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Paper (watermark a gothic P, cf. Briquet no. 8666, or a Coat of Arms ~~3 fleurs de lys, over all a bar, and on a chief a lozenge between 2 roundels surmounted by a cross~~, cf. no. 1808), 8½×6¼ in., iii+196 ff. numbered in the scribe's hand 191-386 followed by 52 ff. printed, single column, 36-44 lines to the page. XV cent. (Louvain, A.D. 1486-91), in a neat small current hand with red headings, red and blue capitals, and small blue initials well flourished in red with occasional touches of green in the grounds. 3 flyleaves, 1-6[12] | 7-8[12] | 9[12] 10[4] | 11[12] | 12-17[12]. Catchwords.

Original brown calf over bevelled wooden boards, to 3 bands, blind-tooled with a saltire and cross within a rectangular frame, in each compartment a small circular stamp: (a) upper cover, an ivyleaf slipped (b) lower, a saltire between 4 pellets. Brass seatings for 2 clasps, themselves lost. Recently rebacked.

2° f° magistros.

191-253[b] (1) Beati Johannis BONAVENTURE viri eximii ac doctoris devoti ex generali ministro ordinis fratrum minorum Albanensis episcopi et cardinalis in Centiloquium prologus feliciter incipit. Ecce descripsi eam etc. Informans sapiens in hiis verbis — que non sunt omni salvandorum. Finit Centiloquium etc. anno xiiij[c] lxxxvj septembris die xix[a] per me fratrem Petrum Ympens professum huius domus nostre de Bethleem.

cf. the Quaracchi edition of the Works, vol. V (1891) pp. xlviii-ix.

By Marchesinus de Regio; printed Strasbourg 1495 and later; The four parts begin on 192. 212[b]. 215[b]. 251[b]. The MS all through has long titles and colophons, resembling the title given above in full; the short titles hereafter given are taken from f. iii[b].

254-61[b] (2) Idem de quinque Festivitatibus Domini nostri Iesu Christi. Cum secundum virorum venerabilium — in secula seculorum Amen. Finit etc. Anno xiiij[c] xcj ipso die Cosme et Damiani martirum. P.Y. (monogram). 262 blank.

Printed in the Works, vol. VIII (1898) pp. 88-95.

263-81 (3) Tractatus eiusdem de Decem Preceptis. Prologus. Si vis ad vitam ingredi etc. Verba ista sunt in Matheo et Salvatoris nostri — in secula seculorum Amen. Finit etc. Anno gracie 1487 in vigilia nativitatis beati Johannis Baptiste. Deo gracias. P.Y. 281[b]-86[b] blank.

Works vol. V (1891) pp. 507-32.

287-91[b] (4) Tractatus eiusdem de Reductione artium ad theologiam. Omne datum optimum etc. In hoc verbo tangitur ordo — in seculorum secula Amen. Finit etc.

ibid. pp. 319-25.

292-99 (5) Tractatus[lis] eiusdem de tribus Ternariis peccatorum infantibus. Tres sunt ternarii peccatorum infames — ex quibus componitur. Finit anno 1486 in profesto Michaelis. 299b-302b blank.

Printed in Peltier's edn., vol. VII (Paris 1866) pp. 510-22; cf. Works vol. VIII p. cxiii.

303-11b (6) Primum Bonum eiusdem vel Itinerarium[us] mentis in seipsam. Ecce descripsi eam etc. Cum omnis sciencia debeat gerere — est fons vite. Finit etc. Anno xiiij[c] lxxxvj in crastino Annunciacionis Dominice que fuit feria 3[a] post Dominicam Letare.

Works vol. VIII pp. 3-18 under the title De triplici via, alias Incendium Amoris.

312-13b (7) Tractatus eiusdem de vij Gradibus contemplacionis. Contemplatiuorum aquilinos obtutus — complexa est d. n. I.C. qui est benedictus in secula Amen. Finit etc. anno gracie xiiij[c] lxxxvij mensis nouembris die vij[a] 314 blank.

By Thomas Gallus or Vercellensis, printed in Peltier's edn., vol. XII (Paris 1868) pp. 183-86; cf. Works VIII p. cxiv.

315-83 (8) Compendium Theologie eiusdem seu Breuiloquium pauperis. Flecto genua mea etc. Magnus doctor gentium — benedictus in secula Amen. Finit etc anno salutis xiiij[c]/xxxvij° mensis Augusti die xxiij[a]/ per me fratrem Petrum Ympens professum huius domus. Deo gracias. 383b-86b blank.

Works vol. V pp. 201-91. In seven parts.

[387-438] (9) Biblia Pauperum edita ab eodem — the edition printed at antwerp in 1491 by Mathias van der Goes (Hain 3503; Cat. of Incunabula in Camb. Univ. Lib. no. 3130). This is rubricated all through, and included in the original list of contents, but not foliated.

The vellum guardleaf at the end has on its verso, formerly pasted down to the lower cover, part of a document dated 5 June 1449 ~~mentioning the diocese of Liège~~ concerning the testamentary dispositions of certain persons in the diocese of Liége, whose names are lost.

From the Augustinian priory of Bethlehem lez Louvain, and written there by the chronicler Peter Impens (1445-1523), on whom see E. van Arenbergh in the Biographie Nat. de Belgique X (1888/9) p. 10. On f. 191 at foot and above the colophon of art. (9) is Pertinet monasterio (ui) Bethleem prope Louanium; on ~~the flyleaf~~ iii[b] above the scribe's list of contents A confratre nostro Petro Impens habuimus istum librum; at the top of 191 in a later hand Bethleem. The whereabouts of vol. I, containing ff. 1-190, is not known. Bought of James Taylor, 162 Gt. Surrey St., London by Sir Thomas Phillipps, probably in 1825 in which year his purchases from Taylor included a consignment of MSS from Antwerp. On i[b] is a note by Phillipps: I bought this for the sake of the autograph of Peter de Ympens the Historian; on ii his Middle Hill stamp (MS 2192). It was lot 95 in the Phillipps sale at Sotheby's, 21 March 1895, and was acquired in 1923 from the library of Francis Jenkinson, Librarian.