

§505 STATUTA ANGLIAE, ETC.

Vellum, $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{3}{4}$ in., 223 ff (out of 240; 1-16, 60 lost), single column, 26-32 lines to a page. XIV cent. (not before 1318, f. 38^b) legal hands, with capitals and paragraph marks alternately in red and blue, capitals in the text touched with red, blue initials with red flourishing and conventional foliage filling, and a partial serrated border in red and blue

a-6⁸ (all gone) c⁸ d-e¹⁰ f⁸ g⁸ (wants 8) h⁴ | i-ii⁸ iii¹⁰ iv-v⁶ vi¹⁰ vii-viii⁸ ix⁶ x-xv⁸ xvi-xix¹⁰ xx¹² xxi⁶; old signatures in red and pencil. Catch words

xviii cent. brown calf, blind tooled sides, the spine bearing stamps of a Roman urn surmounting two leaves of foliage

17-65^b(1). Statutes and legal treatises in Latin and Law French (S.R.I., 1810) 17. Statutum Westmonasterii Primum (26) beginning imperfect in cap. iv (28, l. 35) *le baillif le face et sort des avoué de soen seynour* - 1-16 containing Magna Carta, Carta de Foresta, Provisiones de Merton and Statutum de Marleberge are lost 25. Incipit statutum Gloucestrie (French) (45), as in Add. 732 27^b. Incipiunt explanaciones Gloucestrie (50) Incipiunt statuta Westmonasterii secunda (71) 43. Incipit Westmonasterium tertium (106). *Quia emptores terrarum* - 43^b. Incipit statutum de Religiosis (51) Incipit statutum de mercatoribus (French) (98) 45^b. Incipit statutum de bigamis (42) 46. Incipit de vocatis ad Warrantum (108) 46^b. Incipit de Regia prohibitione (101). *Circumspecte agatis* - breaking off in quibus casibus agitur ad Canonicam penam imponendam (101, l. 27) 47. Incipit de conspiratoribus (216). The writ only: *Dominus Rex nunciavit Gilberto de Roubury clerico* - cf. 54^b Incipit statutum de fini-

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- bus (126), as in Add. 3036 48. Incipit statutum de Recog-
nitoribus Assisarum [Statutum de illis qui debent poni in
Juratis et Assisis (113)], followed by a writ 48^b. Incipit
Quo Warranto [Novum] (French) (107) 49. Incipit con-
posicio ponderis. Nunc dicendum est de pondere plumbi
et aliarum Rerum. Notandum qe le charrus de plumbo
constat ex xxx formellis - (205, l. 1) [Assisa de Ponderibus
et Mensuris (204)] 49. Incipit assisa panis (199)
50. Lucrum Pistoris (200) Assisa Servicie, breaking off
ista assisa est per totum Anglie ex provisione domini E. R.
(200, l. 34) Incipiunt dies communes in banco (208)
Dies communes dotis (208) 50^b. Incipit modus faciendi
Homagium et fidelitatem (French) (227) 51. Incipiunt
novi Articuli super cartas (French) (136) 54^b. Incipit
statutum Champert (French) [Statutum de Conspira-
toribus (216)], without the writ. Cf f47 55. Incipit
statutum de finibus novum (215), here dated 4 April
Incipit statutum de proteccionibus (French) (217)
55^b. Incipiunt Districciones Scaccarii (French) (197.)
56. Incipit statutum de Coheredibus. A later version of
Statutum Hibernie de Coheredibus (5), beginning Edwardus
etc. Justiciarius suis Hibernie salutem. Significamus
vobis quod in Regno nostro (line 11 of the print) -
56^b. Incipit statutum Indicavit. The writ of Indicavit
here dated 17 October and to be found with Statutum de
conjunctum Peoffatis (147, l. 7) Incipit prerogativa
Regis (226) 58. Incipit statutum de admissione
Juris (110) 58^b. Incipit statutum apud Eboracum
(177), breaking off et si ellez veingnent ne que cest
(178, l. 10) 59. Les estatuz nouvelment ordeignez par
le Roy Edward tierce etc. A digest or summary of some
of the Statutes for the reign of Edward III added in a hand
not before 1363 60 is lost but the text is complete

7-237^b (2). [Registrum Brevium tempore Edw. III], beginning as usual with the Breve de Recto and ending with Forma donationis. Additional writs occur on 66 (where the beginning is imperfect), 238, and in the lower margins of 173^b, 188^b, 230^b, 234^b, 238^b - 239 blank. 239^b: In a xvcent. hand a charm for the closing of wounds. Ces est la charme pur sarrine plais primerement - , followed by a pen drawing of a nude figure. A similar drawing surmounted by a popinjay is to be found on 76^b 240, 240^b. Legal notes (French) and scribbles

On 240^b three xvcent. inscriptions: 1) Constat Johanni --- ; 2) Iste liber constat Johanni --- ; 3) Johannes... abiding grace, together with the number XLV (in red) of Maurice Johnson the xvcent. antiquary, barrister at law, of the Inner Temple and Ayscough-fee Hall, Spalding, co. Lincoln whose armorial bookplate is attached to the inside front cover. The title is supplied on a paper flyleaf at the beginning with the note 'Tho this MS is not so perfect as was to be wished. Yet I well bound up the Remaines, and have frequently found it of use to collate by, and it containeth some Statutes more modern than other MSS of mine. (Signed) M. Johnson Int. Temple Soc.' Lot 1001 at the Maurice Johnson sale (Sotheby), 24 March 1898

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