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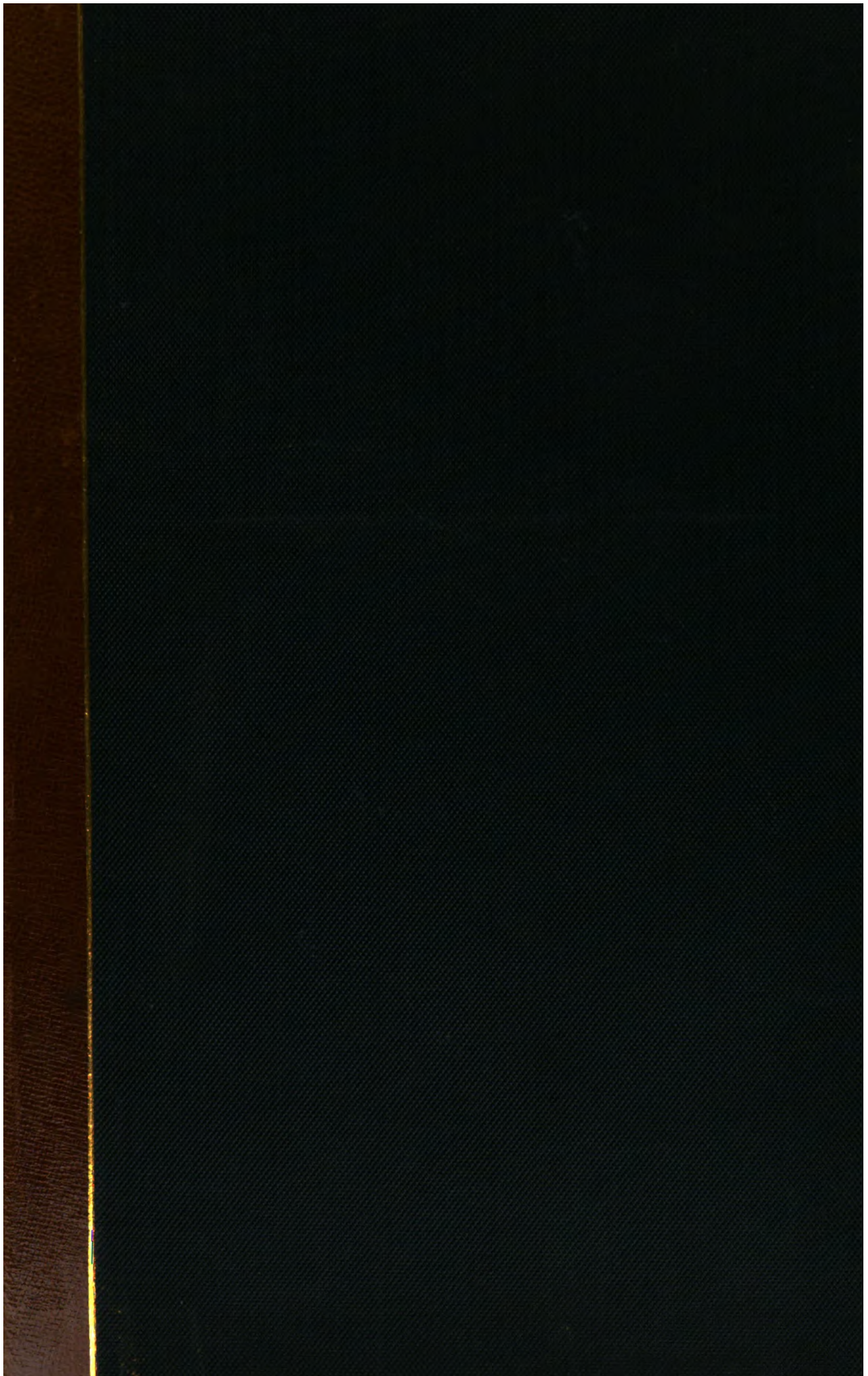
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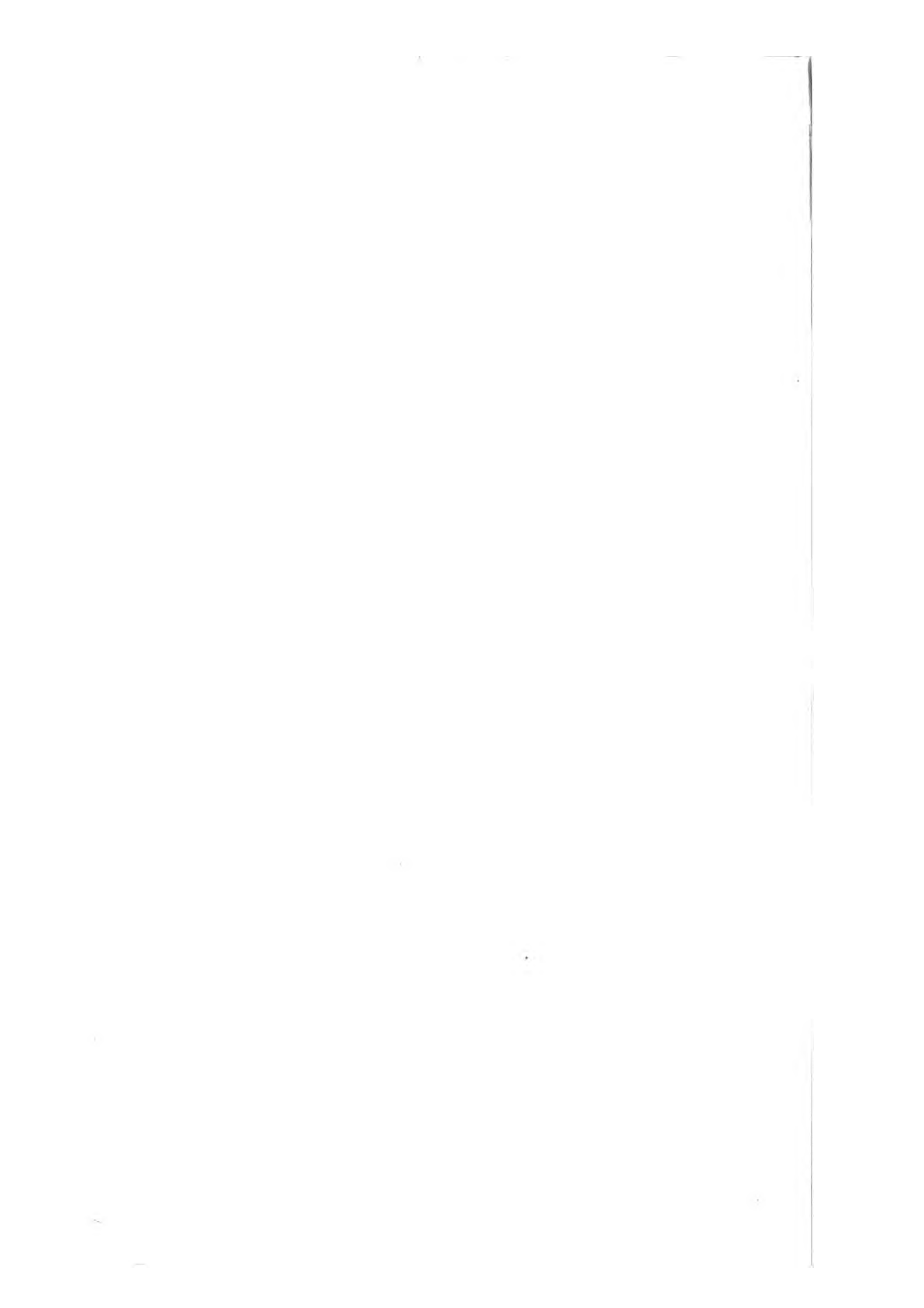
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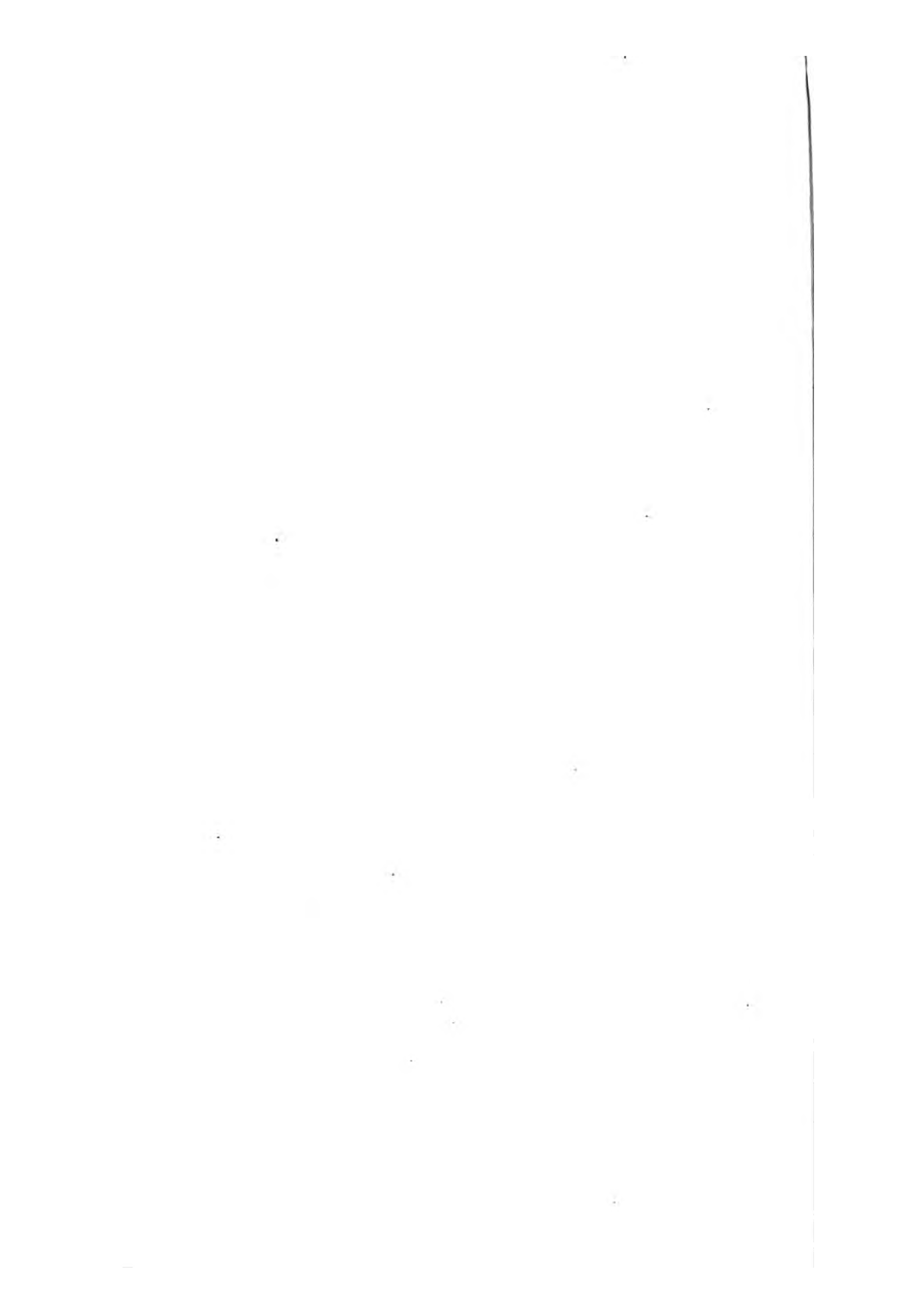
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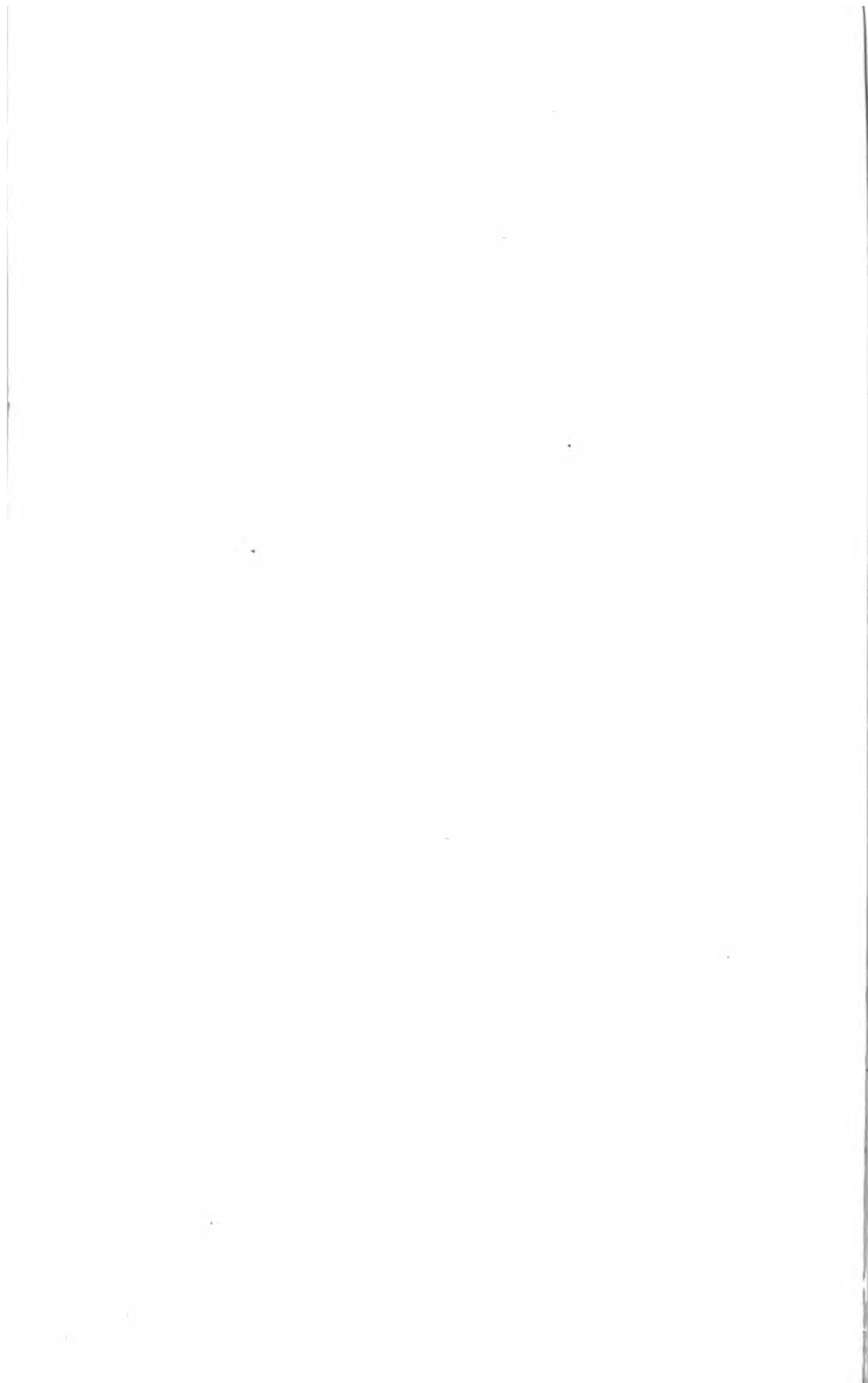
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INTRODUCTION.



INTRODUCTION.

IN the present volume Higden, coming down more nearly to his own times, devotes, as we should expect, a much larger space to the affairs of his own country. The history commences with the close of the first quarter of the seventh century, and terminates in the reign of King Edgar, when Dunstan was archbishop of Canterbury, thus embracing a space of about three hundred and thirty years. It seems most convenient to notice the contents of each chapter in the order in which they come.

The first, which is the xiiiith chapter of Higden's fifth book, opens with a notice of the mission of St. Birinus to preach to the Angles. His conversion of Cynegils¹ king of Wessex, and the erection of Dorchester, near Oxford, into an episcopal see, of which Birinus was made bishop, are recorded; as is also a miracle of walking on the sea performed by the saint on his landing. He had left some small matters on shipboard,² and not wishing to lose them, marched over the water to fetch them. Birinus was buried at Dorchester, but his body was afterwards removed to Winchester, though the canons of Dorchester denied this. The chronicle gives an anticipatory mention of the episcopal see of Dorchester

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Of St.
Birinus,
first bishop
of Dor-
chester.

¹ The name is generally written in the MSS. Kyngilsus.

² The *rescellæ* of the MSS. have been too much for the translators. Trevisa puts *rescellis* or *restelles*, and the Harleian version shirks the difficulty, and has "certeyne things of his." The word has

various forms, *recula*, *recella*, *reicula*, *rescula*, *resella*, and *rescella*, and is merely a diminutive of *res*. See Du Cange, s. v. *recula*, who explains it as *res parva seu parvi momenti*, and it is employed to translate the Greek *παραμύτιον*.

being transferred to Lincoln at the time of the Norman Conquest. Bede and William of Malmesbury are the chief authorities for all that is recorded concerning both ecclesiastical and civil history in England.

East Anglia becomes Christian.

In the notice of the East Anglian kingdom, which immediately follows, mention is made of the Christianization of that kingdom in the reign of Sigebert by a Burgundian bishop, Felix. This prelate had been a friend of Sigebert in his exile, and according to Bede applied to the archbishop Honorius for permission to become a preacher to the Angles. He was, like Birinus, created a bishop in Britain, and his see placed at Donnic.¹ Sigebert introduced into his kingdom some of the educational advantages which he had observed during his exile in Gaul, and after some time became a monk, but was induced to leave his monastic seclusion to aid in repelling the invasion of Penda, in which attempt he fell. The next king of East Anglia, Anna son of Æne, also fell in battle against Penda, against whose incursions the East Anglians were powerless to protect² themselves.

Visions of St. Furseus.

The story of St. Furseus is briefly told, as having occurred in the reign of King Sigebert. The whole account of his visions is to be found in Bede, *Eccles. Hist.* iii. 19, and their character made this saint for a long time a great authority with the advocates of the doctrine of purgatory. The name of the place at which he founded a monastery, given in the text as Cunbrisburgh with variations of orthography as recorded in the notes, and

¹ This place, according to Bede's orthography, *Donnoc*, is Dunwich, on the coast of Suffolk. The episcopal see of Dunwich, of which Felix was bishop for seventeen years, was afterwards translated to Thetford, and then to Norwich. The date of the foundation of the see is A.D. 630. See Godwin de Præsul. 423.

² The vast rampart defended by a ditch which bore the name of Reckendyke, though afterwards variously known as St. Edmund's dyke, the Devil's, and lastly, as Cnut's dyke, was made for the purpose of protecting the East Anglians from these and such like incursions of their neighbours. See Lappenberg, i. 242.

written in Bede as Cnobheresburg, is identified with Burghcastle in Suffolk.¹ This visionary monk is said at length to have departed from England on account of the inroads of the heathen population into the Christian portion of the country, and to have died at Peronne in Gaul.

The history of the Papacy in this volume commences with the mention of the pontificate of Severinus, A.D. 639, and after him of John IV., in the same year, but no event is mentioned except the conversion² of the Jews in the time of the latter pope.

The account of the Roman Emperors begins with Heraclius (610-641), but the notice of that prince is very brief, his victories³ are just mentioned, and his heresy, which is called the heresy of the Jacobites.

The next chapter is occupied with an account of Mahomet and the Saracens, who at this time were making great inroads on the Christian world. Higden tells us that he is greatly assisted in his compilation of the history by the works of Stephen of Canterbury and Giraldus Cambrensis. He relates how it was through the intestine discords of Europe that the Saracens were enabled to make good their footing in Spain. It was when Boniface V.⁴ was pope (617-626), and Heraclius was emperor, that Mahomet's influence began to wax strong. The story is told how Mahomet was aided in

¹ See Smith's edition of Bede's E. H., p. 122.

² Platina has no mention of this conversion, though he gives many incidents of this brief pontificate. See fol. 43 b. and 44 a.

³ The wars of Heraclius were against Cosrhoes II. king of Persia, by whom he was defeated at first, and asked to deny the Christian faith, but being afterwards victorious over the Persian monarch and his successor, he was able to recover the reputed cross of Christ.

The erroneous doctrinal opinions of this emperor were those of the Monothelites. The Jacobites mentioned in the text were Monophysites, with whom it is said that Cyrus, when made patriarch of Alexandria, formed a union, and in this way the two sets of opinions became confounded. See Moreri, s. v. *Monothelites*.

⁴ An account of Mahomet makes almost the whole of Platina's notice of the pontificate of Boniface V. See fol. 42 b.

his imposture by a Christian monk,¹ and certain absurd traditional tales are repeated of the way in which public attention was drawn to the rising prophet. Even Higden notes the untrustworthy nature of such materials, calling them in a rubric *quæ vulgariter traduntur*, and distinguishing them from *quod magis communiter approbatur*.² The monk Sergius is said to have been the victim of a disappointed ambition, and on that account to have leagued himself with Mahomet.

More
authentic
notices of
Mahomet.

We are told how the prophet, fatherless and motherless, lived while a boy under his uncle's protection; of his travels and communications with both Jews and Christians, of his marriage with Chadijah,³ and of the greater influence which he acquired through this union. He allowed circumcision,⁴ and forbade the use of swine's flesh to his followers, in imitation of Judaism. And he imitated Christian baptism in the frequent ablutions which he enjoined on his followers. His regulations with regard to wives and concubines are noticed, and the strict injunctions he laid down in reference to sobriety. The tribute of recognition given by Mahomet to the pro-

¹ This monk, who is called *Sergius* by Christian writers, and *Boheira* by the Mohammedans, is said to have been met with by Mahomet in a visit to Syria. The story in the biographies of Mahomet differs somewhat from that in the text, and perhaps may be summarized from a note of Mr. Muir's *Life of Mahomet* (vol. i. p. 35). Mahomet with the rest of his caravan alighted close to the hermitage or monastery occupied by Boheira. The monk perceived by a cloud which hovered over the company, by the boughs bending to shelter one of them, and by other marvellous tokens, that the party contained the prophet shortly about to arise. He

entertained them, but on their assembling he perceived that the object of his search was not among them. At his request they summoned Mahomet, and Boheira questioned him, examined his body to discover the seal of prophecy, and found it plainly impressed upon his back. He then referred to his sacred books, found all the marks to correspond, and declared the boy to be the expected apostle. See also Rodwell's *Koran*, preface, p. xvi.

² See text, p. 20.

³ Called in the text *Cadigan*.

⁴ It ought to be noted that circumcision is not mentioned in the *Koran*. See Rodwell, p. 558.

phetic character of Moses, John the Baptist, and Christ is mentioned.¹ Higden knows that the Koran represents Christ as taken up to heaven, and not put to death, but adds to the story really given there the legend that Judas Iscariot was changed into the form of Jesus and crucified in his stead. He tells of Abraham's visit to Mecca² to build the House of Prayer, in much the same manner as it is spoken of in the Koran. The Mahomedan paradise is described, and the books mentioned which Mahomet admitted to have been divinely inspired. Then follows an absurd account of how Mahomet is said to have brought the Koran into notice as a book sent down from heaven, and the great Mahomedan fast is said to be observed on account of this occurrence. The mode of observance of this fast is given very much as in the text of the Koran.³ A reason is given why Mahomet pretended to have communications with the archangel Michael, and mention is made of the spread of the faith of Mahomet after his death. This is followed by two stories, one given on the authority of archbishop Turpin, of a marvellous statue of Mahomet on the shores of Spain, and another, without authority, of the treatment accorded by Saladin to two Cistercian monks, and how he essayed to prove that the rule of Mahomet was better than the rule of St. Benedict, which provokes an outburst from Higden against Saladin.

Precepts,
&c. of the
Koran.

In Chapter xv. Higden notices first the succession of Heraclonas⁴ after his father Heraclius. His reign is in

Cap. xv.
Heraclon-
nas em-
peror.

¹ The passages alluded to are all in the Koran, Sura xix; on Moses (Rodwell), p. 114; on John the Baptist, p. 111; and on Jesus, p. 112.

² *Mecca* is written *Matha* in all the MSS. See text, p. 28, and for the Mohamedan account of the building of the Caaba by Abraham, see Rodwell, pp. 433 note, and 503.

³ See Rodwell, p. 389, especially the passage about discerning a white thread from a black one.

⁴ The more usual form of the name is *Heracleonas*, but this is found in no MS. of Higden which I have consulted. The double form is noticed by Henninius, *Hist. Imp. Rom.*, p. 129, note.

the text stated to have been two years. Other authorities say that it lasted but for six months. Mention is made of the banishment of him and of his mother, together with the mutilation of the latter. Higden omits to mention the mutilation of the son which also took place.¹ Theodorus the next pope is said to have held the papal throne for six² years. The only particular mentioned under his time is a list of the works of Isidore³ bishop of Seville, who lived during his papacy.

Pope
Theodore I.

Returning to the affairs of Britain, mention is made of the death of Edbald king of Kent, who was succeeded by his son Ercombert. His ecclesiastical regulations are spoken of with praise, and so is his total destruction of idols. In the account of his daughter Erkengoda, and her maternal aunt Ethelburga, instances are given of the fondness of English princes at this period for attaching themselves to continental monasteries, and in some cases inaugurating new foundations. Brie, Chelles, and Andeli⁴ are mentioned as favourite places for such retirement.

British
history :
Ercombert
king of
Kent.

Resuming (from Paulus Diaconus, who is his great authority for this subject) the history of the Roman emperors, Higden tells of the reign of Constantine the third, but only that he was misled by the patriarch Paulus, as his grandfather had been by Sergius, and drove pope Martin⁵ into exile to Pontus. But in the

Constau-
tine III.,
emperor
of Rome.

¹ Paulus Diaconus, H. M., lib. xviii., in rebus Heraclii, ait, lingua Martinæ, et naso Heracleonæ abscisso, ad principatum Constantem, filium Constantini, nepotem Heraclii provehant.

² Platina gives the time of his pontificate as more than eleven years. See fol. 44 *b*.

³ Isidore died in 636.

⁴ The orthography of these names as given in Higden's text varies somewhat from that of the best

editions of Bede. On the identification of them with Brie-sur-Yeres, Chelles, not far from Paris, and Andeli-sur-Seine. See the notes to Smith's Bede, p. 111.

⁵ In the notice of Pope Martin, Platina, fol. 44 *b*, says : "Theodorus (this was the name of Constantine's emissary) cum salutandi causa adire pontificem simularet, homini catenas injecit, eumque Constantinopolim mit- tit."

next clause (p. 54), he mixes up the history and fate of Constans II. (who succeeded Constantine III., but whom our author never notices) with the life of his father Constantine III.¹ It was Constans who came and spoiled Rome, and who was murdered in his bath at Syracuse, A.D. 668.

The emperor Constans II. not named by Higden.

The historian now returns to the affairs of Britain, and tells of the death of Cynegils, king of the West Saxons, and the succession of Kenwalcus his son, who though at first professing Christianity as his father had done, not only refused to be baptised, but strove to bring about in Wessex a relapse into paganism similar to that which had taken place in other states, yet his expulsion, and conversion which followed soon after through converse with Anna the pious king of the East Angles, and his steady adherence to the Christian faith after his restoration, prove that his conviction was sincerely shared by his people. An elder son of Cynegils (or according to William of Malmesbury, a brother), named Quichelinus, had died before his father. Certain appointments of bishops made by Kenwalcus are mentioned, as also his wars² against the British, and his successful campaign against Wulferus, the son of Penda, who had become king of Mercia on the death of his father.

Of Kenwalcus king of Wessex.

According to the Saxon Chronicle, in the year 642, according to other authorities in 639, Oswald king of Northumberland was defeated and slain at Mazerfeld² by Penda. The cruel treatment to which that king sub-

Death of St. Oswald, king of Northumbria.

¹ See also pp. 108, 110, 112, where the circumstance of the death of the emperor by murder while in his bath is again related as having befallen Constantine, and on p. 114 Constantine IV. is named as the next emperor.

² The names of the two battle fields are given in Willelmus, one

as "locus qui dicitur *Witgeornes-brug*," and the other "juxta montem qui dicitur *Pene*."

³ There is a place thus named near Winwick in Lancashire, but a more probable scene of this battle is a Mazerfeld in Shropshire, which is now called Oswestry. See notes to Smith's edition of Bede, p. 112.

Cruel
treatment
of his
body.

jected the dead body of Oswald proves the fierceness of his nature and the dread in which Oswald had been held. The head and arms of the dead king were set on poles. These limbs were removed and buried in the following year by Oswy, the brother and successor of Oswald. His body was buried at Bardeney in Lindsey, through the care of his niece Ostrida. Some years afterwards it is said to have been moved to Gloucester by Elfreda queen of Mercia. A story is narrated that an arm of St. Oswald was at Peterborough, but of this Higden declares himself incredulous.

Story of
Cesara,
wife of
the king
of Persia.

A story follows of Cesara, the wife of a king of Persia who, on becoming a Christian, came to Constantinople, was baptized, and refused to return to her husband unless he would accept the same faith which she had embraced. Learning this the king came to Constantinople, and after being baptized, returned home with his wife.

Of the
Northum-
brian
kingdom.

After Oswald's death Northumbria was once more divided into two kingdoms. Oswy, brother of Oswald, reigned in Bernicia, and Oswyne, son of Osric, in Deira; but after seven years Oswyne was slain through the treachery of Count Humbald by the agents of Oswy. The place of the murder is called by Bede, Ingetlingum.¹ Odilwald succeeded Oswyne in Deira.

Of the
papacy :
pope
Martin I.

In the notice of the next pope, Martin I., the points dwelt on are, that an assassin who intended to murder the pontiff was struck blind during his attempt, and that Pope Martin was banished by Constantine, as we have already noticed.²

¹ Identified with Gilling near Richmond in Yorkshire. The date was A.D. 651, and the agent in the murder was an officer named Ethelwine. See Bede, H. E., iii. 14.

² There is great confusion in the Latin text at this point, which must have existed also in the time when

the versions were made. The exarchs of Ravenna at this time were the agents of the imperial authority in Italy. The exarch in the early part of Pope Martin's pontificate was Theodore Calliopas. After him came Olympius, and according to Platina (fol. 44 b.) it

The death of Paulinus bishop of Rochester is noticed, and also of Felix already named as first bishop of the East Angles. The date of the death of Bishop Paulinus was A.D. 644. He was succeeded by Bishop Ithamar, who was the first Saxon raised to that dignity, and Felix by Bishop Thomas. The reconversion of the people of Essex is the next subject dwelt on. Since the expulsion of Mellitus, the Christian faith had been suppressed in this province; but now King Sigebert, at the instance of King Oswy of Northumbria, abjured idolatry, and was baptized by Finan bishop of Lindisfarne; and Cedde, an Englishman, consecrated by Finan¹ was made bishop among the East Saxons. Here follows a *narratio* or story concerning Bishop Cedde drawn from some independent source. This is immediately succeeded by a renewed notice of the death of Oswyne, which leads to a narrative illustrating the liberality of Bishop Aidan, and the way in which King Oswyne, when rebuked by him, accepted the correction. Aidan is said to have foretold the death of this king, and himself to have not long survived him.² St. Cuth-

English
Church
history.

East
Saxons
return to
Chris-
tianity.

Cedde,
bishop of
the East
Saxons.

was enjoined on the latter to bring the pope alive to Constantinople, or, if that were not possible, to put him to death in Italy. It is of the officer of Olympius that the story of the sudden blinding is told. So that "Spartarius Olympi" in the text probably means a javelin-bearer belonging to Olympius: *Spartarius* being, as the version of Trevisa takes it, = *Spartharius*, a bearer of the *sparth* or battle-axe (see Du Cange, s. v.). Unless some word such as *lictor*, or something equivalent thereto, have dropped out between *Spartarius* and *Olympi*, the former could hardly be a proper name. As the whole story is mythical, it should be mentioned

that according to the best authorities it was Theodore Calliopas who sent Pope Martin to Constantinople. See Moreri, s. v. Martin, whose authorities are Anastasius *in vit. Pontif.*, and Baronius, *Annales*.

¹ The *Ithancastre*, *Penta*, and *Tilleburgh* mentioned in this place in connexion with the subsequent preaching of Finan among the East Angles, are identified respectively with the Roman *Othona*, now St. Peters on the wall; the river Freshwell, and Tilbury. See Smith's Bede, H. E., notes, p. 127.

² The bishop only lived twelve days after the king's death. Oswy, to atone for the murder of Oswyne, founded a monastery at Ongetlin-

bert saw the soul of St. Aidan borne by angels into heaven. The death of St. Birinus is next recorded. His episcopate had continued for fourteen years.

Pope Eugenius I.

Pope Eugenius I. held the pontificate for three years, but Higden says nothing of his actions, only noticing that this was the time when the abbey of Lestingay was founded, the land having been granted to Cedde by Odilwald king of Deira.

Cap. xvi.
Arch-
bishop
Theodore
of Canter-
bury.

Vitalian was pope after Eugenius for fourteen years, and he it was who sent into England that great ecclesiastical reformer, Archbishop Theodore. The two archbishops who preceded him, and who are just mentioned by Higden, were Honorius and Deusdedit, the latter of whom died, according to the Saxon Chronicle, in 664.

Mercia
becomes
Christian
A.D. 655.

When Penda king of Mercia had been overthrown and slain at the battle of Wingfield¹ by Oswy king of Northumberland, the kingdom of Mercia, under Weda² the son of Penda, embraced the Christian faith. Weda had already married Elfreda the daughter of Oswy, and a son of Oswy had married Weda's sister. We next come to a notice of Benedict Biscop, who was a minister of King Oswy, and first had charge of the education of the historian Bede. He was the first abbot of the monastery of Wearmouth, and made many journeys to Rome, and returned from thence very largely supplied with books, and also with relics, for which he found a place in the monasteries of Peter and Paul, which he founded on the Wear. He also introduced foreign artizans into England, and the art of glazing windows is especially men-

Benedict
Biscop,
his library,
monas-
teries, and
encou-
ragement
of artizans.

gum, *i. e.*, Gilling, near Richmond. See Lappenberg, i. p. 164.

¹ On this important turning point in the history of our island, see Freeman's *Norman Conquest*, vol. i. p. 37. The place is said to be on the river Winwed in the text, p. 82, which is believed to be the Aire.

² This king's name is given in Bede as *Peada*. The confusion arises from the great similarity between the two letters P and W in the oldest English alphabet. All the MSS. of Higden write the name with W.

tioned as brought in by him. Higden quotes Bede's panegyric upon his master. By a retrospective glance he then goes back to the slaughter of Anna by Penda king of Mercia, and this leads the way to some particulars of the death of Penda himself, which has not hitherto been fully noticed in the text. It is also told how Abbot Bothulph founded the monastery of Icanno, *i.e.*, Boston in Lincolnshire. We are also informed of Oswy's vow before the battle between him and Penda, which no doubt, to Higden's mind, had great effect on the result. The Northumbrian monarch promised to devote his daughter Elfreda to the religious life, as it was then called, and also to build and endow twelve abbeys. Both these parts of his vow Oswy scrupulously fulfilled after his victory. His daughter was entrusted to St. Hilda, who was then presiding over the convent at Hertsey,¹ but who was afterwards the famous abbess of Whitby. Of the abbeys, six were founded in Deira and six in Bernicia. King Oswy seems to have ruled in Mercia as well as in Northumberland, for he is said to have ceded to his son-in-law Weda (or Peada) the kingdom of South Mercia, and when this latter monarch was murdered through the treachery of his wife, Oswy ruled over Mercia, till the Mercians rebelling set up Wulferus, another son of Penda, as their king.

For the first time in this volume Higden makes mention of the kings of the Franks. He takes up their history with Clodoneus II.,² son of Dagobert, but only records that he caused one of the arms of the corpse of St. Denys to be cut off. Moreri, who relates that the king's intent was that the relic should be conveyed to his own oratory, calls the act "more pious than criminal."

¹ This name is given in Bede as *Heruteu*, and is identified with Hartlepool, in the county of Durham. Bede, H. E., iii. 24.

² This is Clovis II., who reigned from A.D. 644-660. See Moreri, s. Clovis II.

Higden, on the contrary, says it was done "instigante " diabolo."

Lombard
history.

From Paulus we have next an anecdote of Grimaldus king of the Lombards, which shows that even in those rude times an act of fidelity was not unappreciated.

Next is related the marriage of St. Etheldreda to Egfrid, son of king Oswy, but more will be said of her in connexion with the abbey at Ely, in a later passage.

Hunarus, prince of the Saracens, is said to have built a Mahometan temple in Jerusalem at this period.

Kingdom
of Kent :
Egbert
reigns
nine
years.

The history turns back now to the affairs of the kingdom of Kent. Ercombert dies, and is succeeded by his son Egbert. Archbishop Deusdedit having died, the kings of Kent and Northumberland sent Wyghard to pope Vitalian to be appointed archbishop ; but he died of the plague, which then raged in England, and so the pope appointed the monk of Tarsus, Theodore. The mention of the plague gives Higden occasion to tell the story of a monk Egbert, who was sick, but was restored to health by virtue of his earnest prayers.

Cap. xvii.
English
church
history.

This chapter, which deals mainly with the church history of England, commences with the record of the deaths of bishops Finan and Aidan, and the appointment of Colman as bishop of Northumbria. Mention is made also of the ordination of Wylfrid, by Agilbert bishop of Wessex. Then comes a long notice of a conference about the Paschal question. The decision given by king Oswy was, that it would be best to keep Easter according to the tradition of St. Peter's observance, lest that powerful door-keeper should close heaven against them. Bishop Colman did not approve of the decision, and retired from England to Scotland. Higden then gives a rule for the correct finding of Easter day. On the retirement of Colman, Wylfrid was made archbishop of York ; and Bishop Agilbert, indignant at a subdivision of his diocese, went over into Gaul, whither Wylfrid went to be consecrated by him. Here is introduced

Of the
keeping of
Easter.

from Paulus a story of the wish of Constans II. (here also wrongly called Constantinus) to recover Italy from the Lombards, and of his defeat.¹ The reason for the success of the Lombards is said to have been their devotion to the worship of St. John the Baptist, who in consequence was their great protector.

