

Peter the Chanter, Libellus de contrarietatibus Sacrae Scripturae. William de Montibus, Speculum poenitentis. Pictor in carmine. Miscellaneous Exegetical Tracts

Petrus Cantor. W. de Montibus. Pictor in Carmine

Codicology: Vellum, mm 253 x 180, (10.1 x 7 in.), ff. 374, double and single columns, in many hands of cent. **xiii**, mostly small and pointed.

Collation: 1^s (1 stuck to cover) 2⁴ 3⁸ 4⁴ 5⁸ 6⁶ 7¹⁰ 8⁸-10⁸ (+ slip) 11⁸-13⁸ 14¹⁰ 15⁸ 16⁴ 17¹²-19¹² 20⁸ 21⁸ (wants 7, 8) 22¹⁰ 23¹⁴ 24¹² 25¹⁴ 26⁸ 27¹²-29¹² 30⁸ (wants 8) 31¹²-38¹² (11 stuck to cover, wants 12).

Provenance: From Worcester^l; inside the cover is written (f. 1v):
“Liber monasterii Wygornie^l”.

Additions: Old binding, velvet (brown-green) over boards: two clasps. Label under horn on front cover: Tractatus de contrarietatibus Scripture cum aliis opusculis plurimis (**xvi**). This binding is uniform with that of MS 87^[CCC087] and of Trin. Coll. B. 4. 24^[CTC138].

Foliation: ff. 1-31 + 32a + 32-37 + 37a + 38-64 + 65a + 65-364. Partially imaged: front cover exterior and interior + ff. 1r-21r + 25r + 209r + back cover exterior and interior.

Language: Latin with occasional Anglo-Norman words in item 15.

Contents:

1.

2r-10v **Peter the Chanter^l, Libellus de contrarietatibus Sacrae Scripturae**

Tractatus [Petri Cantoris^l] de contrarietatibus scripturae

- 2r Double columns of 60 lines
2r () *Incipit:* Uidemus nunc per speculum et in enigmate
10v () *Explicit* capilli omnes numerati sunt
(*Hist. Litt.* XV 298)^[2??]

2.

10v-12v **Bede the Venerable^l, De schematibus et tropis**

Liber Cassiodori^l de figuris vel modis locutionum, quae a grammaticis scemata et tropi dicuntur, missus ad Gubertum^l diaconum

[Nasmith:] Opus spurium, Bedae^l ut vult Cavesius^l potius attribuendum

- 10v *Rubric:* Incipit liber cassiodori^l etc.
(Beda^l de schematibus: Keil, *Gramm. Lat.* VII 200^[Keil 1880])
10v () *Incipit:* Solet aliquotiens in scripturis ordo uerborum
11v () *Explicit* memores uxoris Loth^l
11v *Incipit:* Quoniam series que in arte gramatica corrigende sunt
(Extracts)
f. 12v blank

3.

13r-20v **Expositions on parts of the Old and New Testament**

Expositiones in diversos locos veteris et novi testamenti

- 13r Single lines, 60-61 to a page
13r () *Incipit:* In principio creauit ... ergo in principio creatum fuit celum
A series of expository paragraphs: no order is observable
f. 20v blank

4.

21r-24v **Sermons and lectures**

Sermones seu lectiones habitae ad scholares quosdam theologicos

- 21r Double columns of 52 lines
21r () *Incipit:* Egredimini filie syon et uidete ... Ad uos scholares maxime theologos sermo iste dirigitur
22v *Incipit:* Quicumque ad sacre scripture paginam erudiendus
22v *Incipit:* Facies mihi tentorium
24r () *Explicit* non ad mensuram
f. 24v blank

5.

