Octauianus a
natuitate: pro nepos Cæſarisi: & filius ado/
ptiuſ ſuccelſit illi in Impio. Hic fuit felicifſſi
mus omnium prior & posteriorū: Nam alta
prudentia ſua imperauit prudenter & lau/
dabiliter tot anis: quoſ Cæſar uixerat. s. quin
quaginta ſex: de quibus regnauit Duodecim
cum Antonio & lepido trium uirorum. Reli
quū tpiſ ſolus cū magna pace & trāquilitate
orbis. Clauso tēplo Ianī: & uixit annis ſeptua
ginta ſex minus: triginta quinq; diebus: mor
tuus eſt feliciter apud Nolā ciuitatē cāpanie.

.XLII.

Imp. Cæ.

Aug. āno

Xps na/
ſcitur.

.i.

EPISTOLE Vtile & deuote de la Beata e Seraphica Vergine Sancta Catharina da Siena del Sancto ordine de la penitentia de Sancto Dome nico sposa singulare del Saluatorre nostro Iesu Christo : le quale lei scri uea a Summi Pontifici . Cardinali . Archiescoui . Preti . Frati . Mon achi . Heremiti . Ad Sore . Mönache . & altre persone deuote : & religiose de ogni conditione . Item ad R . i . Duchi . Conti . Capitani de genti darmi : & altri signori diuersi . Ad Communitatii . Regimenti . Ad Doctori Cavaleri : & altre persone diuersi . Seculari . donne de ogni conditione confortando quelli che perseuerascono nel amore del dolce Iesu Crocifixo . animandoli alle sancte uirtute . & fugere li uitii .

Al nome di Iesu Christo Crocifixo : & di Maria dolce . Al nostro si gnore lo Papa Gregorio undecimo .

Epistola Prima.



ANCTissimo & reueredissimo patre mio in Christo dolce Iesu . Io Catharina idegna & miserabile uña figliola : serua & schiava di serui di Iesu Christo : scriuo a uoi nel ptoiso sanguis suo cō desiderio de uiderui pastore bono . Confidando io patre mio dolce : che il lupo ne porta le pecorelle uostre : & non si troua chi li remedi sça : riccoro dunque a uoi patre & pastore nostro pregandoui da parte di Christo Crocifixo : che uoi impariate daiui : elquale con tanto foco damore se die allobprobrio morte della sanctissima croce : per trare la pecorella smarrita dellhu manu generatione de le mani del demonii . pero che per la rebellione : che lhomo fece a Dio la possedeuano per sua possessione . Viene dunque la infinita bonta de dio : & uede el male : la damnatione & la ruina di questa pecorella : & uede che con ira & con guerria non nela puo trare . Vnde non stante che sia ingiurato da essa : pero che per la rebellione : che lhomo fece : disubbediendo a Dio : meritaua pena infinita . La summa & eterna sapientia non uole fare cosi : ma troua uno modo piaceuole & più dolce & amorofo : che trouare possa . poche uede . che per nnuo modo si trae il cuore delhomo : quanto per amore . pero che le facto damo te : & questa pare la eagione che tanto ama per che nō e facto dal tro : che damore & primo lanima : & secondo el corpo . pero che per amore Dio el creo alla imagine & similitudine sua : & per amore la matre gli die della sua substantia concependo & generando el figliolo : et pero uede . do dio che le tanto apto ad amare : dritamente gitto lhomo dellamore donadoci el uerbo del unigenito figliolo prendendo la nostra humanita per fare

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S. Catharina de Siena: *Epistole*

Venice: Aldus Manutius, 1500

Marcus Vigerius: *Decachordum Christianum*

Fano: Hier. Soncinus, 1507

 $10\frac{1}{8}'' \times 6\frac{5}{8}''$

Considerando io Ioanni Antonio Tagliente quanto e ne
 ceſſaria coſa a li noſtri magnifici geſtilhomini & adaltri
 mercatanti ellaudabile modo de tenere conto de li
 bro dopio cioè el Zornale, el libro con l'aphar-
 betto ſecondo el conſueto de queſta incli-
 ta Citta di Venetia, io qui ſeguendo
 con la giunto del mio Carifimo
 ccompagno maeftro Aluife
 dala Fontana, vi da
 remo lo amae-
 ſtramento
 che con facilito potrete imparare, la qual opera
 ancor ſara di molta utilita Vniuersal-
 mente ad ogniuuno, come ne
 l'opera uedereti.

G. A. Tagliente: *Modo de tenere conto de libro*

Venice: Tagliente, 1525

$4\frac{5}{8}'' \times 3\frac{7}{8}''$

JL PETRARCHA SPIRITVALE.



CON PRIVILEGIO PAPALE,
ET DEL DOMINIO VENETO.

Il Petrarca spirituale

Venice: Marcolini, 1536

$5\frac{5}{8}'' \times 3\frac{3}{4}''$

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**CANZONI PREDETTE DI
 MESSE R FRANCESCO PE-
 TRARCHA DIVENVT O
 THEOLOGO ET
 SPIRITVALE.**

CANZONE PRIMA.

Asciare il uero ben per la falso ombrā
 Saggio mai non uid'io:
 Però chi sa, seguendo il buon desio,
 Ogni altrc: uoglia del suo core i sgom̄
Quanti pensieri porta l'huom celati, (bra.
 Ch'hanno la mente desiendo morta.
 Il mondo ha di pieta depinto il uolto,
 Per ingannar ogni alma poco accorta;
 Perche son l'opre sue Serpi uelati.
Onde, poi ch'in me stesso i son raccolto,
 Hauendomi il Signor per gratia tolto
 Dinanzi agli occhi il uelo;
 Lodar uo solo lui al caldo e al gelo
 Per fin che'l corpo oscur lo spirto adombra.

CANZONE II.

Occhi miei laffi; mentre ch'io ui giro
 Al pio IESV; ch'ha in croce i spirti morti;
 Pregoui, state accorti
 D'accompagnar con pianto il mio sospiro.
Alui solo riuolgo i miei pensieri;
 Lo qual a buon camin l'alma conduce:

BB ij

Il Petrarca spirituale

Venice: Marcolini, 1536

6 $\frac{5}{8}$ " × 3 $\frac{1}{8}$ "

L PROLOGO, SOPRA
LA ZUCCA DEL
DONI.

*Al nobilissimo Signor Rocco Granza,
juo Compare; & maggiore honorando.*

vn piefé doue si tira di balistra d a bolzoni molto q̄se: gnatamente ; dice che fu vn tratto yn astuto balesſtrieri , ilqual tirando a m̄ra per dar nel capo a vn'al tro , non gli venne colto , per buena ventura . Colui vedutoſi volare il bolzone coſi apreſſo alle tempie , & tanto accoſto che rasentandolo gli fece vento , ſi cominciò a corruebar tutto . Onde il traditore voltandola in ridere diſce , buonſi paura ſorio : da queſto ſaluto da ca ni ſi leuo yn proverbo ; ſe coglie colga , ſe non , haueſti paura ! Vo dir coſi , che io ho dato della mia Zucca ſul capo a parechi pazzeroni e buon anno . Ma ſe per forte nel dar giu la ramata , la mia Zucca ſia piena di ſarle , di jomi , di cuote , o d'altra coja laqual ſia peſante ; io credo che la darà loro vn mal crocchio , & ſe per mala diſgratia la trova ſola la buca ,(chel granchio fur ſe ue a ſpolio) la farà maggiore ſcoppio , & rintroneara più loro il capo . Ultimamente ſe la ſabatte ad acchiappare ſcoperita la Zucca , i poueri capafioni hanno fatto il paro : perciocche la ne darà loro vna ſi fatta chel muro gne ne darà yn'altra ; hor ſia con Dio .
n'altro auuerlo ſalta in campo ilqual è cauato da dotti in lettera , cioè , ogn̄ ruito ha il ſuo rorefcio , ideſt , ſe la mia Zucca ſia piena di vento come le palle ; di borra come i zimbelli , o di capeccio come i carelli ; o col-

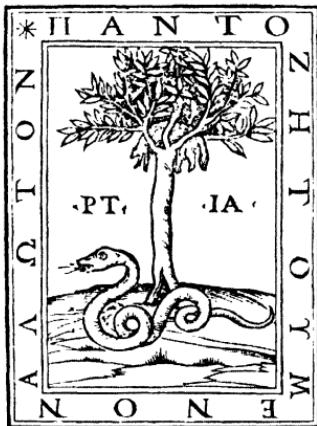
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A. F. Doni: *La Zucca*

Venice: Marcolini, 1551

54" x 3"

EPISTOLA DEL TRISSINO
DE LE LETTERE
NUOVAVENTE AGGIUNTE
NE LA LINGUA
ITALIANA.



Con Grazie e Profibizione del Sommo Pontefice, e del Senato
Veneto, che nessuno possa stampare que sta wiera.

G. G. Trissino: *De le lettere*

Vicenza: Janiculo, 1529

$6\frac{7}{8}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$

PROLOMEO IANICVLO A LI LETTORI.

La bontà et utilità de' cose, o Lettori, sarete iscritte summe Speciale eagine, che esse siano da gli homini amate, et accenate; i se più qualche maligna, et invi lassa nubbia tal foro tanto le eugorie, che siano dal legittima finita, et rifiutate, adurne poi, che quando di la regione, o dal tempo vengano scoperte, subito sono difuse, et abbracciate. La onde vedendo io di questa utilità, anzi necessità siano alla scrittura Italiana le lettere ritrovate del Trissino, di maniera, che non è possibile senza esse adimpirare obiezioni, ne Contigiano, ni Toscano, ne nulla delle altre belle lingue d'Italia a chi non le sa, ne abbi le sà posteresse stessa distamente scriverle, ne ad altri propriamente misfattile, ho voluto un'altra volta et imparsa la Epistola, che egli di essi le è scritte, et aperte Clestrante S. Atimo, che diprefinente Sommo Pontefice, avendo quei fini strali, già si powsi farsi dai primi elementi imparsate, e ampliate. Ma poiché alcuni, di che eagine so spuntino no s'hanno più adamente, ch'è distamente contra i suoi, siateli, e si aduertisca la invenzione scritto, e con la invidiosa ribula di loro s'uzanza hanno guagliorolmente l'immagine della incredibile utilità di essa. Però v'induovo alle utilità di' episo in tempo maggiormente scoprirsi, tanto pure, assai in breve, quando, che ogni giorno guelle lingue pur s'abbelliscono, e dorate, e dilezionali compositioni siffianate, mi son messo per commune utilità a' l'ampio come ho devo s'apredere Epistolae, la quale in qualche particella è stata d'esso Autore fatigata lucida, e più d'utile. Ma concedo sia, che egli non habbia mai voluto rispondere a' coloro, che gli hanno scritto contro. Dicendo, che nell'ora indotta scrivere esse di somi contraddimenti appreso idonei si rispondono, appresso gli imperiti pastabili, e la superficia di' multiplici impravili. E se pur qualcuno si vorrà distal dubbio magno chiarire, legga pure i scritti di M. T. Zenzo Orcadino da Perugia, il quale di queste lettere dottiissimamente regione, et a' tante piezioni di esse prudennissimamente risponde, et ritrova, che non senza necessarie, e validissime ragioni sono state ritrovate, e mandate in luce. Punto l'epoca del Trissino non ha voluto in ciò ulteriormente curare) aggiungerò adessa, et' altra alcuna cosa sentente da' dubbi grammaticali di' egli Trissino, et alcune altre tradotte da' predetti scritti di' Orcadino, accusa che le mentite i studioli di queste lingue possono essere circa tabitare più illuminante, e chiare.

G. G. Trissino: *De le lettere*

Vicenza: Janiculo, 1529

8 $\frac{1}{8}$ " x 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

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L. COELII LACTANTII FIRMIA-
 NI DIVINARVM INSTITVTIO-
 NVM, ADVERSVS GENTEIS,
 LIBER QVINTVS, DE IV-
 STITIA AD CON-
 STANTINV M
 IMPERATO
 R E M.

On est apud me dubium, Constantine Imperator Max. quin hoc opus nostrum, quo singularis ille rerum conditor, & huus immensi rector asseritur, si quis attigerit ex ipsis inepte religiosis (ut sunt nimia superstitione impatiens) infectetur etiam maledictis, & uix lecto fortasse principio, affligat, proqualitat, execretur; sedq; inexpibili scelere contaminari, atque astringi putet, si haec aut legit patenter, aut audiatur. Ab hoc tamen, si fieri potest, humanitatis iure postularimus, ut non prius damnet, quam uniuersa cognoverit. nam si sacrilegii, & proditoribus, & ueneficiis potestas defendendi sui datur; nec prædamnari quenq; incognita causa licet: non iniuste petere uidemur, ut si quis erit ille, qui incidet in haec; si legget, perlegat; si audiet, sententiam differat in extremum. Sed noui hominum pertinaciam; nunq; impetrabimus. Timent enim ne à nobis reuicti, manus dare aliquando, clamante ipsa ueritate cogantur. Obstrepunt igitur, & intercedunt, ne audiant; & oculos suos

Lactantius

Venice: Aldi heredes, 1535

4 $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

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QVIVI COMINCIA LA SECONDA
 PARTE CHE APPARTIENE AL
 VIAGGIO CHE IO I O S A =
 PHAT BARBARO FECI
 IN PERSIA COME
 AMBASCI A =
 T O R E.

S S E N D O la nostra illustrissima Signoria in guerra con l'Ottomano del. 1471. Io come huomo uso à sientar, & pratico tra gente Barbara, & uoloniero di tutto il bene di essa illustrissima Signoria, fui mandato insieme con uno Ambasciator de Assambei signor della Persia, il qual era uenuto à Venetia à confortar la illustrissima Signoria che uollesse proseguir la guerra contra il detto Ottomano; con ciosi che ancora lui con le sue forze gli uenisse incontro. Partimmo adunque da Venetia con due galee grosse cariche di artiglierie, & gente da fatti, & preseni che mandava detta illustrissima Signoria al detto Assambei, con commissione che io mi appresentassi al paese del Caramano, & a' quelle marine; & uenendo ouer mandando li Assambei gli donassi tutte dette cose. Le artiglierie furono bombarde, spingarde, schiopetti, poluere da tirare, carri et ferramenti di diverse sorti nella ualuta de ducati quattromila. Le genti da fatti, furono balestrieri, & schiopeti-

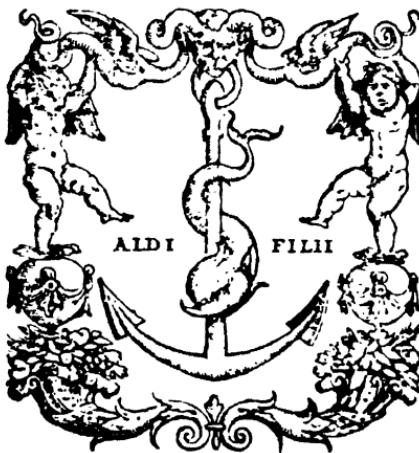
Viaggi fatti alla Tana

Venice: Aldi filii, 1545

5" x 2½"

SCIPIO NIS CAPICII
DE PRINCIPIIS RERVM
LIBRI DVO.

E I V S D E M
DE VATE MAXIMO
LIBRI TRES.



VENETIIS, M. D. XLVI.

Scipio Capicus: *De Principiis Rerum*

Venice: Aldi filii, 1546

$4\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{3}{8}''$

ELOGIA VERIS CLA-
RORVM VIROVVM IMAGINIBVS
APPOSITA.

QVÆ IN MVSÆO IOVIANO
COMI SPECTANTVR.



ADDITÆ IN CALCE OPERIS
ADRIANI PONT. VITÆ.



Nec turba votive rapido circula ventus



Nunc folio natus commendore sumat.

Cum priuilegio summi Pontificis, Caroli V. Imperat. Regis Francie.
Illustissimi Senatus Veneti, nec non Excellensissimorum
Florentie, & Mantua Ducum.

P. Giovio: *Elogia Veris Clarorum Virorum Imaginibus Apposita*

Venice: Tramezzino, 1546

$8\frac{1}{4}'' \times 5\frac{1}{4}''$

DELLA GVERRA
DI CAMPAGNA
DI ROMA,
ET DEL REGNO DI NAPOLI,
NEL PONTIFICATO DI PAOLO III.
L'ANNO M. D. LVI. ET LVII,
TRE RAGIONAMENTI DEL SIGNOR
ALESSANDRO ANDREA,
Nuouamente mandati in luce
DA GIROLAMO RVSCELLI.
CON PRIVILEGII.



IN VENETIA,
Ter Gio. Andrea Valuassori. M. D. LX.

Ruscelli: *Della guerra di Campagna di Roma*

Venice: Vavassore, 1560

6" x 4"



ALLO ILLVSTRISS. E REVE.

RENDISS. MONSIGNORE IL S. ANTO-
NIO PERINOTO, VESCOVO DI ARRAS
E PRIMO DEL CONSIGLIO
DI CESARE.



GLI non m'è asceso, Illustriss.e Renuendiss.Signore, che molti non senza ragione si maraviglieranno, che io a guisa di poco prudente iſtimator della qualità delle cose, e della debolezza delle mie forze, mi sia lasciato trascorrere tanto avanti, che habbia preso ardire di dedicar la presente opera non pure a uno Imperadore (cosa, che da per ſe douerebbe ſpauentar ciascuno alto ingegno) ma al maggiore Imperadore, che dalla età del primo C E S A R E a queſti tempi, ſia per tanti ſecoli ſtato degno d'hauere ottenuto il mondo: & oltre a ciò mi ſia aſſicurato ancora d'entrar nel campo delle ſue laudi. Percioche chi non ſa, che al ualor ſopra humano, & alla prodezza incomparabile di CARLO QVINTO, ſi ricerca ſolamente la chiara tromba del gran Virgilio, o del Divino Homero? e con tutto ciò non ſono baſſanti gl'inchiſſi per celebrarle: ne conviene, che ogni rozo ingegno ardiſca

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Ludovico Dolce: *Le Trasformazioni*

Venice: Giolito, 1553

7" x 4"

Q V A R T O.

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C A V S A D I S O S P I R I
P A L L O R E E T L A G R I M E
D' A M A N T I .



V E sono , tra le altre , principals
parti del corpo humano , cerebro
et cuore : in uno è la seggiat del -
la sapientia : nell'altro della uit.t.
Et benché così siano congiunti , che
l'uno all'altro senza intermissione
si porgan sempre aiuto , pure
vedemo manifestamente , il cerebro piu dell'animo , il
cuor piu del corpo partecipare : Et questo piu circa le membra ,
quello piu con l'intelletto dominare : quantunque
il cerebro fare il tutto creda Platone : Galeno fonte delle
uene istima lo segato : Aristotele & Avicenna fonte del
sangue crefero il cuore : in questo poneno la mestitia .
Noi co' Christiani nostri tenemo il cuore effer fonte di uita ,
membro dell'altri principe , che se Varrone diffini
l'anima effere aere temperato nel cuore , se Empedocle dif-
fe l'anima effere sangue che sta intorno al cuore , se Plinio
crese nel cuor effere la mente , se a Cicerone par chel cuo-
re sia l'animo se Aristotele lo fa capo di sensi , chi dubita
da costui ogni nostra passione amorosa prokenire ? Tra
l'altre membra principali dunque credemo il cuore sentire
la sollecitudine : essendo in angustia tiramo il spirito
dal intimo petto , donde soffiro si chiama , argomen-
to , & indicio d'effere stato in pensieri . Ilche quando ac-
cade si eleua il pulmone : per laqual cosa soffrato è uno
morbo che procede da lui : dellaquale infirmità non sola-
mente li Plinici , ma Ouidio fa mentione . Et ubi in tal

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Marco Equicola: *Libro di Natura d'Amore*

Venice: Giolito, 1554

 $4\frac{5}{8}'' \times 2\frac{1}{4}''$

IL DECAMERONE
DI M. GIOVANNI BOCCACCIO

CACCIO EMENDATO SE
condo gli antichi esemplari, per
giudicio & diligenza di
piu autori,

DI NUOVO RISTAMPATO
& con somma diligenza & studio
corretto, & in piu
luoghi revisito.

CON PRIVILEGIO.



IN VINEGIA APPRESSO GABRIEL

GIOLITO DE FERRARI

M D L .

Boccaccio: *Il Decamerone*

Venice: Giolito, 1550

$4\frac{3}{8}'' \times 2\frac{1}{4}''$

Epistola di Frate Hieronymo da Ferrara
dell'ordine de frati predicatori a uno Amico.



Dilectissimo in Christo Iesu.
Io missono assai marauigliato che perle cōtradictioni dell'i huomin pueri & calunie a me date tu sia alquāto debilitato nella uia del la uerita come se tu nō sapessi nō esser cosa nuova che lauerita euāgeli ca sempre habbi hauuta grande contradictione: pche essendo qsta sola ch conduce alla salute/ loaduersario dī Xfo Sathanas bench sia int

mico dogni uerita/ nientedimeno contra questa euangelica concita tutto elmōdo/ instigato dalla inuidia: pche nō vorrebbe che lhuomo acquistassi quella gloria/ della quale lui perla sua superbia e/ stato priuato. Et pero lui non perseguita laucria della philosofia/ ne alcuna altera uerita: pche séza lafede sono di poca utilita. Riuolgi le historie del ueccchio & del nuouo testamento/ & tro uerrai molte maggiori cōtradictioni esser state nelli tēpi passati cōtra lauerita/ laquale conduce alla salute & contro alli suoi predicatori/ che nō e/ nel tēpo presēte. Et benche ogni huomo che nilia udito/ sia/ o pollia esser certo che lecalunie che misono date/ sono manifestamente false/ & parte ancora i scripto lho dimostrato: Nientedimeno essendo tu absente/ & udendo ogni giorno dire molti mali senza alchuna cōfessione della uerita/ so no excitato dalla charita laquale io riporto/ in qsta lettera defendere lauerita/ & dimostrarci quanto sono fruoir lecalunie dell'i nostri aduersarii. **C**l imprimis alet ut aicono che io sono heretico/ & parlano con poca pru

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Savonarola: *Epistola*

Florence: s.a. et l. (Proctor, 6396)

6³" x 2³"



CPrediche utilissime per la quadragesima del reuerendo padre frate hieronymo Sauonarola da Ferrara de lordine de frati predicatori sopra Ezechiel propheta: & etiam sopra lo sacro Euangelio.

Aperientur labia mea ut recte predicent. Iusti sunt sermones mei nō est in eis prauitas neq; quid peruersum. Recti sunt intelligentibus & equi inuenientibus scientiam. Proverbi. viii.



Savonarola: *Prediche*

Florence: B. Benalio, 1517

7½" × 5"



Pausanias: *Veteris Graeciae descriptio*

Florence: Torrentino, 1551

• 1" ~ 61"

R O M V L V S
A M A S A E V S A L E
X A N D R O F A R N E S I O
C A R D I N A L I P A V L I I I L
P O N T . M A X . N E P O T I

S. P. D.



VM Sæpe animaduerterim, Ale
xander Farnesi, solere te ab affi-
dus curis, atque occupationibus
quali respirantem, vel in literato-
rum hominum sermone, & con-
suetudine, vel in optimorum scri-
ptorum lectione conquiescere, de
varius, ac multis lucubrationibus
meis, latine iam, in fallor, mea
opera loquentem Pausaniam, tibi,
euiam pridem, non magis fortunæ amplitudine, quam
virtus tuæ adductus excellentia, me ipsum addixi, no
minatum dendum censui: non quia Græcorum auto-
rum à puer lectione affuefactus, Græca illum videntem
lingua non fueris planissimi intellecturus, sed quod omni
no Romani Principis auribus Latinæ orationis sonum
apriorem, & grauorem fore existenai. Atque is quidem
veterem Græcam in libros decem descriptam oculis penè
subiectis, parente prope tibi voluptatem poterit apportare,
ac ipsa folia est ad exterios Europæ populos suscepta iam
toties peregrinatio: Cum peradolefens, magna cum tua
Londe, Hispaniam, Galliam, Germaniam, de maximis
Rep. negotiis legitus, obiuit. Atque eo tibi erit forte illæ
lectio huius historie ricundior, quod que semel placuer-
int loca, non ut illa cursum, & festinanter, sed inter quæ
secundum, quoties librum fuerit, habebit reuiriæ. Neque
vero te magis (credo) eas regiones animo lustrantem, in

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Pausanias: *Veteris Graeciae descriptio*

Florence: Torrentino, 1551

$9\frac{3}{8}'' \times 5''$

A CHILLIS BOCCCHII
BONON. SYMBOLICARVM
QVAESTIONVM DE VNIVERSO
GENERE QVAS SERIO LVDEBAT
LIBRI QVINQUE

C O N D I C T I O

ATTENDE LECTOR OPTIME,
 SI FORTE QVID CONTRAPATRVM
 DECRETA SANCTORVM PIA.
 FACTVM VE DICTVM VE HIS LIBRIS,
 INFECTVM ID, INDICTVM VE SIT.

SACRO SANCTA IVLI.III. PON. MAX.
 LEGE CAVTVM EST
 NE QVIS HOC POEMA AVTORE INSCIO
 INVITO VDE CAETERO IMPRIMERE
 NE VE VENALE HABERE
 VSPIAM AVDEAT.

B O N O N I A E
 IN AEDIB. NOVAE ACADEMIAE
 B O C C H I A N A E
M. D LXV.

Achilles Bocchi: *Symbolicae Quaestiones*

Bologna: Bocchi, 1555

5¹" × 3⁵"

LIB. PRIM.

LECTORI STUDIOSO, ET ELEGANTI.

SYMBOLORVM.

Quid symbolum sit, ne amplius
 Roges, breuissime, ut potest,
 Conabimur nunc edere.
 Est namque signum ΣΥΜΒΟΛΩΝ
 Ut signa militaria.
 Collatio etiam dicitur,
 Quod multi in unum conserunt.
 Hunc symbolum Terentius
 Poeta dixit nobilis.
 Orator ARPINAS notam,
 Sed Anulum Graij vocant
 Plurunq; signorum.
 Porro omen, atq; insigni i.
 Isto quoq; ipso nomine
 Quidam notantur tesseræ,
 Quæ à ciuitatibus dari
 Solent quibusdam, publicè
 Ut quenq; par sit accipi,
 In exercitatis oppidis,
 Annæ, &c. hospitaliter.
 Sic possumus iam tesseræ

Achilles Bocchi: *Symbolicae Quaestiones*

Bologna: Bocchi, 1555

6" x 3 $\frac{1}{8}$ "

I L
MORGANTE
 DI LVIGI PULCI.
 NOBIL' FIORENTINO.

*Nuouamente corretto, e Ristampato con licenzia.
 de S V T E R I O R I.*

C O N P R I V I E L G I O D E L S E R E N I S S I N O
 G R A N D U C A D I T O S C A N A .



I N F I O R E N Z A ,
 Nella Stamperia di Bartolomeo Sermartelli.
 M D L X X I I I .

Luigi Pulci: *Il Morgante*

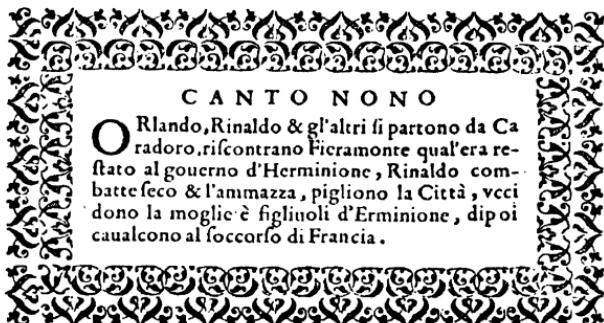
Florence: Sermartelli, 1574

$7\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$

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Restaua à punto il traditor di Gano ,
Carlo non volle che gl' riscisse fore ,
Tornossi Mattafolle , a mon' albano ,
Presso alla terra ou' era il suo signore ,

E presentò i prigionî al Re pagano ,
Herminion fe lor massimo honore ,
E nel suo padiglion gli ha ricevuti ,
Christo del ciel ci conferui , e aiuti .



C A N T O N O N O

O Rlando, Rinaldo & gl'altri si partono da Ca
radoro, riscontrano Pieramonte qual'era re
stato al governo d'Herminione, Rinaldo com
batte seco & l'ammazza, pigliono la Città, veci
dono la moglie e figliuoli d'Erminione, dipoi
caualcono al soccorso di Francia.



F E L I C E
alma d'ogni
grazia pie-

nata ,
Fida colon-
na , e speme
graziosa ,

Vergine sacra humile , e nazarena ,
Perche tu se di Dio nel cielo sposa ,
Con la tua man infin al fin mi mena ,
Che di mia fantasia troui ogni chiosfa ,
Sol per la tua benignita ch' è molta ,
Acciò ch' el mio catar piaccia a chi ascolta .

Thebo haua agia nell'oceano il volto ,
E bagnava fra l'onde i suoi crini d'oro ,
E dal nostro emisfero haua tolto ,
Ognispendor lasciando il suo bel lauro .

Dal qual fuga miseramente sciolto ,
Era nel tempo che più scalda il Tauro ,
Quando il Danese , e gl'altri al padiglione ,
Si ritrouar del grande Herminione ,

³
Herminion fe far pel campo festa ,
Parnegli questo buon cominciamento ,
E Mattafolle haue' drieto gran gesit ,
Digente armata , a suo contentamento ,
E'ndofo haue' una sua sopravestit ,
Don'era un Macometto in pur' argento ,
Tel campo aspassò con gran festa andata ,
Di sua prodezza ognun molto parlava .

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E si dolena Mattafolle solo ,
Ch' Astolfo un tratto non venga , a cadere ,
E minacciava in mezzo del suo stuolo ,
E porta una fenice per cimiere ,
Astolfo ne fare venuto a volo ,
Per cader una volta à suo piacere ,
Ma Ricciardetto che sapea l'umor ,
Non vuol per nulla ch' egli sbuchi fuore .

Carlo

Luigi Pulci: *Il Morgante*

Florence: Sermartelli, 1574

ORATIONE DI M. GIOVAN
GIORGIO TRISSINO
AL SERENISSIMO
M. ANDREA GRITI
PRINCIPE DI VENETIA.

E ILLA, ET HONORE.
b vole confuetudine è questa, Serenissimo Principe, et Illusterrima Signoria, che dopo la cretatione di ciascun Duce tutte le città sussigittate a questo felicissimo Stato mandano i loro ambasciatori a sua Serenità. Il che, oltre che è segno di obbedientia, e di amore, è anchora assai buona occasione di farsi grata, e di raccomandare se stesse con questo mezzo al Principe nuovo. La quale confuetudine volendo hora la vostra fedelissima città di Vicenza eseguire, mi ha, insieme con questi miei honorati Colligi, eluto, e mandato a Vostra Serenità, et appresso mi ha dato il carico di fare la oratione; la quale quantunque io sapesse essere da se diffilissima impresa, si per molte altre ragioni, come etiandio per li contrarietà,

A 11

G. G. Trissino: *Oratione*

Rome: Vicentino, 1524

$5\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{7}{8}''$

Pandulphi Collenuci*iurisconsulti*, ad
 Illustrissimum Herculem, Terra-
 riensem Ducem Inlytum,
 Apologus, cui
 Titulus

A L I T H I A

Raues quondam ALITHIA,
 cum VANITATE inimici-
 tias exercuerat, et cū magnis utrap-
 viribus pollere wideretur, ingentia insuper præ-
 matus qui alterutram partē sequerentur osten-
 derent, uniuersum pene orbem (magnogentium
 omnium malo) in se conuerterant, Et non pri-
 uatos homines modo, sed et ciuitates ipfas, pro-
 vintiasq; et nationes, partium studia incende-
 rant, aliis ALITHIA M, aliis VANI-
 TATEM inuocantibus. De genere primū
 contētiones ortæ sunt, utraq; in Deos genus re-
 ferēte, Illa louem, Hac ditem originis auēlore

M 2

P. Collenucius: *Alithia*

Rome: Vicentino, 1526

$5\frac{5}{8}'' \times 3''$

Composta da l'autore nel. M. D. XXIX.
 d'Aprile, & stampata poi in Roma da
 Antonio Blado A solano nel. M. D.
 XXXIII. di Marzo.



Cl. Tolomei: *Oratione de la pace*

Rome: Blado, 1534

$4\frac{3}{8}'' \times 3\frac{1}{4}''$

VITA SFORTIAE CLARISS.DV,
 CIS A PAVLO IOVIO CON-
 SCIPTA , AD GVIDONEM
 ASCANIVM SFORT. A
 SANCTA FLORA CAR
 DIN . AERARII QVE
 PRAEFECTVM.



ROMAE M. D. XXXIX.

P. Giovio: *Vita sfortiae*

Rome: Blado, 1539

5 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 3 $\frac{5}{8}$ "



P. Giovio: *Vita sfortiae*

Rome: Blado, 1539

4 $\frac{7}{8}$ " x 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ "

VITA SFORTIAE CLARISS.DV
 CIS A` PAVLO IOVIO CON-
 SCRIPTA, AD GVIDONEM
 ASCANIVM SFORT. A`
 SANCTA FLORA CAR-
 DIN. AERARII QVE
 PRAEFECTVM.

Vum honorem Senatoriae dignitatis,
 quem tibi planè adolescenti maternus
 annus P A V L V S Tertius Pont.
 Max. insigni iudicio, sed maturius for-
 tasse, quam speraras, mandauit: cum
 uirtutis indole, tum claritate familiaris, adeò egregie susten-
 tes, ut maiore fortuna dignus esse videare: Pergratum o-
 mnino futurum existimauit; si tibi ardenti animo uirtutem
 complectenti, nouæ facies adderentur, dueñæ scilicet à ma-
 iorum tuorum exemplis, SFORTIAE præsertim
 abauit tuis; qui summa cum laude amplissimis rebus gestis
 familiariter immortale cognomen dedit. Eius enim ui-
 ri bello memorabilis dicta, factaque solerti indagatione
 ex uarijs, ineptisq; sape rerum scriptoribus excerpta in
 Enchiridion descripsi, ut ad imaginem tanto frontis hono-
 re conspicuam, quam domi pietam asidue contemplaris,
 excelsi quoque animi similitudo ad ueram effigiem stilo
 expressa, non indecenter accederet. Itaq; enitente G V L

P. Giovio: *Vita sfortiae*

Rome: Blado, 1539

$6\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{5}{8}''$

P A R T E X X X I I I

anco proficuole, & auantaggioſo il procedere col detto pie ſiniſtro, ponendosi con quello innanzi, in Prima Guardia, come ne la ſeguente figura, onde ſecondo il parer' mio, et per le ragioni, le quali à tal proposito giudico eſſer migliori, dico che, ſimili ſorti di Guardie ponno acceutarſi in parte, & con le conditiōnē giuſtiſificate, et neceſſarie, che di ſotto ſi diranno, ma non già, quando co-batteſſe uno co'l nemico, quale poſſe di pari forza, ci ſi ritrouaſſero amendoi in camiſa, e'l detto nemico ſe li preſentatſe cōtra in detta Guardia di Prima, co'l pie ſinistro innanzi, perche fermādofi. Questo verſo lui in Quarta ordinaria larga, col pie deſtro innanzi, ſubito giunto, li andarēbbe incontro firmandoſi in Terza ſtretta, et non mouendofi l'auersario iuſino à tanto, che Queſto ancora poſſe arriuato in detta Terza, ſpingerebbe di Seconda ſopra il ſuo pugnale, ciò è de l'auersario, dove volendo alzarſi la punta con detto pugnale, per mandarla fore con animo di tra-paſſar' verſo lui, vei cbbe da ſe à firmarſi la ſpada ne la persona la quale ne l'approſimarsi, tanto maggiormente anco ſi diſcoprirebbe, & offerirebbeſſi al colpo. Il che ſe pure occorrefſe a' Queſto, ritrouandoli per caſo ne la detta Guardia di Prima, co me ſtava l'altro col pie ſinistro innanzi, uolgerebbe alquanto in dentro la ſpalla ſiniſtra, ſolamente per ſchifar il parare, eſſendo prohibito per le ragioni già dette, accompagnando la ſpada del nemico in fore, & paſſata via ſe l'in ſoltiffe indietro lo ſeguitarcbbe con la punta d'imbroccata deſtra in Quarta larga, et lunga.

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Camillo Agrippa: *Trattato di ſcientia d'arme*

Rome: Blado, 1553

 $6\frac{3}{4}'' \times 4\frac{1}{8}''$

ILLVSTRISS. ET ECCELLENTISS
DOMINO D. ET PATRONO
MEO COLENDISSIMO,
D. M. ANTONIO COLVMNAE, ETC.



M. ANTONIVS BARDVS
SENEensis.
Fœlicitatem.

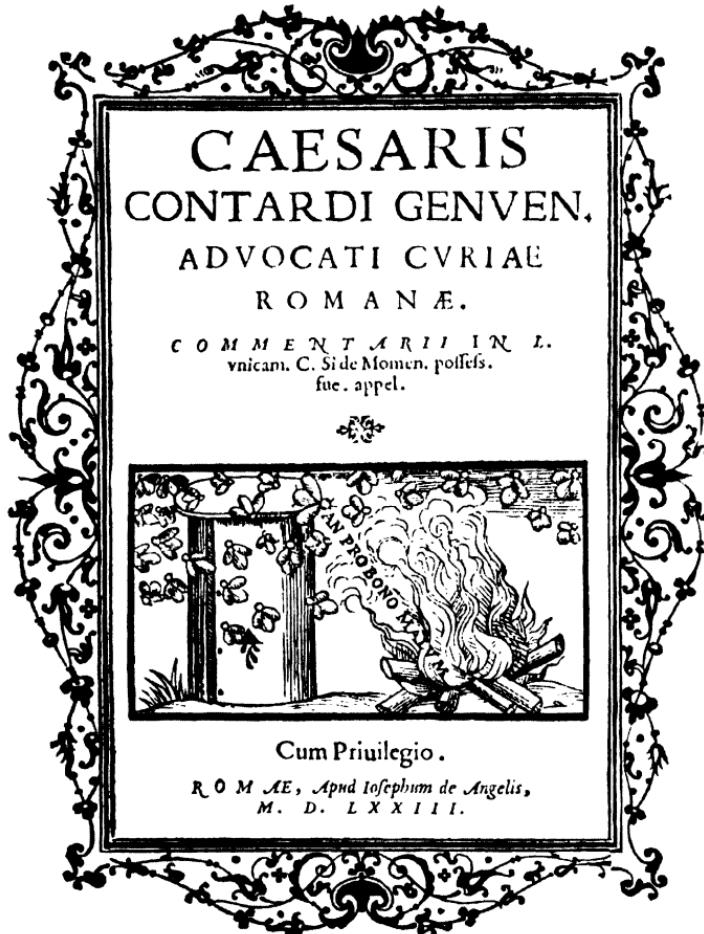


V M Antiquissimo R O M A'
NORVM tempore, sine certa
lege, sine certo Iure R O M .
Ciuitas uiuere incepit, ac manu
Principis, & Regis omnia guber
narentur, auctaque inde Ciuitas
et ad Magistratum distinctionem, diuersis temporibus de
uenire placuit: inter quos tunc, ille pernecessarius Aedilium
Curulum Magistratus fuit aggregatus. Sed cum idem
(etiam tempore Max. Pontificum) recessisset ab usu, uel mor
ditate, esset distributus, MAR TIN V S tel. record.
huius Nominis Papa Quintus, Doctrina, omnique Virtute,
ac Bonitate praeditus, ex tua Antiquissima Nobilissima
que Columnensium Familia oriundus, Almam Urbem de
corare, & angere cupiens, ubi C H R I S T V S Sedem
Apo:

Ant. Bardus: *Tractatus Iuris*

Rome: Blado, 1565

$6\frac{1}{4}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$



C. Contardi: *Commentarii*
Rome: Joseph de Angelis, 1573

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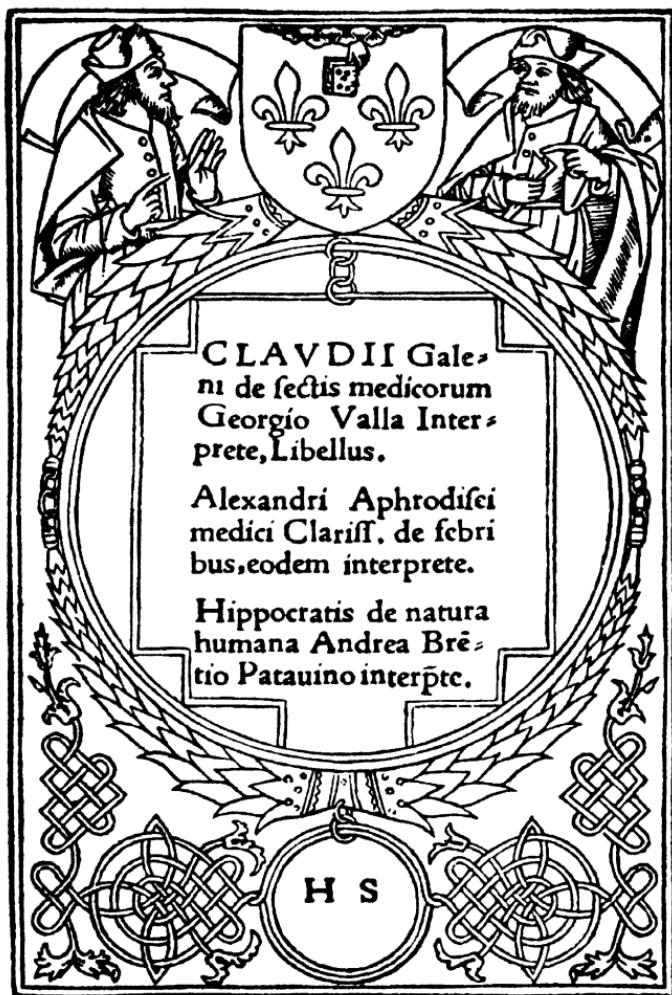
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V V L G A T A E
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T R I B V S T O M I S
D I S T I N C T A

R O M A E
Ex Typographia Apostolica Vaticana
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Rome: Ex Typographia Vaticana, 1590

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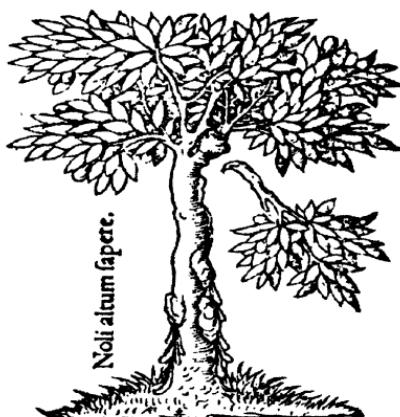
P A R I S I I S
I n o f f i c i n a H e n r i c i S t e p h a n i .

Galenus: *De Sectis Medicorum*

Paris: H. Estienne, 1518

$6\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{7}{8}''$

ARS VERSIFICATORIA HVLDERTI
CI HVT TENI.



PARISIIS.
EX OFFICINA ROBERTI STEPHANII
IN EREGIONE SCHOLAE DECRE
TORVM.
M.D.XXVIII.

Ulrich von Hutten: *Ars Versificatoria*

Paris: R. Estienne, 1528

$4\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{5}{8}''$

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G. Budæi Parisiensis Cō-
 SILIARII REGII, SVPLICVMQ.
 libellorum in Regia magistri, Ad inuitiss. & poten-
 tiss. principem Franciscū Christianilis. regem Franciæ
 DE TRANSITV
 Hellenismi ad Christi-
 anismum, Libri tres.



P A R I S I I S.
 Ex officina Rob. Stephani.
 M. D. XXXV.

Cum priuilegio Regis.

Budé: *De Transitu Hellenismi ad Christianismum*

Paris: R. Estienne, 1535

$8\frac{1}{8}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$

DE TRANSITV Hellenismi ad Christi- anisimum, Lib. primus.



ONSIDERANT MI-
hi s̄ penumero, Frācisce rex po-
tēissime, ad cāmque mentis intē-
tionē vēhementē incubēti, quod-
nam dignum oper̄ē preciū ex vſu
philologiz, atque ē literarum cō-
fuetudine ferre possem: & verò
scire auentī quo pacto potissimū
meliorē hominis interioris con-
ditionē, ex eo labore studiōq; efficerē, cui externa &
cor-
poris bona quā dicta sunt, posthabēda, & tate quoque flo-
rentissima duxeram: cupiditas incessit adeundz tandem &
consulēdē philosophiz. Philosophia autē (inquit apud
Platonem Socrates in Phædone) mortis est meditatio, eō
demnum ipsa spectans, vt anima corpori nunc cōsociata,
hinc tandem sublimis abeat, corporisque contagione de-
functa morte facilis, ad deum creatorē suum rapiatur, cu-
ius illa similitudine ab eodem ipso prædicta est, quām sic
ri potest integerim ab ipsius corporis societate. & qui-
dem ipsius philosophiz munus est, id quod homines no-
runt discendi cupidissimi, animam vt hominis docēdam
suscipiat, corpori alligatam, atque illi conglomeratam, &
verò necessariō coactam, qualis per carcereū quendam, sic

A.i.

Budé: *De Transitu Hellenismi ad Christianismum*

Paris: R. Estienne, 1535

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Naturæ præpositionū ex Pri- sciano.



P A R I S I I S.
Apud Franciscum Stephanum.
M.D.X X V I I I.

Priscianus: *Naturae Praepositionum*

Paris: F. Estienne, 1538

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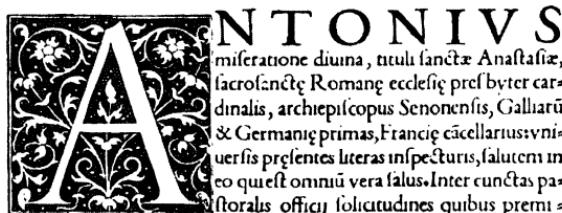


Lactantius: *De Opificio Dei*

Paris: S. de Colines, 1529

4⁷" x 3³"

PROGENERALIS DECRETVM, CONTINENS
heresum que nūc pullulant species:earum detestationem,modum
iudicandi ac discernendi hereticos,ac relapsos,formam & ordinem
procedendi contra eosdem:corundem etiam acerbas poenas,ac de-
mum exhortationē ad principes potestatesq; seculares:de illis pro-
fligandis & exterminandis.



N T O N I V S
misericordie diuina, tituli sancte Anastasie,
sacrosancte Romane ecclesie prefbyter cardinalis,
archiepiscopus Senonensis, Galliarū
& Germanię primas, Francię cæcellaritus: vni-
uersis præfentes literas insperatus, salutem in
eo quæst omnium vera salus. Inter cunctas pa-
storales officia sollicitudines quibus premi-
mur incellanter, illa fortius nos angit: ut cunctis hereticis de fiibus Chri-
stianorū expulsi, suisq; falsis & virulentis scriptis ac pestilentibus doctrinis,
penitus extirpati: fides catholica (que solidè semper fuit subnixa pæ-
tra) integra illibataq; permaneat. ac populus Christianus nostra potilli-
mū provinciæ: in fidei sinceritate (quolibet obscuritatis semoto velami-
ne) immobilis inuolatusq; persistat. Sane prospicientes (quod non sine
graui dispergientis referimus) insurrexisse nonnullos pseudochristos ac
pseudoprophetas, quorum dux & vexillifer est Martinus Lutherus: qui
a veritate excidentes, nonnullos ac pene infinitos, etiam si fieri possit, ele-
ctos (vt est apud Matthæum) ad errores inducunt homines. haud dubie
heresiarchas fastuosos, seducioſos, luciferiana superbia ac rabie lupina ere-
ctos, ac demum quales apostolus ad Timothæum graphice describit: iusq;
pingit coloribus, & adamallim exprimit. Qui rursus (vt inquit Petrus)
fectas perditas ac damnatas introducunt: libertatem promittentes, cum
ipsi sint servi corruptionis, in maximam certe reipublicę Christianę per-
niciem & iacturam: ac tādem nisi citio occurratur, ruinam & cuersionē.
Vt pote quos non pudet nouas hereses effingere: sed etiā satagunt ac stu-
dent veteres, & iam diu per ecclesiā sōpitā, instaurare. Et inter hæc, pri-
mum de sacramentis ecclesiæ multa pernicioſe dogmatiſantia affirmantes
laicos & mulierculas, & que atq; presbyteros, polli absoluere. Et quod
haecenus fuit inauditū: laicis vt sacerdotibus, eucharistiæ consecrationem
permittū. Inter sacerdotes & plebem, nihil intereste dicūt: sed omnes fa-
cerdos putant, quicunq; sunt Christiani. In clericis, in sacris ordinibus

Matth. 14.

1. Timo. 4.

2. Petrus.

Decreta Prov. Conc. Senonensis

Paris: S. de Colines, 1529

9¹/₈" × 5⁷/₈"

S. CLAVDII CLAVDIANI
POETAE ILLVSTRISS.
DE RAPTV PROSERPI-
NAE LIBER PRIMVS.

Nfernī raptoris equos, afflatāq; currū
Sidera tēnario, caligantēs profunde
i Iunonis thalamos audaci promere cātu
Mens congesta iubet. gressus remone-
te profani.

Iam furor humanos nostro de pectore sensus
Expulit, & totum spirant precordia Phœbum.
Iam mihi cernuntur trepidis delubra moueri
Sedibus, & claram dispergere lumine lucem,
Aduentum testata dei. iam magnus ab imis
Auditur fremitus terris, templūmq; remugit
Cecropidum, sanctasq; faces extollit Eleusis.
Angues Triptolemi strident, & squamea curuis
Colla leuant astricta ingis: lapisq; sereno
Erecti, roseas tendunt ad carmina cristas.

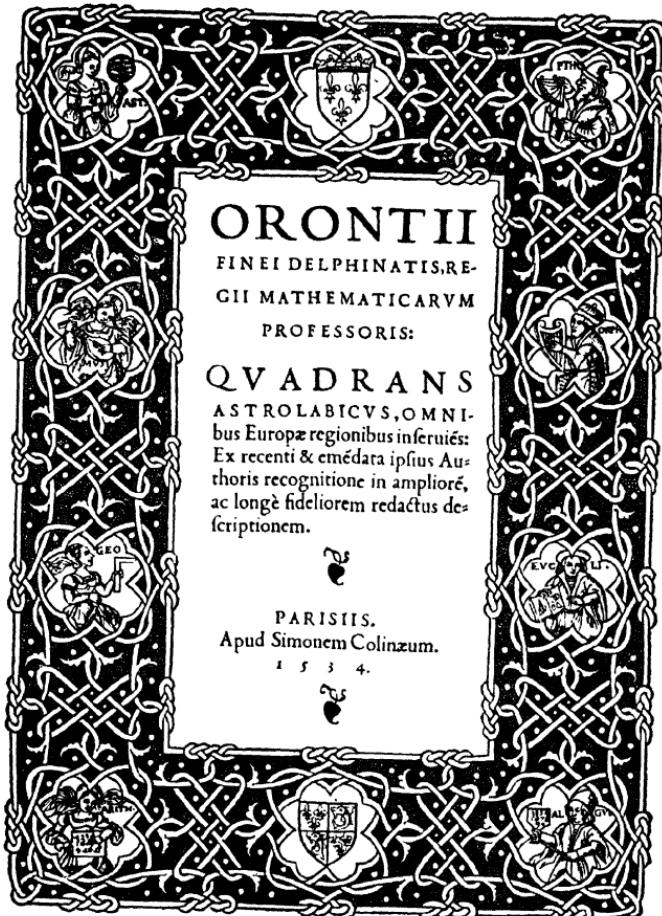
. Ecce procul ternis Hecate variata figuris
Exoritur: letūsq; simul procedit Iacchus
Crinali florens hedera: quem Parthica tigris
Velat, & auratos in nodum colligit vngues.
Ebria Mæonijs figit vestigia Thyrſis
Dij, quibus in numerum vacui famulantur auerni,
Vulgus iners opibus quorum donatur auaris
Quicquid in orbe petit, quos styx linentibus ambit
Iterfusa vadis, & quos fumantia torquens

a. iiiij.

Claudianus: *Opuscula*

Paris: S. de Colines, 1530

$5\frac{3}{8}'' \times 2\frac{3}{4}''$



Orontius Fine: *Quadrans Astrolabicus*

Paris: S. de Colines, 1534

$8\frac{7}{8}'' \times 6\frac{1}{2}''$

V A L E R I V S
M A X I M V S.

A D D I T O I N D I C E P E R B R E V I , C E V
A D OMNEIS HISTORIAS ASY:
L O T V T I S S I M O .



P A R I S I S
Apud Simonem Colinæum.
1 5 3 5

Valerius Maximus: *Opera*

Paris: S. de Colines, 1535

$4\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$



Cicero: *Officia*

Paris: S. de Colines, 1543

4" x 2½"

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**MARCI TULLII CICE
RONIS DE OFFICIIS
Lib. primus, ad M. filium.**

**ARGUMENTVM PER ERAS-
MVM ROTERODAMVM.**

Ciceronem filium suo hortatur exēplo ne sim-
plici cuiquam studio seſe addicat, sed Græca cum
Latinis, & orationis virtutes cū philosophie ſcie-
tia coniungat. deinde quō eum reddat attentio-
rem, hanc, que de officiis est philosophie partem,
duobus potissimum nominibus cōmendat, vel quod
vſu eius ad omnem vita rationem latissime pa-
teat, vel quod hec vna sit philosophis oīnib[us]
inter ſe cōmuniſ. Poſtremo teſtatur ſe in hac di-
putatione Stoicos potissimum ſequi, quod hi vel opti-
me boni finem, ad quem officia omnia refe-
runtur, conſtituerint: quam Epicurus voluptate ma-
tiens ſumma bonum, atq[ue] Aristo, Pyrrho & Her-
rillus tollentes rerum delectum, officiū quoque na-
turam ſubuerterint.

Vanquam te Marce fili annum iam au-
g^odientem Cratippū (idque Athenis) abu-
dere oportet preceptis institutisq[ue] phi-
losophie, propter ſummarū & doctoris authori-
tatem, & vrbis: quorum alter te ſcientia angere
potest, altera exemplis: tamen ut ipſe ad meam

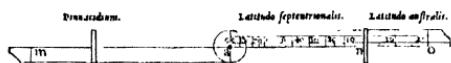
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Cicero: *Officia*

Paris: S. de Colines, 1543

$3\frac{3}{4}'' \times 2''$

C Figura dioptræ, seu regulæ super instrumenti facie reponendæ.



TRIVM INSIGNIORVM, ET HACTENVS
desideratorum operum Mathematicorum, De Circulis videlicet qua-
dratura, cijsque dimensione, & ratione circumferentie ad dia-
metrum: De regularium insuper & multangularium omnium
figurarum descriptione: Ac de locorum inuenientia lon-
gitudinis differetia, alter quam per lunares celia
p[ro]fes: Vna cum Planisphaerio geographic[o]:
Authore Orontio Fineo Delphi-
nate, Regio Mathema-
ticarum Lutetiae
professore,
F I N I S.

Y. IOANNIS ROVETII SENONENSIS,
Medici in Orontioma fligem,
scaron.

Scac.

Zole Gigantum frater, ecquid omnibus
Omnia miser si inuidet die perdite
Cur inuides illi inuidiam, qui non tibi
Illa inuidet Qui si fidebo prodere
Vt misericordia, quam pures, omnibus ego
Te faciam. **H**abet F I N A E V S insignem Genium,
Non patitur te et nomine me forte tibi
Fortuna plaudens tuus succentur. **A**ge,
Si nomen edo, ne male hoc tibi inuidas,
Timendum etiam fuerit: quero quid tibi minda
Esse potes, audi paucorum, non paucos haber
F I N A E V S amicos. Tu deum hostis ac homines.

C Errata aliquot notatu digniora, impressoriæ artis
labilitate commissa.

Facie 39, Corollario 3: legendum (vt 3 & $\frac{2}{15}$, ad 1)
Facie 48, linea 2: legendum, triangulo a b c/circumscripto.

A musical manuscript page featuring a title 'Registrum huius operis' at the top, followed by a staff with note heads labeled A through H, and a large number '20' on the left.

Orontius Fine: *Quadratura Circuli*

Paris: S. de Colines, 1544

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à multis, quod aiūt, magistris acceptas, & lo. Et viginti annos Lutetiar publicè docen-
 do, interpretando, scriptis & nous inuentionibus exornādo illustrauit preuum opera
 facturum me putauit. Si nodi hunc dissoluerit, & Galliam tuam sub tuo felici nomi-
 ne, hoc rariſſimo munere donarem. Quod tui me fullit ipsa veritas, & Mathemati-
 carum inexpugnabilis certitudo à diuina tandem impetrata clemētia. Ipsam namq[ue]
 Circuli quadraturā, via hactenus à nemine tentata, & methodo inaudita, clarissi-
 mè demonstrauit, atq[ue] non vni tantummodo Circulo aequali quadratū, sed tribus Cen-
 culis tria simili aequali quadrata, vel è duos, figurare docuit: totūq[ue] inuentionis
 ac demonstrationis artificiū, quin p[ro] problematis, & vnicā, cāp[er] simplicissima, con-
 clusi figure contextura. Ex ipso autem primo problemate, à Greecis olim tot modis
 inuestigata, sed nōdū plane demonstratio Cubi duplicatio, euidentissimè colligetur. Huic
 porr[ad] Circuli tetragonismo, duas aduanxi demonstrationes: alteram de ipsius Circuli
 dimensione, alteram vero de ratione eius cunferente ad diametrum: quæ tot felicia
 ingenia, ut Circulo aequali darent quadratum, hactenus defatigantur. Subsequitur
 deinde abſolutum, & à nemine antea tentatum opus, de multangularium omnium &
 regularium figurarum descriptione: que bona pars ipsius Geometriae, quæ prius la-
 tebat, & supramodum utilis videbitur, in posterum fiet manifesta. Accessit tandem
 liber admodum eximius, de inuenienda longitudinis locorū differentia, alter quam
 per Lunares eclipses, etiam dato quovis tempore: vna cū Planispherio geographico,
 recens stidem exigitato. Quem libru anno superiori, gallicè conscriptum, vna cum
 Delphinatus, Provinciis, Sabaudia, & Pedemontanæ regionis Corographia, tunc ob-
 tulit maieſtati. Hac igitur inſignia totiſſip[er] desiderata Mathematica opera tria, sub
 tuo felice nomine & auspicio, in publicum tandem prodire sum passus: Quæ tibi Ma-
 thematicarum, ac reliquarum bonarū artium raro Mecenati, tēp[er] maximo Principi
 Cremp[er] Regū Christianissimo, potissimum, ac omni virtutū genere animiq[ue] dexteritate
 predito, candidè deuoueo, & protegenda cōmitto. An vero palmā h[ab]e p[re]ter
 multorum spem, reportaturus sim: cuius & quo lectori, & in Mathematicis noui infi-
 liciter versato, confendum relinquo. Cuperem tamen de multis, hic te vnicum ha-
 bere iudicem: si per humanitatem tuam, & publicas occupationes, quibus hoc impo-
 tuno tempore (in quo Mars suis comitatus Furiis, longè latē, p[ro]fremit) valde dislirin-
 geris, me ipsum interpretari audire graue nō esset: qui & de rebus omnibus recte iu-
 dicare, & illas & qui bonique consilieris abunde nosti. Reliquam est, clementissime
 Rex, v[er]tu Orontu sic tandem meminisse pergas: vt eum in inflaurandis, & (te
 auspice) docēdis Mathematicis, annos meliores consumpsisse non peniteat. Vale.
 Lutetiar Particularum, Mense Iulio, 1544.



Orontius Fine: *Quadratura Circuli*

Paris: S. de Colines, 1544

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Christianissimo Gallorū Regi,
FRANCISCO, EIUS NOMI-
nis primo, Orontius Finæus Delphinæ, S. D.



IVINA P R O V I D E N T I A
factum esse puto, FRANCISCE Rex
Christianissime, ut quæ præclara sunt & dif-
ficilia, quæcùm magis ab ipsis desiderantur &
perquiruntur hominibus: tanto tardius à pau-
cis plurimù inueniuntur, & in sua diffe-
rantur tempora, illisque destinuntur inuentio-
ribus, quos solus Deus ad hæc nouit esse dele-
ctos. Cum ob multa, tum ut igneus & planè
caelestis ille diuum splendoris vigor, mentibus
nostris in suis, magis atque magis eluceat: & ad perscrutanda latentum rerum
arcana acriori nos virgat simulo, in illorūmque assidua contemplatione & inda-
gatione fixam oblectet intelligētum. Q uod si tam in diuinis & naturalibus, quām
mechanicis & ciuilibus rebus, locum babere competitum est: in ys artibus, qua sole
Mathematicæ, hoc est, disciplinæ nūcupari meruerūt, y su maximè venire (opinor)
negabit nemo. Q uanquam enim ipse Mathematicæ, medium inter intellectu
fensiliisque locum obtinentes, ceteris artibus tum fide & ordine, tum certitudine ac
integritate (prater summam que illis uesti vultatem) longè præstare viden-
tur: rariores nihilominus semper habuere professores, & insigniora theorematæ, ma-
iori cum difficultate, longiorique temporis successu adiuventa atque demonstrata.
Q uemadmodum in ea disciplina, que Geometria vocatur, de Circuli liceat intueri
quadratura. Q uæ tametsi ab omnibus philosophis scietia cōtineri fuerit existimata,
& tāto tempore à tam doctis perquisita virtus: haec tamen videtur suisse desi-
derata, facta interim non modica rerum Mathematicarum accessione: multa enim
scitu dignissima, quæ prius erant absconsa, prodire nota. C um igitur præfatam
Circuli quadraturam, extra artem non esse intelligerem, & illius inuentione ad me
non sine diuino numine iure quodam devoluit: qui & patre philosopho ac Mathema-
ticō insigni Franciso Fineo sum natus, & ad has disciplinas natura factus & quas

B. ii.

Orontius Fine: Quadratura Circuli

Paris: S. de Colines, 1544

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Q. Horatij flacci
ODARVM SIVE CARMINVM
LIBRI QVATVOR.

Epodon Liber unus.

Cum annotatiunculis q̄ ante auctioribus in margine
adiectis, quæ brevis cōmentarij vice esse possint.

Nicolai Perotti libellus non infrugifer de metris
Odarum Horatianarum.



Horatius

Paris: S. de Colines, 1539

$5\frac{1}{4}'' \times 2\frac{3}{4}''$

**Q. HORATII FLACCI VITA
PER PETRVM CRINITVM
FLORENTINVM.**

Q Horatius Flaccus in Venusio Apulie oppido natus est : patrem habuit Libertini generis. Vnde illud,

Quem rodunt omnes Libertino patre natum.
Pro certo habetur eius natalem fuisse duobus circiter annis ante coniurationem L. Sergij Catilinae, quo tempore celebres erant in civitate, ex Poëtis Val. Catulus, Licinius Calenus, & Helvius Cinna: ex oratoribus M. Cicero, Q. Hortensius, & Q. Catulus: ex philosophis Var. Terentius, & Figulus Nigidius. Orbilium Benenentanum, ut constat, a puero audiuit, quem appellat alicubi plagosum, ac mirum quam brevi tempore in bonis literis profecerit. Ingenio enim facilis, & auidissimo fuisse traditur in capiendis optimis disciplinis. Vbi autem satis visus est nauasse operâ Latinis studijs, Athenas se cotulit, vt Philosophorum preceptis liberius incumberet, maximèqz Epicureorum placita videtur probasse, vt illud urbane dictum testatur:

Me pinguem, & nitidum bene curata cute vise,
Cum ridere voles Epicuri de grege porcum.

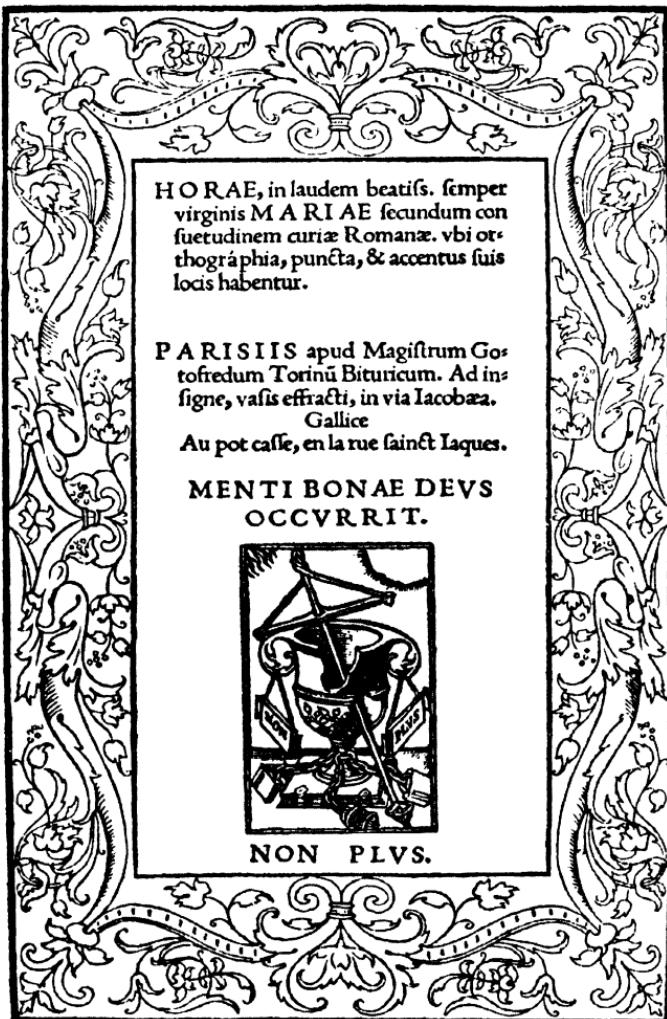
Moribus fuisse dicitur subobscenis, & ad bitem interdum paulo excitator: adeo erga amicos gratus, atque officiosus, vt nobiliorum etiam studijs & gratia clarior in dies, ac nobilior esset. Nam primò dignitatem Tribunitiam honestis suffragijs est adeptus, & Romane

a.ij.

Horatius

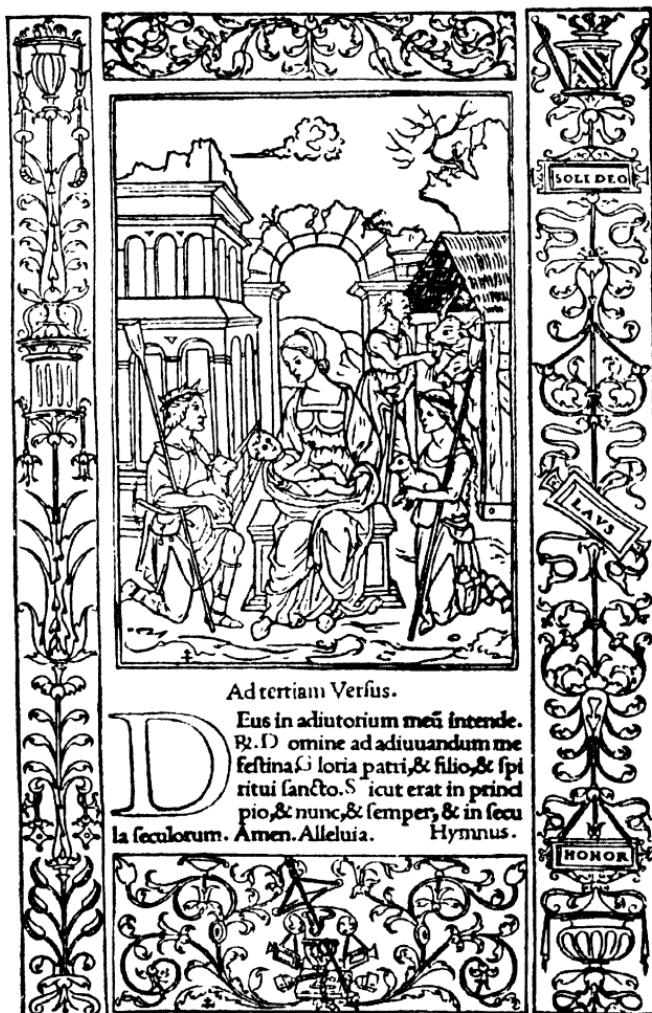
Paris: S. de Colines, 1539

5 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ "

*Horae*

Paris: Geofroy Tory, 1525

6 $\frac{3}{8}$ " x 3 $\frac{7}{8}$ "



F.j.

Horae

Paris: Geofroy Tory, 1525

6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ "



Horae

Paris: Geofroy Tory, 1529

$3\frac{3}{8}'' \times 2''$



Deus in adiutorium meum
intende. Domine ad adiuandum mihi festina. Gloria patri & filio, & spiritui sancto.

Horae

Paris: Geoffroy Tory, 1529

$3\frac{1}{2}'' \times 1\frac{7}{8}''$



Horae

Paris: Geofroy Tory, 1529

$3\frac{1}{4}'' \times 1\frac{7}{8}''$

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ΙΡΑΙ ΤΗΣ ΑΕΙΠΑΡΘΕ-
νον Μαρίας, κατ' Ιωσή & Ρω-
μαϊκῆς αὐλῆς.

IORAE BEATISSIMAE
virginis Mariae ad usum
Romanum.

E. E.;

Horae

Paris: M. Fezandat, 1547

$3\frac{1}{2}'' \times 1\frac{3}{4}''$

¶ Euangile selon Sain & Iean, qu'on
dict le iour de Noel.



Av commencement estoit la parole, & la parole estoit avec Dieu, & Dieu estoit la parole. Icelle estoit avec Dieu dés le cōmēce mēt. Toutes choses sōt faites par icelle & sans icelle riē n'a esté fait de ce qui est fait. En icelle estoit la vie: & la vie estoit la lumiere des hōcs, & la lumiere luytaux tenebres: mais les te

nēbres ne l'ont point cōpris. Vn homme fut enuoyé de Dieu , qui estoit nommé Iean . Cestuy est venu en tesmoignage , pour rendre tesmoignage de la lumiere: à fin que to⁹ creussent par icelle. Cestuy n'estoit point la lumiere, mais estoit pour rendre tesmoignage de la lumiere . La vraye lumiere estoit celle qui enlumine tout homme venant en ce monde . Elle estoit au monde , & le monde est fait par icelle, mais le monde ne l'a pas cogneue. Elle estoit venue és choses qui estoient siennes , & les siennes ne l'ont point receue . Mais tous ceux qui l'ont receue, elle leur a donné puissance d'estre

Horae

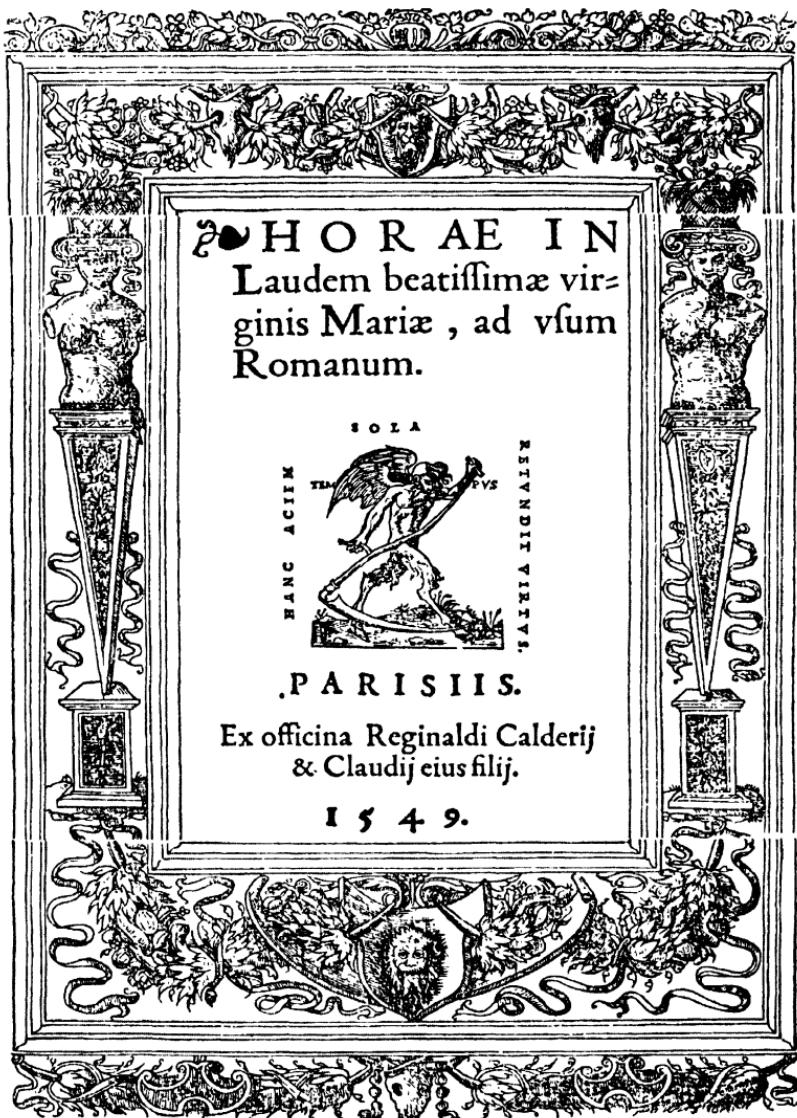
Paris: Magdeleine Boursette, 1554

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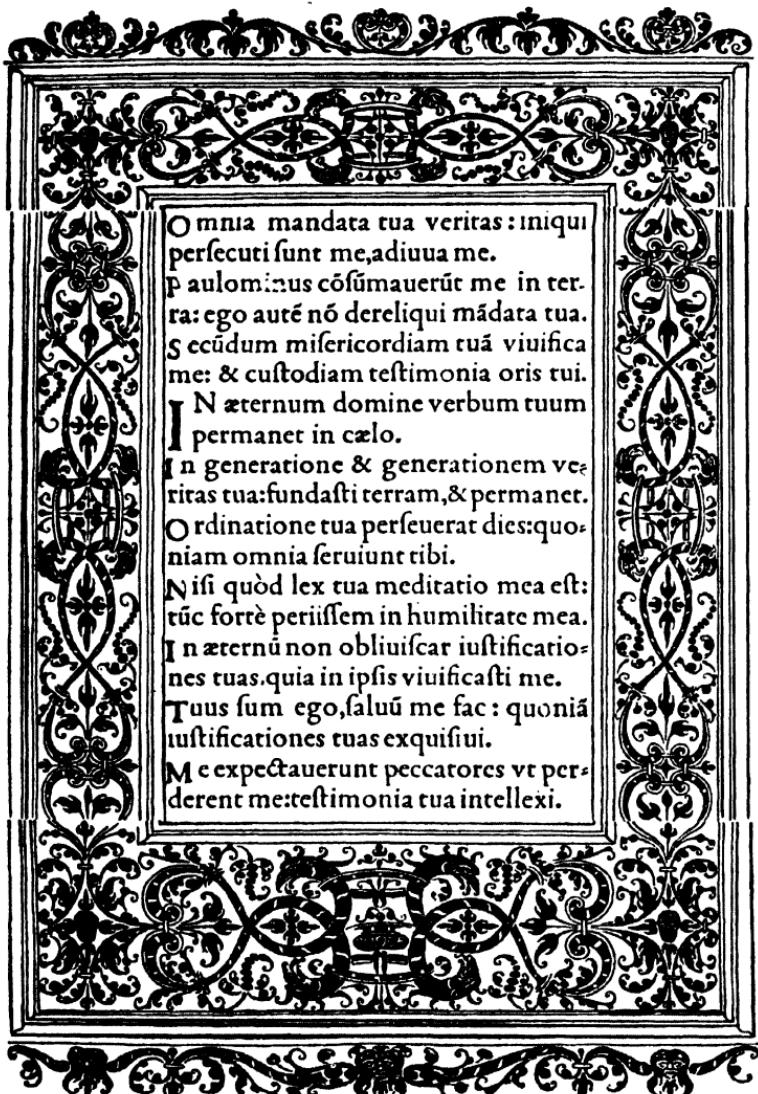
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*Horae*

Paris: Chauldière, 1549

8 $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ "



Horae

Paris: Chauldière, 1549

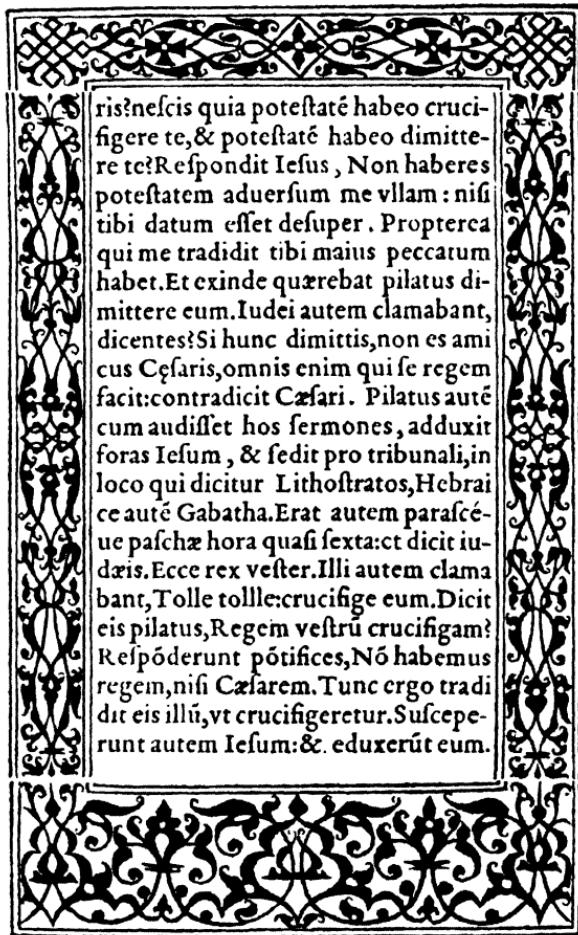
7⁷/₈" x 5"



Horae

Paris: Guillaume Merlin, 1552

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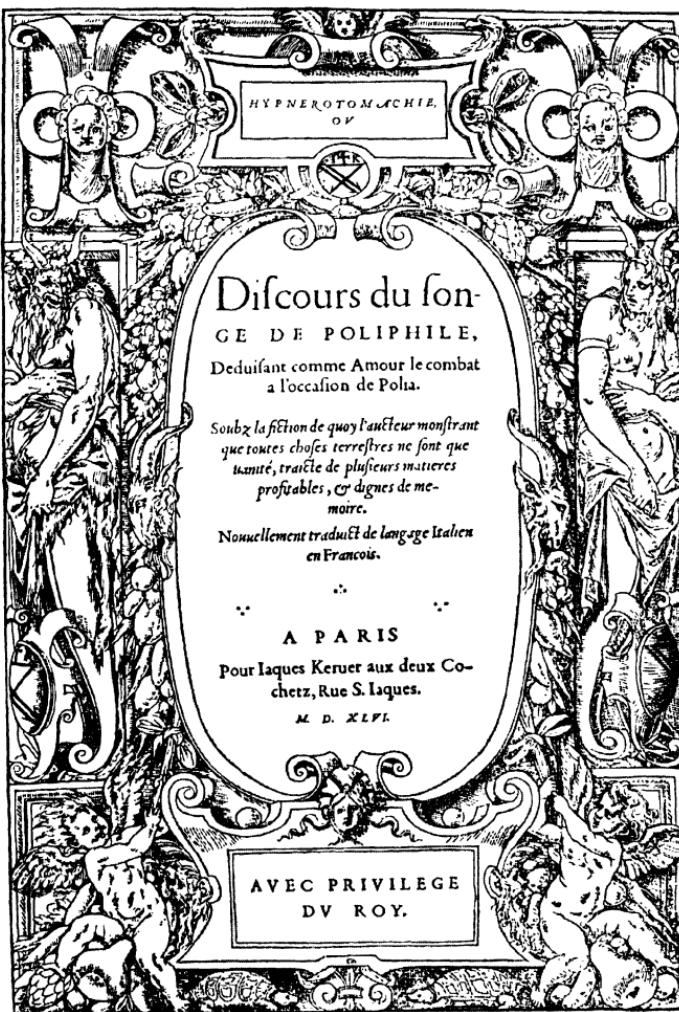


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Horae

Paris: Guillaume Merlin, 1552

4³" × 2⁷"



Songe de Poliphile

Paris: Jacques Kervér, 1546

11 $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 7 $\frac{1}{4}$ "

POLIPHILE.

Poliphile craignant le peril de la FOREST, FEIT SON ORAISON A IVPITER:

puis en trouua l'ysfe,tout alteré de soif.Et ainsi qu'il se uouloit rafraichir en une fountaine, il oyut un chant melodieux, pour lequel l'auare abandonna l'eau preste: dont il se trouua puis apres en plus grande angoisse que devant.



Bfusqué de mon entendement,sans pouuoir cognoître quel party ie deuoie prendre , ou mourir en celle forest esgarcée , ou espérer mon salut incertain , ie faisoie tout mon effort d'en ysfir; mais tant plus alloie auat, plus entroy ie en grādes tenebres, fort foible, & tiéblant pour la peur que i auoie : car ie n'atēdore finon que quelque beste me vint afronter pour me deuorer: ou que heurtat du pied a vn tronc ou racine, ie tombasse dans quelque abyssme, & feusse englouti de la terre, cōme fut Amphiaraus. En celle maniere se trouloit mon entēdement, sans esperance, & sans ratiōn, errant sans voie ny sentir. Parqouy vorant qu'en mon faict n'y auoit autre remedie, ie me vois recommandet a la diuine misericorde, disant, O Dieſpiter tresgrād, tresbō, trespuissant, & trescourable, ſi p hübles & deuotes prières l'humanite peult meriter le ſecours des diuins luſfrages, & doit etre de vous exaucée, ie prefente repenſat & dolé de toutes mes fragitez & offenses paſſées, vous ſupplie & inuoque, ſouuerain prie éternel, reſeteur du ciel & de la terre, qu'il plaise a vostre deute incōprehēſible, me dehuri de ces perils, ſi que ie puiffie auecher le cours de ma vie par quelque autre meilleure fin. A peine eu ie finé mon oraizon bien de uotemēt proſerée, & d'un cœur tout humilié, les yeux pleins de larmes, croant ſermēt q̄les dieux ſecourent & ſauuent ceulx qui les inuquent de pure volūté, que ie me trouay hors de la ſorſet: dont tout ainsi qu'i d'vne nūct froide & humide ie feusſe paruenu en vñ tour clair & ſerain, mes yeux ſortans de telle obscurité, ne pouuoient bien (pou quelque temps) ſouffrir la clarté du ſoleil. ie ſtoie haſte, triste, & angoiffeux, tant qu'il ſembloit proprement que ie fortiſſe d'une baſſe folle, preſque tout rōpu & brisé de chauts & de ters, change de viſage, debile, & de cuer aleſty, en sorte que n'estimoie plus rien tout cela qui m'eftoit preſent. Oulltre ce i auoie telle loſſ, que l'air froid & delicate ne me pouuoit aucunement rafraichir, ny ſatisfaire a la lechereſſe de ma bouche. Mais apres auoir reprins vn petit de courage, par toutes manieres delibery d'appaſer cette ſouſparquoy allay querant parmy celle contrée, tant que ie trouuay vne groſſe veine d'eau fraiche, ſourdant & bouillonnant en vne belle fontaine, qui couloit par vn petit ruyſſeau, lequel deuenoit vne riuere bruyante atravers les pierres & troncs des arbres, tumbez & renuerſez en fon canal, & contre lequelz celle eau ſe regorgeoit comme courrouée & matre de ce qu'ilz la cindroient retarder, elle qui eltoit augmentée de plusieurs autres ruyſſeletz, avec aucun torrens engendrez des neiges fondues, precipices des montaignes, qui ne ſembloient estre gñeres long-

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Songe de Poliphile

Paris: Jacques Kerver, 1546

10³" × 5³"

DE AMADIS DE GAVLE.

Fucillet.I.

Le premier liure de Amadis de Gaulc,

Traduict d'Espaignol en Françoy, par le Seigneur des Essars.

Quelz furent les Roys Garinter & Perion, & dvn combat
qui eut icelluy Perion par casfortuit contre deux cheualiers:
puis contre vn Lyon qui deuoroit vn Cerf en leur presence,
& de ce qu'il en aduint.

Chapitre premier.

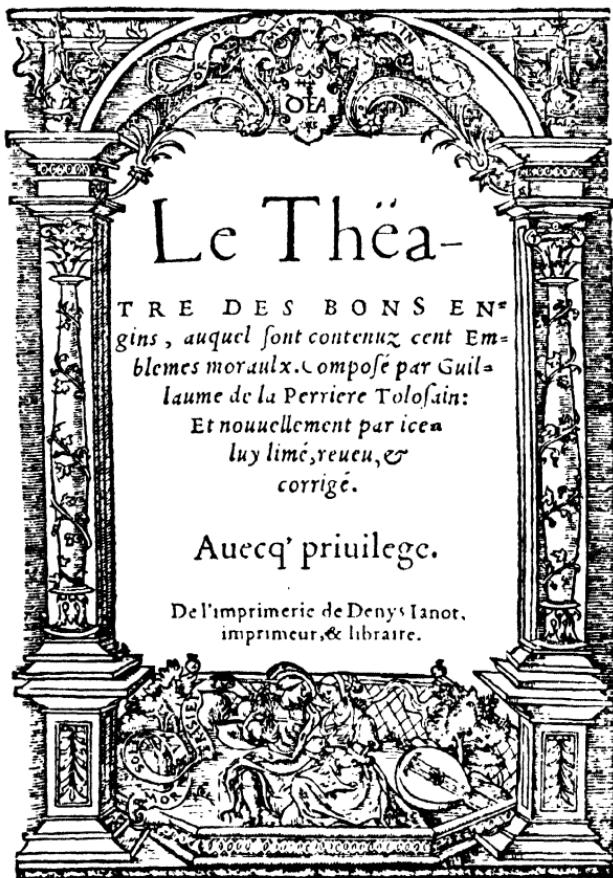


Eu de temps apres la Passion de nostre Saulxier Iesu Christ, il fut vn Roy de la petite Bretagne nommé Garinter, instruit en la loy de vérité, & grandement décoré de bonnes & louables vertuz, qui eut d'vn noble dame son espouse, deux filles. Lausnée (mariée avec Langunes Roy d'Escoce) communement appellée la dame de la Guirlande : parce que le Roy son mary, pour la beauté de ses cheueux, & le grand plaisir qu'il prenoit à les veoir, ne les luy permettoit courrir, lison auce un petit cercle ou chapelet de fleurs. De ce Roy Langunes & d'elle, furent engendrez Agraises & Mabile, dequelz l'hystoire prefente fera souuent mention. L'autre fille puishée de ce Roy Garinter, nommée Elisené fut trop plus belle que son aînée. Et combien qu'elle eut esté maintesfois demandée & requise en mariage de plusieurs princes & grans seigneurs: neantmoins ne luy en print (pour lors) aucun vouloir, ains par la solitude, & laïnde vie, estoit communement appellié:

Amadis de Gaula

Paris: Estienne Groulleau, 1548

10" x 5³4"



G. de la Perrière: *Le Théâtre des Bons Engins*

Paris: Denys Janot, 1539

$4\frac{7}{8}'' \times 3\frac{1}{4}''$

XLVIII.

BAccbus uoulant Hercules contrefaire,
 Se reuestit de la peau d'un Lyon:
 Mais il ne sceut si bonne troigne faire,
 Que de brocardz il n'eust un million.
 Il ne fault point, selon l'opinion
 Des anciens, son naturel deffaire.
 Le fol peult bien du saige contrefaire,
 Mais qu'au parler ne se monstre estre sot:
 Le foible aussi peult bien du uaillant faire,
 Et triumpher, quand on ne luy dit mot.

G. de la Perrière: *Le Théâtre des Bons Engins*

Paris: Denys Janot, 1539

5 $\frac{1}{4}$ " × 3 $\frac{3}{8}$ "

Orontij Finæi Delphi-
 NATIS, REGII MATHEMATICARUM LUTETIAE PROFESSORIS, IN EOS QUOS DE
 MUNDI SPHÆRA CONSCRIPTIS LIBROS, AC IN
 PLANETARUM THEORICAS, CANONUM
 ASTRONOMICORUM

L I B R I I I.

L V T E T I A E,
 17~
 APUD MICHAELM VASCO SANUM, VIA IACOBÆA
 AD INSIGNE FONTIS.

1553.

C V M P R I V I L E G I O.

Orontius Fine: *De Mundi Sphaera*

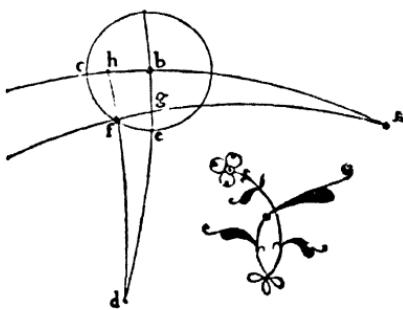
Paris: M. Vascosan, 1553

$6\frac{3}{8}'' \times 3\frac{7}{8}''$

CANON XVI.

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partes ipsius primi numeri, uertuntur in partes 7, & minuta



11,25,ferè. Tā
tus est igitur
sinus rectus
quaſitē equa
tionis $f:g$: cu
ius arcus of
fendetur ha
bere grad⁹ 6,
& min. 52,58.
Atqui totidē
partum, atq;
minutorū ex
peritur esse,
quæ in tabu
lis paſſim di

uulgatis continentur æquatio, p̄fato 50 graduum respondēs
argumento. Et quoniam manifestum est, arcum $b:h$, maiore
eſſe arcu $f:g$: non est igitur idem arcus $b:h$, quaſita æquatio
ipsius octauæ sphæræ, fed p̄fatus arcus $f:g$. Haud aliter pe
riculum facere licebit, de cæterorum quorūcunque argumen
torum æquationibus. Hinc poterit ipſa æquationum octauæ
sphæræ tabula, quæ in minutis secundis ſepius peccare uide
tur, recenti atque fido magis numerari calculo.

CANON XVI.

Quantum diſtet uerum initium signorum o
ctauæ sphæræ, ab ipſo tabulari signorū exor
dio, tandem lupputare.

Hic ſupponimus Alphonſinam, & omnium ſequētiū
positionem de motu octauæ sphæræ, ueram ac ſtabilem eſſe,
donec meliorem obtinuerimus excitationem. Neque in
præſentiarum intendimus ipſam edocere theoricam, utpo
te, quæ paſſim diuulgata, & luculenter à quamplurimis tra
dita eſt. Sed ex ipſa ſanè quām intellecta motus octauī orbis
theorica, calculus Alphonſinum reuocare ad uernalē Ecli

Orontius Fine: *De Mundi Sphaera*

Paris: M. Vascosan, 1553

7" × 4"

CAROLO LOTHARINGIO

S. R. E. CARDINALI ILLVSTRISS.

Petrus Paschalius S. P. D.

VONIA M tu penè vnum scribende Henrici Regis historia non solum autor, sed adiutor etiā fuisti; & virorum quoque quorundam illustrium elogiorum conficiendorum suasor, Princeps illustrissime: idcirco quicquid iam à me est profectum, proficieturque in posterum, non magis meum esse duco, quam tuum. Neque enim illi historiarum libri, quos confecimus, quóque nonnulli doctissimi viri tantopere probarunt, sunt toti nostri; tui sunt maiore ex parte, & ex doctissimis tuis commentariis decerpti. Hoc autem regium elogium, quod nondum perfectum, semel atque iterum Henrico Regi perlegisti; sic, vel ipso nutu (aderam enim ipse presens) emendaſti; ut illud non indignum quo in manus hominum perueniat, iam tandem iudicem. Quare illo nobis eretto Rege, confessoque hoc eius elogio, visum mihi, & tibi libitum est, ut id in apertum nunc demum proferremus; & tāti Regis tam illustres laudes ab obliuione hominum, quantum in nobis effet, atque à silentio vindicaremus. Quid facio, illudque interea, dum nostri temporis integrā historiam, maximarum sanè vigiliarum opus, contexo, in tuo clarissimo nomine apparere cupio. Huic ego elogio eius sanctissimi Regis demortui for-

A ij

Paschalius: *Elogia*

Paris: M. Vascosan, 1560

8 $\frac{1}{4}$ " × 4 $\frac{7}{8}$ "



HENRICI II. GALLIARVM
REGIS ELOGIVM, PETRO
 PASCHALIO AVTORE.

HENRICVS II. Galliarum Rex, magni illius Francisci Regis filius, ad duodetriginta annos natus, die suo natali regnū est adeptus. Qui cùm maximi populi, optimi, & fidelissimi, multorūmque virorum nobiliū ac Principum Principem se esse, eoque loco locatum, vt longè futuros omnium casus prospicere sibi oporteret, vidit: certis Principibus viris adhibitis, & nonnullis aliis rerum suarum peritis hominibus, omnibus regni rationibus diligenter prouidit: tantāmq̄e imperij sui bene administrandi spem omnibus attulit, vt talem Regem non natura solum & lege Gallica datum, sed vnum ex multis quasi conquisitum & electum omnes facilē iudicarint. Primūm omnium, vir natura sanctus & reli-giosus, ne quis suo in regno diuinum Numē, ne quidve

A. iiiij

Paschalius: *Elogia*

Paris: M. Vascosan, 1560

8½" × 5"



SPONPONII ME-
LÆ DE SITV ORBIS
LIBER II.

Scythia Europæa. Cap. I.

ASIA in nostrū niare Tana inque vergentis quē dixi, finis ac sit⁹ est. At per eūdem amnem in Mæotida remeātibus, ad dextram Europa est modō sinistro latere in nauigatiū apposita, ac Riphæis montibus (nam & huc illi pertinēt) proxima. Cadentes assidue niues adeo inuia efficiunt, ut vlt̄rā ne viſum quidem intendentium admittant. Deinde est regio ditis admodum soli, inhabitabilis tamen quia Gryphi saeum & pertinax ferarum genus, aurum terra penitus egelſū mirè amant, mirèque custodiunt, & sunt infesti attingentibus. Hominū primi sunt Scythes, Scytha rūmque, queis singuli oculi esse dicuntur, Arimaspi. Ab eis Essedones usque ad Mæotida. Huius flexū Buges amnis fecat. Agathyrsi & Sauromatæ ambiunt: quia pro sedibus plaustra

Pomponius Mela: *De Situ Orbis*

Paris: Jacques Kerver, 1557

67" x 34"



ESTREINES

AV ROY HENRY

III. ENVOYEES A SA MAIESTE
AV MOIS DE DECEMBRE.



Voys race de Roys Prince de tant
 de Princes,
 Qui tenez dessous vous deux si grā-
 des prouincez,
 Qui par toute l'Europe esclarez
 tout ainsi
 Qu'un beau soleil d'esté de flam-
 mes esclarcy,
 Que l'estranger admire & le suiect honore,
 Et dont la maiesté nostre siecle redore.
 A vous qui avez tout, ie ne sçaurois donner
 Present, tant soit-il grand, qui vous puise estrener,
 La terre est presque vostre, & dans le ciel vous mettre
 Je ne suis pas vn Dieu, ie ne puis le promettre,
 C'est à faire au flateur: ie vous puis mon mestier
 Promettre seulement, de l'encre & du papier.
 Je ne suis Courtizan ny vendeur de fumées
 Je n'ay d'ambition les veines allumées,

D

Henrici Gallorum Regis Epitaphia

Paris: Féderic Morel, 1559

 $6\frac{3}{4}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$



Marguerite de Navarre: *Heptamerone*

Paris: Benoît Prévost, 1559

$6\frac{7}{8}'' \times 4\frac{5}{8}''$



LA H VICTIESME I OVRNEE DES
NOVVELLES DE LA ROYNE DE NAVARRE.



E MATIN VENV,
se enquirent si leur pont s'a-
uanoit fort, & trouuerent
que dedans deux ou trois
iours il pourroit estre para-
chue: ce qui despleut à quel-
ques vns de la cōpagnie: car
ils eussent bien desiré, que
l'ouvrage eust duré plus lon-
guement, pour faire durer le
contentement qu'ils auoient
de leur heureuse vie. Mais voyans qu'ils n'auoient plus que deux
ou trois iours de bon temps, se delibérerent de ne le perdre pas. Et
prierent ma dame Oisille de leur donner la pasturē spirituelle, com-
me elle auoit accusumé: ce qu'elle feit, mais elle les tint plus
long temps, qu'auparavant. Car elle vouloit, avant que partir,
auoir misé fin à la Cronicque desaint Jean. A quoj elle s'aequit à
fitresbien, qu'il sembloit que lesaint esprit plein d'amour &
de douceur, parlast par sa bouche. Et tous enflammez de ce feu,
s'en allerent ouyr la grand messe. Et apres disner, ensemble par-
lans encores de la iournée passée, se desfioiet d'en pouvoir faire une
aussi belle. Et pour y donner ordre, se retirerent chacun en son
logis iusques à l'heure, qu'ils allerent à leur chambre des comptes
sur le bureau de l'herbe verte, ou des-ia trouuerent les moynes

Ff iij

Marguerite de Navarre: *Heptamerone*

Paris: Benoît Prévost, 1559

6 $\frac{7}{8}$ " x 4"

LIVRE
De Perspectiue de Jehan Cousin

Senonois, maistre Paincre à Paris.