During the absence of Wylfrid, it appears that Oswy, Arch-
influenced by the Scottish party, appointed Cæd-
da arch-
bishop of York. When Wylfrid learned this, he retired
submissively to his cloisters in the abbey of Ripon; but
afterwards archbishop Theodore, in his visitation of the
Northumbrian kingdoms, restored Wylfrid to the see to
which he had been first appointed, and after a time
Cæd-
da was made by him bishop of Lichfield.² Here is
inserted a notice of the building of the monastery of
Abendon, and the death in Gaul of St. Leger, in the
tyrannical times of Ebroynus, the *major domus* of king
Theodoric.³ Also the succession of pope Adeodatus (669-
676), after Vitalian in whose time the body of St.
Benedict, with that of his sister, St. Scholastica, are
said to have been removed from Mount Cassinus, and
conveyed to a monastery near Orleans.⁴

Omitting Constans II., Higden mentions as the next
emperor Constantine IV., known as Pogonatus;⁵ he was
the son of Constans II. No particulars of his reign are

Arch-
bishop
Wylfrid.

Pope
Adeodatus.

Cap. xviii.
Roman
Empire :
Constan-
tine IV.

¹ He was defeated by Grimbold king of the Lombards, but yet went to Rome, and spoiled that city. See Henninius, *Hist. Imp. Rom.*, under Constans II.

² See Lappenberg, i. 176, where a very full account of the earlier life of Wylfrid is given.

³ Constantinus here (p. 112) mentioned should, as above, be Constans II.

⁴ Of this, Platina, fol. 45 a, 46 b, makes no mention. That which is especially noticed by him is the in-

stitution of Litanies by this pope for the mitigation of the alarming portents of his time, such as a comet which appeared for three months, great rains, and thunderstorms such as had never been known.

⁵ Henninius remarks that this Constantine is by some called Constantine V., which of course he would be if his father were Constantine as Higden here and everywhere else names him. See *Hist. Imp. Rom.*, p. 134, note.

given, except its duration, which was seventeen years. The death of Grimwald king of the Lombards, from the bursting of a vein after bloodletting, is noticed.¹ The history then dwells on the arrival of archbishop Theodore, and on his reforms. His birth, education, and age are recorded. Pope Vitalian associated with him, when he sent him to Britain, the abbot Adrian. On his arrival he went over the entire island, and introduced many new regulations. He had schools established where singing and mathematics were taught, and the study of both Greek and Latin was encouraged. He regulated and increased the episcopate. His treatment of Cedda has already been noticed. The character of the clerical order stood high in his time.² The succession of Egfrid to the throne of Northumbria after Oswy's death is mentioned, but it is mainly done that a fuller notice may be given to St. Etheldreda who was his wife. Egfrid was her second husband, her first having been Tondebert, prince of the South Girwies. Her manner of life when she became abbess of Ely is described, and we are told that she survived in that dignity for seven years. The narrative then goes back to the synod which was assembled by archbishop Theodore.³ Higden mentions five out of the ten provisions which were agreed to by this assembly. They prescribe the Roman mode of reckoning Easter-tide, some regulations for bishops, clergy, and monks, for the holding of a synod at least once in a year, and for stricter observance of matrimonial ties. The appointment of Leutherius into the place of the retired bishop

¹ The reference given in the text, which is *Petrus*, should be Paulus Diaconus, lib. v.

² On Archbishop Theodore, and the universal acceptance of his reforms, see Lappenberg, i. 173. He made general the use of the Gregorian chant, and brought the clergy of this island to a level in

attainments with the rest of the Christian clerical world.

³ All the MSS. and versions give the name of the meeting place of the synod as *Tedford* or *Tetford*, but Bede writes it Herutford, and it was at Hertford, which was a frequent residence of the kings of Essex.

Agilbertus is mentioned here, after which the history turns to the kingdoms of Kent and Wessex.

Egbert king of Kent, was succeeded by his brother Lothair, and Kenwalcus king of Wessex left his kingdom, as some say, under the dominion of his wife Sexburga, at his death, though Bede says that for ten years it was subdivided among several petty princes.

Chad bishop of Lichfield died, and was succeeded by Wynfrid, but he was soon deposed, and Sexwolfus put into his place. Sexwolfus had been abbot of Medehamstede, *i.e.*, Peterborough. In the papacy Bonus¹ (676–678) succeeded Adeodatus, but only held the papal power for a year and a half, and Higden mentions no more than this. He next proceeds to notice the monastic foundations of St. Erkenwold, who was third Bishop of London. These were two monasteries, one at Chertsey in Surrey, and the other at Barking in Essex. Ethelburga, sister of the founder, was abbess of the latter.

The chronicle now turns to the kingdom of Wessex. Oskwyne² became king when Sexburga had either died or been expelled, and reigned three years. He made himself famous by a great victory which he gained over Wulferus king of Mercia at a place called Wydenhale in the text, which Lappenberg (i. 256) identifies with Bedwin in Wiltshire. After Wulferus, Etheldred became king of Mercia. The widow of Wulferus, Ermenilda, with her daughter, afterwards the famous St. Werburg, became nuns at Ely. After a short notice of the wintering of the Danes in England, which proceeding marks a stage when their inroads had gone beyond the mere desire of plunder, the chronicler returns to his notice of the family

¹ The name is thus given in all the MSS. and texts, but should be Donus or Domnus, see Platina, fol. 46 a.

² This name is elsewhere given as Æscwine, or Escuin, and two of

the MSS. have Elkwine. For more particulars concerning the West Saxon kingdom in the time between the death of Kenwalcus and the reign of Oskwyne, see Lappenberg, i. 254–5.

Of the family of Wulferus of Mercia.

Pope Agatho and the sixth council of Constantinople.

Cap. XIX. Thierry I. king of the Franks. English affairs.