25r-96v *Exposition on the Psalms**Expositio in psalmos*

- 25r Double columns of 52 lines: to some extent in tabular form
 25r () *Incipit*: Beatus uir
 25r () (handsome initial)
 25r () *Incipit*: In hac serie potest distingui septiformis gratia spiritus
 Ends
 96v *Explicit* carnis curam in desiderio ne feceritis
 96v () *Rubric*: *Explicit*. Salua sit reuerentia Thome[¶]

6.

97r-147v *Sermons and expositions on the Old and New Testament**Plurimi sermones seu expositiones in vetus et novum testamentum*

- 97r Begins with 42 lines to a page: at f. 115r the hand changes (after a gap) and there are 60 (and more) lines to a page
 97r () *Incipit*: Post regulas fidei euangelico dogmate promulgatas
 The second hand seems to begin imperfectly at f. 115r. The first beginning of a sermon, on f. 115r, is
 115r () *Incipit*: Ecce ego sternam per ordinem lapides tuos
 Up to f. 118v the writing is rather irregular
 119r A late title Sermo de trinitate bonus
 119r () *Incipit*: Uerbo domini celi firmati sunt
 Only the last three sermons have titles
 143r () *Rubric*: Ascension
 144v () *Rubric*: Pentecost
 146r () *Rubric*: Sermo ad monachos Cistercienses
 146r () *Incipit*: Omnia tempus habent
 147v (146v) Ending

7.

148r-151r *William de Montibus[¶], Speculum poenitentis**Speculum penitentis editum a magistro Willelmo de Montibus[¶] cancellario Lincoln.[¶]*

- 148r (147r) *Incipit*: De peccatorum agnitione tractatum teximus perutilem
 151r () *Explicit* deinceps totum ex ordine dicat
 151r () *Rubric*: *Explicit* speculum penitentis
 (Will. de Montibus[¶])

8.

151v-168v *Sermons**Alii sermones*

- 151v *Incipit*: Transi hospes orna mensam
 Three Sermons in this hand
 Change of hand: at f. 155r begin double columns of 56 lines
 155r *Incipit*: In tribus commendabilis est beata maria
 At f. 163r single lines again, 64 to a page
 163r *Incipit*: Secundo Machab. liij. Machabeus suos armauit non clipei et haste munitione
 These are notes for use in sermons
 166r A tract of explanation of Greek words
 166r () *Incipit*: Episcopus dicitur ab epy quod est supra et scopes quod est intendens uel solitudo uel casa uel inspectio
 167v () *Explicit* elisei campi apud inferos ubi anime piorum requiescunt
 f. 168r - f. 168v blank

9.

169r-187r *William de Montibus[¶], Tropi**Tropi magistri Willelmi [de Montibus[¶]] cancellarii Lincoln. ad theologiam facultatem collecti*

- About 54 lines to a page
 169r *Incipit*: Dei dona dispensamus pulsantibus clauis hostiorum porrigimus
 187r () *Explicit* figura conuersionis et transpositionis

10.

187v-209r [William de Montibus[¶]](#), *Numerale*

Numerale Gul. de Montibus[¶]

Summa theologiae

In the same hand

187v *Incipit*: Introducendis in facultatem theologicam quedam compendiose prelibantur

209r () *Explicit* in aliis opusculis nostris copiosius sunt exarata

209r () *Rubric*: Explicit

11.

209r-218v [Geoffrey de Vinsauf[¶]](#), *Tria sunt (Documentum de arte versificandi)*

Documenta Galfridi Vinesauf[¶] de modo et arte dictandi et versificandi

Double columns of 58 lines

209r *Incipit*: Tria sunt circa que cuiuslibet operis uersatur artificium

218r () *Explicit* Rideat et pulset lasciua decentius etas

218r () *Rubric*: Explicit documenta magistri [Galfridi le Vin est sauf[¶]](#)
f. 218v blank

12.

