

Transcription of M.R. James's unpublished description
Cambridge, University Library, MS Gg.4.18

Title	John Walton's Boethius in English verse
Secundo folio	And
Language	English
Material	vellum
Measurements	10 ³ / ₄ x 7 ins.
Collation	b ¹⁸ (wants 1) 2 ⁸ – 14 ⁸ (+1)
Number of leaves	112
Columns	single
Lines to a page	31 to 34
Date	XV
Handwriting	very good regular
Binding	brown leather

Parris 299 Holdsworth 49 On 54 is (xv) Anne Preston, and Anne in several other places.

Contents

John Walton's metrical version of Boethius.	1
Prolog. The whyle þat Rome was regnyng in hys floures -----	
Ffor if I couth have bettir done I wlde. Expl. prolog.	
Inc. liber boecij de consolacione philosophie Metrum primum. Carmina qui quondam etc. Allas I wreche þ ^t whylom was in welthe Lib. II. 18 III. 38 55 ^b blank IV. 68 (with translator's preface) V. 94 □ þat all thing doth behold plenerly. Expl. lib. Boecii de consol. philos. de latino in anglicum translatus. A.d. mill. cccc ^{mo} x ^{mo} Per Capellanum Johannem. Carleton Brown 967. This copy wants the translator's preface beginning: Insuffishaunce of cunnyng and of wyt. There are many MSS. Extracts (348 stanzas) ed. by K. Schümmer in <u>Bonner Studien</u> VI (1914). See also Skeat's <u>Chaucer</u> II. xv. The Books, especially V, have good initials in the English manner. [Ed. by Mark Science (EETS Orig. Ser., 170). Cited as 'C'. 719.01.c.1.140. <u>London</u> , 1927]	3 ^b