A PARIS.

De l'Imprimerie de Jehan le Royer Imprimeur du Roy
à Mathematiques.

1560.

AUVEC PRIVILEGE DU ROT.

Cousin: *Livre de Perspective*

Paris: Jehan le Royer, 1560

$10\frac{1}{2}'' \times 6\frac{1}{4}''$



JITHAN COVSEN AV LECTIVR.

AY l'advertissement mon avue, contenant les premiers Regles de
 l'art de Perspective, que ceſſe volument defac en adrefſe au R. 3 ou à
 quelqu' Autre. Pomes & gran vermeur, ſel n' que volontement d'ſe éſt,
 ſi eſteſſent de l'éloquence & ſtance aſſez en moy pour m'y oſſer adrefſe.
 Tel auſſeſſablement volument laſſe d'leſſeſſe ſi ſe ſigre ſimpl. J d'
 n'eult deuider que mains leſſeſſe, & exagerez lez, ſuſteux miſ-
 meſ. Il ſimpl eſt de laſſe deuſſe genou en ſtretz & tenu ſequant. Mais das au-
 luſeſſor aux vides de, ignorans que ceuouen en conſuſſe quelqu' obſeſſion ſainte à laſſe
 ſequant deuſſe bon ſe poynt. Ed amy, omacie vndeſſe. Et quanconon a ſaint deſſe
 que ſt' prie, quid nem a ell' p'fible lez gondure, & ne vcooper d'auant deuſſe quelque
 deſſe. Engoyez veſſiblement aveſſe d'auant plus d'arts, qd'meſſon a bieng, le ſpoumo-
 ne que en ay ſauſe par long tyme deuſſe auſſe laſſe qd' ſe ſigre. Oſſe v' ſeſſe, p'ne
 en p'ne ou p'leſſal in b'ndit ſe ſ' auſſe lez v' ſeſſes de non exp'riſſer en laſſe,
 & au conuenient de ays que m'en ouſſe volamment reſponſe ſoit. Aſſe auſſe lez regles
 & ſc'flement de l'ome certaine, ſelon quel ſe p'vra eſſe par ce que ſe conuenient a p'fent auſſe
 & ſe p'vra en ſe plus ſimpl. ne p' le ſeſſon ou ve ſe ſe p'pofet. lez figures le
 tuit, o p', ſe p'fendre p'ymagez, abſe, & paſſeſſe, p'ne enantz ſi ſe ſigre en quelle
 ſeſſon ſorme & grandeur d'ſe donen ſt' ſe p'fme ſe p'fme ſart loquel auant me ſeſſe
 d'auant ſeſſon tol' ſeſſon ſe auant ſeſſon ſe auant ſeſſon ſe auant ſeſſon ſe auant ſeſſon ſe
 Quelq' a pa u'demant d' ſy p'partez, ſe ſe p'fme. A Dieu.

A m

Cousin: *Livre de Perspective*

Paris: Jehan le Royer, 1560

 $7\frac{5}{8}'' \times 6\frac{3}{8}''$

Liure de Perspectiue



DOVR ayant que toutes choses égales, semblent moins
 les vices que les autres au pris qu'elles sont ou plus proches, ou
 plus éloignées de nostre veue: soit qu'elles soient viz à viz de
 nous, soit qu'elles soient posées sur lignes Perpendiculaires à la
 ligne Horizontale de nostre veue, ou autrement. Aucuns ont e-
 sté d'aduz, que les frontz des quarreaux d'un paé éstant sus
 la ligne Terre, ou sur ligne Equidistante à celle, le donent racourir au per-
 sonnage. Et semblablement que les Colonnes éstant au front d'un bâtimant, viz à
 viz de nous, deuoient estre racourties en Perspective. En quoy ils fabulent: car
 combien qu'il soit véritable que des Colonnes éstant au front d'un bâtimant
 viz à viz de nous, les plus prochaines semblent plus longues, & les plus lontaines
 plus courtes; si ne sensur il pourtant qu'il faille racourrir lesdites Colonnes en
 Perspective; pourtant qu'ēstant faites égales au Perspective mesme, par mesme
 raison (sur laquelle ils se fondent) elles nous sembleront inégales & racourties.
 Ce que vous entendez plus clairement par la figure que je vous presente icy
 pour exemple. Car si vous ayez en un grand pan de mur fait peindre quantité
 de Colonnes égales, celles qu'il vous plaira, come vous en voyez icy fixe, & les
 eussiez faites également éloignées les vices des autres, vous c'état au milieu d'
 celles, verriez le racourcissement desdites Colonnes estre naturellement donné,
 & ce sans artifice aucun. Dont sensur que les Colonnes & Entrecolonnes
 plus éloignées vous sembleroient moins, & les plus prochaines de vous, plus
 grandes, combien qu'ils soient égales. Puis donc que naturellement ce qui est
 viz à viz de vous sus la ligne Terre, se racourcissoit, il n'est besoyn y adouster ra-
 courcissement

Cousin: *Livre de Perspective*

Paris: Jehan le Royer, 1560

10⁷" × 8¹₂"



A N A C R E O N T I S

*Tejū antiquissimi poëtæ Lyrici
Odæ, ab Helia Andrea
Latinæ factæ.*

D E L Y R A.



ANTARE nunc A-
tridas,
Nūc expetesso Cad-
mum:
Testudo verò ner-
uis
Solum refert Amo-
rem.

Mutanda fila nuper
Curo, lyrāmque totam.
Et Herculis labores
Mox ordior, sed illa
Sonans refert Amores.

A.ij.

Anacreon

Paris: Robert Estienne and Guillaume Morel, 1556

4 $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

Tumbeau de tres haul-

TE, TRESPVISSANTE ET
TRESCATHOLIQUE PRINCESSE
Madame Elisabeth de France,
Royne d'Espagn.

EN PLVSIEVRSLANGVES.

*Recueilli de plusieurs fauans personnages de la
France.*



A PARIS,
Par Robert Estienne Imprimeur du Roy.
M. D. LXIX.

Tumbeau de Mme. Princesse Élisabeth

Paris: R. Estienne, 1569

7½" x 4"



X E M P L V M fidei vis non vulga-
 re, Viator,
 Noste triplex? vnu noueris hunc
 tumulum:
In quo Siliacus Castræ gloria
 gentis,
 Siliacóque fides contumulata iacet.
 Vix ad bis denos trieterida iunxerat annos,
 Et thalamis fuerat paëta marita nouis:
 Impia cùm Gallos in bella vocaret Erinnys,
 Próque piis pugnans fortiter ille cadit.
 Sed dum semanimum iacet alta in strage cadauer,
 Annulus in digito fortè iugalis erat:
 Quem prædo auellens violentius, excitat ipso
 È leto tenuis reliquias animæ.
 Colligit has, & vim vitat prædonis auari,
 Dum miserans illum tollit amicus humo.
 Sed mox deficiens socii portantibus vlnis
 Immoritur, moriens tot tamen antè refert:
 Hoc tibi commendo socialis pignus amoris,
 Quod sponsæ reddas dulcis amice meæ.
 Dixerat, & vultu mortem meliore recepit,
 Ter sibi seruatam conscius esse fidem.
 Prima fides, animus Christo, Regi altera, corpus,
 Annulus est sponsæ tertia missa fides.

I. A V R A T V S R E G I V S P O E T A.
A.ij.

Dorat and Ronsard: *Épitaphes sur le duc de Montmorency*

Paris: Ph. de Roville, 1567

7 $\frac{1}{8}$ " × 4"

SILLACII CASTRAEI

BELLI MVSARVM' QVE MV-
NERIBVS IN STRVCTISSIMI,
animi corporisque dotibus ornatissimi, Tumu-
lus, variis Poëtarum inscriptionibus insignitus.

Le Tūbeau du seigneur

DE LA CHASTRE, DICT DE
SILLAC, GENTILHOMME NAGVE-
res orné des excellences du corps & de l'esprit,
& garni de la cognoissance des lettres & armes:
graué d'inscriptions de diuers Poëtes.



A P A R I S,
Par Robert Estienne Imprimeur du Roy.

M. D. L X I X.

A V E C P R I V I L E G E .

Tumbeau du seigneur de la Chastre

Paris: R. Estienne, 1569

7" x 4"

C'EST L'ORDRE ET
 FORME QVI A ESTE TENV AV
 sacre & couronnement de tres-haute, tres-excellen-
 te, & tres-puissante princesse Madame ELIZABET
 d'Auстріche Roine de France : fait en l'Eglise de
 l'Abbaie saint Denys en France le vingt cinquies-
 me jour de Mars, 1571.



A PARIS,

De l'Imprimerie de Denis du Pré, pour Olivier Codoré,
 rue Guillaume loffe, au Heraut d'armes, pres la rue
 des Lombars.

1571.
 AVEC PRIVILEGE DU ROY.

Ordre venu à la joyeuse entrée de Charles IX

Paris: Denys du Pré, 1571

7 $\frac{1}{8}$ " x 4"

C'EST L'ORDRE ET
 FORME Q VI A E S T E T E N V A V
 sacre & couronnement de tres-haute, tres-excellente,
 & tres-puissante princesse Madame E L I Z A B E T
 d'Auſtriche Roine de France : faict en l'Eglise de
 l'Abbaye saint Denis en France le vingt cinqiesme iour de Mars, 1571.

Le R O Y & la R O I N E eſtans le vingt
 & troisme iour dudit mois de
 Mars arruez audict saint Denis, le
 vingt cinqiesme iour dudit mois
 l'acte & solemnité dudit sacre fut
 faict ainsi qu'il ſensuit. Il y auoit vn
 grad eschauffault au milieu du cœur de ladict Eglise
 assisdroit devant le grand autel d'icelle, de la hauteur
 de neuf piedz ou environ, aiant de longueur vingt
 huit piedz sur vingt deux de large : eſtant ledict es-
 chaffault garny de barrières tout autour, fors à l'en-
 droit de l'escalier, par lequel lon y montoit, qui eſtoit
 du côté dudit grand autel, & y auoit feize mar-
 ches en hauteur, & puis se trouuoit vne eſpace d'en-
 viron ſix piedz de long, & aussi large que ledict esca-
 lier. Et apres lon montoit vne autre marche pour en-
 trer audict grand eschauffault. Enuirō le milieu duquel
 tirant vn peu ſur le derriere y auoit yn hault dez de la
 hauteur dvn peu plus dvn pied où lon mótoit deux
 marches, lequel haut dez & marches qui contenoit de
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Ordre venu à la joyeuse entrée de Charles IX

Paris: Denys du Pré, 1571

$7\frac{5}{8}'' \times 4\frac{1}{8}''$

Ornatissimi Cuiusdam
 Viri, De Rebus Gal-
 licis, Ad Stanislaum
 Eluidium, Epistola.



L V T E T I Æ,
Apud Federicum Morellum Typo-
graphum Regium.
 1573.
 CVM PRIVILEGIO REGIS.

Pibrac: *De Rebus Gallicis*

Paris: Féderic Morel, 1573

6 $\frac{3}{8}$ " x 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ "



AD SERENISSIMAM
 AC CHRISTIANISS. REGINAM
 CATHARINAM MEDICAEAM
 HENRICI III. Galliae & Poloniæ
 regis Christianiss. matrem,
 GERMANI AVDEBERTI Aurelij
 CARMEN.

*V*Ipotius Regina potes, Regumque creatrix,
*Q*uam tibi sacretur Verini carmina vatis
*S*yllanae veteres urbis celebrantia cunas,
*I*llustresque viros, totamque ab origine prolem,
*M*aioresque tuos ? quorum tu maxima iure ♀
*G*loria censuris : sunt haec tibi propria dona
*M*agnanimum Heroum genus alta e stirpe trahenti,
*S*ummosque augenti Medicaeae genti honores.
*N*obilis ut fulvo decoratur gemma metallo,
*V*er radijs magis illa suis illuminat aurum:
*S*ic splendente domo, & claris natalibus orta
*S*cintillas, raraque tuos virtute parentes
*I*llustras magis, atque magis : moderatio magno
*M*agna licet fuerit Cosmo, prudentia solers
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Pietro Angelio de Barga: *Syriados liber*

Paris: Mamert Patisson, 1582

$8\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4\frac{3}{8}''$

MARGVERITES
 DE LA MARGVERITE
 DES PRINCESSES,
 TRESILLVSTRE
 ROYNE
 DE
NAVARRE.



JEAN MAURICE.
 A LYON,
 PAR JEAN DE TOVRNES.
 M. D. XLVII.

Avec Privilege pour six ans.

Marguerite de Navarre: *Marguerites de la Marguerite des princesses*

Lyons: Jean de Tournes, 1547

5" x 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ "



LE MIROIR
DE L'AME PECHE-
RESS E.



Seigneur D I E V crée en moy cœur net.

Pseauso.



V est l'Enfer remply entiere-
ment
De tout malheur, trcuail, peine,
tourment?
Ou est le puitz de malediction,
D'où sans fin fort desesperation?
*E*st il de mal nul sy profond abyse,
Qui suffisant fust pour punir la disme
De mes pechés? qui sont en sy grand nombre,
Qu'infinité rend sy obscure l'ombre,
Que les compter, ne bien voir, ie ne puys:
Car trop auant avecques eux ie suis.
Et qui pis est, ie n'ay pas la puissance
D'auoir d'un seul, au vray, la connoissance.
Bien sens en moy, que i en ay la racine,

Et au

Marguerite de Navarre: *Marguerites de la Marguerite des princesses*

Lyons: Jean de Tournes, 1547

5 $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ "

ORAISON DE L'AME FIDELE.

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*Au moins vaincrons ayans ceste defense,
Encor' que nous ayons fait mainte offense,
Puis qu'à peché, ne nous sommes donnez.*

F I N.



Oraison de l'Ame fidele, à son
S E I G N E V R D I E V.



Seigneur, duquel le siege, sont les Cieux;
Le marchepied, la terre, &c ces bas
lieux;
Qui en tes bras encloz le firmament,
Qui es toujours nouveau, antique & vieux,
Rien n'est caché au regard de tes yeux;
Au fonds du roc tu vols le diamant,
Au fonds d'Enfer ton iuste iugement,
Au fonds du ciel ta Maiesté reluire,
Au fonds du cœur le couvert pensement,
Qui est celuy qui te voudroit instruire?
Plus qu'un esclair ton œil est importable,
Plus qu'un tonnerre est ta voix effrayable,
Plus qu'un grand vent ton esprit nous estonne,
Plus que foudre est ton coup ineutile,

Plus

Marguerite de Navarre: *Marguerites de la Marguerite des princesses*

Lyons: Jean de Tournes, 1547

5 $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 2 $\frac{7}{8}$ "

CHIROMAN-
CE DE IOANNES
INDAGINE.



L I V R E P R E M I E R .

C H A P I T R E I .

LE S Grecz appellent Chiromance , divination qui est faite & cueillie par la peet & regard de la main: & si long temps ha esté en usage envers les anciens , que ce mot Chiromance , qui est tresancien , le dit & demonstre . Or ie qui veux escrire les obseruations de cest art , pense quil est necessaire premierement descrire & de noter celle main de lhomme , & declarer ses parties : par lesquelles choses seront plus facilement congnues les sentences de Vaticination ou prognostiquer par linspection de la main qui cela demonstre . La main ouverte , ainsi lappellerons , est quand elle sera estendue & applanie : & linterieure place de dedens , sappelle la Palme de la main : au my

Ioannes de Indagine: *Chiromance*

Lyons: Jean de Tournes, 1549

5 $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 2 $\frac{7}{8}$ "

Le priuilege du Roy.

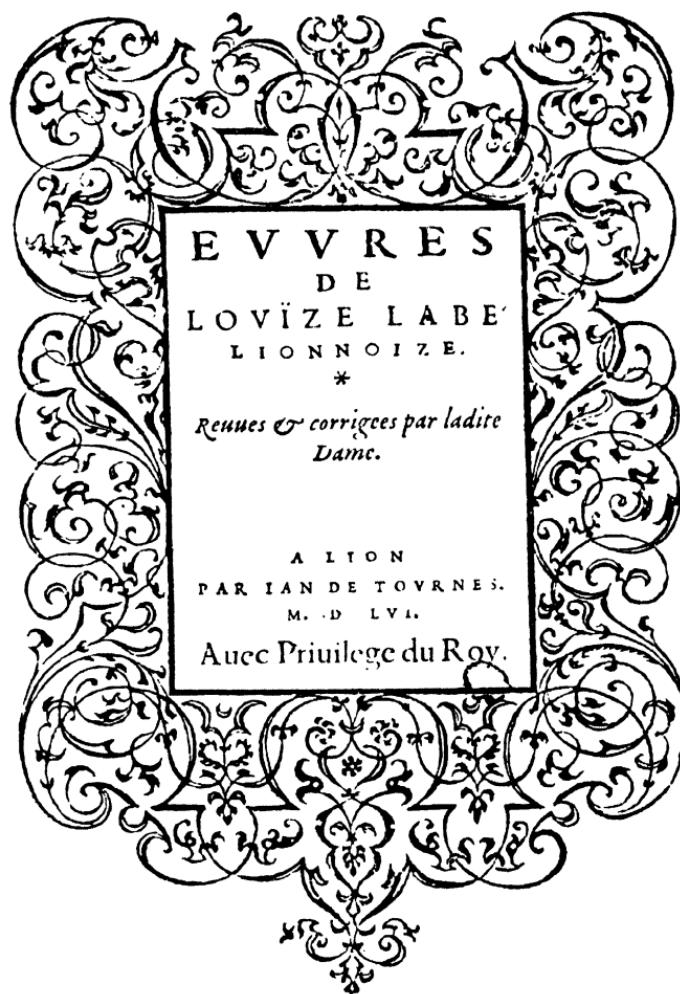


Enri par la grace de Dieu Roy de Frânce, & noz aymez & feaux Conseillers les gens tenans noz Courts de Parlement à Paris, Tholouze, Rouen, Bourdeaux, Dijon, Dauphiné & Prouence, Preuoost de Paris, Senechal de Lyon, Bailly de Rouen, & à tous noz autres Justiciers & Officiers, ou leurs Lieuxtenant, à chacun d'eux comme à luy appartiendra, Salut & dilection. Noz bien ayme Iaques de Strada Mantuan, & Thomas Guerin Marchand Libraire demourant à Lyon, nous ont fait dire & remontrer que à grans fraiz & despens ilz ont recouert & dressé un liure ainsi intitulé: Epitome Thesauri antiquitatū. Hoc est, Imperatorum Romanorum Orientalium & Occidentalium Iconum, ex antiquis Numismatibus quam fidelissimè deliniatarum. Ex Musao Iacobi de Strada Mantuanii Antiquarii &c. Lequel liure lesdits de Strada & Guerin imprimeroient volontiers pour le bien commun de nostre Republique, illustration & intelligence des antiquitez & bonnes lettres, & contentement des fauteurs & amateurs d'icelles, tant en Latin, François, Italien, Allemand que Espagnol: mais ilz doutent qu'apres qu'ilz auront fait les fraiz & employé grande somme de deniers pour la correction, papier & impression dudit liure, & pour la taille des figures qu'il conviendra pour ce faire tailler & grauer, Autres Librariae & Imprimeurs de nostre Royume ne voulissent semblablement imprimer ou faire imprimer, vendre & distribuer ledit liure contrefait souz leurs corrections, & par ce moyen les frustrer de leurs labours, merites, fraiz & despenses, s'il ne leur estoit par nous pourueu de noz grace & remedie conuenable, humblement requerant icelui. Parquoy nous ces choses consideree desirans que ledit liure vienne en euidence, pour donner aussi moyen ausdits de Strada & Guerin de recouurer le merite de leurs labours & imposées, & ic eux auons permis & ottroyé, permettons & ottroy

Strada: *Thesaurus Antiquitatum*

Lyons: Jean de Tournes, 1553

7 $\frac{1}{8}$ " x 4 $\frac{1}{8}$ "



Louise Labé: *Euvres*
 Lyons: Jean de Tournes, 1556
 $5\frac{1}{4}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$



DEBAT DE FOLIE
ET D'AMOUR,
PAR
LOVIZE LABE'
LIONNOIZE.



ARGUMENT.

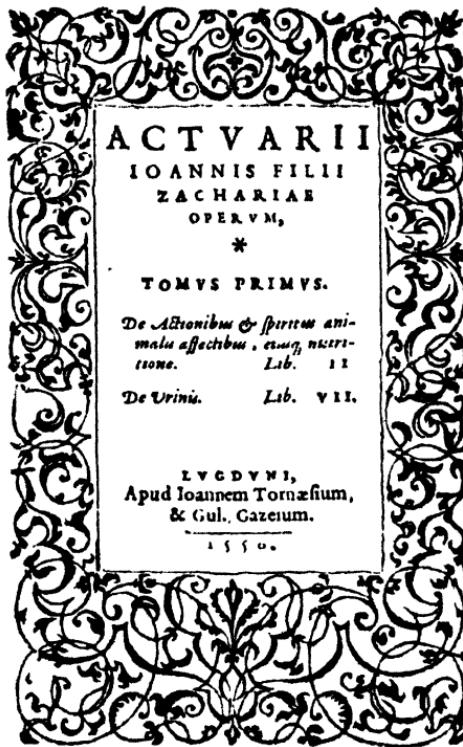
IVPITER faisoit vn grand festin, ou estoit cōmandé à tous les Dieus se trouuer. Amour & Folie arrivent en mesme instant sur la porte du Palais : laquelle estant ià fermee, & n'ayant que le guichet ouuert, Folie voyant Amour ià prest à mettre vn pied dedens, s'auance & passe la premiere. Amour se voyant poussé, entre en colere : Folie soutient lui apartenir de passer devant. Ils entrent en dispute sur leurs puissances, dinitez & préseances. Amour ne la pounant vaincre de paroles, met la main à son arc, & lui lasche vne flesche, mais en vain: pource que Folie soudein se rend inuisible: & se voulant venger, ôte les yeus à Amour. Et pour courir le lieu où ils estoient, lui mit vn bandeau, fait de tel artifice, qu'impossible est lui ôter. Venus se plaint de Folie, Iupiter veut entendre leur differenc. Apolon & Mercure debatent le droit de l'une & l'autre partie. Iupiter les ayant longuement ouiz, en demande l'opinion aus Dieus: puis prononce sa sentence.

a 5

Louise Labé: *Euvres*

Lyons: Jean de Tournes, 1556

 $5\frac{1}{4}'' \times 3''$



Ioannes Actuarius: *De actionibus et spiritus animalis affectibus*

Lyons: Jean de Tournes, 1556

$3\frac{3}{4}'' \times 2\frac{3}{8}''$



Gaye Suetone Tranquile, de la

VIE DE NERON CLAV-

DE CESAR,

LIVRE VI.



¹ Cette victoire contre les Tarquinis & les Latins est amplement descrite par Titre Lise au second liure de la premiere Decade.

² Qu'ils estoient Diens: car ils furent estimez Castor & Polux.

E LA race Domicie furent en bruit & estime deus familles: celle des Calvins, & celle des Enobarbes. Les Enobarbes pour auteur de leur origine, ensemble de leur surnom, ont Luce Domicie: au devant duquel, ainsi que iadis il retournoit des champs, deus ieunes iouuenceaus de forme tresexcellente, sont dits s'estre prelentez de rencontre, & lui auoit commandé qu'il annonçast au Senat & au Peuple Rommein, ' la victoire, dont lon estoit encore en doute: & pour aprobacion de leur ' Magesté lui auoit en forte froté doucement les ioues, qu'ils lui rendirent le poil de sa barbe, de noir, blond, & semblable à ainein: laquelle marque demeura de mesme en les successeurs, si que la plus part eurent la barbe blonde. Et ayans aminstrez Sept Consulats, double Censure, uz deus triomfes, & faits de l'estat des Patrices, perseuererent tous au mesme surnom, sans que poiat ils usurpassent aucunz prenoms, fors de

Suetonius: *De la vie des XII Césars*

Lyons: Jean de Tournes, 1556

7¹" x 4⁵"



A M O N S I E V R
D E L A R I V O I R E ,
S E C R E T A I R E D E
L A R O Y N E D E
N A V A R R E .

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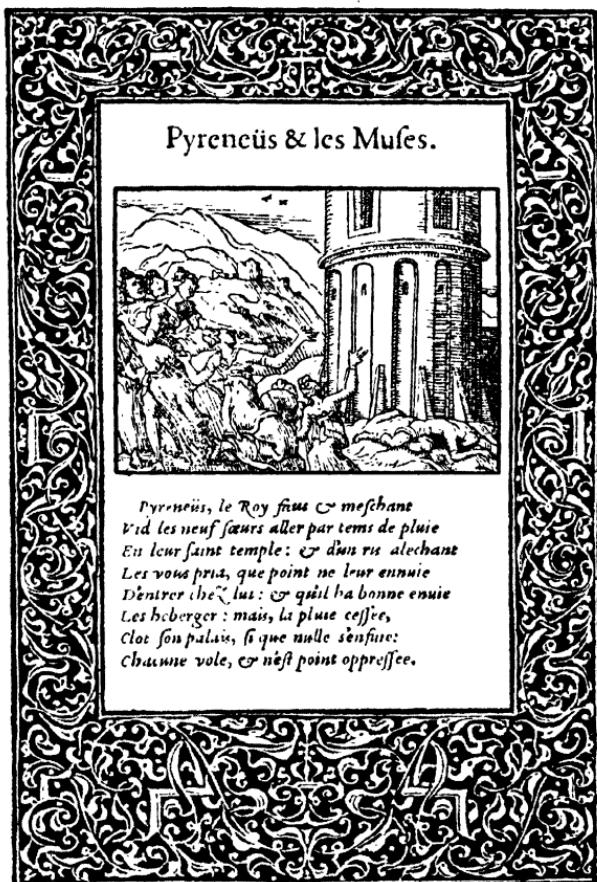
MOINS ne pouuoit le deuoir mien
envers votre si liberale bonté
affectionnément deuot , que,
estant par voz continuels benefi-
cices tant de fois reueillé , mon-
trer (sinon par condigne recon-
noissance pour le peu de son pouvoir , au moins
par juste marque de gratuité) combien il se sent
tous les jours augmenter & croître l'obligacion
avec l'affection , qui vous demeurent à jamais re-
decuablement liez : mais d'autant liberalement ,
que la bonne volonté se peut de soy en autrui li-
rement affeccionner. Aussi ay je toujours cru le
bienfait d'ami oublié estre plustot vn ingrat oubli

a 2 de

Ovid: *Métamorphoses*

Lyons: Jean de Tournes, 1557

5 $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 3 $\frac{1}{8}$ "



Ovid: *Métamorphoses*

Lyons: Jean de Tournes, 1557

$5\frac{1}{8}'' \times 3\frac{1}{4}''$

LIBER ESTHER.



CAPUT I.

A N diebus Assueri qui regnauit ab India usq[ue] Aethiopiam super centum virginis septem provincias: quando seducit in solo regni sui: suu[m] cunctas regni eius exordium sicut. Tunc igitur anno imperij sui fecit grande et unum cunctis principibus, & pueris suis, fortissimum Perlatrum, & Medorum inclitus, & praefecit prouinciarum coram fe, vt ostenderet diuitias gloria regni sui, ac magnitudinem, atq[ue] iactantiam potentiae sue, multo tempore, centu[m] videlicet & octoginta diebus. Cuius impletentur dies conuiuij, inuitauit o[mn]i populo qui inuenitus est in Sufai à maximo usq[ue] ad minimum: & iussit septem diebus conuiuiū preparari vestibulo horū, & nemoris, quod regio cultu & manu constitū erat. Et p[ro]debat ex omnī parte tentoria ætri coloris, & carbasis, ac hyacinthini, sustinata funib[us] byssinis, atq[ue] purpureis q[ue] ebunis cir-

culis inferti erant, & colunis marmoreis fulciebatur. Lectuli quoq[ue] aurei & argenti, sig[na] paucimētū smaragdino & patino stratum lapide, dispositi erat: quod murice varietate pictura decorabat. Bibebat autem qui inuitati erat, aureis poculis, & aliis atq[ue] aliis vasis cibi inferebanur. Vnde quoq[ue], v[m] magnificencia regia dignum erat, abundans & præcipuum possebatur. Nec erat qui nolentes cogeret ad bibendū: sed sicut rex statuerat, præponens mensis singulos de principibus suis, vt sumeret vnuquisq[ue], quod vellet. Vashti quoq[ue]: regina fecit conuiuiū sic minarū in palatio, vbi rex Assuerus manere consueuerat. Itaq[ue], die septimo, e[st] rex esset hilacior, & post nimis potacione incauluscet nescio, præcepit Mauman & Bazatha & Harbona & Bagatha & Abgatha & Zethar & Charchas, sepe eunuchis qui in cōspectu eius ministra bāt, vt introduceret reginā Vashti corā rege, posito sup caput ei⁹ diadema, & ollideret cunctis populis & principibus pulchritudinem illius: erat t[er]si pulchritudine valde.

Biblia Sacra

Lyons: Jean de Tournes, 1558

5 $\frac{5}{8}$ " x 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ "



Volendo Mattheo mostrare Giesu essere quel vero Messia da Dio per gli Profeti promesso : narra per ordine da Abrahamo in giu, tutta la sua naturale genealogia. Racconta le spozializie di Maria e Gioseffo, la concezione di Christo, mediante lo Spirito Santo, e qualmente Gioseffo, ammonitone da l'Agnolo, s'accompagna Maria. C A P. I.

Libro de l'origine di Giesu A
Luc. 3.e Christo, figliuol di Dauidde, si-
Gen. 21.3 gliuol d'Abrahamo. Abrahamo
Gen. 25.c generò Isahache. Isahache
Gen. 29.f generò Giacobbe. Giacobbe ge-
Ge. 46.a nerò Giuda e i suoi frategli. Giuda generò Fare-
1.Par.2.b se, è Faramo di Thamara. Farese generò Esro-
Rut 4.d mo. Esromo generò Aramo. Aramo generò
1.Sa. 6.a Aminadabbe. Aminadabbe generò Nahasone.
2.Sa.12.f 1.Reg.11.8 Nahasone generò Salmone. Salmone generò
1.Par.3.b 2.Reg.29 Booz di Rachabbe. Booz generò Obetthe di
2.Reg.8.f Rutha. Obetthe generò Giesse. Giesse generò
2.Re.15.g Davidde, il Re. Davidde Re generò Salomone.
2.Paral. di quella che era stata d'Uria. Salomone generò
27.c Rhoboamo. Rhoboamo generò Abia. Abia B
2.Paral. 28.d generò Asa. Asa generò Giosaphatte. Giosu-
1.Re.2.d phatte
2.Re.15.f 24.25



phatte

Nuovo Testamento

Lyons: Jean de Tournes, 1558

4" x 2½"

C L E M E N T
M A R O T.



A LYON,
PAR JEAN DE TOURNES.
M. D. LVIII.

Clément Marot

Lyons: Jean de Tournes, 1558

$3\frac{5}{8}'' \times 2''$



Cuneo: *Due Brevis*
Lyons: Jean de Tournes, 1558

$7\frac{1}{4}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$



ILLVSTRATIONE
DE GLI EPITAFFI
E.T MEDAGLIE
ANTICHE,
*
DI M. GABRIEL SYMEONI
FIORENTINO.



