

William Pore OCist, Nouale. Peter the Chanter et al.**Willelmi Pore Novale. Petrus Cantor**

Codicology: Vellum, mm 297 x 196, (12.8 x 7.8 in.), ff. 147 + 7, several volumes in double columns: varying number of lines. Cent. **xiii** in several hands.

Multivolume:

Volume I: Double columns.

Volume II: Double columns of 50 lines.

Volume III: Text in double columns, good black hand: leaves irregularly shaped and varying in the number of lines.

Volume IV: Single lines and tabular form.

Volume V: Double columns of 41 lines.

Collation: a⁸ (1, 2 stuck together, 6 canc.) | 1¹² 2¹² 3¹⁰ 4⁸ | 5¹² (3 canc., five leaves inserted at different places) 6¹⁰-9¹⁰ | 10¹² 11⁸ (5 canc.) | 12⁸ (5 canc.) | 13⁸-15⁸ (wants 8).

Additions: On the flyleaf iiv Note on the corporal assumption of the Virgin and some scribbles.

Foliation: ff. i-vii + 1-147 + a.

Language: Latin, Anglo-Norman and Middle English.

Contents:**Volume I****1.****iiir-viiv** William Pore OCist¹, Nouale*Carmen versibus resonantibus scriptum ad Henricum abbatem de Swineshead¹*

[Nasmith:] Incipit, "Noscere debetis pictoribus atque poetis."

[Nasmith:] In nota marginali liber sic describitur; "Nota quod causa materialis hujus libri in parte est donum Henrici abbatis de Swynesheued¹: in quadam est gramatica et in quadam est moralis: in qua tanguntur quedam proverbia communia: in majori parte casus viales quos auctor hujus operis cum discipulis suis percepit in redeundo de Swynesheued¹ ad scholas post natalia festa ibidem celebrata; et in parte tangit proprietates avium et brutorum ad Latine eloquentie opulentiam et ad puerorum instructionem. Causa autem efficiens est intellectus auctoris motus est ad predicta describenda metrica: formalis autem est modus agendi qui metricus est; finalis est dicti abbatis commendatio cum ceteris que tanguntur in causa materiali. Titulus hic incipit novale dictum a quodam novo metro soli dicto abbati appropriate."

[Nasmith:] Ex primis versibus acrosticis apparet nomen auctoris fuisse Willelmum Pore¹.

col. 1 has text, col. 2 notes

iiir Noscere debetis pictoribus atque poetis
 Quelibet audere datur equum posse tenere
 Cur mea figmenta non praues hoc docume(n)ta
 Que fere quingenta numero sunt per metra lenta
 Abbas care uale tuus est liber iste nouale
 Nam metrum tale tibi continet hic speciale
 Tangit penale. tangit quandoque iocale
 Nunc est morale, proprium nunc nunc generale
 Nunc cronographale. nunc sistit gramaticale
 Nunc topographale. per causam sic uariale

The acrostic begins: It reads Willelmus Pore¹
 Vult mens factorum quedam metrare tuorum
 Inclita nostrorum casus simul et puerorum

On f. iiiv is a more elaborate acrostic on the name Henricus Abbas de Swineshevid¹. It is in five columns, each line usually of five words, each column forming the same acrostic: The text then resumes in two columns

iiiv *Incipit:* O flos abbatum decus ordinis intitulatum
 The poem is chiefly occupied with an account of the difficulties of the journey from Swineshead¹ owing to ice and cold, and with an invective against a garcio named William Gybard¹

vir *Explicit:* Qui mihi solamen tribuitque metrando iuamen
 Huic iteres amen, amen iteretur et Amen
 In col. 2 are more verses in a larger hand, some to Abbot Henry¹
 Also

vir Post dolor ad beramdun vice uersa corrueat ense
 Innumerum wlgus Innumerique duces
 Morte repentina mors altera morteque bina

Margin: “Isti tres uersus fuerunt reuelati cuidam mulieri dormienti per tres dies et totidem noctes”

There is also an English line

“þan (or pan) creu kattes an pan wasit dey. rybaudye”

viv blank

viir table to [item](#) no. 2

viiv blank

Volume II

2.

