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LATIN LISTS OF THE CANONICAL BOOKS.1

3. FROM POPE INNOCENT'S EPISTLE TO EXSUPERIUS OF TOULOUSE (A. D. 405).

The text of the following list rests on the evidence of thirteen MSS, ranging in date from the end of the sixth century to the end of the ninth century. I have collated them all myself, and use for them the same symbols as I employ in *Ecclesiae Occidentalis Monumenta Iuris Antiquissima*.

A. MSS of Italian origin.

- I Vaticanus Reginae 1997, saec. ix ineunt.: fol. 103 a. This MS, written at the order of bishop Ingilram of Chieti, is of the first importance, and it so often preserves primitive recensions in the texts of the Councils that I have made it the leading authority for the list. It is a good general rule, at least in Canon Law, that Italian MSS are to be preferred to Gallic MSS.
- X Parisinus lat. 3836, saec. viii: fol. 75 b. This MS is connected at least in one branch of its ancestry with Trèves, and the sister MS next to be described is also from the Rhineland: but the canonical collection which they represent was made in Italy (Maassen's 'Collection of the MS of St Blaise').
- Y Coloniensis cexiii, saec. viii: fol. 117 b. Written in a beautiful insular semi-uncial hand, not unlike the Gospels of the Chapter Library at Durham, A II 17 (see J. T. S., July 1909, x 535 note).
- Vaticanus Barberini (originally Barberini xiv 52), saec. ix: fol. 148 a. From the monastery of Farfa. Contains an Italian canonical collection (Maassen's 'Collection of the Vatican MS') related to those of I and of XY.
- Vaticanus 5845, saec. ix-x: fol. 88 a. This MS, written in the hand of Benevento about the year 900 A.D.—Dr E. A. Loew, who has specialized on the Beneventan hand, has pointed out to me that I have dated the MS too early in *Eccl. Occ. Mon. Iur. Ant.*—represents, with the next MS, the collection of Papal decretals formed by Dionysius Exiguus early in the sixth century as a pendant to his collection of canons.
- Sessorianus bibliothecae Victoris Emmanuelis 2102, saec. viii-ix:

¹ The two former pieces of this series, which I resume after ten years' interval, were 1. The Roman Council under Damasus, A. D. 382 (J. T. S. i [July 1900] 554), and 2. An unpublished stichometrical list from the Freising MS of Canons (J. T. S. ii [Jan. 1901] 236).

fol. 108 a. Most of the Sessorian MSS came from the abbey of Nonantula in North Italy. This MS of the Dionysian collection was practically unknown to Maassen.

B. MSS of Gallic origin.

- C Parisinus lat. 12097, saec. vi exeunt.: fol. 25 b. The MS came to the Bibliothèque Nationale from St Germain-des-Près, and to St Germain from Corbie. It forms a single group with the next three MSS: and whereas KT represent a southern branch within the group, C with Pi appears to belong to northern Gaul.
- K Coloniensis ccxii, saec. vi-vii: fol. 72 a. Perhaps brought to Cologne in the time of archbishop Hildebald (ob. 819 A.D.), a great collector of MSS, but written, as it would seem, in Provence. I have discussed its date and provenance in Dr Burn's Facsimiles of the Creeds (Henry Bradshaw Society, vol. xxxvi), 1908, pp. 39-41.
- T Tolosanus 364, saec. vii: fol. 30 b. Probably written in Albi, and saved from a fire there in the year 666; see my paper in J. T. S. ii (Jan. 1901) 266-273.
- Pi Parisinus lat. 1564, saec. ix: fol. 35 b. Came to the Royal Library from the library of Colbert: at an earlier date it had belonged to Pithou, and I have no doubt that it is identical with the 'vetustissimus ecclesiae Cenomannensis codex' from which Pithou copied the 'fides Isatis ex Iudaeo' or 'creed of Isaac the ex-Jew'. The MS therefore had belonged to Le Mans.
- F Parisinus lat. 1451, saec. viii-ix: fol. 100 a. This MS from St Maur-les-Fosses, together with Vat. Reg. 1127 (saec. ix ineunt.: from Angoulême) and with a third MS, also of the ninth century, now in the Museum Meermanno-Westreenianum at the Hague, form a group representing a collection made in Gaul not later than 600 (Maassen's 'Collection of the MS of St Maur') and quite independent of the four MSS last described.
- II Parisinus lat. 3848 A, saec. ix: fol. 39 b. This and the next (and last) MS represent the collection known as Quesnel's, from the Oratorian P. Quesnel, who printed it in the appendix to his edition of St Leo (Paris 1675) because he believed it to contain the Canon Law of the Roman Church of the fifth century. And it is quite true that it distinguishes itself from the collections just enumerated by the entire absence of Gallic material. But it is a Gallic collection for all that, put together about 500 A.D., not improbably (so far I should hold with Quesnel) with a view to Romanizing the Canon Law of Gaul. Duchesne connects it with Arles or its neighbourhood: if the place is right, the person was probably Caesarius.

Atrebatensis 572, saec. ix ineunt.: fol. 47 b. Of all MSS of the Quesnel collection this is the one whose history can best be reconstructed. It came to the public library at Arras at the Revolution from the great religious house of St Vaast in the same town, and there it had not improbably been ever since it was written. A note of the scribe tells us that his 'vetustus codex' reckoned 262 years from the council of Antioch [A. D. 341] to the fifteenth year of king Clothair and the twelfth indiction. The data are not quite easy to reconcile satisfactorily: but as the year will be about 600 A.D., the prince referred to is apparently Clothair II, and, what is still more important, the locality is fixed to a small region in Northern France (including Arras) which was then the limit of the dominions of Clothair.

As the number of MSS catalogued is alone enough to prove—and they are but a selection of those at a modern editor's disposal—this list of the canonical books must have been very widely known. Mgr Duchesne, *Histoire ancienne de l'église* iii 29 n., has acutely conjectured that an edition of some eight decretals of popes Siricius, Innocent, Zosimus, and Celestine was already in circulation at the beginning of the pontificate of St Leo. At any rate Leo, in a letter of the year 443, speaks of 'omnia decretalia constituta tam beatae recordationis Innocentii quam omnium decessorum nostrorum'; and with the emphasis thus already laid on the 'constitutions' of pope Innocent, it is reasonable to suppose that the decretal letter to Exsuperius of Toulouse was the main source from which Gaul and Italy alike drew, during the fifth century, their knowledge of the authorized contents of the Bible of the Roman Church.

With two exceptions (for the omission in the Chieti MS of the epistle of Jude is presumably a mere omission by homoeoarcton) the text of the document is free from serious doubt: but the two exceptions are significant and interesting. For the epistles of St Paul three MSS, including the best of all, give XIII for XIIII: and though nothing is easier than accidental confusion between these numbers, it must be remembered that the Church of Rome was very slow in accepting the Epistle to the Hebrews as St Paul's, and pope Innocent does not in fact cite it in his extant decretals. Similarly eight MSS, again including the best of all, omit the mention of 'writings published under the name of Andrew and, in fact, composed by the philosophers Xenocarides and Leonidas'. In this case homoeoarcton is a sufficient explanation of the loss of the words, while it is difficult to account for their insertion on the hypothesis that they are not original.

I am glad to find that Dr M. R. James, whom I consulted on the subject, shares my belief in the genuineness of the words. I venture to

quote what he writes to me. The 'scripta sub nomine Andreae' he supposes to be the Leucian Acta Andreae, the philosophers to be the characters in whose name the Acts were written:—

'Fabricius, Thilo, and Lipsius thought that "Xenocarides and Leonidas" concealed the name of Leucius Charinus. Gutschmid, quoted by Lipsius Apokr. Apostelgeschichte iii 430, disagreed, and thought them the names of the real authors of the Acta. To me it seems probable that they are the names of the reputed authors. I surmise them to have been philosophers converted by Andrew, who became his disciples, and eventually wrote his exploits. No episode in the extant remains of the Acta records them; but, as in nearly all cases, we do not possess the beginning of the text nor, very likely, its original ending, in either or both of which the names would naturally occur, as they do in the Protevangelium and the Gospel of Thomas.

'These Acts are mentioned by Eusebius [H. E. iii 25], and so on, and are rather extensively quoted by Augustine.

'Personally, I do not see why they should not have been written by the author of the Acts of John. The one unadulterated episode of them which we possess, called by Bonnet "Ex Actis Andreae" [Acta Apostolorum Apocrypha II i, Leipzig 1898, pp. 38-45], is extremely like the Acta Ioannis.'

TEXT

QUI uero libri recipiantur in canone breuis adnexus ostendit. haec sunt quae desiderata moneri uoce uoluisti:

Moysen libri .v., id est Genesis

Exodi

Leuitici

Numeri

Deuteronomii

- 1. Qui: praem iiii T vii X u Pi xxvii ls, De libris canonicis X-marg Y, Qui libri in canone recipiantur ls uero: om CPi libri: liberi Y Ψ^* ; om s recipiant X recipiatur Π^* canone: can K canonem $\Psi: +$ scripturarum ls^2 (scripturam s^*) brebis X $\Pi\Psi lu$ adnixus CTII adnexos K ostendet s haec: praem vii C 2. sunt: + ergo ls moneri: moniri CT muneri K moueri Y muniri te F
- 3. moysen I: moyse u mosi Cl mose X moysi rell: de Moysen gen. cfHeptateuchum Lugdunensem ad Num. iii 1, x 29 (vide J. T. S. ix 81)lib K libi Ψ librum l v: quinque Xs; om l
 - 4. exhodi I exodus Is

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- 5. leuuitici X leuuiticum T laeuiticus I leuiticus s
- 7. praem et F deuteronomii: deutoronomii FXII deutoronumii