ONO alcuni di così fatta opinione, che credano che la nobilta & virtu della venerabile antichita, insieme con la necessaria cognizione delle historicie, non porti honore ne vtile alcuno à quelli, che di ciò si dilettano, o per loro piacere particolare, o per farne partecipi gli altri huomini amatori delle cose nobilissime & gentili, stimando falsamente cotale professione vile, & quasi comune & facile à tutte le persone: Per il che volendo à questi tali rispondere, & aprire loro la verita del fatto, ecco che io vengo à mettere innanzi le parole di Cicerone nella quinta Actione contro à Verre, dove ei dice:

Tutti gl'esempli che si trouano & veggono notati ne i marmi, & scritti nelle historie antiche, pieni di maesta & di vecchiezza, hanno non so che autorità & forza di persuadere, & di fare cognoscere una cosa vera: & oltre à questo

a arteca

Cic.in Verrē:
Exempla ex
veteri memo-
riis,&c.

Simeoni: *Illustratione de gli Epitaffi*

Lyons: Jean de Tournes, 1558

$6\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$

CALENDIER
HISTORIAL.



A L Y O N
PAR IAN DE TOVRNES.

M. D. LXIII.

Calendier Historial

Lyons: Jean de Tournes, 1563

3⁵" × 2"



A V L E C T E V R.


A V C V N S de nostre temps sou-
 loyent en leurs Almanachs &
 Calendiers descrire, outre les
 Nouuelles & pleines Lunes &
 ses Quartiers, la Pronostication, tant en
 general de l'estat & qualité de l'an qui
 court pour lors , qu'en particulier de
 beaucoup de cités & provinces, comme
 ceux qui considerent peu l'eternelle pro-
 uidence & gouvernement de Dieu en
 ces choses inferieures , & moins depen-
 dans d'icelle, attribuans quasi le tout aux
 causes seconde s & aux estoilles. Dont le
 plus souuent viennent à dire choses non
 seulement contre toute pieté chrestien-
 ne, mais aussi elongnees de toute verité,
 ainsi que le demonstre assez ce qui suc-
 cede de leurs vaines & fausses pronosti-
 cations. Laissant doncques ces vaines cu-
 riosités à part , nous avons voulu seule-
 ment adiouster aucunes choses à l'Alma-
 nach historial digues vrayement d'estre
 leuës de tous , lesquelles sont à plusiéurs
 incognues , encores que quasi de tous
 soient mises es Calendiers , comme le

A 2 Nomb

Calendier Historial

Lyons: Jean de Tournes, 1563

3 $\frac{7}{8}$ " x 2"

Les Foires plus notables.



I A N V I E R.

- 13 Foire à Lyon, & dure quinze iours.

F E V R I E R.

- 3 Foire à S. Germain des Prés lez Paris, &
dure huit iours francs.

- 5 Foire à Niort en Poictou.

- 17 Foire à Geneue, & dure dix iours.

- 24 Foire à Paris.

M A R S.

- 15 F. à Francfort, & dure vingt iours.

- 18 Foire à Sens.

A V R I L.

- 13 F. à Lyon, & dure quinze iours.

M A Y.

- 6 F. à Niort en Poictou.

- 8 F. à Troye en Champaigne.

- 11 F. à Geneue, & dure dix iours.

I V I N.

- 9 F. à Zursac, & dure vn iour.

- 24 F. à Strasbourg, & dure quinze iours.

I V I L L E T.

- 4 F. à Augsbourg.

A O V S T.

- 1 F. à Fontenay en Poictou.

Calendier Historial

Lyons: Jean de Tournes, 1563

$3\frac{5}{8}'' \times 2\frac{1}{8}''$

L A

M A G N I F I C A E T

TRIVMPH ALE ENTRATA DEL CHRI.

stianis. Re di Francia Henrico secondo di questo nome
fatta nella nobile & antiqua Città di Lyone à luy &
à la sua serenissima consorte Chaterina alli 21.

di Septemb. 1548.

*Colla particolare descritione della Comedia che fece
recitare la Natione Fiorentina à richiesta di sua
Maestà Christianissima.*



IN LYONE, appresso Gulielmo Rouillio.

1549.

Con Priuilegio.

La Magnifica Entrata del re Henrico II

Lyons: Rouillé, 1549

7" x 4¹/₈



L P O R T O C O S I B E N E
aconcio contencua nel suo centro molti
Grippi, Paliscalni, Schiphi, Batelli e altri infiniti lcgni aquatili e maritimi, li
quali erano parati per codurre sua Mac-
stà à piglar piacere su il fiume, sopra il
quale si fecerono infiniti giochi, e recreatione di spiriti tanto di
giostre, di cobatti che d'altri passamenti di diversi instrumenti
di Musica. Il primo di quei vasselli contenuti nel porto, era vn
gran Barcone tutto coperto d'un solaio di tauole: nel mezzo del
quale fu edificato una sala lungha tredecisi passi, largha sei e
alta dodici. Verso poppa era una porta e verso prora vn'al-
tra, le quale erano à l'antiqua cornicate e pilastrate di pila-
stri ch'usciano fuora del muro tre dita, come per tutto erano
i muri della ditta sala. Fra i pilastri dc mura erano di gran si-
nestre à l'antiqua serrate di tele bianche incerate e dipinte di
Lune in crescente e delle imprese reale. Sopra i muri dellaia
ditta Sala era vn trauamento, il quale seruiva di solaio à vn
astraco che era à l'intorno il ditto trauamento. Di fuora era que-
sta sala tutta rossa ma d'un colore cinabrio finissimo, li capitelli
de pilastri, le porte e le finestre erano dorati, in ricchetti di
teste di Lioni, gigli, e bacinette similmente dorati. Della par-
te di dentro era tappezzata di dommasco bianco e nero e
per terra erano di tapeti d'Alcisdria. Il trauamento era depin-
to delle diuise e imprese reale. Questo trauamento si poteua
discendere perche g'era attaccato a quattro corriole e discen-
deva sì per quattro grosse corde di seta bianca e nera: e que-
sto fu così ordinato acio si tenessi li sopra la collatione parata
senza che nessuno si potessi avedere chel seruissi ad altro che
per trauamento. Fuora la ditta Sala tutta intorno era circun-

I 2

La Magnifica Entrata del re Henrico II

Lyons: Rouillé, 1549

67" x 4"

AD CHRISTIA-
NISS. FRANCIAE REGEM
HENRICVM I I.

Gulielmi Rouilly Epistola.



EGES DII mortales,
immortalitatem cōsequi
possunt duabus potissi-
mum rationibus, literarū
honore, & armórum glo-
ria. Quæ duo æternitati
parandæ officia, vni olim
Palladi mysticè attribu-
ta, post paucos, sed maximos Principes Alexan-
drū, Cæsarē, & Carolū Magnū simul sic præsti-
tit, & ea excircuit felicissinæ memoriarē Rex
Frāciscus pater tuus (ô Rex Christianissime)
vt consummādam armorum gloriam filio re-
linquens, literarum honorem ad summum ex-
tulerit. Tu verò vtrunque sic es amplexus, vt
togatæ militiæ decus patri aliquatenus conce-
dens, rerum bellicarum victorias, & triūphos
persequaris, pari nixu iuxta, atque successu.
Quamobrem cùm huius vtriusque laudis me-
moranda exempla ad te, supra cæteros omnes
Christianos Principes referri debeant: hoc ip-
sum volumen, quod illa continet, tibi dicādum
iure statuimus. In quo illustrissimi quique ab

a 2

Strada: *Iconum Promptuarii*

Lyons: Rouillé, 1553

7 $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ "



P R I M A P A R S

P R O M P T V A R I I I C O N V M
I N S I G N I O R V M A S E C V L O
 hominum, subiectis eorum vitis, per com-
 pendium ex probatissimis autori-
 bus desumptis.



L V G D V N I , A P V D G V L I E L .

M V M R O V I L L I V M .

1553.

Cum Priuilegio Regio, ad annos decem.

Strada: *Iconum Promptuarii*

Lyons: Rouillé, 1553

$7\frac{3}{8}'' \times 4\frac{1}{4}''$



Simeoni: *Figure de la Biblia*

Lyons: Rouillé, 1577

$5\frac{3}{4}'' \times 3\frac{1}{8}''$

I C O N E S
H I S T O R I A
R V M V E T E R I S
T E S T A M E N T I,

★

Ad viuum expressis, extremaque diligentia emendatioreis
 factis, Gallicis in expositione homocleutis,
 ac versuum ordinibus (qui prius
 turbati, ac impares) suo
 numero restitutis.



L V G D V N I,
 Apud Ioannem Frellonium,
 1547

Icones Veterum Historiarum Testamenti

Lyons: Frellon, 1547

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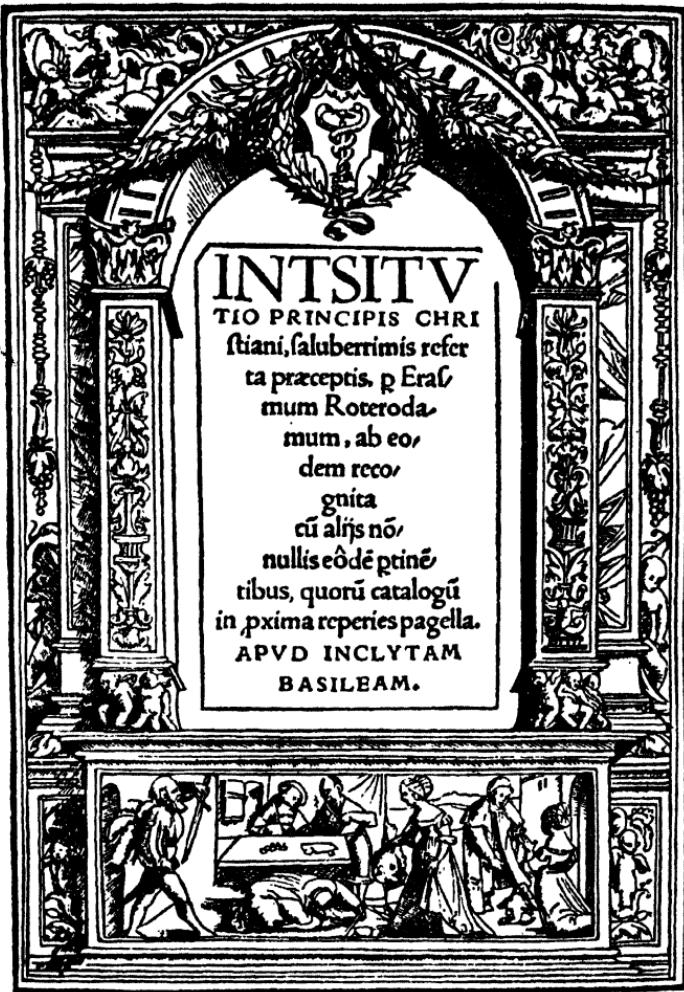
IONAS missus in Niniuen ad prædicandum,
affligitur, quod sermo eius contra Niniuen
non fuerit impletus.

I O N A E I. I I. & I II.



*Affligé fut par tempeste soudaine
Ionas transmis en Niniue prescher,
Trois iours au uentre il fut d'une Balaine,
Puis uers Niniue il se print à marcher.*

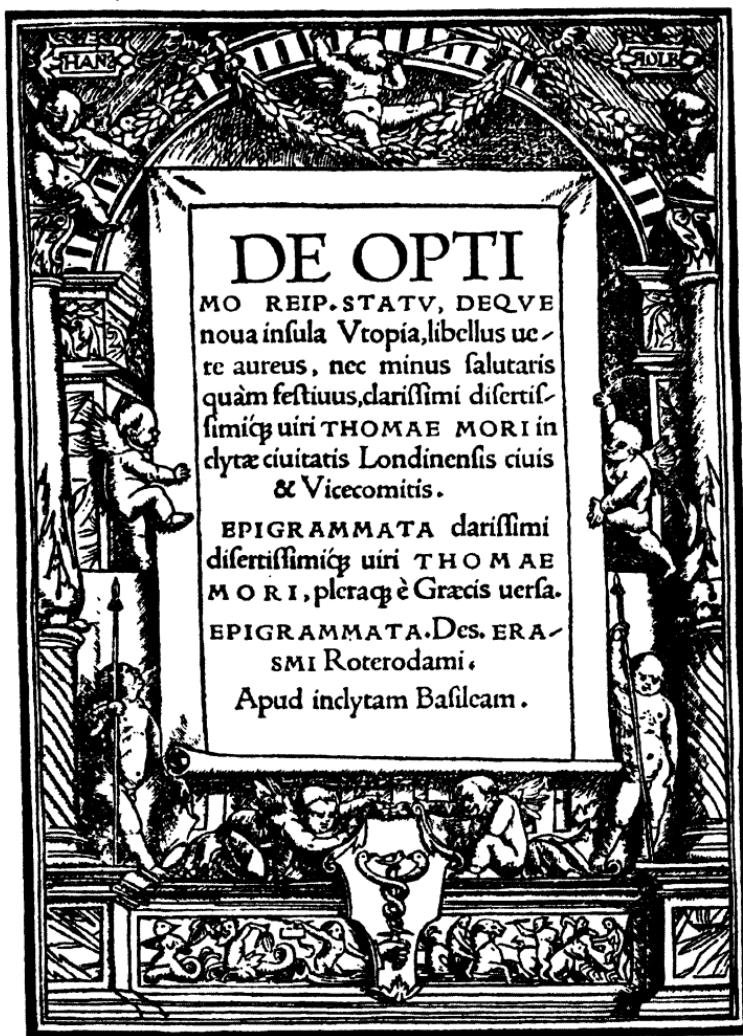
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Erasmus: *Institutio Principis Christiani*

Basle: Froben, 1516

6 $\frac{5}{8}$ " x 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ "



More: *De optimo Reipublicae Statu deque nova insula Utopia*

Basle: Froben, 1516

7" x 48"

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JOANNES FRO

BENIVS CANDIDO LE
CTORI S. D.



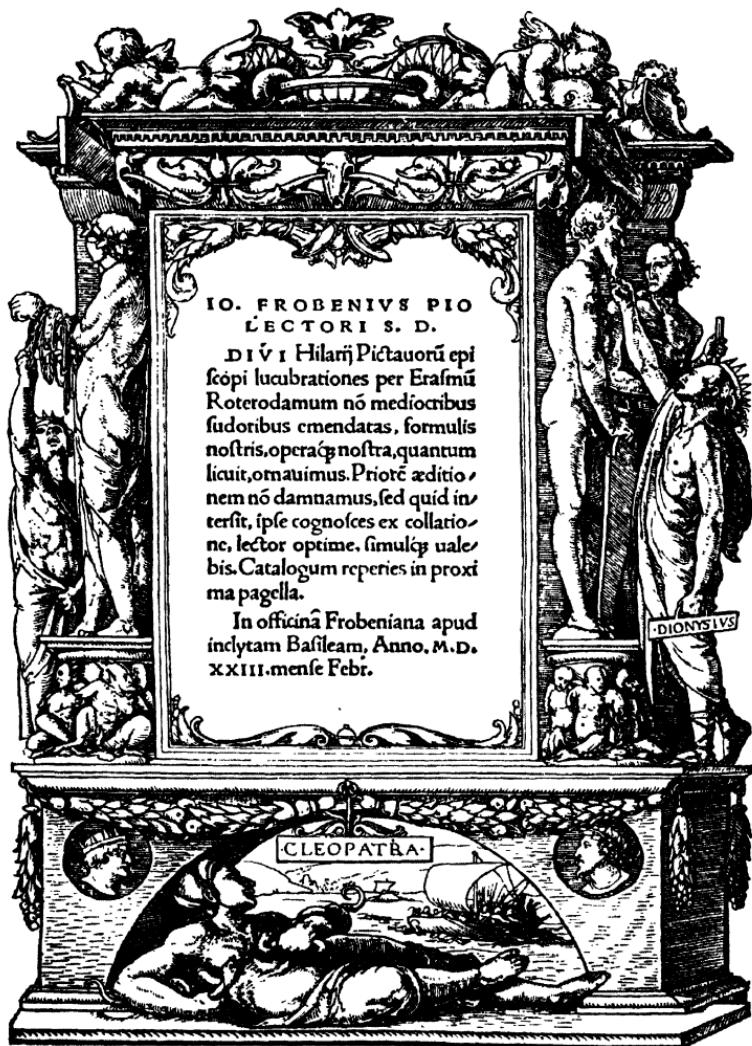
CCEPIMVS iam pridem, Erasmi Roterdami compatrios nostri Epigrammata à studiosis summopere flagitari. Proinde dedimus operam, ut quicquid illius uerisculorum aut apud Beatum nostrum Rhenanum esset, aut Brunonem Amorbacchium, id omne uno complexi libello typis nostris exudercimus. Quanquam intelligebamus, plurimum nos hac re studiosis, Erasmo uero minimum gratificatueros. Nam magnam horum Epigrammatum partem non in hoc scripsit ut æderentur, sed ut amiculis suis (ut est minime morosus) obsequeretur. Quin ipsi uidimus cum ab hinc sesquiannum apud nos ageret, Euanglica & Apostolica monumenta partim latine uertens, partim recognoscens, & doctissimas illas in Nouū instrumentum Annotationes, nec non in diuum Hieronymum scholia scriberet, deum immortalē, q̄ laboriosis lucubrationibus; q̄ pertinaci studio, quantum sudoris illi cotidie exhatiebatur? Ipsi inquam uidimus, non defuisse ē magnatibus, qui uirum occupatissimū (si quisquam in literis unquam fuit occupatus) interpellare.

L 2 re de

Erasmus: *Epigrammata*

Basle: Froben, 1518

5 $\frac{7}{8}$ " x 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ "



Hilarius: *Lucubrationes*

Basle: Froben, 1523

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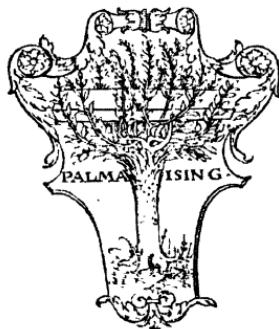
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LYHISTOR, RERVM TOTO
ORBE MEMORABILIVM THE-
SAURUS LOCUPLETISSIMUS.

HVIC OB ARGVMENTI SIMILITUDINEM

POMPONII MELAE DE SITV ORBIS
LIBROS TRES, FIDE DILIGENTIAQVE
summa denuo iam recognitos, adiunxitur.

His accesserunt præter priora scholia & tabulas geographicas permultas, PETRI
quod OLIVARIU Valentini, utri in Geographia excellenter docti, annotationes, qui
bus & loci non pauci, à plurim parum hactenus intellecti, dilucide illustrantur, & ne-
tus locorum appellationibus recentiora sigillanum nomina subniciuntur.

Cum genuino Indice, quorum dieris suprares dies memorabiles, locorum ac rea-
gionum omnium, marium ac finium nominis, alter uero recenti-
ores corundem appellations complectitur.



BASILEÆ, APVD MICH. ISIN-
GRINIVM, M. D. X L I I I.

Solinus: *Rerum Toto Orbe Memorabilium Thesaurus*

Basle: Michel Isingrinius, 1543

$8\frac{1}{4}'' \times 5\frac{1}{8}''$

TIBERIVS ET 99; GAIVS GRACCI.

A



B

C  INSI donc etant l'histoire des deux Grecs exposée, il reste que nous escrivions aussi celle des deux Romains, en laquelle nous ne verrons pas de moindres inconveniens aduenus à Tiberius & à Gaius, qui tous deux furent fils de Tiberius Gracchus: lequel encore qu'il eust été deux fois Consul, & vne fois Censeur, & qu'il eust eu l'honneur de deus triomphes, auoit neantmoins plus de dignité & plus de gloire à cause de sa vertu seule, pour laquelle il fut estimé digne d'épouser Cornelia fille de Scipio, qui desfit Annibal apres la mort du pere: combien que de son vivant il ne luy eust point esté amy, ains plusloint aduer faire & ennemy. On dit, qu'il trouua vn iour dedans son lit & vne couple de serpens, & que les deuins ayans consideré que vouloit signifier ce presage, luy defendirent de les tuer tous deux, & de les laisser aussi eschapper tous deux, mais ouy bien lvn seulement, luy assurans que s'il faisoit mourir le male, cela luy apporteroit la mort à lui-misme, & s'il tuoit la femelle, que ce seroit à Cornelii. Tiberius donc aimant la femme, joint qu'il estimoit este plus raisonnable que luy mourust premier qu'elle, atten du qu'il estoit le plus viciel, & elle encore ieune, tua le male, & laissa eschapper la femelle: mais il mourut tantost apres, laissant douze enfans viuans, lesquels il auoit tous eus de Cornelia, laquelle apres le trespad de son mary, prenant tout le soin de sa maison & de ses enfans, se monstra si honeste, si bonne enuers ses enfans, & si magna nime, qu'on iugea Tiberius auoir sagement fait, d'auoir voulu mourir plusloint que une telle femme. Car estant en sa viduité, le Roy Ptolemeus luy voulut communiquer l'honneur du diademe royal, & la faire Royn, la demandant à femme: mais elle le refusa, & perdit en sa viduité tous ses enfans, exceptee vne fille, qu'elle donna en mariage au ieune Scipion Africain, & Tiberius & Gaius dont nous escrivions presentement, lesquels elle nourrit & institua si diligencement, qu'etans deuenus plus hommes & mieux conditionnez que nuls autres ieunes hommes Romains de leur temps, on estima que la nourriture en valoit mieux que la nature: mais tout ainsi qu'es images de Castor & de Pollux on appercoit ne feay quoy de difference, qui fait cognosceur, que l'un valoit mieux à la lucte & l'autre à la course: aussi entre ces deux ieunes freres, parmy les autres grandes similitudes qu'ils auoyent, d'estre tous deux heureusement néz à la prouesse de leurs personnes, à la temperance, à la liberalité, aux lettres

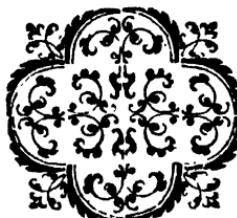
Plutarch: *Les Vies*

Lausanne: Le Preux, 1574

12 $\frac{3}{8}$ " x 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ "

OBSERVATIONVM,
QVÆ AD VETEREM
 Nuptiarum ritum
 pertinent,
 Liber singularis.

*Authore AN. Hotomano Iuriscon-
 sulto & Aduocato in supre-
 mo senatu Parisiensi.*

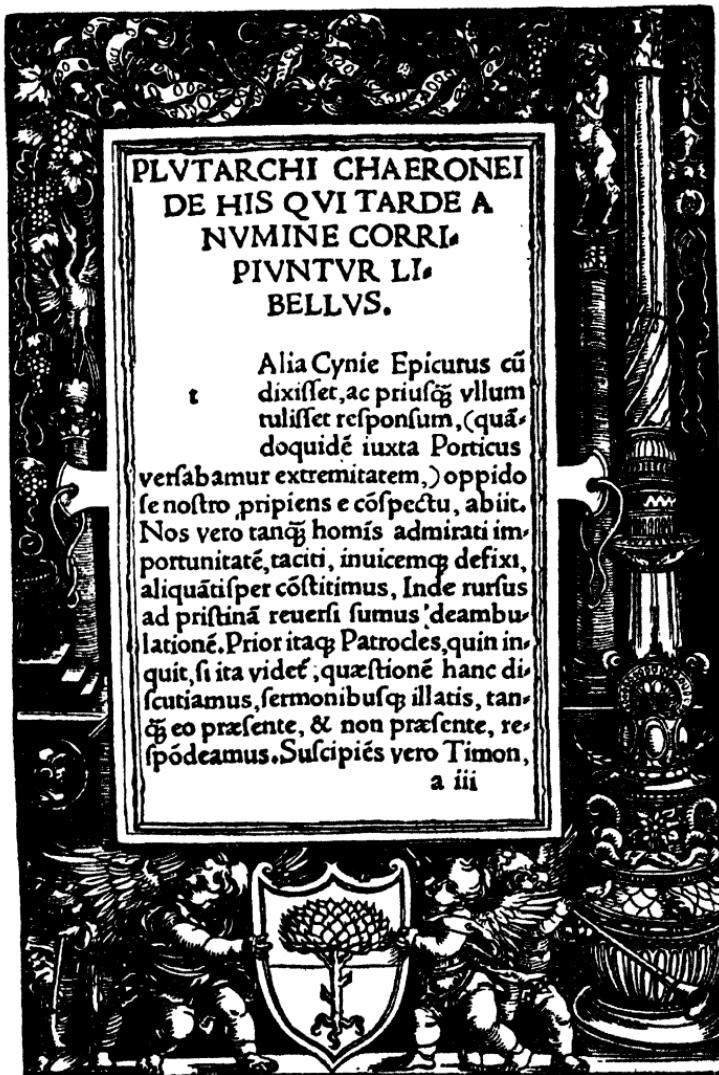


Excudebat Ioannes le Preux
 M. D. LXXXV

A. Hotman: *Observationum quae ad veterem Nuptiarum ritum
 pertinent*

Lausanne: Le Preux, 1585

$4\frac{7}{8}'' \times 2\frac{7}{8}''$



Plutarch: *De Sera Numinis Vindicta*

Nuremberg: Peypus, 1513

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CL[✓] PTOLOMÆI [✓]

PHELV DIENSIS ALEXANDRI-

NI PHILOSOPHI ET MATHEMATICI

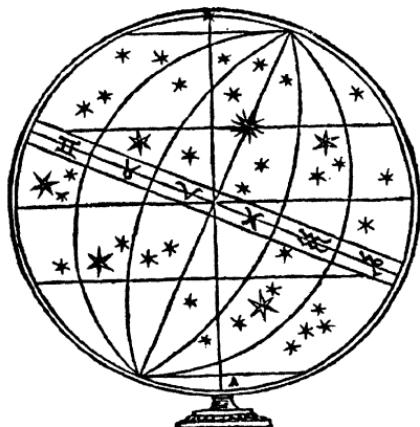
excellentissimi Phænomena, stellarum MXXII. fixarum

ad hanc ætatem reducta, atque seorsum in studiofor-
rum gratiam.

Nunc primum edita, Interpretè
Georgio Trapezuntio.

¶ Adiecta est isagoge IOANNIS Nouiomagi ad stellarum
in terrâniū longitudines ac latitudines, cui etiam accessere
Imagines sphæræ barbaricæ duodequinquaginta.

A L B E R T I D V R E R I.



¶ Exclusum Coloniz Agrippinæ, Anno M. D. XXXVII.
octauo Calendas Septembres.

Ptolomaeus: *Phænomena*

Cologne: Anon, 1537

$7\frac{5}{8}'' \times 5''$

Hadriani Barlandi
H O L L A N D I A E
 COMITVM HISTORIA
 ET ICONES:
Cum scelētis scholijs ad Lectoriū lucem.
Eiusdem Barlandi
 Caroli Burgundiæ Ducis vita.
 ITEM
 VLTRAIECTENSIVM EPISCO.
 porum Catalogus & res geste.
Eiusdem argumentis libellus GERARDO
NOVIOMAGO auctore.



FRANCOFVRTI
Apud Ioh. Wechelum, impensis Sigif. Feyerabend.

M D LXXXV.

Barlandus: *Hollandiae Comitum Historia*
 Frankfurt: Wechel and Feyerabend, 1585

$5\frac{1}{4}'' \times 2\frac{3}{8}''$



HADRIANI BAR-
LANDI DE REBUS GE-
STIS COMITVM HOLLAN-
DIAE LIBELLVS.

De Theodorico I. Holl. Comite.

CAPVT I.

*AROLVS cogno-
mento Caluus, Ro-
manus Imperator,
Galliarum Rex,
filius Ludouici Pij Casaris,
quum audisset Hollandiam
Imperatoriam terram à Da-
nis, qui Traiectum incolebat,
vibellica fœdari, ★ Ioannis o-
ctauis Pontificis rogatu, Prin-*

* Joannes olla-
nus Pontifex, a
quo Carolus ex-
iam Calvus in-
victus memo-
ratus.

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Barlandus: *Hollandiae Comitum Historia*

Frankfurt: Wechel and Feyerabend, 1585

4 $\frac{7}{8}$ " x 3"



N. Taurellus: *Carmina Funebria*

Nuremberg: Gerlach, 1592

5 $\frac{3}{8}$ " x 2 $\frac{7}{8}$ "

RITVS ECCLE-
SIASTICI AVGVSTENSIS
EPISCOPATVS, TRIBVS PARTI-
bus siue libris comprehensi, nuncque
primum recogniti, editi atque
promulgati.

AVCTORITATE REVE-
rendiss. & Illustriß. in Christo Patris ac
Domini D. MARQVARDI Epi-
scopi Augustensis, & Prepo-
siti Bambergensis.



DILINGE
Excudebat Ioannes Mayer.

M. D. LXXX.

Ritus Ecclesiae Augustensis

Dillingen: Johann Mayer, 1580

6 $\frac{3}{8}$ " x 4 $\frac{5}{8}$ "

MARQVAR DVS DEI
 GRATIA EPISCOPVS AV-
 GVSTANVS, ET PRAEPOSITVS
 BAMBERGENSIS.

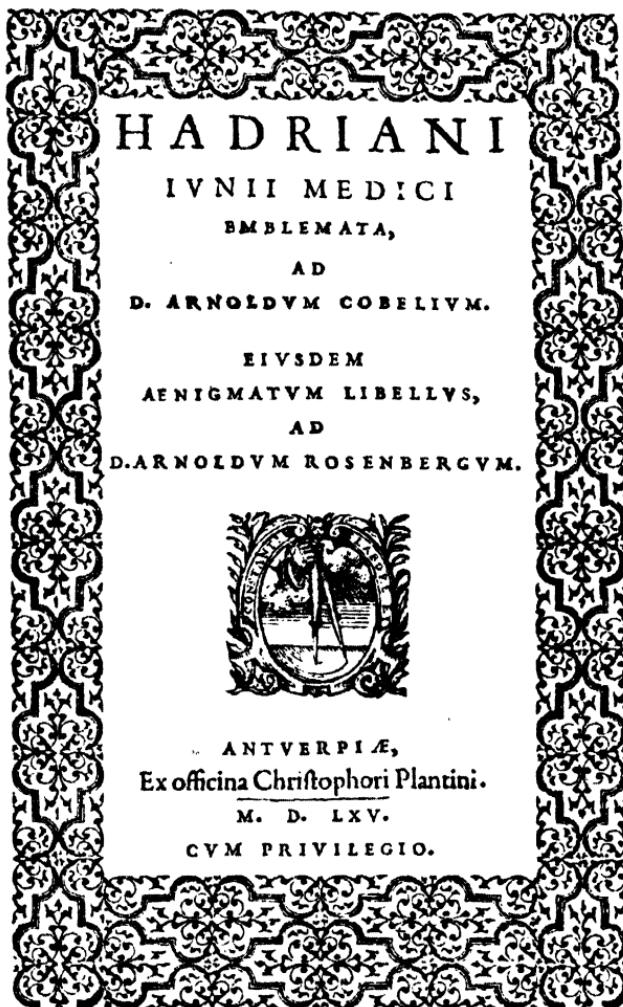
Vniuerso nostro Clero Augustano sa-
 lutem in Domino.

SAPIENTIBVS IL-
 lis Architectis qui nouæ do-
 mur Dei, hoc est, Ecclesiæ san-
 ctæ fundamenta iecerunt, &
 iacta prouexerunt, adeoque so-
 lidarunt, ut eadem domus aduersus quoslibet ven-
 torum impetus firma & immota usque persistat,
 citra omnem dubitationem fuit electum illud vas
 Paulus Apostolus. Ad quam Apostolicam fa-
 bricam bene conseruandam, cum alia multa con-
 ferunt, tum ingens momentum habet unitas illa
 spiritus ab eodem Apostolo toties prædicata, &
 quæ consociandis, ac velut in eadem Repub. con-
X ij tinendis

Ritus Ecclesiae Augustensis

Dillingen: Johann Mayer, 1580

6" x 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ "



Junius : *Emblemata*

Antwerp: Plantin, 1565

$5\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{3}{8}''$

**EXERCITATIO
GRAMMATICA
IN PSALMVM XXXIII.**

Secundūm Hebræos xxxiv.

R O B E R T O B E L L A R M I N O
Politiano è Societate I e s u
S. R. Eccles. Presbyt.
Cardin. Au^tore.



L V T E T I A E.

**Ex officina G V L I E L M I L E B E', in angulo
viarum S. Iohannis Bellouacensis
& Lateranensis.**

M. D C. IX.

Bellarmino: *Grammaire Hébreu*

Paris: Guillaume Le Bé, 1609

$6\frac{3}{4}'' \times 3\frac{7}{8}''$



DE
IMITATIONE
CHRISTI
LIBER PRIMVS.

Admonitiones ad spiritualem vitam vtiles.

C A P V T I.

*De imitatione Christi, & contemptu
omnium vanitatum mundi.*



VI sequitur me, non
ambulat in tenebris:
dicit Dominus. Hæc
sunt verba Christi, qui-
bus admonemur, quatenus vitam

A

Kempis: *De Imitatione Christi*

Paris: Imprimerie Royale, 1642

10 $\frac{3}{8}$ " x 5 $\frac{7}{8}$ "



AV ROY.



I R E,

*Le ne présente pas à Vostre Ma-
iesté des terres étrangeres , & de
nouveaux mondes , quand ie luy
offre l'Empire de Constantinople ,
puisque c'est un Trône sur lequel
la valeur & la vertu ont élue
vos Ayeux , & que celuy que vous
possedez vous donne des titres si*

à iiij

G. de Ville-Hardouin: *Histoire de l'empire de Constantinople*

Paris: Imprimerie Royale, 1657

11" x 5 $\frac{3}{8}$ "

*Les Saintes
Metamorphoses,
OY
Les Changemens
miraculeux de quelques grands Saints.*

Tirez de leurs bies.

Par J. Baudoin.



A PARIS.

*En l'Imprimerie des nouveaux Caractères de P. Moreau, M^c. Escriuain Juré
à Paris, De Imprimeur ord^re du Roy,
Et se vend en la boutique au Palais, à la
Salle Dauphine, Par F. Rousselin,
à l'Enseigne de la Vérité. 1644.
avec Approb. des Doct. & privil. du Roy.*

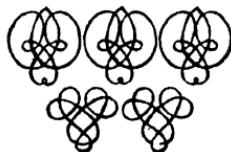
Baudoin: *Les Saintes Métamorphoses*

Paris: Pierre Moreau, 1644

$6\frac{3}{4}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$

424 Des saintes Métamorphos.
 devoir de souffrir pour la gloire
 de Jesus-Christ; nous ne devons
 point nous rebuter, ny du mépris
 que font de nous les Méchans, ny
 Act. des opprobres que nous endurons
 14. " en cette vie, puis qu'il faut que par
 " plusieurs tribulations nous entrions
 " dans le Royaume de Dieu. —

Fin du douzième & dernier
 Discours. —



Baudoin: *Les Saintes Métamorphoses*

Paris: Pierre Moreau, 1644

6" x 4⁵"



ORDONNANCE
D E
LOVIS XIV.
ROY DE FRANCE,
ET DE NAVARRE.

LOVIS PAR LA GRACE
DE DIEV, ROY DE FRAN-
CE ET DE NAVARRE,
A tous presens & avenir :
Salut. Comme la Iustice est
le plus solide fondement de la durée des
Estats, qu'elle assure le repos des familles,
& le bonheur des peuples ; Nous avons em-
ployé tous nos soins pour la rétablir par
l'autorité des Loix au dedans de nostre
Bruxelles A

Ordonnance de Louis XIV

Paris: Mettayer, 1667

$6\frac{5}{8}'' \times 4\frac{1}{4}''$



Médailles sur les évènements du règne Louis XIV

Paris: Imprimerie Royale, 1702

12 $\frac{5}{8}$ " x 8 $\frac{3}{8}$ "

LE POÈME
DE FONTENOY,
NEUVIÈME EDITION,

Avec le Plan de la Bataille, l'Epître Dédicatoire au Roy, le Discours préliminaire, des Notes, & autres Pièces.



A PARIS,
Chez PRAULT père, Quai de Gévres, au Paradis.

M. DCC. XLV.
Avec Approbation & Permission.

Panckoucke: *Le Poème de Fontenoy*

Paris: Prault père, 1745

5 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 3 $\frac{7}{8}$ "



DIALOGUE
SUR
LE MARIAGE
DE MADEMOISELLE GUERIN,
AVEC
MONSIEUR DE LATOUR.

L'HYMEN ET L'AMOUR.

L'HYMEN.



ERROIS-JE enfin combler ma plus douce espérance ?
Et feroit-ce l'AMOUR qui paroit en ces lieux ?
L'HYMEN depuis long-tems gémit de ton absence :
Mais pourquoi n'as-tu plus de bandeau sur les yeux ?

L'AMOUR.

HYMEN, si mon bandeau m'est souvent nécessaire,
Ce n'est pas en ce jour, où la Raison m'éclaire ;
Ou de mille Vertus GUEPIN & DE LATOUR
Présentent le Tableau le plus cher à l'AMOUR.

Dialogue sur le Mariage Guérin et de la Tour

Paris: Guérin, 1745

7 $\frac{7}{8}$ " x 5 $\frac{1}{8}$ "

STEPH. FABRETTI
 U R B I N A T I S
E SOCIETATE JESU PRESBITERI
 L Y R I C A
 E T
 E P I S T O L Æ.



LUGDUNI,
 Sumptibus FRATRUM DUPLAINE.

M. DCC. XLVII.
 CUM PRIVILEGIO REGIS:

S. Fabretti: *Lyrica et Epistolæ*

Lyons: Duplain, 1747

5½" x 3¾"

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DISCOURS SUR CE SUJET:

*Affigner les causes des Crimes, & donner
les moyens de les rendre plus rares
& moins funestes.*

..... *Causa latet, vis est norissima.*
OVIDE.

Ls'en faut bien que la Philosophie ait embrassé dans ses progrès tous les objets, qu'il lui appartient d'éclairer & de réformer. Il s'en faut bien sur-tout que nous ayons atteint dans la législation criminelle cette perfection, qui est peut-être pour

A ij

Mémoire sur les crimes

Paris: Le Breton, 1754

5 $\frac{3}{8}$ " x 2 $\frac{7}{8}$ "

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M A D E M O I S E L L E
CHARLOTTE DE LA FOSSE.

B O U Q U E T.

V O U S en qui l'on trouve à la fois
Des plus rares talents le parfait assemblage,
Aimable de LA FOSSE, dont l'Amour a fait choix
Pour dispenser ici ses loix,
Recevez ces Fleurs pour hommage :
Les neuf suivantes Sœurs viennent de les cueillir ;
L'haleine des Zéphirs a répandu sur elles
Une aimable fraîcheur & des grâces nouvelles,
Et s'il est rien qui puisse encore les embellir,
Dans le Jour fortuné d'une si belle Fête,
C'est l'éclatant honneur de porter votre tête.

E N V O I.

*Un mérite tel que le vôtre,
Fait vivre la Raison & l'Amour en commun :
Vos yeux savent inspirer l'un,
Et votre esprit est fait pour nous faire aimer l'autre.*

Bouquet à Charlotte de la Fosse

Paris: Anon, 1754

6 $\frac{5}{8}$ " x 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ "

DISSE^T
TATION
S U R
L'ORIGINE ET LES PROGRÈS
D'E L'ART
DE GRAVER EN BOIS,
Pour éclaircir quelques traits de
l'Histoire de l'IMPRIMERIE, &
prouver que GUTTEMBERG n'en
est pas l'Inventeur;

PAR
M^r Fournieu le Jeune,
Graveur & Fondeur de Caractères
d'IMPRIMERIE.



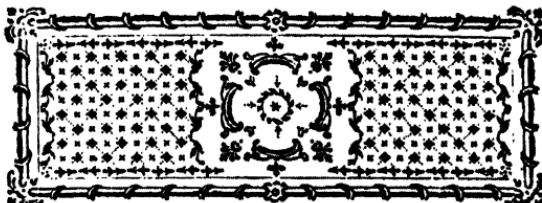
A PARIS,
De l'Imprimerie de J. BARBOU.

M. DCC. LVIII.

P. S. Fournier: *Dissertations, etc.*

Paris: Barbou, 1758-66

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DISSERTATION

s u r

L'ORIGINE ET LES PROGRÈS DE L'ART DE GRAVER EN BOIS.

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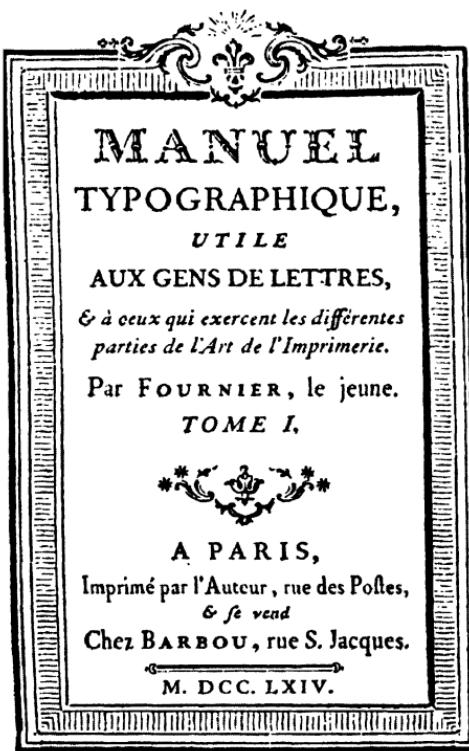
Des erreurs soutenues par des Auteurs célèbres, & long-temps accréditées, sont de nature à en imposer : elles ont tenu & ne tiennent encore que trop souvent la vérité captive. C'est une erreur de cette espèce qui me paraît avoir fait donner à Gut-

A ij

P. S. Fournier: *Dissertations, etc.*

Paris: Barbou, 1758-66

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P. S. Fournier: *Dissertations, etc.*

Paris: Barbou, 1758-66

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A V E R T I S S E M E N T P R É L I M I N A I R E.

POUR rendre cet Ouvrage plus intéressant aux yeux des GENS DE LETTRES, & pour remplir en même temps la partie qui les regarde, annoncée par le titre, je donne dans ce second Volume un exemple des différents caractères qui sont ordinairement d'usage dans l'Imprimerie, sans oublier aucune des nuances qui servent à les faire distinguer.

Cette partie de l'Art Typographique, qui entre dans l'ordre des connaissances analogues à celles des gens de Lettres, est communément fort né-

P. S. Fournier: *Dissertations, etc.*

Paris: Barbou, 1758–66

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MANUEL TYPOGRAPHIQUE.

PREMIÈRE PARTIE.

LA GRAVURE,
OU TAILLE DES POINÇONS.

Pour être un bon Graveur de Caractères, il faut être Typographe, c'est-à-dire, savoir tous les détails du mécanisme de la Fonderie & de l'Imprimerie, afin d'y assujétir son travail. Maître de l'art, le Graveur doit tout prévoir dans la fonte & dans l'impression. C'est par là que les Simon de Colines, les Garamond, les

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P. S. Fournier: *Dissertations, etc.*

Paris: Barbou, 1758-66

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OFFICE
POUR TOUTES LES FÊTES
DE LA STE VIERGE,
QUI N'ONT PAS D'OFFICE PROPRE.

A M A T I N E S.

Notre Pere , &c.

siecles. Ainsi soit-il. Louez le Seigneur.

Je vous salue , Marie , &c.

Invitatoire Venez , adorons Jesus - Christ qui est né de la Vierge Marie. *Math.* 1 : 16.

Je crois en Dieu , &c.



Mon Dieu , venez à mon aide ,

R e. Seigneur , hâtez-vous de me secourir. *Psl. 69.* 1.

Gloire au Pere , au Fils & au Saint-Esprit ; comme elle étoit au commencement , qu'elle soit à présent & toujours & dans les siecles des

H Y M N E.

Q ue votre gloire est éclatante , ô Vierge issue de la race de David ! Vous êtes élevée dans le Ciel sur un trône sublime au-dessus de toutes les puissances célestes.

C'est vous qui devenant mère , sans perdre l'honneur de la virginité , avez préparé dans votre sein un auguste sanctuaire au Roi de l'Univers. C'est de vous que

Office Divin

Sens: Tarbé, 1763

5½" x 3¼"



ORDONNANCE DU ROI, *Pour régler l'EXERCICE de l'Infanterie.*

Du 1^{er} Janvier 1766.

DE PAR LE ROI.

SA MAJESTÉ jugeant à propos de faire quelques changemens à l'Exercice de l'Infanterie, qu'Elle avoit réglé par son Ordinance du 20 mars 1764, pour réduire les manœuvres & l'Exercice aux mouvemens les plus simples, Elle a ordonné & ordonne ce qui suit :

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Ordonnance sur l'infanterie

Paris: Imprimerie Royale, 1766

7 $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ "

COMPTÉ *RENDU AU ROI,*

Par M. NECKER,
Directeur général des Finances.

Au mois de Janvier 1781.

Imprimé par ordre de SA MAJESTÉ.



A PARIS,
DE L'IMPRIMERIE ROYALE.

M. D C C L X X X I.

Compte rendu de M. Necker

Paris: Imprimerie Royale, 1781

$7\frac{1}{8}'' \times 4\frac{3}{4}''$



ÉLOGE
D U M A R É C H A I
D E C A T I N A T.



ANS cette foule de Génies célèbres en tout genre , que la Nature sembloit avoir de loin préparés & mûris , pour en faire l'ornement d'un seul règne , l'orgueil de nos annales & l'admiration du monde ; dans ce siècle resplendissant de gloire , dont tous les rayons viennent se confondre & se réunir au trône de Louis XIV , j'observe avec étonnement un homme qui prenant sa place au milieu de tous ces grands hommes , sans avoir rien qui leur ressemble , & sans être effacé par aucun d'eux , forme seul avec tout son siècle un contraste frappant , digne de l'attention des Sages & des regards de la Postérité . Placé dans une époque & chez une

A iij

de la Harpe: *Éloge de M. Catinat*

Paris: Demonville, 1775

$6\frac{1}{8}'' \times 3\frac{5}{8}''$

CONSEILS UN JEUNE POETE.

P I E C E

QUI A REMPORTÉ LE PRIX
de l'Académie Françoise, en 1775.

Par M. DE LA HARPE.

Doctrina sed vim promovet insitam. Hor.



A PARIS,
Chez DEMONVILLE, Imprimeur-Libraire de l'Académie
Française, rue S. Severin, aux Armes de Dombes.

M. D C C. L X X V.

de la Harpe: *Conseils*

Paris: Demonville, 1775

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JEANNE GRAY,

A N E C D O T E

A N G L O X S E.

PAR M. D'USSIEUX.



A P A R I S,

Chez BRUNET, Libraire, rue des Ecrivains.



M. D C C. L X X V I.

d'Ussieux: *Jeanne Gray*

Paris: Brunet, 1776

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ELIZENE, ANECDOTE OTTOMANE.

LE mois le plus riant de l'année pour le peuple de Constantinople, c'est-à-dire, le mois d'Avril, venoit de renaitre, & le Serrail du Grand-Seigneur s'apprêtoit à célébrer, avec tout le faste ordinaire aux Orientaux, cette fête annuelle

Tome I.

S

d'Ussieux: *Le Décaméron François*

Paris: Nyon, 1783

$5\frac{3}{8}'' \times 3\frac{5}{8}''$

L A
FOLLE JOURNÉE,
O U
LE MARIAGE DE FIGARO,
C O M É D I E
EN CINQ ACTES; EN PROSE.

PAR M. DE BEAUMARCHAIS.

Représentée pour la première fois, par les Comédiens français ordinaires du Roi, le mardi 27 avril 1784.

*En faveur du badinage,
Faites grâce à la raison. Vaud. de la pièce.*

DE L'IMPRIMERIE DE LA SOCIÉTÉ LITTÉRAIRE-
TYPOGRAPHIQUE;

*Et se trouve à Paris,
Chez RUAULT, libraire, au Palais-Royal, près
le théâtre, n° 216.*

1785.

Beaumarchais: *La Folle Journée*

Paris: Société littéraire, 1785

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N O T I C E

S U R L A V I E E T L E S O U V R A G E S D E R A C I N E .

Jean Racine naquit à la Ferté-Milon le 21 décembre 1639 : il apprit le latin au collège de Beauvais, et le grec sous Claude Lancelot, sacristain de Port-Royal. Ce savant homme, auteur de plusieurs ouvrages utiles, le mit, dit-on, en moins d'un an, en état d'entendre Euripide et Sophocle. L'expérience prouve qu'il n'y a aucune langue, ni même aucune science, dans laquelle, avec de l'application, de l'aptitude, et, ce qui est plus rare encore, de bons maîtres, on ne puisse faire des progrès assez rapides : mais la langue grecque est si étendue, si abondante ; ses formes sont si variées, si hardies ; et la plupart des mots qui la composent ont des nuances si délicates, si fugitives, et cependant si distinctes pour qui sait les saisir, qu'on persuadera difficilement à ceux qui ont fait une étude approfondie de cette langue, que neuf ou dix mois, un an même, si l'on veut, aient suffi à Racine pour bien entendre Euripide, et sur-tout Sophocle, dont les chœurs ne sont pas sans obscurités, même pour les meilleurs critiques.

Racine montra dès ses premières années un goût très vif pour la poésie. Son plus grand plaisir étoit d'aller s'enfoncer dans les bois, dont le vaste silence est si

Racine: *Oeuvres*

Paris: F. A. Didot l'aîné, 1783

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ESSAI
DE
FABLES NOUVELLES
DÉDIÉES AU ROI;
SUIVIES
DE POÉSIES DIVERSES
ET D'UNE ÉPITRE
SUR LES PROGRÈS DE L'IMPRIMERIE.
PAR DIDOT FILS AÎNÉ.



A PARIS,
IMPRIMÉ PAR FRANC. AMBR. DIDOT L'AÎNÉ
AVEC LES CARACTÈRES DE FIRMIN SON 2^d FILS.
M. DCC. LXXXVL

P. Didot: *Essai de Fables nouvelles*

Paris: F. A. Didot l'aîné, 1786

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APPROBATION.

J'ai lu par ordre de monseigneur le Garde des Sceaux un manuscrit intitulé Essai de Fables nouvelles dédiées au Roi, suivies de Poésies diverses; par M. Didot fils aîné. Ces Fables, qui, sous le titre modeste d'Essai, offrent une morale saine, mise en action avec beaucoup de grâce et de facilité, ne peuvent que faire honneur à l'esprit et au cœur de ce jeune écrivain. A la suite des Pièces qui les accompagnent, est l'Épître sur les progrès de l'Imprimerie, ouvrage déjà connu avantageusement, où il célèbre dignement l'art que son pere exerce avec une supériorité qui sera époque dans le siècle de Louis XVI. Tout le recueil m'a paru digne de l'impression. A Paris, ce 7 octobre 1785.

AUBERT.

P. Didot: *Essai de Fables nouvelles*

Paris: F. A. Didot l'aîné, 1786

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D E I M I T A T I O N E
C H R I S T I,
L I B E R P R I M U S.

C A P U T P R I M U M.

De Imitatione Christi, et contemptu omnium vanitatum mundi.

1. **Q**UI SEQUITUR ME, NON AMBULAT IN TENEBRIS, SED HABEBIT LUMEN VITÆ. Hæc sunt verba Christi, quibus admonemur quatenus vitam ejus et mores imitemur, si volumus veraciter illuminari, et ab omni cæcitate cordis liberari.

Summum igitur studium nostrum sit in vita Jesu Christi meditari.

2. Doctrina Christi omnes doctrinas Sanctorum præcellit : et qui spiritum ejus haberet, manna ibi absconditum inveniret.

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Kempis: *De Imitatione Christi*

Paris: Ex typ. Fratris Regis natu proximi, 1788

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LA CONSTITUTION
FRANÇAISE.

DÉCLARATION

DES DROITS

DE L'HOMME ET DU CITOYEN

Les Représentans du Peuple Français ,
constitués en ASSEMBLÉE NATIONALE ,
considérant que l'ignorance , l'oubli ou le
mépris des Droits de l'Homme , sont les
seules causes des malheurs publics et de
la corruption des Gouvernemens , ont ré-
solu d'exposer , dans une Déclaration
solemnelle , les Droits naturels , inaliéna-
bles et sacrés de l'Homme , afin que cette

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La Constitution française
Paris: Imprimerie Nationale, 1790

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H E R M È S,
OU
RECHERCHES PHILOSOPHIQUES
SUR LA
GRAMMAIRE UNIVERSELLE.

L I V R E P R E M I E R.

C H A P I T R E I.^e

Introduction. Objet de tout l'Ouvrage.

Si la nature avoit destiné les hommes à vivre isolés, ils n'auroient jamais senti de penchant qui les portât à communiquer entre eux. Si elle leur avoit refusé la raison comme aux animaux d'une espèce inférieure, ils n'auroient jamais pu reconnoître les matériaux propres du discours. Or, puisque la faculté de parler est le résultat de la double énergie de nos plus nobles et de nos plus excellentes

A

J. Harris: *Hermès*

Paris: Imprimerie Nationale, 1796

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RECHERCHES
SUR
LA GÉOGRAPHIE
SYSTÉMATIQUE ET POSITIVE
DES ANCIENS;
POUR SERVIR DE BASE
À L'HISTOIRE DE LA GÉOGRAPHIE ANCIENNE.
Par P. F. J. GOSELLIN,
DE L'INSTITUT NATIONAL DE FRANCE.

TOME PREMIER.

A PARIS,
DE L'IMPRIMERIE DE LA RÉPUBLIQUE
Au V^e.

Gosselin: *Recherches sur la géographie*
Paris: Imprimerie Nationale, 1798

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LAS NAVES DE CORTES
DESTRUIDAS.
CANTO PREMIADO
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En Junta que celebró el dia 13 de Agosto de 1778.

S U A U T O R

D. JOSEPH MARÍA VACA DE GUZMAN, Doctor en ambos Derechos, del Gremio y Claustro de la Universidad de Alcalá, y Rector actual perpetuo del Colegio de Santiago de los Caballeros Manriquez de dicha Ciudad.



M A D R I D.

Por D. JOACHÍN IBARRA, Impresor de Cámara de S. M.

Con superior permiso.

Guzman: *Las Naves de Cortes*

Madrid: Joachim Ibarra, 1778

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ELOGIO DE FELIPE V.

Elogiar á un Rey , cuyo trono se vió cubierto tantas veces del perfume de las alabanzas quando vivo , sobre cuyo sepulcro se han esparcido despues de muerto tantas flores , y cuya grata memoria es y será siempre plausible en los fastos de la Nacion y del mundo : elogiarle á competencia , como él mismo reynó , en medio del Santuario de las Musas , y á la vista de este monumento augusto , que quiso erigir su poder á la inmortalidad de la Eloquencia Española : elogiarle en tiempo que todavía pueden subir los conceptos y frases del tímido Orador á los soberanos oídos del Monarca Justo , Máximo , Pio , Feliz , que ciñendo la gloriosa diadema de tal padre , es digno heredero de sus laureles y virtudes : en una palabra , elogiar á FELIPE V. y elogiarle bien , es empeño honorífico ; pero tan arduo que la dificultad se acaba de comprobar

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Elogio de Felipe V

Madrid: Joachim Ibarra, 1779

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PRIMERA PARTE
DEL INGENIOSO HIDALGO
DON QUIXOTE
DE LA MANCHA.

CAPÍTULO PRIMERO.

Que trata de la condicion , y ejercicio del famoso hidalgo Don Quixote de la Mancha.

Dun Lugar de la Mancha, de cuyo nombre no quiero acordarme, no ha mucho tiempo que vivia un hidalgo de los de lanza en astillero , adarga antigua , rocin flaco , y galgo corredor. Una olla de algo mas vaca que carnero , salpicon las mas noches , duelos y quebrantos los sábados , lantejas los viernes , algun palomino de añadidura los domingos consumian las tres partes de su hacienda. El resto della concluian sayo de velarte , calzas de velludo para las fiestas con sus pantulos de lo mesmo , y los días de entre semana se honraba con su velludo.

TOM. I.

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Cervantes: *Don Quixote*

Madrid: Joachim Ibarra, 1780

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VOLTAIRE.

Maria Francisco Arouet de Voltaire ,
de la Academia Francesa , y de quasi todas
las Sociedades literarias de Europa , nació en
París en 1694 , y murió en 1778.

Grandes talentos , y abuso de ellos hasta los ultimos excesos ; rasgos dignos de admiracion , y una monstruosa libertad ; luces capaces de honrar su siglo , y errores que son la vergüenza de él ; sentimientos que ennoblecen la humanidad , y flaquezas que la degradan ; la mas brillante imaginacion , el lenguaje mas cynico y repugnante ; la Filosofia , y el absurdo ; la erudicion , y las equivocaciones de la ignorancia ; todos los encantos del entendimiento , y todas las pequeñeces de las pasiones ; una rica Poesia , y manifiestos plagiarios ; hermosas obras , y odiosas producciones ; el atrevimiento , y la baja adulacion ; las lecciones de la virtud , y la apologia del vicio ; los anathemas contra la envidia , y la envidia con todos sus accesos ; protestas de zelo por la verdad , y todos los artificios de la mala fe ; el entusiasmo de la to-

A 4 le-

Decada Epistolar sobre el estado de las letras en Francia

Madrid: Ant. de Sancha, 1781

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Atti della solenne coronazione della insigne poetessa Maria Fernandez

Parma: Bodoni, 1779

5" x 2½"

THE CASTLE
OF OTRANTO,
A
GOTHIC STORY.

TRANSLATED

BY

WILLIAM MARSHAL, GENT.
FROM THE ORIGINAL ITALIAN
OF ONUPHARIO MURALTO,
CANON OF THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS
AT OTRANTO.

P A R M A .

PRINTED BY BODONI, FOR

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M D C C X C I .

Muralto and Marshal: *The Castle of Otranto*

Parma: Bodoni, 1791

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THE CASTLE
OF
OTRANTO
A
GOTHIC STORY, &c.

CHAPTER I.

MANFRED, Prince of *Otranto*, had one son and one daughter: The latter a most beautiful virgin, aged eighteen, was called *Matilda*. *Conrad*, the son, was three years younger, a homely youth, sickly, and of no promising disposition; yet he was the darling of his father, who never showed any symptoms of affection to *Matilda*. *Manfred* had contracted a marriage for his son with the *Marquis of Vicenza's* daughter,

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DEGLI
ANNALI
DI
C. CORNELIO TACITO
LIBRO PRIMO.

SESTO POMPEJO. e SESTO APULEJO Consoli,
NERONE CLAUDIO DRUSO CESARE,
e CAJO NORBANO Consoli.

I.

Roma nascente fu dominata da' Regi. Stettero per fatto di Bruto la libertà, e il Consolato. Le Dittature eran temporanee, nè il potere Decemvirale prevalse più d'un biennio, nè lungamente l'autorità Consolare de' militari Tribuni. Non Cinna, non Sulla ritennero durevolmente il dominio, e in breve si concentrarono la possanza di Pompejo e di Crasso in Cesare, e l'armi di Lepido e d'Antonio in Augusto, che la Repubblica, stanca dalle civili discordie, occupò col titolo di

Tacitus: *Opera*
Parma: Bodoni, 1795

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D I
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I N M O R T E
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Salomone Fiorentino: *Elegie*

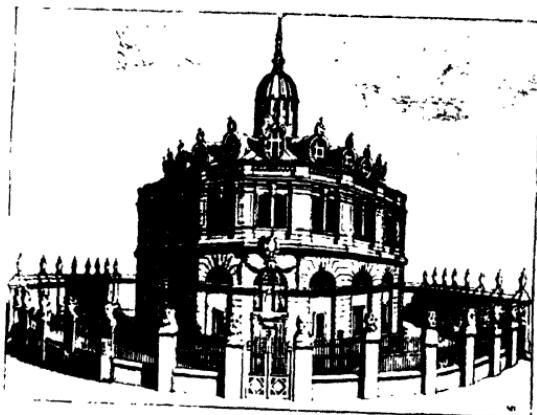
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GULIELMI III.

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G R A T U L A T I O
In exoptatissimam Serenissimæ
ANNÆ REGINÆ
INAUGURATIONEM.



OXONII, E THEATRO SHELDONIANO,
An. Dom. MDCCII.

Pietas Univ. Oxon. in obitum Gulielmi III.

Oxford University Press, 1702

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ANN E R.



ANNE, by the Grace of God, Queen of *England, Scotland, France, and Ireland*, Defender of the Faith, &c. To whom These Presents shall come Greeting. Whereas Our Trusty and Wellbeloved *William Delamere*, Doctor in Divinity, and Vice-Chancellor of Our University of *Oxford*, has humbly represented unto Us, in the behalf of the said University, that They have at a Great Expence already Published One Volume of the late Earl of *Clarendon's History*, and intend in a short time to Publish the Second and Third Volumes for Compleating the Work; and the sole Right of the Copy of the said Work being Vefted in Our University of *Oxford*, and They having humbly besought Us to Grant Them Our Royal Priviledge and Licence for the sole Printing and Publishing the same for the Term of Fourteen Years; We being Graciously inclined to encourage the said Undertaking, are pleased to condescend to their Request; and do therefore hereby Give and Grant unto Our said University of *Oxford*, Our Royal Licence and Priviledge, for the sole Printing and Publishing the said Three Volumes of the late Earl of *Clarendon's History*, for and during the Term of Fourteen Years, to be computed from the Day of the Date hereof; Strictly Charging, Prohibiting, and Forbidding all Our Subjects to Reprint or Abridge the said History, or any Part of it, or to Import, Buy, Vend, Utter, or Distribute any Copies of the same, or any Part thereof, Reprinted beyond the Seas, within the said Term, without the Consent and Approbation of Our said University first had and Obtained, as They and every of them Offending herein will Answer the Contrary at their Peril, and such other Penalties as by the Laws and Statutes of this Our Realm may be inflicted; Whereof the Master, Wardens, and Company of Stationers of Our City of *London*, the Commissioners and Officers of our Customs, and all other Our Officers and Ministers whom it may concern, are to take Notice, that due Obedience be given to Our Pleasure herein signified. Given at Our Court at *Hampton-Court* the 24th day of *June* 1703. In the Second Year of Our Reign.

By Her Majesties Command.

C. Hedges.

Clarendon: *History of the Rebellion*

Oxford University Press, 1704

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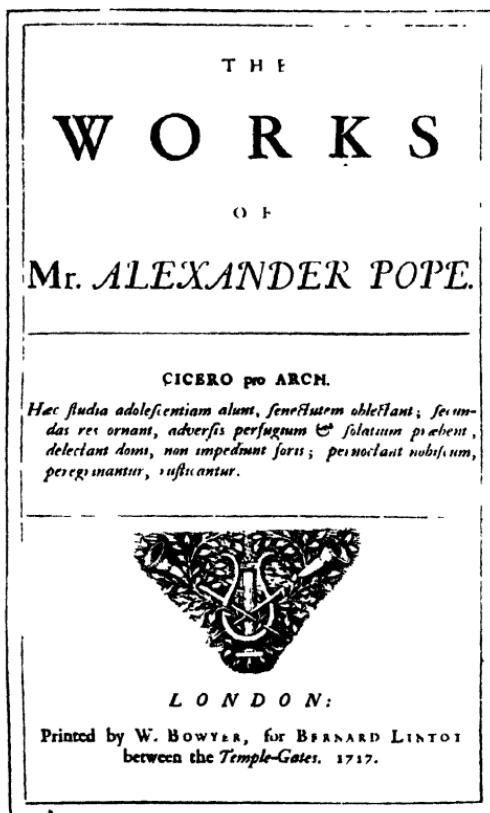


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Cicero: *Tusculanae Disputationes*

Cambridge University Press, 1708

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Alexander Pope: *Works*

London: W. Bowyer, 1717

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P U B L I I V I R G I L I I

M A R O N I S

B U C O L I C A,

G E O R G I C A,

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A E N E I S.

BIRMINGHAMIAE:

Type Johannis BASKERVILLE.

M D C C L V I I.

Virgil: *Bucolica, etc.*

Birmingham: Baskerville, 1757

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P. VIRGILII MARONIS

BUCOLICA

ECLOGA I. cui nomen TITYRUS.

MELIBOEUS, TITYRUS.

TITYRE, tu patulæ recubans sub tegmine fagi
Silvestrem tenui Musam meditaris avena:
Nos patriæ fines, et dulcia linquimus arva;
Nos patriam fugimus: tu, Tityre, latus in umbra
5 Formosam resonare doces Amaryllida silvas.

T. O Melibœe, Deus nobis hæc otia fecit:
Namque erit ille mihi semper Deus: illius aram
Sæpe tener nostris ab ovilibus imbuet agnus.
Ille meas errare boves, ut cernis, et ipsum
10 Ludere, quæ vellem, calamo permisit agresti.

M. Non equidem invideo; miror magis: undique totis
Usque adeo turbatur agris. en ipse capellas
Protenus æger ago: hanc etiam vix, Tityre, duco:
Hic inter densas corylos modo namque gemellos,
15 Spem gregis, ah! filice in nuda connixa reliquit.
Sæpe malum hoc nobis, si mens non læva suisset,
De cœlo tactas memini prædicere quercus:
Sæpe sinistra cava prædicta ab ilice cornix.
Sed tamen, iste Deus qui sit, da, Tityre, nobis.
20 T. Urbem, quam dicunt Romam, Melibœe, putavi
Stultus ego huic nostræ similem, quo sæpe solemus
Pastores ovium teneros depellere foetus.
Sic canibus catulos similes, sic matribus hædos

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Noram;

Virgil: *Bucolica, etc.*

Birmingham: Baskerville, 1757

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O R L A N D O
 F U R I O S O
 D I
 L O D O V I C O
 A R I O S T O.

TOMO PRIMO.

BIRMININGHAM,

Da' Torchj di G. BASKERVILLE:

Per P. MOLINI Librajo dell' Accademia
Reale, e G. MOLINI.

M. DCC. LXXIII.

Ariosto: *Orlando Furioso*

Birmingham: Baskerville, 1773

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FUGITIVE PIECES
IN
VERSE and PROSE.

Pereunt et imputantur.



PRINTED AT STRAWBERRY-HILL.
M DCC LVIII.

Walpole: *Fugitive Pieces*

Strawberry Hill, 1758

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FUGITIVE PIECES.

V E R S E S

IN MEMORY OF

KING HENRY the SIXTH,

Founder of KING'S-COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE.

[Written February 2, 1738.]

WHILE Superstition teaches to revere
The sainted Calendar and letter'd
year ;
While Bigots joy in canonizing Shades,
Fictitious Martyrs, visionary Maids ;
Haste, Gratitude, and hail this better day ;
At HENRY's shrine present thy votive lay ;
If this peculiarly for His be known,
Whose Charity made ev'ry day his own.

B

But

Walpole: *Fugitive Pieces*

Strawberry Hill, 1758

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C. PLINII CÆCILII

S E C U N D I

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L I B R I X.

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L O N D I N I

M. DCC. XC.

Pliny: *Epistolæ*

London: Typis Edmundi Fry, 1790

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C. PLINII CÆCILII
 SECUNDI
 EPISTOLARUM
 LIBER SEPTIMUS.

I. C. PLINIUS SECUNDUS RESTITUTO
 SUO S.

TERRET me hæc tua tam pertinax valetudo, & quanquam te temperatissimum noverim, reveror tamen, ne quid illi etiam in mores tuos licet. Proinde moneo, patienter resistas. Hoc laudabile, hoc salutare admittit humana natura. Quod suadeo, ipse certe sic agere sanus cum meis soleo. Spero quidem, si forte in adversam valetudinem incidero, nihil me desideratum vel pudore, vel pœnitentia dignum: Si tamen superaverit morbus, denuncio, ne quid mihi detur, nisi permittentibus medicis, scientque, si dederint, ita vindicaturum, ut solent alii, quæ negantur. Quinetiam cum perustus ardentissima febri, tandem remissus, unctusque acciperem à medico potionem, porrexi manum, ut-

Pliny: *Epistolæ*

London: Typis Edmundi Fry, 1790

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THE FLORIST'S DIRECTORY.



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Maddock: *The Florist's Directory*

London: S. Couchman, 1792

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T H E
ŒCONOMY
 OF
HUMAN LIFE.

TRANSLATED FROM
 AN INDIAN MANUSCRIPT,
 WRITTEN BY AN ANCIENT BRAMIN.
 TO WHICH IS PREFIXED
 AN ACCOUNT OF THE MANNER IN WHICH THE SAID
 MANUSCRIPT WAS DISCOVERED.

IN A
LETTER
 FROM AN ENGLISH GENTLEMAN NOW RESIDING
 IN CHINA
 TO THE EARL OF E****.

London:
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1795.

Œconomy of Human Life

London: T. Rickaby, 1795

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P O E M S
 BY
 GOLDSMITH
 AND
 PARSELL.



LONDON:
 PRINTED BY W. BULMER AND CO.,
 Shakspeare Printing Office,
 CLEVELAND-ROW,
 1795.

Goldsmith and Parnell: *Poems*

London: W. Bulmer, 1795

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To raise the Art of Printing in this country from the neglected state in which it had long been suffered to continue, and to remove the opprobrium which had but too justly been attached to the late productions of the English press, much has been done within the last few years; and the warm emulation which has discovered itself amongst the Printers of the present day, as well in the remote parts of the kingdom as in the metropolis, has been highly patronized by the public in general. The present volume, in addition to the SHAKSPEARE, the MILTON, and many other valuable works of elegance, which have already been given to the world, through the medium of the Shakspeare Press, are particularly meant to combine the various

Goldsmith and Parnell: *Poems*

London: W. Bulmer, 1795

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The chase I sing, hounds, and their various breed,
And no less various use. O thou, great Prince!
Whom Cambria's towering hills proclaim their lord,
Deign thou to hear my bold, instructive song.
While grateful citizens, with pompous show,
Rear the triumphal arch, rich with the exploits
Of thy illustrious house; while virgins pave
Thy way with flowers, and as the royal youth
Passing they view, admire, and sigh in vain;
While crowded theatres, too fondly proud
Of their exotick minstrels, and shrill pipes,
The price of manhood, hail thee with a song.

Somerville: *The Chase*

London: W. Bulmer, 1796

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THE
SEASONS,
 BY
James Thomson.

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Thomson: *The Seasons*

London: T. Bensley, 1797

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REMARKS

ON

CAVALRY;

BY THE PRUSSIAN MAJOR GENERAL OF HUSSARS,

WARNERY.

TRANSLATED FROM THE ORIGINAL.



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PRINTED BY J. BARFIELD, No. 91, WARDOUR-STREET, SOHO.
 1798.

C. E. de Warnery: *Remarks on Cavalry*

London: J. Barfield, 1798

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ADDRESS TO THE WORLD,

BY

MR. BELL,

British-Library, Strand, London.

I HAVE perceived with regret that the ART OF PRINTING has been very much neglected IN ENGLAND, and that it is still in a declining state—expedition being attended to rather than excellence—and temporary gain is preferred to lasting advantage and reputation;—notwithstanding ENGLAND's inattention to *this art*, which is considered as the happiest invention that ever employed the faculties of man—it is worthy of notice, that FRANCE, SPAIN, ITALY, and GERMANY, are contending for the honours of the *Press*, under the sanction and encouragement of their respective SOVEREIGNS.

To retrieve and exalt the *neglected* ART OF PRINTING in ENGLAND is the present

John Bell: *Prospectus*

London: Bell, 1788

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SPECIMEN
OF
BELL's
NEW PRINTING TYPES,
*Which have been completed under his
Directions,*
AT THE BRITISH LETTER FOUNDRY,
*By WILLIAM COLMAN, Regulator,
And RICHARD AUSTIN, Punch-Cutter.*



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May be now furnished with these original *Types*, at
the Prices usually charged for common *Types*, by
applying to the *Founder*,
J. BELL, British-Library, Strand, London.

Bell: *Specimen*
London: Bell, 1788
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BELL's
CLASSICAL ARRANGEMENT
 OF
FUGITIVE POETRY.
 VOL. V.

Though redolent of ev'ry flow'r
 That once perfum'd Hymettus' side,
 No hoarded sweets of Grecian store
 Did e'er the Attic bee provide,
 That could a purer flavor yield,
 Than yields the comb this hive contains,
 Though cul'd from no Hesperian field,
 But the wild growth of Britain's plains.



LONDON:

 PRINTED BY
 JOHN BELL, British Library, STRAND,
 Bookseller to His Royal Highness the PRINCE of WALES.
 M DCC LXXXIX.

Fugitive Poetry
 London: Bell, 1789

4 $\frac{7}{8}$ " x 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ "

MÉMORIAL TOPOGRAPHIQUE ET MILITAIRE,

REDIGÉ

AU DÉPÔT GÉNÉRAL DE LA GUERRE;

IMPRIMÉ PAR ORDRE DU MINISTRE.

N.^o 1. TOPOGRAPHIE.

III.^e Trimestre de l'an X.



A PARIS,
DE L'IMPRIMERIE DE LA RÉPUBLIQUE.
Vendémiaire an XI.

Mémoires topographiques et militaires

Paris: Imprimerie Nationale, 1803

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MÉMORIAL TOPOGRAPHIQUE ET MILITAIRE.

SECTION PREMIÈRE.

CHAPITRE I.^{er} *GÉOGRAPHIE.*

NOTICE historique et analytique sur la Construction des Cartes géographiques.

S. I.^{er}

HISTORIQUE.

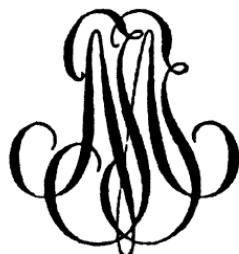
DANS l'origine, la géographie ne consistait qu'en des descriptions plus ou moins bien faites. On cherchait à peindre, pour ainsi dire, par écrit, les lieux dont on parlait; on les désignait par les qualités qui leur convenaient le plus; et les poésies d'Homère nous en fournissent plus d'une preuve: toutes les villes dont ce poète a

Mémorial topographique et militaire

Paris: Imprimerie Nationale, 1803

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ALPHABET
 IRLANDAIS,
 PRÉCÉDÉ
 D'UNE NOTICE HISTORIQUE,
 LITTÉRAIRE ET TYPOGRAPHIQUE,
 PAR J. J. MARCEL,
 DIRECTEUR DE L'IMPRIMERIE DE LA RÉPUBLIQUE.



A PARIS,
 DE L'IMPRIMERIE DE LA RÉPUBLIQUE.

NIVOSE AN XII.

Marcel: *Alphabet irlandais*
 Paris: Imprimerie Nationale, 1804

$6\frac{3}{8}'' \times 3\frac{3}{4}''$

RECHERCHES
SUR
LA DÉCOUVERTE
DE L'ESSENCE DE ROSE,

PAR L. LANGLÈS,

MEMBRE DE L'INSTITUT NATIONAL,
CONSERVATEUR DES MANUSCRITS
ORIENTAUX, &c.

جو بلبلان نزول کیم اشیان کل
Comme les rossignols, nous reposons sur les roses.

H HÂFIZ.

A PARIS,
DE L'IMPRIMERIE IMPÉRIALE.
AN XIII = 1804 [v. s.].

Langlès: *Recherches sur la découverte de l'essence de Rose*

Paris: Imprimerie Impériale, 1804

$3\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2''$

PRÉCIS

DES GUERRES

DES RUSSES

CONTRE LES TURCS.

CHAPITRE PREMIER.

LES TURCS AU DIX-SEPTIÈME SIÈCLE.

MONTECUCULLI, aussi bon écrivain militaire que grand capitaine, nous présente les Turcs comme des modèles à imiter à la guerre, tant pour la sagesse avec laquelle ils l'entreprendent que pour leur manière de la conduire. Leurs marches, leurs campements, leurs dispositions pour le combat, lui paraissent également dignes d'éloges;

Langlès: *Précis des Guerres des Russes*

Paris: Firmin Didot, 1828

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INSCRIPTIONS ANTIQUES DE LYON

REPRODUITES D'APRÈS LES MONUMENTS OU RECUEILLIES DANS LES AVTEURS

PAR

ALPH DE BOISSIEV



LOVIS PERRIN IMPRIMEVR A LYON

MDCCLXVI - MDCCCLIV

Boissieu: *Inscriptions antiques*

Lyons: Perrin, 1846

$9\frac{1}{2}'' \times 6\frac{3}{4}''$



TROUVAILLE DE SMYRNE



ANS le courant de 1880, une heureuse circonstance me permit d'acquérir une trouvaille entière de deniers de billon romains, faite, quelque temps auparavant, dans les environs de Smyrne. Cette trouvaille le composait de 386 pièces, dont je donne le détail ci-dessous, & comprenait, dans son ensemble, 23 personnages, empereurs, impératrices, césars & tyrans, commençant à l'empereur Philippe père pour finir au règne de Carus, embrassant donc la période qui sépare Gordien III de Diocletien, époque la plus triste, en même temps que la plus obscure de l'histoire de l'empire romain.

Ces temps, cependant si mouvementés, où l'histoire ne nous transmet, pour ainsi dire, que des recits de crimes, sont encore

Boissieu: *Trouvaille de Smyrne*

Lyons: Perrin, 1880

$7\frac{5}{8}'' \times 4\frac{7}{8}''$



NOTICE SUR LA VIE
ET LES ŒUVRES DE BERTIN

VERS la fin du XVIII^e siècle, alors que Dorat et son école brillaient de tout leur faux éclat, et qu'Audrè Chénier n'avait encore écrit, même pour ses amis, aucun de ces vers qui devaient renouveler la poésie vieillissante, la France vit apparaître un jeune poète qui, né sous un ciel plus chaud, élevé dans l'étude, non des Grecs, il est vrai, comme l'auteur de l'Aveugle, mais des Latins, dont il s'était pénétré, vint heureusement remplacer le cliquetis de mots et d'idées, alors si fort à la mode, par une vivacité, une tendresse d'expressions, nées de sentiments vrais, et dont il avait déjà trouvé les modèles dans l'an-

a

Bertin: Poésies

Paris: Quantin, 1879

$4\frac{7}{8}'' \times 2\frac{3}{4}''$



LES AMOURS

LIVRE PREMIER

ÉLÉGIE I

JE chantois les combats : étranger au Parnasse,
 Peut-être ma jeunesse excusoit mon audace :
 Sur deux lignes rangés, mes vers présomptueux
 Déployoient, en deux temps, six pieds majestueux.
 De ces vers nombreux et sublimes
 L'Amour se riant à l'écart,
 Sur mon papier mit la main au hasard,
 Retrancha quelques pieds, brouilla toutes les rimes
 De ce désordre heureux naquit un nouvel art.

Bertin: *Poésies*

Paris: Quantin, 1879

$5\frac{1}{8}'' \times 2\frac{5}{8}''$

DE LA MOTHE-FÉNELON

FABLES

COMPOSÉES POUR

L'ÉDUCATION DU DUC DE BOURGOGNE

AVEC UNE PRÉFACE

PAR

HIPPOLYTE FOURNIER



PARIS

LIBRAIRIE DES BIBLIOPHILES

Rue Saint-Honoré, 334

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M DCC LXXXIV

Fénelon: *Fables*

Paris: Jouaust, 1884

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FABLES
COMPOSÉES POUR L'ÉDUCATION
DE FEU MONSEIGNEUR
LE DUC DE BOURGOGNE

FABLE I

LES AVANTURES D'ARISTONOUS

SOPHRONIME, ayant perdu les biens de ses ancêtres par des naufrages et par d'autres malheurs, s'en consoloit par sa vertu dans l'isle de Delos. Là il chantoit sur une lyre d'or les merveilles du Dieu qu'on y adore. Il cultivoit les Muses, dont il étoit aimé; il recherchoit curieusement tous les secrets de la nature, le cours des astres et des cieux,

Fables de Fénelon.

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Fénelon: *Fables*

Paris: Jouaust, 1884

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AVEC l'imprimeur Jean Du Pré commence une nouvelle ère pour la typographie française. Jean Du Pré est le premier typographe parisien qui ait introduit la gravure dans les livres. Le 22 septembre 1481, il publie un *Misal* de l'Église de Paris, dans lequel on remarque deux grandes gravures sur bois : le Père éternel & le Christ en croix, placées au Canon de la Messe. Le 28 novembre suivant, il termine un *Misal* de Verdun, qui contient des gravures sur bois & sur métal, en relief, imitant les ornements des manuscrits.

Christian: *Origines de l'Imprimerie française*

Paris: Imprimerie Nationale, 1900

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A LA MÉMOIRE
DE
JEAN GUTENBERG

HOMMAGE
DE L'IMPRIMERIE NATIONALE
ET
DE LA BIBLIOTHÈQUE NATIONALE



PARIS
IMPRIMERIE NATIONALE

JUIN MDCCCC

Hommage à Jean Gutenberg
Paris: Imprimerie Nationale, 1900
 $13\frac{3}{4}'' \times 9\frac{1}{4}''$

ANATOLE FRANCE
DE L'ACADEMIE FRANÇAISE.

*LA RÔTISSERIE
DE LA
REINE PÉDAUQUE*

ILLUSTRÉE PAR AUGUSTE LEROUX

DE 176 COMPOSITIONS

GRAVÉES PAR

DUPLESSIS, ERNEST FLORIAN, LES DEUX FROMENT
GUSMAN ET PERRICHON



ÉDITIONS D'ART

ÉDOUARD PELLETAN

125, BOULEVARD SAINT-GERMAIN, 125

PARIS

1911

France: *La Rôtisserie de la reine Pédaque*

Paris: Édouard Pelletan, 1907

7" x 5"



I
LES RAISONS
D'UNE RÉSURRECTION.

L'ITALIE contemporaine va célébrer, en compagnie des nations invitées, le cinquantième anniversaire de ce qu'elle-même a appelé sa *Réurrection*, son *Risorgimento*, comme État parmi les États, comme peuple au milieu des peuples. A cette sorte d'exposition éternelle de la beauté que lui font les paysages de sa nature et les chefs-d'œuvre de son passé, l'Italie entend ajouter deux grandes Expositions universelles, l'une à Turin, d'où s'arma le *Risorgimento*, l'autre à Rome, où il se couronna.

Turin recevra du monde entier l'industrie et les sciences, Rome en accueillera les arts et l'histoire. Qu'il s'agisse de l'automobile ou de l'avia-

Bérenger: *Les Résurrections italiennes*

Paris: Édouard Pelletan, 1911

$6\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4\frac{3}{8}''$

LA TERRE ET L'HOMME.

une heure. Les sentiments qui nous la rendent ou douce, ou du moins tolérable, naissent d'un mensonge et se nourrissent d'illusions.

Si, possédant, comme Dieu, la vérité, l'unique vérité, un homme la laissait tomber de ses mains, le monde en serait anéanti sur le coup et l'univers se dissiperait aussitôt comme une ombre. La vérité divine, ainsi qu'un jugement dernier, le réduirait en poudre.



Nous avons mangé les fruits de l'arbre de la science, et il nous est resté dans la bouche un goût de cendre. Nous avons exploré la terre; nous nous sommes mêlés aux racines noires, rouges et jaunes, et nous



Hesiod: *Les Travaux*

Paris: Édouard Pelletan, 1912

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ANNALES
DE LA
CITÉ DE GENÈVE.

GENEVE desa ville iadis puissante & florissante, plus grande 3. fois en ses seuls faubourgs qu'elle n'est a present, en ceste assiette remarquable sur ceste petite mer du tant renomme lac Leman & sur l'estendue de la meilleure part du pays voisin iusques a la ville de Solleure, a tou-sieurs demeuré ville franche & Republique imperialle voire plusieurs siecles auant que la maison de Sauoye eust encor aucun nom ni commencement, relevant simplement & immiediatement de l'Empire Romain sans qu'il y ait memoire ni acte vallable du contraire, gouvernee par ses consuls ou syndiques & autres magistrats, regie par ses propres loix, statuts & edictz municipaux & hors iceux par le droit escript imperial duquel mesmes iceux edictz sont pour la pluspart extraictz & tirez, n ayant a prince ou potentat du monde aucun debuoir ni obligation de subiection &

a. i.

Annales de la cité de Genève

Geneva: Fick, 1858

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NOTES ET DOCUMENTS.

TABLEAU GENEALOGIQUE DES PRINCES de la maison de Savoie jusqu'à la bienheureuse Louise, pour servir à son histoire.



ORIGINE de la maison de Savoie, qui règne depuis huit siècles, est à peine connue. Ses princes sont persuadés qu'ils descendent de Bérold de Saxe, issu lui-même de la famille du grand Wittikind, contemporain de Charlemagne. Un roi de Bourgogne, nommé Rodolphe, donna à Bérold à perpétuité, pour lui & ses descendants, en récompense de ses services, le comté de Maurienne & les seigneuries qui l'entourent. Cette cession est datée d'Aix, du 5 des ides de Mai de l'an 1000.

Les savantes recherches de M. le commandeur Cibrario sur l'origine de la maison de Savoie ont fait rejeter cette opinion. L'illustre écrivain a prouvé que cette puissante dynastie est originaire d'Italie.

Nous avons cru devoir donner ici un tableau chronologique des princes qui ont illustré cette grande famille, la plus ancienne de toutes les maisons royales aujourd'hui régnerantes.

I. — BEROLD DE SAXE, suivant Pingon, Guicheron, &c., vivait l'an 1020. Il se maria avec Catherine de Bavière dont il eut un fils nommé Humbert.

Vie de très illustre dame Madame Loyse de Savoie

Geneva: Fick, 1860

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Gattinara: *Il sacco di Roma*

Geneva: Fick, 1866

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CHRONIQUES DE GENEVE

par FRANCOIS BONIVARD

prieur de Saint-Victor

PUBLIEES PAR
GUSTAVE REVILLIOD

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Comme à Remiremont



GENEVE

Imprimerie de Jules-G. Fick

rue du Puits Saint-Pierre, 4

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1867

Bonivard: *Chroniques de Genève*

Geneva: Fick, 1867

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R U R A L T A L E S,

B A L L A D S,

AND

S O N G S:

By ROBERT BLOOMFIELD,

Author of The Farmer's Boy.

LONDON:

PRINTED FOR VERNOR AND HOOD, POULTRY; AND
LONGMAN AND REES, PATERNOSTER-ROW;

By T. Bensley, Bolt-court, Fleet-street.

1802.

Bloomfield: *Rural Tales, Ballads, and Songs*

London: T. Bensley, 1802

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A N
INTRODUCTORY LETTER
TO THE
Right Honourable Earl COWPER.

YOUR family, my Lord, our country itself, and the whole literary world, sustained such a loss in the death of that amiable Man, and enchanting Author, who forms the subject of these Volumes, as inspired the friends of genius and virtue with universal concern. It soon became a general wish, that some authentic, and copious memorial of a character so highly interesting should be produced with all becoming dispatch; not only to render due honour to the dead, but to alleviate the regret of a nation taking a just, and liberal pride in the reputation of a Poet, who had obtained, and deserved, her applause, her esteem, her affection. If this laudable wish was very sensibly felt by the public at large, it glowed with peculiar warmth and eagerness in the bosom of the few, who had been so fortunate as to enjoy an intimacy with Cowper in some unclouded periods of his life, and who knew from such an intimacy, that a lively sweetness,

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Hayley: *Life of William Cowper*

Chichester: J. Seagrave, 1803

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THE
LAY
 OF
 THE LAST MINSTREL,
 A POEM;

 BY
 WALTER SCOTT, Esq.

Dum relogo, scripsisse pudet, quia plurima cerno,
Me quoque, qui feci, judice, digna lini.

LONDON:
 PRINTED FOR LONGMAN, HURST, REES, AND ORME,
 PATERNOSTER-ROW, AND A. CONSTABLE AND CO. EDINBURGH;
By James Ballantyne & Co. Edinburgh.
 1806.

Scott: *Lay of the Last Minstrel*

Edinburgh: Ballantyne, 1806

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INTRODUCTION.

THE way was long, the wind was cold,
The Minstrel was infirm and old;
His withered cheek, and tresses gray,
Seemed to have known a better day;
The harp, his sole remaining joy,
Was carried by an orphan boy.
The last of all the bards was he,
Who sung of Border chivalry;
For, well-a-day! their date was fled,
His tuneful brethren all were dead;
And he, neglected and oppressed,
Wished to be with them, and at rest.
No more, on prancing palfrey borne,
He caroled, light as lark at morn;

Scott: *Lay of the Last Minstrel*

Edinburgh: Ballantyne, 1806

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DAVISON'S
Poetical Rhapsody.

WITH
A PREFACE,
 BY
SIR EGERTON BRYDGES, K.J.

"Never durst Poet touch a pen to write,
 Until his ink were temper'd with Love's sighs;
 And then his lines would ravish savage ears,
 And plant in Tyrants mild humanity." Shakesp.



KENT.

Printed at the private Press of Lee Priory;

BY JOHNSON AND WARWICK.

1814.

Davison: *Poetical Rhapsody*

Lee Priory: Johnson and Warwick, 1814

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to

THE FIRST PORTION OF THIS EDITION.



THE Collection of Elizabethan Poetry, which is now again introduced to the curious through the LEE PRIORY Press, has long been a desideratum among the lovers of our old English literature: for, though it passed through four editions in the reign of King James I. (1602, 1608, 1611, 1621,) it has for at least a century been so rare, that very few have had an opportunity of being gratified with the perusal of it.

The intrinsic merit of the pieces, which it contains, is intended to form the subject of an Introduction, which is kept back till the printers have had time to complete the impression of the original work.

FRANCIS DAVISON, the collector, and in part author, of these poems, was the son of

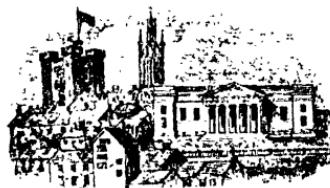
Davison: *Poetical Rhapsody*

Lee Priory: Johnson and Warwick, 1814

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THE
FABLES OF AESOP,
 AND OTHERS,
 WITH DESIGNS ON WOOD,
 BY
 THOMAS BEWICK

The wisest of the Ancients delivered these Conceptions of the Deity, and their Lessons of Morality, in Fables and Parables.



NEWCASTLE:

PRINTED BY F. WALKER, FOR T. BEWICK AND SON;
 SOLD BY THEM, LONGMAN AND CO., LONDON,
 AND ALL BOOKSELLERS.

1818.

Aesop: *Fables*

Newcastle: Walker and Bewick, 1818

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THE ORIGINAL PREFACE.

To those who attentively consider the subject of Natural History, as displayed in the animal creation, it will appear, that though much has been done to explore the intricate paths of Nature, and follow her through all her various windings, much yet remains to be done before the great economy is completely developed. Notwithstanding the laborious and not unsuccessful inquiries of ingenious men in all ages, the subject is far from being exhausted. Systems have been formed and exploded, and new ones have appeared in their stead; but, like skeletons injudiciously put together, they give but an imperfect idea of that order and symmetry to which they are intended to be subservient: they have, however, their use, but it is chiefly the skilful practitioner who is enabled to profit by them; to the less informed they appear obscure and perplexing, and too frequently deter him from the great object of his pursuit.

To investigate, with any tolerable degree of success, the more retired and distant parts of the animal economy, is a task of no small difficulty. An enquiry so desirable and so eminently useful would require the united efforts of many to give it the desired success. Men of leisure, of all descriptions, residing in the country, could scarcely find a more delightful employment than in attempting to elucidate, from their own observations, the various branches of Natural

Aesop: *Fables*

Newcastle: Walker and Bewick, 1818

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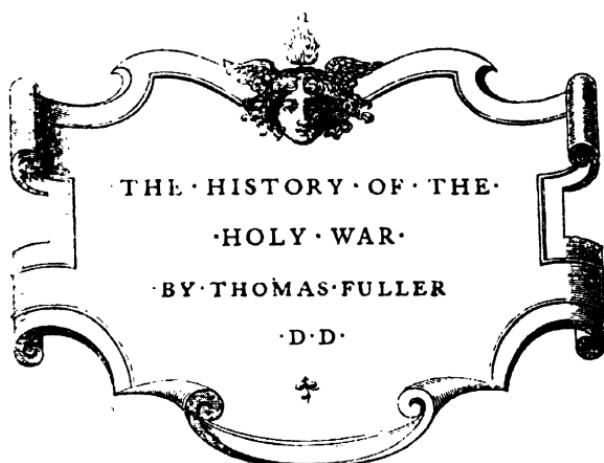
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 OXONII: D. A. TALBOYS.

LONDINI: WHITTAKER ET CO.;
 LONGMAN, ORME, BROWN, GREEN, ET LONGMANS;
 ET T. TEGG ET FILIUS.

Horatius: *Opera*
 Oxford: D. A. Talboys, 1838
 $6\frac{7}{8}'' \times 3\frac{5}{8}''$



LONDON
WILLIAM PICKERING
1840

Fuller: *History of the Holy War*
London: Pickering and Whittingham, 1840
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TO HIS WORTHY AND LEARNED FRIEND,
MR. THOMAS FULLER,
UPON HIS EXCELLENTLY COMPOSED HISTORY OF THE
HOLY WAR.

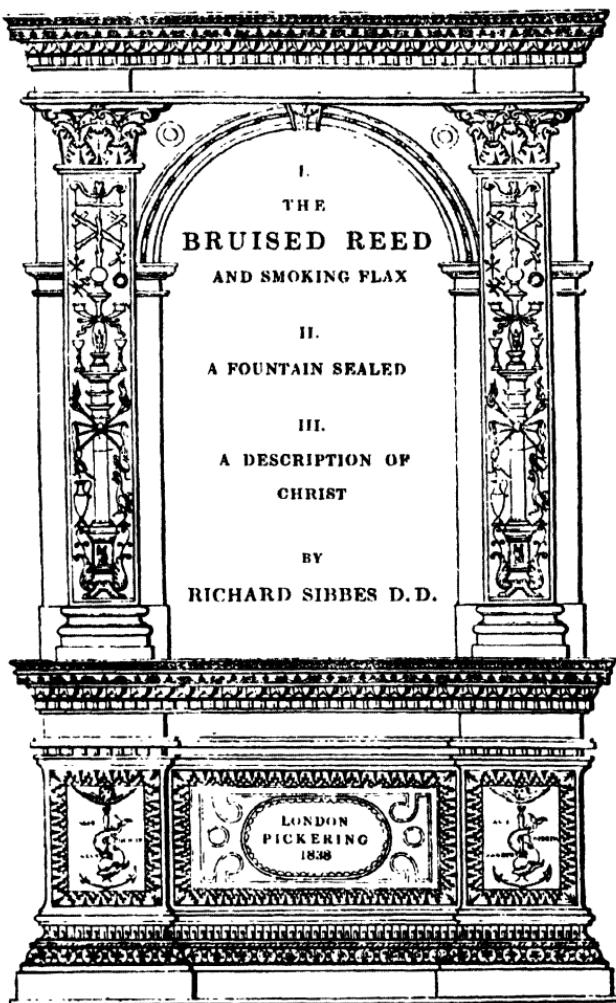
CAPTAIN of arts, in this thy Holy War
My muse desires to be thy trumpeter,
In thy just praise to spend a blast or two,
For this is all that she (poor thing) can do.

Peter the Hermit, like an angry owl,
Would needs go fight all armed in his cowl.
What, had the holy man nought else to do,
But thus to lose his blood and credit too?
Seeking to win Christ's sepulchre, God wot,
He found his own ; this was the ground he got.
Except he got more ground, when he one day
Besieging Antioch fiercely ran away.
Much wiser was the Pope : at home he stayed,
And made the world believe he wept and prayed.
Meanwhile (behold the fruit of feigned tears)
He sets the world together by the ears.
His head serves him, whilst others use their hands :
Whilst princes lose their lives, he gets their lands.
To win the Holy Land what need kings roam ?
The pope can make a Holy Land at home
By making it his own : then for a fashion,
'Tis said to come by Constantine's donation.
For all this fox-craft, I have leave (I hope)
To think my friend far wiser than the pope
And hermit both : he deals in holy wars,
Not as a stickler in those fruitless jars,
But a composer rather : hence this book ;
Whereon whilst I with greedy eyes do look,
Methinks I travel through the Holy Land,
Viewing the sacred objects on each hand.
Here mounts (methinks), like Olivet, brave sense ;
There flows a Jordan of pure eloquence :
A temple rich in ornament I find
Presented here to my admiring mind.
Strange force of Art ! the ruined holy city
Breeds admiration in me now, not pity.
To testify her liking, here my muse
Makes solemn vows, as holy pilgrims use.

Fuller: *History of the Holy War*

London: Pickering and Whittingham, 1840

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Sibbes: *The Bruised Reed*

London: Pickering and Whittingham, 1838

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TO THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
THE LADY DALKEITH,
 LADY GOVERNESS TO HER HIGHNESS
 THE PRINCESS HENRIETTA.

