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Codicology: Paper, mm 300 x 209 (11.7 x 8.5 in.), ff. circa 200, many blank. Cent. **xvi**, in various hands.

Provenance: Stanley¹ is responsible for calling this volume *Misc. Y*, and he is wrong. Parker¹'s own *Misc. Y*, which contained chiefly medical tracts, is lost, and the present volume was given by Dr J. Jegon¹, Master from 1590 to 1602.

Provenance: A note on the first page (f.viii^r) reads: [Nasmith:] "This booke conteyninge some fragments of that excellent man Richard Cox¹ bishoppe of Elie, Roger Cox¹ sonne to the B. gave to me J. Jegon¹."

Foliation: ff. i-viii + 1-38 + 38a + 39-210 + ix-x.

Language: Latin and English

Contents:

1.
1r-56r *The location of places derived from the church fathers and others*
Loci communes ex patribus, &c. collecti
Collected from Fathers and medieval writers

2.
56v-63v *Notes on church history 603 AD - 1509 AD*
Notae historicae ordine chronologico dispositae de rebus ecclesiasticis ab anno 603 ad annum 1509
Mostly on the Popes

3.
64r-66v *Laws of Cnut¹, Ethelred¹, Edgar¹, Edmund¹, Athelstan¹, Ine¹ and Alfred¹*
Leges Canuti¹, Ethelredi¹, Edgari¹, Edmundi¹, Adelstani¹, Inae¹ et Aluredi¹
(4 pp.) called by Liebermann (p. xxii)^[Liebermann 1903] *Corpus*

4.
67r-102v *Poems on the butcher of Paris¹*
Carmina in Lanienam Parisiensem
67r () *Rubric:* In perfidiam et crudelitatem quam Carolus nonus Galliae Rex¹ in Christianos exercuit
A series of 8 Latin poems: the first begins
67r () *Incipit:* Fama fuit Moscum furiis urgentibus arma
Aduersus ciues expediisse suos
72r () Two pages, one with swan-marks (?) of Roger¹, Richard¹, John¹, Jane Cox¹, Eliz. Whithed¹,
and Brame¹
73r () The other with miscellaneous notes
73v () 27 blank leaves

5.
103r-103r
Letter of Bishop Cox of Ely¹ exhorting the parishioners of every parish to be charitable to their poor neighbours: dated Dodington¹ 12 July, 1569
Letter exhorting the parishioners of every parish to be charitable to their poor neighbours, sent by order of council: dated Dodington¹ 12 July, 1569
Items 5-11 occupy 5 pp.

6.
103r-103r
Letter of Bishop Cox of Ely¹ to the ministers of every parish to certify the names of those that refuse to come to church and receive the sacraments: dated Somersham¹ 13 November 1569
Letter to the ministers of every parish to certify unto him the names of those that refuse to come to church and receive the sacraments, sent by order of council: dated Somersham¹ 13

7.
103v-103v

Letter of Bishop Cox of Ely^l enjoining the ministers to use only the catechism set forth in the book of service, dated Somersham^l 7 August 1572

Letter enjoining the ministers to use only the catechism set forth in the book of service, and to certify unto him quarterly the names of such parents as refuse permitting their children to learn it, dated Somersham^l 7 August 1572

8.
103v-103v

Letter to the churchwardens of a parish to take down their roode-loft and superstitious dome, dated Somersham^l 16 December 1572

The "superstitious dome" is most likely a picture of the Doom or Last Judgment. Gorham, *Gleanings* p. 452^[Gorham, Gorham and Bird 1857]

9.
104r-104r

Letter of Bishop Cox of Ely^l to the ministers of his diocese to be diligent in catechising, dated Ely-palace^l March 1, 1572

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10.
104r-104v

Letter from the council to Bishop Cox of Ely^l, requiring him to enforce the observance of uniformity in religion thro' his diocese, dated Greenwich^l 7 November 1573

Letter from the council to the bishop, requiring him to enforce the observance of uniformity in religion thro' his diocese, dated Greenwich^l 7 November 1573

Wilkins, *Concilia* IV 279^[Wilkins 1737d]

11.
105r-115v

Letter from Richard Cox, bishop of Ely^l to the several parishes to enforce the observance of uniformity in religion

Letter from the bishop to the several parishes on this occasion

105v () Blank leaves

12.
116r-117r

Prayers for the beginning of every year in the queen's reign

Items 12-15 occupy 5 pp.

13.
117r-117r

Coronation oath

Juramentum regis quando coronatur

14.
117r-117r

A prayer for the beginning of every year in the queen's reign

Another prayer for the beginning of every year in the queen's reign

15.
117v-119v

Prayers against the adversaries of the godley

16.
120r-161v *Form and order of the psalmes*
The forme and order of the psalmes as they were used to be songe in the house of the late right reverend father Richard Cox sometime L. B. of Ely[¶]
Metrical Psalmes
 120r () *Rubric:* Munday morning Psal. 1
 120r () *Incipit:* That man is bleste that hath not gone etc.
 122v () Ends with Thursday morning
 123r () Blank leaves
17.
162r-170v
Lists of fairs
 Occupies 9 ff.
18.
171r-173v *Epitaph of pope Sixtus V[¶]*
Epitaphia papae Sixti[¶]
19.
174r-194r *Historical notes beginning in 1558*
Notae historicae incipientes A. D. 1558
 Scattered over several leaves: may be of interest
20.
194v-199v *Poems in Latin and English*
Carmina Latina et Anglicana
 Includes several poems to Queen Elizabeth[¶], an epitaph for Richard Cox[¶] etc.
21.
200r-200r
Verses written by a prisoner, signed C. "Like as the byrde in the cage enclosed"
 200r () Signed R. or P. τελος[¶]
 21-24 (4) are in one good hand
22.
200v-201v
Verses in praise of retirement signed C. W. "Myne owne Ihon Poyntz[¶] sins ye delite to know"
 201v () Signed R. W.[¶]
23.
201v-203v
Proverbs
 201v () *Incipit:* Many a man makes Ryme and lokes to no reason
 203v () Before 24 is a theological extract in Latin
24.
204r-208v *English verses*
English verses with the following burdens
 (1)
 204r () *Incipit:* Hold back thy tonge at meat and meal;
 Speake but few wordes, bestow them well
 (2)

- 204v () *Incipit:* The black shepe is a perylous beast,
Cujus contrarium falsum est
(3)
- 205r () *Incipit:* Say well and do well they are things twayne;
Thryse happye is he, in whom both raygne
(4)
- 205v () *Incipit:* My derlyng dere long have I sowght,
Lost is my labour, she is clere nowght
(5)
- 207v () *Incipit:* Lorde wounde my fleasshe with thy feare
For I feare thy judgements
(6)
- 208r () *Incipit:* For he that by wyll doth rule his witte
Doth oftymes loose when he shulde knitte

These verses were printed in the Percy Society's publications (H. P. S.), vol. XIII, no. 50, 1844, by James Goodwin^[Goodwin 1844]

25.

209r-210r *Speech of Cromwell earl of Essex^l at his execution*

Speech as I conjecture of Cromwell earl of Essex^l at his execution

- 209r () *Incipit:* Masters I am come hither to dye
(2 pp.)

26.

210v-210v *Prayer to be said before the Mass*

Oratio dicenda ante missam

Items 26, 27. On one page, the last

27.

210v-210v

Indulgence granted to the confraternity of St Christopher and St George in the city of York^l

Indulgentia concessa confraternitati S. Christophori et Georgii in civitate Eborac^l

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