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et Hiesu Naue
                                    ٠I٠
          Iudicum
                                    ٠١٠
          Regnorum libri
τo
                                    ·IIII·
          simul et Ruth
          prophetarum libri
                                    ·XVI•
          Solomonis libri
                                    ٠٧.
          psalterium
       Item historiarum;
15
          Tob liber
                                    ٠1٠
          Tobiae
                                    ٠1٠
          Hester
                                    ٠т.
          Tudith
          Machabeorum
20
                                    •11•
          Hesdrae
                                    •II•
          Paralypomenon
                                    ٠١١٠
       Item noui testamenti;
         euangeliorum
                                    ·IIII ·
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T deuteronomi C deuternomi Y deuternomii Ψ deuteronumio Pi deuteronomium Δs

- 8. et: necnon et ls; om TY hiesu IKTls: ihu CPiu iesu FXYΠΨ nauae I nabe X i: unum IuΨ; om Fls
 - 9. et iudicum ls i: unum III; om ls
 - 10. et regnorum & lib KT quattuor &
 - II. samul K et: om T ruth: + i CXYu
 - 12. profetarum Y lib IK; om u xvi: xii l sedecim s
- 13. solomonis I: solomoni Y salomonis KFXII/s salamonis CTPi\(Psi\) lib KFI v: quinque XYs iii F
 - 15. item: om C historia C storiarum Fs*u
 - 16. iob: om F lib IKTFs libri Pi i: unus CXYΠΨs
- 17. tōbi C tobi Pi thobiae T: + liber CXY li \bar{b} KTu i: unus XY Ψs
 - 18. hister K esther T ster F:. + liber C lib KPi i: unus II \Ps
- 19. iudit $CXu\Psi$ iutih Y i (praem \overline{lb} C lib Pi) ICKTF: unus $XY\Pi\Psi s$
 - 20. macchabaeorum K ii: duo s; praem lib FPi
- 21. esdrae T eszrae C haestrae Y esdre u ii: duo s; praem lib FPi
- 22. paralypomenon KTII Ψs : paralypimenon I paralipomenon FX paralipominon C paralipemenon Pi u paralippimnion Y; + libri XYII Ψ lib KTFPiI 2u (non autem I*Cls) ii: duo s
 - 24. euangeliorum IXYKF: + libri CΠΨ/ lib̄ Ts iiii: quattuor s VOL. XIII.

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apostoli Pauli epistulae
epistulae Iohannis
epistulae Petri
[epistula Iudae
epistula Iacobi
actus apostolorum
apocalypsis Iohannis

cetera autem quae uel sub nomine Mathiae siue Iacobi minoris; uel sub nomine Petri et Iohannis, quae a quodam Leucio scripta sunt; [uel sub nomine Andreae, quae a Xenocaride et Leonida philosophis;] uel sub nomine Thomae; et si qua sunt alia; non solum repudianda uerum etiam noueris esse damnanda.

- 25. apostholi K epistulae . . . Petri (l 27): om Pi*, add ad calc pag Pi² epistulae $TX\Pi\Psi$: epistolae C epistole Fu aepistolae I epist K aepistolas l epistolas Pi²; om Y xiii I Pi² tredecim s: xiiii rell
 - 26-28. epistulae iohannis . . . iudae [i]: om X
- 26. epistulae $CT\Pi\Psi$: epistolae Ys aepistolae I epistole KFu epistle Pi² aepistolas I ioh F iohan Y iii: tres s
- 27. epistulae $CT\Pi\Psi$: epistolae IKs epistole Fu epi \overline{s} Y aepistole Pi^2 aepistolas ℓ ii: iii C^*
 - 28-30. om s*
- 28. epistula iudae i : om I epistula $\Pi\Psi^2$: epistola K aepla l epis Y epistulae $T\Psi^*$ epistolae C epistole Fu epistolas Pi iude u i TY : om CKFPi $\Pi\Psi$
- 29. epistula IXII Ψ^2 : epistola K aepis Y epistulae T Ψ^* epistolae C epistole Fu epistl Pi aepla l iacopi Ψ i ITu: una XY; om CKFPi Ψ 30. actos TPi apostholorum K apostolum X
- 31. apocalypsis $Is\Pi\Psi$: apocalipsis XYu apocalipsi F apocalypsin T/ apocalypsim CK ioh F iohs u
- 32. cetera: citerum C ceterum Pi ceteri s quae: om CPi sub nomen XCPi mathiae IYCPiΠΨs: matthiae KTXl om Y mathie u mathei F minoris: memori CPi 33. ioh F que X leoucio Π leutio Ψ leuitico F leoncius Pi lecto uscribta IX 34. uel sub nomine andreae ... philosophis KTFlsΨ²: om per homoeoarcton **IXYCPi** Π Ψ*u sub nomēn T a: ex l xenocaridae KF xenocharide 1 nexocaride s 35. phylosophys T phylosophis F uel: om ΠΨ* sunt alia : sunt talia $\Pi\Psi^*$ repudienda FΨ* 36. uerum . . . damnanda : om l aetiam KF

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