MADAM,

IT is unsafe in these dangerous days for any to go abroad without a convoy, or, at the least, a pass; my book hath both in being dedicated to your honour. The apostle saith, Who planteth a vineyard, and eateth not of the fruit thereof?* I am one of your honour's planting, and could heartily wish, that the fruit I bring forth were worthy to be tasted by your judicious palate. Howsoever, accept these grapes, if not for their goodness, for their novelty: though not sweetest relished, they are soonest ripe, being the first fruits of Exeter press, presented unto you. And if ever my ingratitude should forget my obligations to your honour, these black lines will turn red, and blush his unworthiness that wrote them. In

* 1 Cor. ix. 7.

Sibbes: *The Bruised Reed*

London: Pickering and Whittingham, 1838



GOOD THOUGHTS
IN BAD TIMES, GOOD THOUGHTS IN WORSE
TIMES, MIXT CONTEMPLATIONS
IN BETTER TIMES,
BY THOMAS FULLER D. D.

TO WHICH IS ADDED
THE CAUSE AND CURE OF A WOUNDED
CONSCIENCE



LONDON
WILLIAM PICKERING
MDCCCLXI

Fuller: *Good Thoughts*

London: Pickering and Whittingham, 1841

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**The Passion of our Lord
Jesus Christ,
*pourtrayed by Albert Durer.***

EDITED BY HENRY COLE,
AN ASSISTANT KEEPER OF THE
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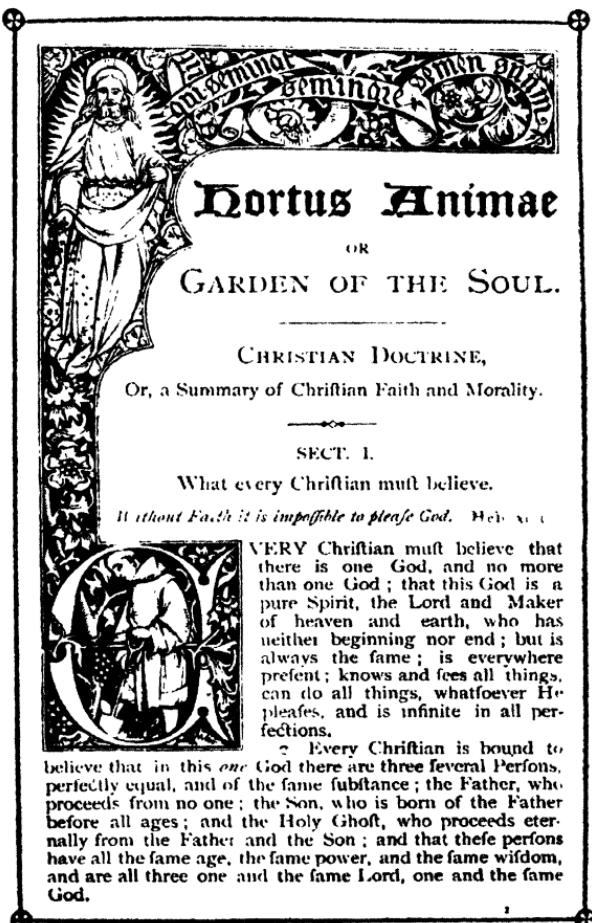
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Cole: *The Passion of Our Lord*
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Hortus Animae

London: John Philip, 1860

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RELIQUES OF OLD LONDON
UPON THE BANKS OF THE
THAMES & IN THE SUBURBS
SOUTH OF THE RIVER

DRAWN IN LITHOGRAPHY BY
T. R. WAY
WITH AN INTRODUCTION AND DESCRIPTIONS BY
H. B. WHEATLEY, F.S.A.



LONDON: GEORGE BELL AND SONS: MDCCXCIX

Way: *Reliques of Old London*

London: Chiswick Press, 1899

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Afloat
again

CHAPTER XXIV. UP THE THAMES: THE SECOND DAY.



HEY were not slow to take my hint; & indeed, as to the mere time of day, it was best for us to be off, as it was past seven o'clock, & the day promised to be very hot. So we got up and went down to our boat; Ellen thoughtful and abstracted; the old man very kind and courteous, as if to make up for his crabbedness of opinion. Clara was cheerful & natural, but a little subdued, I thought; and she at least was not sorry to be gone, and often looked shyly and timidly at Ellen and her strange wild beauty. So we got into the boat, Dick saying as he took his place, "Well, it is a fine day!" and the old man answering "What you like that, do you?" once more; and presently Dick was sending the bows swiftly through the slow weed-checked stream. I turned round as we got into mid-stream, and waving my hand to our hosts, saw Ellen leaning on the old man's shoulder, and caressing his healthy apple-red cheek, and quite a keen pang smote me as I thought how I should never see the beautiful girl again. Presently I insisted on taking the sculls, and I rowed a good deal that day; which no doubt accounts for the fact that we got very late

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Morris: *News from Nowhere*

Kelmscott Press, 1892

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to the place which Dick had aimed at. Clara was Once a particularly affectionate to Dick, as I noticed from school the rowing thwart; but as for him, he was as frank-ly kind and merry as ever; and I was glad to see it, as a man of his temperament could not have taken her caresses cheerfully and without embarrass-ment if he had been at all entangled by the fairy of our last night's abode.



NEED say little about the lovely reaches of the river here. I duly no-ted that absence of cockney villas which the old man had lamented; and I saw with pleasure that my old enemies the "Gothic" cast-iron bridges had been replaced by handsome oak and stone ones. Also the banks of the forest that we passed through had lost their courtly game-keep-erish trimness, and were as wild and beautiful as need be, though the trees were clearly well seen to. I thought it best, in order to get the most direct information, to play the innocent about Eton & Windsor; but Dick volunteered his knowledge to me as we lay in Datchet lock about the first. Quoth he: ¶ "Up yonder are some beautiful old buildings, which were built for a great college or teaching-place by one of the mediaeval kings... Edward the Sixth, I think" (I smiled to myself at his rather natural blunder). "He meant poor peo-ple's sons to be taught there what knowledge was going in his days; but it was a matter of course that

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IN THE BEGINNING

GOD CREATED THE HEAVEN AND THE EARTH. ¶ AND THE EARTH WAS WITHOUT FORM, AND VOID; AND DARKNESS WAS UPON THE FACE OF THE DEEP, & THE SPIRIT OF GOD MOVED UPON THE FACE OF THE WATERS.

¶ And God said, Let there be light: & there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good: & God divided the light from the darkness. And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day. ¶ And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, & let it divide the waters from the waters. And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: & it was so. And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening & the morning were the second day. ¶ And God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear: and it was so. And God called the dry land Earth, and the gathering together of the waters called he Seas: and God saw that it was good. And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in itself, upon the earth: & it was so. And the earth brought forth grass, & herb yielding seed after his kind, & the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after his kind: and God saw that it was good. And the evening & the morning were the third day. ¶ And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night: and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, & years: and let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: & it was so. And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also. And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth, and to rule over the day and over the night, & to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good. And the evening and the morning were the fourth day. ¶ And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven. And God created great whales, & every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, & every winged fowl after his kind: & God saw that it was good. And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, & multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth. And the evening & the morning were the fifth day. ¶ And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so. And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the

A HISTORY OF THE
HOLY EUCHARIST
IN GREAT BRITAIN
BY T. E. BRIDGETT, C.S.S.R.
With Notes by H. THURSTON, S.J.

LONDON
BURNS & OATES
ORCHARD STREET
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Bridgett and Thurston: *History of the Holy Eucharist*

London: Arden Press, 1908

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THE ORDER FOR
MORNING PRAYER,
DAILY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

¶ At the beginning of Morning Prayer the Minister shall read with a loud voice some one or more of these Sentences of the Scriptures that follow. And then he shall say that which is written after the said Sentences

Ezekiel
xxviii 27

WHEN the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive.

Psalm li.
3. I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Psalm li.
9. Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.

Psalm li.
17. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

Joel ii.
13. Rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil.

Dan ix.
9, 10. To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though

we have rebelled against him: neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws which he set before us.

O Lord, correct me, but with jer v 24 judgement; not in thine anger, psalm vi lest thou bring me to nothing.

Repent ye; for the Kingdom of St. Matt heaven is at hand.

I will arise, and go to my father, St. Luke and will say unto him, Father, I xv. 18, 19 have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.

Enter not into judgement with psalm thy servant, O Lord; for in thy exult. 2 sight shall no man living be justified.

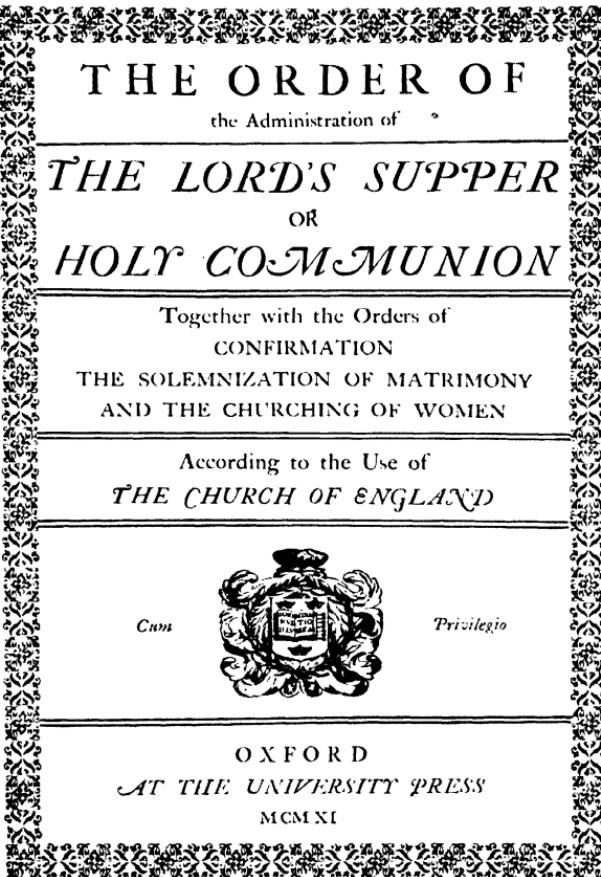
If we say that we have no sin, St. John i. 8, 9 we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us: but, if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

A DEARLY

Book of Common Prayer

Oxford University Press, 1911

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Book of Common Prayer
Oxford University Press, 1911

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*THE COLLECTS
EPISTLES
AND GOSPELS
TO BE
USED THROUGHOUT
THE YEAR*

Book of Common Prayer
Oxford University Press, 1911
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CLASS A. EARLY WORKS

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The only copy of the first edition of
Shakespeare's first publication.

Venus and Adonis. [motto, *then-device*]

London Imprinted by Richard Field, and are to
be sold at the signe of the white Greyhound
in Paules Church-yard. 1593; 4°: signn.
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Unique copy, reproduced in facsimile by Ashbee in 1867, by
Griggs in 1886, and by Lee in 1905. The motto on the title-
page is from Ovid (*Ametes I. xv. 35-6*):

'Vilia miretur vulgus: mihi flavus Apollo
Pocula Castalia plena ministret aqua',

which Marlowe translated

'Let base-conceited wits admire vile things,
Fair Phœbus lead me to the Muses' springs!'

This and *Lucrece* were the only two works published with the
author's sanction and co-operation. The preface declares the

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Catalogue of the Shakespeare Exhibition

Oxford University Press, 1916

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D^r John
R A D C L I F F E
A SKETCH
O F H I S L I F E
WITH AN ACCOUNT
OF HIS
F E L L O W S
AND
FOUNDA TIONS

By *J. B. Nias, M.D., M.R.C.P.*

Radcliffe Travelling Fellow 1882-5

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At the CLARENDON PRESS A.D. 1918

Nias: *Dr. John Radcliffe*
Oxford University Press, 1918

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SHAKESPEARE'S
Use of Song
With the Text of
The Principal Songs

by

Richmond Noble, M.A.

Lincoln College, Oxford



OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS
HUMPHREY MILFORD
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Noble: *Shakespeare's Use of Song*

Oxford University Press, 1923

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THE
AUTHORISED VERSION
 OF THE
ENGLISH BIBLE
 1611

EDITED BY
WILLIAM ALDIS WRIGHT, M.A.
 VICE-MASTER OF TRINITY COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE

VOLUME I



Cambridge
 at the University Press
 1909

The English Bible
 Cambridge University Press, 1909
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ADDRESS AT THE UNVEILING OF THE
ROLL OF HONOUR OF THE CAMBRIDGE
TIPPERARY CLUB. BY THE PROVOST OF
KING'S COLLEGE.



ODAY a great record is brought before us. The Roll of Honour of this Club is unveiled. Each name that is written upon it brings to some one of you who hear me a memory which I think must be more precious than any gift that could be given to you, except the gift of one more sight of the kinsman or the friend. But not to you alone are these memories precious. We also, even if we did not know them, are proud of our fellow citizens; nay, there is not a man, woman, or child in the land who does not now,—who for many a year to come will not,—honour the men and boys who went forth, not knowing whether they went, and gave for England all that they had to give.

Four or five years ago, what did each one of these think would be the course of his life? Most, I suppose, thought of years spent in some honest work or trade, of a wife, home, and children, a quiet old age, and a grave among those he had known. Even to those who had planned something more adventurous, a life over seas, or the career of a sailor or a soldier, it did not seem the most likely thing that they would die a death of violence.

There came a day which changed all that: a day when it

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Address at the Tipperary Club

Cambridge University Press, 1918

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viii THE TWO GENTLEMEN OF VERONA

Juliet; Venice for Shylock and for Othello as handily as for Gratiano; and Launce and Launcelot Gobbo are brothers and might inhabit either. In the original version of that most English of comedies, *Every Man in his Humour*, Jonson laid the scene in Florence and gave his characters Italian names. Few will deny that by transferring the scene to London and turning his eccentrics into English men and women he made—by this process alone—a vastly better play; that in his native-grown Comedy of Humours this increase of realism increases his vivacity and verisimilitude. The audience approved, and the successors and congeners of *Every Man in his Humour*—*Epicene*, *The Alchemist*, *Bartholomew's Fair*—were duly located in or near London.

* Our Scene is London, 'cause we would make knowne
No countries mirth is better then our owne...

(Prologue to *The Alchemist*, 1610.)

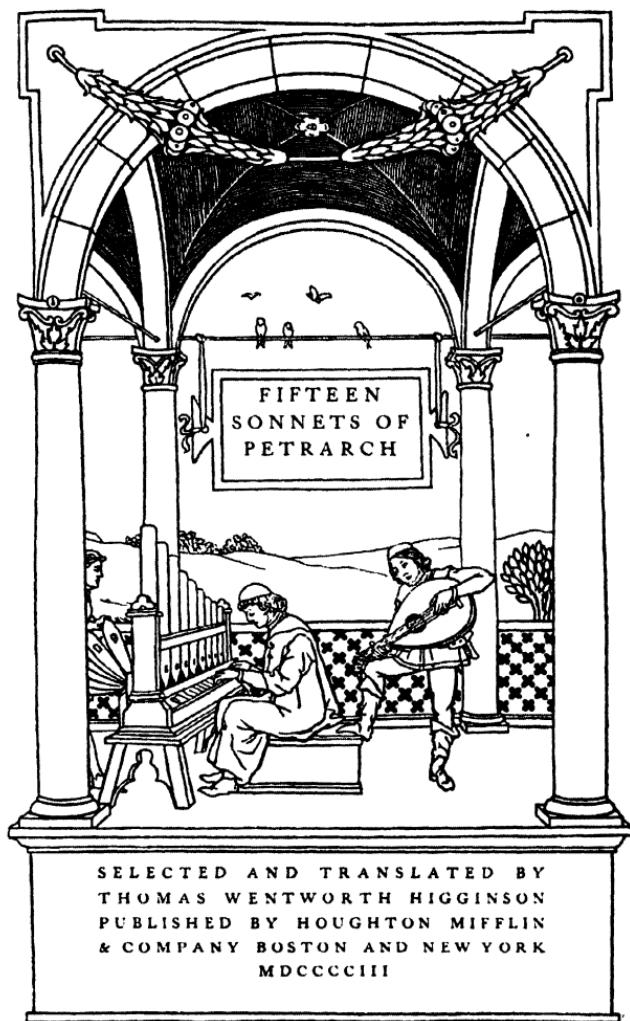
The apology, however, hints the innovation. In 1598 Jonson would stage his British comedy in Florence as unhesitatingly as, ten years or so later, Webster staged his Italianate *White Devil* in Rome or Padua; or—shall we say?—with no more trouble of artistic conscience than Shakespeare felt in dodging the centuries and dragging the right Renaissance scoundrel Iachimo into a supposed early-British *Tragedie of Cymbeline*. ‘Somewhere in Italy’ was in fact the spot where an Elizabethan playwright and his audience started upon agreed terms. Apart from the tradition and the romance of it, this convention of Italy conveniently accommodated the players, under a wide range of magnificent titles, with a still wider wardrobe of magnificent and miscellaneous costumes.

Guess-work suggests that in *The Two Gentlemen of Verona* Shakespeare recast an old lost play *The History of Felix and Philomena*, entered in the Revels Accounts, 1584–5, as having been acted by the Queen’s company at Greenwich ‘on the sondaie next after newyeare daie at

Shakespeare: *Two Gentlemen of Verona*

Cambridge University Press, 1921

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Higginson: *Fifteen Sonnets of Petrarch*
Cambridge, U.S.A.: Bruce Rogers, Riverside Press, 1903

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INTRODUCTION

a doubtful blessing to the human race, that the instinct of translation still prevails, stronger than reason ; and after one has once yielded to it, then each untranslated favorite is like the trees round a backwoodsman's clearing, each of which stands, a silent defiance, until he has cut it down. Let us try the axe again. This is to Laura singing (*Quando Amor*).

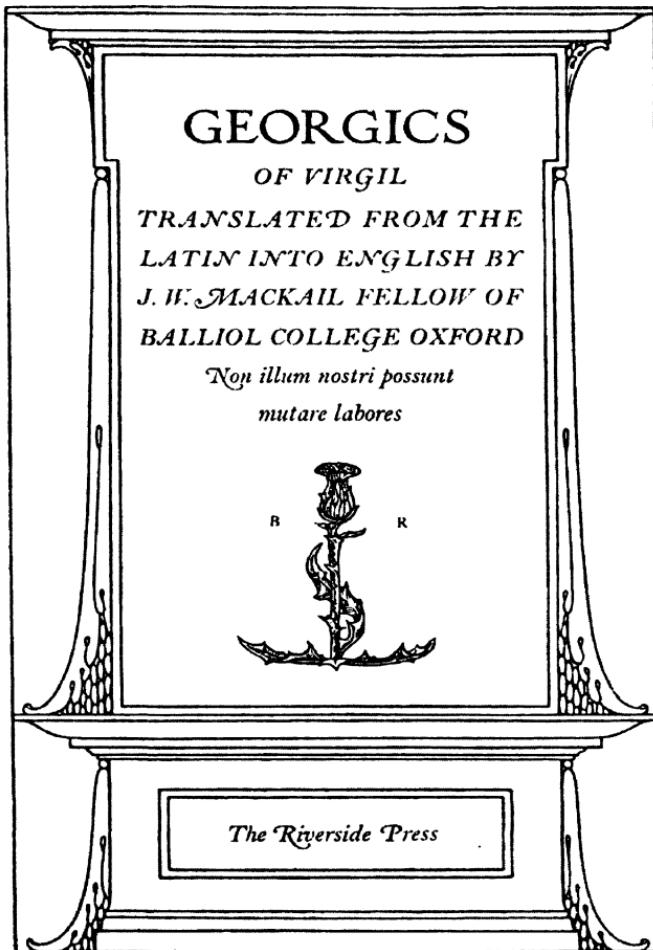
As I look across the bay, there is seen resting over all the hills, and even upon every distant sail, an enchanted veil of palest blue, that seems woven out of the very souls of happy days,—a bridal veil, with which the sunshine weds this soft landscape in summer. Such and so indescribable is the atmospheric film that hangs over these poems of Petrarch's; there is a delicate haze about the words, that vanishes when you touch them, and reappears as you recede. How it clings, for instance, round this sonnet (*Aura che quelle chiome*) !

Consider also the pure and reverential tenderness of one like this (*Qual donna attende*). A companion sonnet, on the other hand (*O passi sparsi*), seems rather to be of the Shakespearean type; the successive phrases set sail, one by one, like a yacht squadron; each spreads its graceful wings and glides

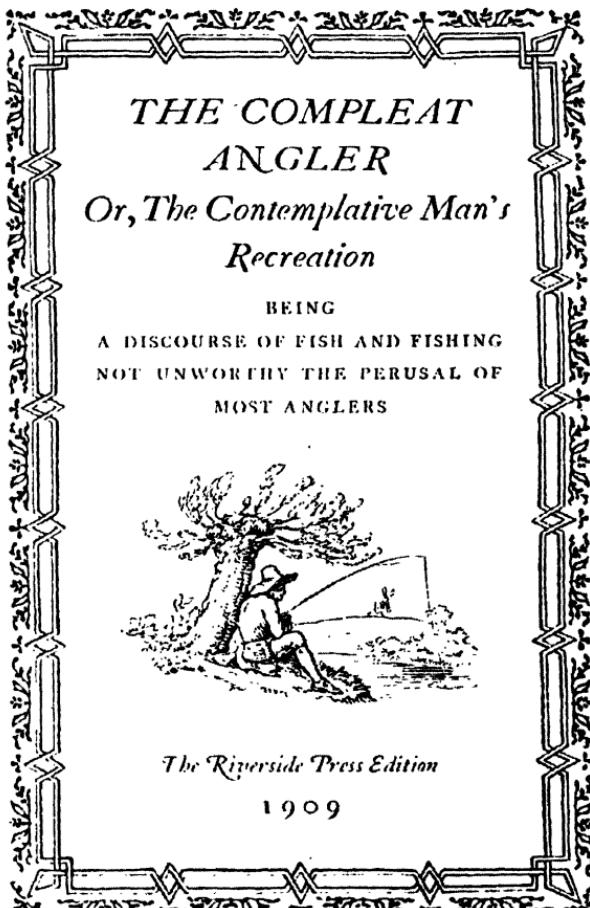
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Walton: *Compleat Angler*
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TO THE
Reader of this Discourse
 BUT ESPECIALLY TO
 THE HONEST
 ANGLER

 Think fit to tell thee these following truths; that I did not undertake to write, or to publish this Discourse of Fish and Fishing, to please my self, and that I wish it may not displease others; for I have confess there are many defects in it. And yet, I cannot doubt, but that by it, some readers may receive so much profit or pleasure, as if they be not very busie men, may make it not un-

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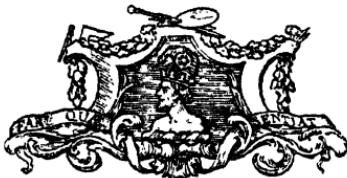
LXXV SONNETS

BY

William Wordsworth*Houghton Mifflin Company**Boston & New York*Wordsworth: *Seventy-five Sonnets*

Cambridge, U.S.A.: Bruce Rogers, Riverside Press, 1910

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*M^R WALPOLE'S FRIENDS
IN BOSTON*



*MANY promising enter-
prises have been organized
into an early death. On
the rocks of the elaborate plan and the
shoals of the careful system are the
wrecks of many good ships. The Wal-
pole Society find the safest anchorage*

Dana: *Mr. Walpole's Friends in Boston*
Cambridge, U.S.A.: Bruce Rogers, Riverside Press, 1911

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INTRODUCTION

To the Edition of 1825.

By THEODORE DWIGHT.

THIS is not a work of fiction, as the scarcity of old American manuscripts may induce some to imagine; but it is a faithful copy from a diary in the author's own hand-writing, compiled soon after her return home, as it appears, from notes recorded daily, while on the road. She was a resident of Boston, and a lady of uncommon literary attainments, as well as of great taste and strength of mind. She was called Madam Knight, out of respect to her character,

The Journal of Madam Knight

Bruce Rogers, at the Press of W. E. Rudge, 1920

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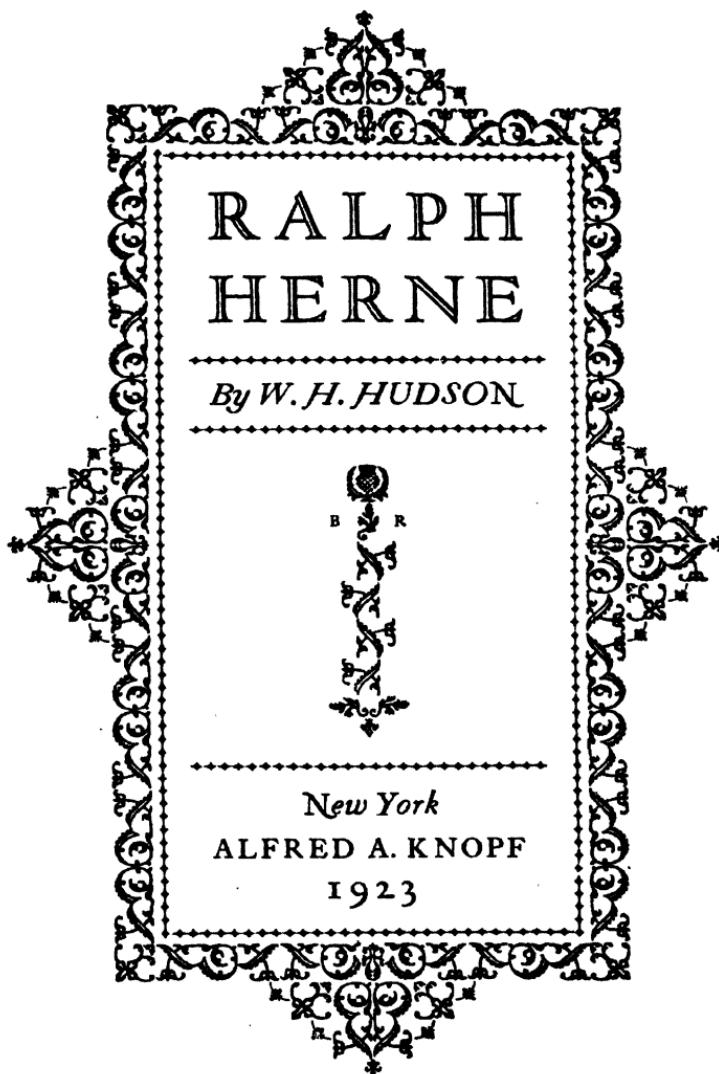
*Monday, Octb'r. ye second,
1704.*

ABOUT three o'clock afternoon, I begun my Journey from Boston to New-Haven; being about two Hundred Milc. My Kinsman, Capt. Robert, Luiſt, waited on me as farr as Dedham, where I was to meet y^e Western post.

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The Felicities of Sixty

By ISAAC H. LIONBERGER



BOSTON

The Club of Odd Volumes
1922



Lionberger: *The Felicities of Sixty*
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THE FELICITIES OF SIXTY

IN MY SIXTIETH YEAR, a wise woman of more than eighty said to me: "I congratulate you: you have begun to live after sixty years of preparation, and are now wise enough to govern yourself and help others. The best part of life is between sixty and eighty."

I pondered her saying, testing its truth by my own experience. I think she was right. I think so because my opinion of friends and enemies, of life and the meaning of life, has undergone a marked and significant change in which I find a distinct and abiding happiness. We have,

at

Lionberger: *The Felicities of Sixty*

Boston, U.S.A.: D. B. Updike, Merrymount Press, 1922

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Charles Lamb

A LETTER regarding Roast Pig to WILLIAM HAZLITT
and

A LETTER on Friendship to ROBERT LLOYD
together with

A DISSERTATION on ROAST PIG



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Lamb: *Dissertation concerning roast pig*

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Mrs. Amory's Letters

Haver, Nov^r 1st, 1833.



S I have promised you, my dearest Mother, an exact account of my "European experiences," I take the first opportunity to commence, after liberation from sea. You, I am sure, will remember the 27th of September, when we left Brookline with you; and our final adieu at Dedham; that parting scene I shall long remember—such moments are not easily obliterated from the memory! We reached Providence to sleep, after a melancholy ride, which, however, was much enlivened to M' Amory by M' E. Preble's company, who very kindly attended us to N. York, and remained there with us till the eve^r before we sailed. Before leaving Providence we paid a long visit to our friends the Arnolds, who received us with even more than their usual kindness. At noon we took passage in the Steamboat, where among others of our acquaintance, we recognized M' & Mⁿ N. Amory, who, however, stopped at Newport. In spite of my

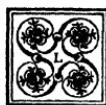
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THE JOURNAL OF
MRS. JOHN AMORY

1775



LEFT Boston Wednesday 24 May 1775, about 9' oClock in the forenoon—in a Schooner, bound to Marblehead, where we arriv'd about four oClock the same day, & went first on board the *Minerva*,— Brother & Sister Payne & M^r Eliot were there waiting for us—we then went on shore at Marblehead, drank Tea with M^r & M^m Eliot at their lodgings, sup'd & lodg'd at the Inn with Brother Payne — M^m Jackson with us—

Thursday 25th dined at the Inn, then went with Brother & Sister Payne to Salem, & lodg'd at M^r Mascarene's—

Fryday 26 — After Breakfast, return'd to Marblehead, Brother & Sister Payne with us, & dined with M^r Eliot— after dinner went on board the *Minerva*, & soon had the pleasure of seeing M^r & M^m Greene coming into the harbour.— we waited to welcome them on board, then went on shore to drink Tea, & then took leave of our friends & return'd on board late in the Evening—

Saturday May 27. 1775 — About 9' oClock in the forenoon, sat sail from Marblehead in the Ship *Minerva* Capt. John Calahan for

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Journal of Mrs. John Amory

Boston, U.S.A.: D. B. Updike, Merrymount Press, 1923

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HET EIGEN RIJK

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ALBERT VERWEY



DE ZILVERDISTEL
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LANSELOET

A Y GOD HERE hoe mach dit sijn
Dat ic die scone sanderijen
Aldus met herten hebbe beseten

Lanseloet van
Denemerken

Nochtan wert mi verweten
Van mijnder moeder alle daghe
Dat ic mine minne soe neder draghe
Dies horlic menich spitich woort
Maer haer minne heeft mi soe doerboert
Dat icse ghelaten niet en can
Ic en moet haer altoes spreken an
Als icse metten oghen anescouwe
Dies heeft mijn moeder groten rouwe
Daer omme soe moet verborghen sijn.
Nv willic hier wachten die vrouwe mijn
Onder desen neghentier
Want si sal hier comen scier
Dat wetic wel in desen bogaert.

SANDERIJN

CO edel ridder van hogher aert,
God die alle dinc vernach
Die moet v gheuen goeden dach
Edel ridder van herten vri.

LANSELOET

O scone maghet, god die si ons bi
Ende moet v ende mi in doghden sparen

Lanseloet Van Denemerken

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SCHILLER
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LEIPZIG
IM INSELMERLAG

Schiller: *Dramatische Dichtungen*
Carl Ernest Poeschel for the Insel-Verlag, 1905

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A Minos mi portò; e quegli attorse
 otto volte la coda al dosso duro;
 e, poi che per gran rabbia la si morse,
 Disse: «Questi è de'rei del fuoco furo»;
 per ch'io là dove vedi son perduto,
 e sì vestito andando mi rancuro.»
 Quand'egli ebbe il suo dir così compiuto,
 la fiamma dolorando sì partio,
 torcendo e dibattendo il corno acuto.
 Noi passammo oltre, ed io e il duca mio,
 su per lo scoglio infino in su l'altr'arco
 che copre il fosso in ch' si paga il fio
 A quei che scommettendo acquistan carco.

Canto ventesimottauo.

CHÌ PORIA MAI PUR CON
 parole sciolte / dicer del sangue
 e delle piaghe appieno, / ch' i'
 ora vidi, per narrar più volte?
 Ogni lingua per certo verría meno
 per lo nostro sermone e per la mente,
 c'hanno a tanto comprender poco seno.
 S'ei s'adunasse ancor tutta la gente,
 che già in su la fortunata terra
 di Puglia fu del suo sangue dolente
 Per li Troiani, e per la lunga guerra
 che dell'anella fe'sì alte spoglie,
 come Livio scrive, che non erra;
 Con quella che senti di colpi doglie
 per contrastare a Roberto Guiscardo,
 e l'altra, il cui ossame ancor s'accoglie

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