

Transcription of M.R. James's unpublished description  
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<b>Title</b>	Rabanus de Uniuerso Libb. XI - XXII
<b>Secundo folio</b>	sentiat
<b>Language</b>	Latin
<b>Material</b>	Vellum
<b>Measurements</b>	15 ¼ x 11 ins.
<b>Collation</b>	1 <sup>8</sup> 2 <sup>8</sup>   3 <sup>8</sup> – 7 <sup>8</sup> (wants 1) 8 <sup>8</sup> – 14 <sup>8</sup> 15 (three left) Quires marked in Roman figures on last leaf
<b>Number of leaves</b>	viii + 144
<b>Columns</b>	Double
<b>Lines to a page</b>	40
<b>Date</b>	XV and XII
<b>Handwriting</b>	Fine upright English. Quires 1 and 2 imitate it.
<b>Binding</b>	[Rebound 1927]

James 91 Rotheram 248 Old marks: F. β. 6 330 57

### Contents

The two first quires are a replacement of the XV<sup>th</sup> century. Interestingly enough there is a fairly successful effort to imitate the XII<sup>th</sup> century hand of the rest of the book. All initials are handsome, in burnished gold on grounds of blue and red patterned with white dots and with the outer edges of the coloured field engrailed.

Rabanus de Uniuerso. Lib. XI (no title)

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Aquarum nature diuersitas

XII f. 9. The original hand begins f. 17 in ch. v.

Pannonia ab alpibus appenninis

The initials in this part are fairly plain.

XIII 21 XIV 27 XV 41 XVI (beginning gone) 49[50] XVII 57b[58b] XVIII 66[67]

XIX 74b XX 85 XXI 95 XXII 105, ending imperfect in c. xvi:

a quocumque ascensus fuerit excurr ...

There are evident traces of the damp which no doubt destroyed the earlier leaves.