219r-226v *Pictor in carmine*

Versus picturis in ecclesiis locandis adaptati

[[Nasmith](#).:] In prologo autor graviter invehit in presumptionem nefandam pictorum, qui ecclesias monstris et chimeris impleverunt, et dicit se hos versus scripsisse ad moderandam eorum licentiam et informandam ignorantiam

Double columns of 62 lines

The tract called *Pictor in Carmine*, of which perhaps the best copy is [MS 300^{CC300}](#) in this library

The present copy has the prologue

219r *Incipit*: Dolens in sanctuario dei

219r () *Explicit* copia temperare

Printed by [Delisle](#), *Mélanges de paléographie*, p. 206, [[Delisle 1880](#)] from a Phillipps MS. Then follows the list of subjects with marginal references

Then the text

222v () *Rubric*: Colloquium Gabrielis etc.

222v () *Rubric*: Dixit Deus serpenti

222v () *Incipit*: Femina tritura capud anguis et hunc domitura

With marginal notes: the text ends abruptly (on the Baptism)

225v () *Explicit* Sic aqua baptiste dedit obsequium tibi christe

f. 226r - f. 226v blank

13.

227r-269v [Petrus Riga[¶]](#), *Aurora*. [Matthew of Vendôme[¶]](#), *In Tobiam paraphrasis metrica*

Petri de Riga[¶] Aurora

[[Nasmith](#).:] Desunt libri Hester, Judith, Job, Cantica Canticorum, historia evangelica et Actus apostolorum

227r Double columns of 60 lines

227r () *Rubric*: Incipit prefatio in librum subsequentem

227r () *Incipit*: Sodalium meorum petitio

227r () *Explicit* patenter illuxit

227r () *Rubric*: Explicit prologus

227r () *Rubric*: Incipit liber magistri [Petri[¶]](#) cuius titulus est aurora

227r () *Incipit*: Prima facta die duo celum terra leguntur

The contents are: Genesis - 4 Regum, lib. Machabeorum, lib. Josephi (Symone quod debet morti soluente, Johannes)

This ends

260r () *Explicit* Septem predictis consona queque uides

260r () *Incipit*: Ecce petis liber, recipis pater alme timorem

260r () *Explicit* Pacificum reddit. es filius ec(c)e uocandus

260r () *Rubric*: Explicit liber magistri [Petri[¶]](#) qui dicitur aurora

The [Thobias of Math. Vindocinensis[¶]](#) follows

260r *Rubric*: Incipit prefatio in librum Thobie

260r () *Incipit*: Ecclesie turonensis apex ouium speculator

260r () *Rubric*: Incipit liber

260r () *Incipit*: Ex agro ueteri uirtutum semina. morum

[CCV 933^{Migne 205}](#)

Ends

269r *Explicit*Tobiam merito relligione sequi

269r () *Rubric*: Explicit liber Tobie
f. 269v blank

14.

270r-317v *Tract on the Holy Scripture*

Tractatus theologicus de difficultatibus S. Scripturae

63 lines to a page

270r *Incipit*: Difficile quod durum quod graue quod asperum

Treats of the books from Genesis to 2 Chron. ending with a notice of Daniel

317v () *Explicit*in mediam ducens secum danielem prophetam remeaut

317v () and a list of the kings

Cf. MS 30. 1^{[[CCC030](#)]}. [Andreas Victorinus](#)^{[[\]](#)}

15.

318r-362v *Alexander Nequam OSA*^{[[\]](#)}, *Corrogationes Promethei*

Alexandri Neckam^{[[\]](#)}. *Corrogationes Promethei*

Tractatus de arte theologica, in quo primum traduntur regulae interpretationis, et postea applicantur ad diversos locos singulorum librorum S. Scripturae

318r () *Incipit*: Ferrum situ rubiginem ducit

The hand changes after a few leaves

Ends

362v (352v) *Explicit*excellentiorem esse angelica

362v () *Rubric*: Explicit

See [P. Meyer, Notices et Extraits XXXV 2 \(1897\)](#)^{[[Meyer 1896b](#)]}

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