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## PD16. Old Library, I.10.12

### Commentary on *Liber sextus decretalium*

Northern Europe; s. XIV

#### PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Two folios, in situ as frontleaf (inverted) and endleaf, both with part of the side margin and the edge of one column folded over as a counterstub for sewing. Parchment. Size: c.300 × 235 mm (of which 32 mm of the width is folded over). Text-block: 234 × 190 mm preserved. Two columns (column width, 87 mm). Lines: 59 preserved (space, 5 mm; height of minims, 3 mm). Pricking: none preserved. Ruling: ink. Single verticals flank both columns (two in total in the intercolumnar space); first and last horizontals extended; all horizontals run across the intercolumnar space.

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Front leaf, inside: // onus postulantibus in § .p. a simili  
ubi ius excusat elec[tum] incum]bit onus expensarum  
electoribus et satis ?habet hoc patet ... et de ap' per-  
uenit et si suspensione durante uacat ec[clesia]//. Front  
leaf, outside: // ... sed donec satisfaciat uel caueat ...  
ut episcopi uel archepiscopi uel similes. Quid in alli-  
gatis in ...// Rear leaf, inside: // ... pura abbatibus

exemptis olim erat dubitacio an tales deberent eligi  
uel postulari que terminata est, infra eodem si abbatem  
... Item statuta precepta ?finem contractus et omnia  
q' fe // . Rear leaf outside // [illegible word] urb' iuris-  
dictionis perpetuam uel temporalem optineant dum-  
modo non sit ... eligunt. R intellige su//.

No annotation bar one small Nota hand in the  
intercolumnar space of Front leaf outside.

#### SCRIPT

Textualis semi-quadrata, hasty but consistent; pale  
grey ink.

#### DECORATION

Blue initials, flourished in red, 2+ lines high, head  
sections.

#### HOST BOOK

Theophylact (in Greek) (Rome, 1542); donor: John  
Reynolds, fellow of Trinity, 1607. Oxford binding: Ker,  
*Pastedowns*, p. 126 (no. 1367).

## PD17. Old Library, I.10.13

Thomas Aquinas, *In Aristotelis de anima commentarium*

England; s. XIV

#### PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Two folios, in situ as front and rear pastedowns, the former inverted, the latter the right way up, in relation to the host book. Parchment. Size: 278 × 204 mm (15 mm of the width being folded over as a counterstub). Text-block: 235 × 160 mm. Two columns (column width: 75 mm). Lines: front leaf, 54 (2 omitted lines were supplied in the lower margin immediately below column 1, visually a continuation of it); rear leaf, 53 (space, 4.5–5 mm; height of minims, 2 mm). Pricking: none preserved. Ruling: lead. Single verticals flanking both

columns (two in total in the intercolumnar space); first two horizontals extended (impossible to discern whether any were extended at the bottom); all horizontals run across the intercolumnar space.

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Front leaf: // Item sciendum est quod cum in orto-  
gono\vel ino—alternative ending supplied superscript  
by the original scribe/ quod est altera parte longius  
due linee continentes ipsum sint inequales, si accipiatur  
inter eas linea media ... augentur et nutriuntur, sicut

in plantis, vegetativum est anima // . [Book II, lectio III (end) to lectio IV (start): *Sancti Thome Aquinatus ... in Aristotelis Stagiritae commentaria*, iii (1866), pp. 47–9.] Rear Leaf: // autem sensibus dicebant? oportere quod e conuerso sensibile perueniebat ad sensum. Et hoc quod in tactu et gustu manifeste uidetur accidere ... Sed dicitur quod gustus et tactus possunt considerari dupliciter. Vno modo quantum ad modum // . [Book II, lectio XX (end) to lectio XXI (start): ibid., pp. 86–8. Reference letters 'A' to 'F' down the margins beside each column. Nota lines (sometimes elaborated into faces) and pointing hands, contemporary with the text, probably by the original scribe(s).]

## SCRIPT

Anglicana, not especially regular, heavily abbreviated; slightly enlarged for the start of Lectio IV. Probably one scribe throughout (the difference in manner observable in the bottom 11 lines and one word of front

leaf, column 1, as also for the 2 supply lines in the margin immediately below this same column, is feasibly explained as the same hand working with greater compression).

## DECORATION

Lectiones are headed by blue initials, 3 lines high, flourished in red, the quality of the flourishing rudimentary. Subsections (generally new citations) are marked by parahs, alternately red then blue. A running heading (a blue 'II' flourished in red) survives (cropped) on the front leaf.

## HOST BOOK

Arnobius, *Commentarius in Psalmos* (Basel, 1522); donor: John Arden, scholar at Trinity, 1556–8. Olim O.5.7. Not in Ker, *Pastedowns*; nor in H. V. Shooner, *Codices manuscripti operum Thomae de Aquino III* (Montréal and Paris, 1985); nor in Thomson, *Aristotle*.

## PDI8. Old Library, K.2.23–25

## Missal

England; s. XII<sup>ex</sup>

## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Six leaf fragments, one at the front and one at the back of each volume, all now raised. Parchment. Cut down to 113 × 67 mm. Original size and written area uncertain, but the column width can be reconstructed as c.65 mm, while the preserved blank margins of 60+ mm suggest gracious dimensions. Lines: parts of up to 13 preserved (space, 9 mm; height of minims, 4 mm). Pricking: none survives. Ruling: lead.

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K.2.23, front, recto: // consilii et fortitudinis [spiritus] scientie et pietatis et re[ple]bit eum spiritus timoris domini ... arguet, sed iudicab // [Isa. 11: 1–5 or 6, imperfect]. K.2.23, rear, verso: // uoluisti concede quesumus ... protectione gaudere, per eum. *Ad philippenses*. Fratres christus factus est pro no // . K.2.23, rear, recto: // ens pondera que sola fuisti ... *Secundum Mattheum*. Ascendens iesus ierosolimam, assumpsit duodecim

discipulos ... Ecce // . K.2.23, rear, verso: // Adesto nobis domine deus [noster et] quos sancte crucis let[ari] ... defende subsidiis. *Maria per aduen[tum]*. Rorate celi desuper et nube[s] // . K.2.24, front, verso: // dei genitricis orati[o] etsi per conditione carnis [mi]grasse cognoscimus ... Mense celestis par[ticipes] effecti imploramus cl[ementiam] tuam domine deus noster ut // . K.2.24, front, recto: // de cuius assumptione gaudent ... *Lectio liber sapientie* ... Tunc precepit // . K.2.24, rear, verso: // Deus qui beatum petrum apostolum a uinculis ab[solutum] ... Corporis sacri et p[—] sanguinis reple // . K.2.4, rear, recto: // interuentione nos ... *Ad ephesios*. Fratres. Iam non estis // . K.2.25, front, recto: // et deducet te ... in eternum. *Secundum lucam* / . K.2.25, front, verso: // rima. Porro ... *Officium*. Felix namque e[s sacra uirgo] maria et omni laude di[gnissima quia] ex te ortus est sol iustitiae [Christus deus] noster. Alleluia. *Secundum* // . K.2.25, rear, verso: // confortatus est principatus eorum ... duo filii mei [Matt: