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MS **390**

Gerald of Wales, De uita Galfridi archiepiscopi Eboracensis

Gir. Cambrensis Vita Gaufridi

Codicology: Vellum, mm 226 x 139, (8.9 x 5.7 in.), ff. 1 + 35, double columns of 26 lines. Cent. **xii late, xiii early**, in a clear good upright hand. The book is a good deal stained in places.

Collation: 1 flyleaf, 1 (three) 2^8-5^8 (or six with two smaller leaves added in the middle).

2 fo.: "nes et rote".

Research: This is the only known MS. of the text, which was last printed by J. S. Brewer, Giraldus Cambrensis Rolls, Vol. IV, pp. 357-431[Brewer 1873].

Additions: The flyleaf (f. ir) has Parkerian[] notes and a title of cent. **xv**: In hoc vol. continetur vita Gaufridi eboracensis archiepiscopi[]

Foliation: f. i + pp. 1-38 + 38a + 39a + 39-70 + f. c

Language: Latin.

Contents:

1.

1-70   **Gerald of Wales[]**, *De uita Galfridi archiepiscopi Eboracensis[]*

	1	*Rubric:* Introitus primus
1	()	*Incipit:* Uarias rerum humanarum uices
		Good initials, gold on blue edged with green, salmon pink within, and silver
	3	Capitula. Two good initials of the same character
	5	*Rubric:* Introitus secundus
	7	*Rubric:* Incipit liber de promotionibus
		in blue
7	()	Initial of text, gold on blue, salmon pink within. Half-length of Geoffrey[] in mitre, green chasuble with pall, over blue, holding long cross and blessing. Edged with green
	29	Liber II, decorative initial as before: another on p. 30

A Parkerian copy of a marginal addition is added on a slip (p. 38a) opposite p. 38

pp. 61-64 are of smaller size

There are a good many marginal additions not uniformly noticed as such by Brewer[Brewer 1873], but incorporated into his text. They are in another, but not much later hand. The text ends

70   (35v) *Explicit* ad hoc perpetrandum tam horrendum

Brewer, p. 426[Brewer 1873]

The remainder is to be found in the *Symbolum Electorum* of Giraldus[] of which the only complete copy is at Trinity College (R. 7. 11)[CTC749]. From this Brewer[Brewer 1873] has printed it