1r-98r [Peter the Chanter](#)[¶], *Verbum abbreviatum*

[Petri Cantoris Parisiensis](#)[¶] *verbum abbreviatum*

[[Nasmith](#).] Hic liber multas notulas habet quae sunt in textu scriptae in multis aliis libris.

1r *Rubric*: Quod breuitati sit studendum

1r *Incipit*: Uerbum abbreviatum faciet dominus etc. Si enim uerbum
([CCV 23](#)^{[[Migne 205](#)]})

43r The hand changes, and in this quire (5) are many additions both marginal and on inserted leaves. They concern chapters 45 de officio prelatorum to 67 contra mollientes arcum sacre scripture

59r Another change of hand

98r *Explicit* inmensum et inexplicable

98r () *Rubric*: Explicit Pater noster pro anima Notarii

Volume III

3.

98r-114r *Biblical extracts*

De uita et doctrina sacerdotis

98r Table of chapters to no. 3

I. De uita et doctrina sacerdotis

107. De uita eterna

99r *Incipit*: Ecclesiasticus. Aurum et argentum confla et facito uerbis tuis stateram. In exodo Saga duplicabantur, etc.

Each section is a collection of short extracts

Ends

114r *Explicit* In corruptio autem proximum facit ei deo .i. similem

4.

114v-117v [John of Garland](#)[¶], *De misteriis ecclesiae*

Carmen ad Fulconem episcopum Londoniensem[¶] *de ritibus ecclesiasticis*

Another hand, double columns of 51 etc. lines

(By [Joh. de Garlandia](#)[¶])

114v *Incipit*: Anglia quo fulget quo gaudet presule claro
([CL 1591](#)^{[[Migne 150](#)]})

114v [Lundonie](#)[¶] quo [parisius](#)[¶] scrutante sophiam

Ends

177v () *Explicit*: Qui fuit ecclesie directa columpna, fenestra
Lucida, Turribulum redolens, campana sonora
Ad finem libri sit laus et gloria christi

Volume IV

5.

118r-122r [Robert Grosseteste](#)[¶], *Templum Domini*

Exhortatio ad sacerdotes [sive tractatus Roberti Grosseteste[¶] episcopi Lincoln[¶], de sacramentis ecclesiae et articulis fidei.]

118r [Roberti Grosseteste](#)[¶] Templum domini (no title)

118r *Incipit*: Templum domini sanctum est quod estis uos

122r Ends unfinished

Some notes in other hands follow

6.

122v-124v *Medical receipts*

Remedia ad guttam fistulam, etc.

- 122v In a very rough large hand (**xiii**)
122v Receipts, one in French
122v “La reste(?) bof garit les bos et les vaches de moreine etc.”
124v blank

Volume V

7.

125r-146v Innocent III (Lotharius de Segnis)^l, *De missarum mysteriis*

Innocentius papa III^l. de officio missae

- 125r *Rubric*: Incipit prephacio Innocentii pape tertii^l de officio misse
125r () *Incipit*: Tria sunt precipue in quibus lex diuina consistit
(CCXVII 773^[Migne 217])
146v *Explicit*et continue totum censui subscribendum
146v () *Rubric*: Explicit liber Innocentii pape tercii^l De officio misse Hic debet subsequi canon
Among scribbles at the end I note
146v Inconstans animus oculus uagus instabilis pes
Sunt signa hominis de quo michi nulla bona spes
Some accounts (**xv**, relating to taking a degree)
147r “Sol. pro gycgys
Pro ciro^{is} soph^{is} ii^d
Pro ob^{ne} (?) i d ...
Pro prandio viij^o vij^d
Pro bedellis v^s iiij^d
Pro senescallo xii^d (twice)
Pro ordinario ...^s
Pro scolis x...^{ds}”
147r Also: Mem. de 2^o libris viz de Aug.^l de ciuitate dei et de sermonibus dominicalibus

CCC: space available for notes on the current status of the encoding

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