

KR. 4. 23 BONAVENTURA; PAUPERITAS

Vellum, 11½ x 8 in., iv + 199 ff (numbered by the scribe; 112 lost; 67 bis an inserted slip) + iv, double columns, 34 lines to a page. Early xv cent. semi-current, with red headings, the capitals in the text touched with yellow, and blue initials with conventional foliage filling and flourishing in red. On ff 1, 4^b, and iii initials in gold and colour, with full or partial borders; the initial on 4^b has the head of Christ; that on iii is cut out
4 flyleaves. a - l^o m^o (wants 2) n - v^o. 4 flyleaves; catchwords and signatures, the catchwords sometimes cropped by the binder
Xvi cent. calf, blind tooled, re-backed

2^o f^o pasit aures

- i^r - iii^r. (1) Incipit prologus libri de vita Christi secundum BONAVENTURE. Inter alia virtutum — ides de ipsis videamus 2^b. Capitulare 4^b. Incipit liber de vita Christi. Cum per longissima tempora — decorem substantie designavit. Hee B(ernardus). Explicit liber de vita Christi. Printed with the works of Bonaventura edited by A.C. Pettier, xii (Paris, 1868), 520-630, but attributed by the Franciscans of Quaracchi in their ed., x (1902), 25 to Johannes de Caulibus
- Acton. b. 51. 18
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iii^r - 199^r. (2) [ANON] Incipit prologus in libro qui vocatur Paupertas. [O] ptatus mihi dies advenerat — desiderium meum. In manus tuas comendo spiritum meum redemisti me domine. Amen. Explicit de paupertate. A devotional treatise in 22 chapters. The author is not certainly known, but from the prologue he is an ecclesiastic retired from a position of authority (ecclesiastici regiminis gravissima cura, 'pastoralis cure sarcina grandi[s]')

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Other copies are BM Royal 7 B.xiii, 8.D.xix, Oxford Lincoln xviii, Durham B.iii.22 112 cut out

On 199^b and 200 sketches of two female figures: 199^b
 Under three rounded arches (the first arch blank), the first figure holds perhaps a palm, the other unnumbered, an open book; 200. Two more studies of the second figure; in each she holds a staff (?) in her right hand
 i, iv, vi, vii are from a large xiv cent. service book, with blank spaces left for music ii, iii are from a large xiii cent. MS of Canon Law in double columns

On v Liber de vita Christi quod Welles (xvi)
 200^b. In a boyish hand Robert Steward owe this book he that (followed by an erasure) v^b, viii, viii^b blank
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