Deprivation of Wylfrid.

of Wulferus, of which both male and female members attained great fame for sanctity. It was through the influence of Kyneswyda, a sister of Wulferus, who was wife of King Offa, that that monarch took his pilgrimage to Rome. The chapter concludes with the mention of the papacy of Agatho (A.D. 678), in whose time was held the sixth council of Constantinople, against the errors of the Monothelites.¹

This chapter opens with the mention of Theodorus as king of the Franks. He succeeded Clothaire his father,² according to Higden's statement, and reigned eighteen years. Afterwards turning to the affairs of England, mention is made of the invasion of Kent by the king of Mercia, Etheldred; of the fourth journey of Benedict Biscop to Rome, at which time he is said to have brought back with him John the precentor; of a great battle near the Trent fought between Etheldred and Egfrid king of Northumbria. After this the history proceeds with the expulsion of Wylfrid from his see by king Egfrid. This was done with the sanction of Theodore the archbishop, and is said to have been at the instigation of the wife³ whom Egfrid married after Etheldreda's retirement into the cloister. The injured prelate appeals to Rome, and he is heard, and furnished by pope Agatho with a letter in which his deprivation was pronounced uncanonical. Of this, however, the authorities in England took no heed, but imprisoned the aggrieved bishop,

¹ It was at this council that the title of *Œcumenical* or *Universal* bishop, which Pope Gregory had not only denounced in others but rejected for himself, was ascribed to Agatho by his representatives, and the bishops of Rome henceforth usually assumed it. See Robertson's Church History, iii. 2, and notes.

² This statement of Higden evi-

dently refers to Thierry I., but he was the son of Clovis II., and not of Clothaire. See Moreri, s. v.

³ As two bishoprics were actually founded in the place of the one which Wylfrid had held, it has been suggested that the wish to do this was pleaded as an excuse for the apparently harsh proceedings against Bishop Wylfrid. Soames, Ang. Sax. Ch., p. 70.

nor when he was released did he succeed in obtaining restoration. He therefore passed into the kingdom of the South Saxons, and began the work of an evangelist there. The missionary spirit was strong in Wylfrid, for even when he was on his way to Rome to prosecute his appeal, being cast by contrary winds on the coast of Frisia, he commenced the work of teaching among the natives, which was afterwards carried out more fully by St. Wyllebrod. Miracles are said to have attended the coming of Wylfrid into Sussex. He is also said to have taught the inhabitants improved methods of fishing.

Wylfrid
preaches
in Frisia.

Higden then records the death of Oskwyne and the succession of Kentwyne in Wessex; the death of bishop Leutherius and the succession of Hedda at Winchester; the death of St. Audoen, bishop of Rouen, and the birth of Bede. Leo II. becomes pope (A.D. 683) after Agatho, but as elsewhere, nothing is said of the acts of the pontiff, though Platina speaks of his pontificate in the most laudatory terms.¹ The deaths of St. Etheldreda and also of St. Hilda are next mentioned, and a somewhat fuller notice is given of the latter, and of the monastery of Whitby over which she presided. This includes a brief account of Cædmon, the first British poet, and the story of his suddenly imparted poetical gifts. Then (from Henry of Huntingdon) we have an account of the council of Hatfield. The presence there of John the Precentor, whom Benedict Biscop had brought over from Rome, is recorded, and it is then mentioned that Mercia was about this time divided into five dioceses.² After a story of Cunebert king of the Lombards, and the usual

British
affairs.

Leo II.,
pope.

The poet
Cædmon.

¹ Fol. 47 b. Brevis fuit hujus sanctissimi viri pontificatus, sed gloria tanta ut diutius vixisse appareat, cum ejus nomen omnium laudibus merito celebretur. He seems to have been skilled in music, and especially in psalmody. He

also was an earnest supporter of the decrees of the sixth council held under the preceding pope.

² In the text we have *parochias*, and in one MS. *provincias*, but the sense is evidently what C. and D. have given, *dioceses*.

- Pope Benedict II. brief notice of pope Benedict II.,¹ A.D. 684, the history proceeds with an account of Mercia and of Wessex, and of the monasteries on the Wear built by Benedict Biscop. To Benedict's care Bede was committed at the age of seven years, and by him transferred to the tuition of abbot Colfrid. The appointment of Cuthbert as bishop of Hexham introduces a brief notice of him, which is succeeded by a description of Egfrid's wars against Scotland. In Wessex Cedwalla succeeds Kentwyne, and Alfrid becomes king of Northumbria on the death of his brother Egfrid. The chapter closes with the mention of the Saracen devastations in north Africa, and with the death of Constantine IV., which occurred A.D. 685.
- Of Bede's youth.
- Cap. xx. In the empire Justinian II. succeeds Constantine his father ; and after pope Benedict first comes John V. and then Conon.² Quoted from Bede we next have a record of the changes in the kingdom of Kent down to the succession of Withred.³ Previous to his accession the kingdom had been overrun by Cedwalla of Wessex. Bishop Wylfrid is invited to the northern see of Hexham, and Sergius succeeds Conon in the papacy (A.D. 687).
- Kingdom of Kent.
- The papacy.
- Of the kingdom of the Franks.
- This pope is not left with the usual brief mention, for we are told that he appointed the *Agnus Dei* to be thrice sung in the mass, and by Divine revelation discovered a great portion of the holy cross. Turning to notice the Franks, Pipinus the mayor of the palace and some of his acts are noticed, and from Paulus is drawn an account how the kings of France became the mere puppets of the mayors of the palace. The death of St. Cuthbert, and the succession of Wylfrid are recorded, and

¹ Higden wrongly assigns five years as the duration of this pontificate. Benedict was pope little more than ten months. See Platina, fol. 47 b.

² Conon is called Zeno in all the MSS. and versions.

³ The Saxon Chronicle dates his accession A.D. 694, but this must be the date at which he became *sole* king of Kent, for he was already reigning in 692. See Lappenberg, i. 246-7.

king Cedwalla's death at Rome, and also his epitaph. Death of Cedwalla. After this we have a digression on the orthography of this monarch's name, a brief notice of the succession of Ine, the deaths of Benedict Biscop and of archbishop Theodore, and the expulsion of Wylfrid from his bishopric. Second banishment of Wylfrid. He appeals once more to Rome, but the king Alfrid refused to recognise the authority of Rome. Wyllebrod's mission to Germany is next alluded to, and the building of the monastery of Evesham. Then follows the succession of Clovis III.¹ in France, and a peace between Ine of Wessex and the people of Kent. A longer mention is accorded to the banishment of the emperor Justinian Of Justinian II. and his return. This banishment was for ten years (695-705). The story of the mutilation of this emperor, from which he is known as Rhinotmetus, is also recorded.²

Leo (*i.e.* Leontius) is named as emperor at the commencement of this chapter, and the succession of Childebert after Clovis in France (A.D. 695). Then follows a somewhat longer notice of St. Guthlac,³ the founder of the monastery of Crowland, and some particulars concerning that foundation. A short mention is made of the resurrection and revelations of Driethelm, which is

¹ Here Higden calls Clovis or Clodoneus the son of Pepin le Bref (Pipinus Brevis or Vetulus), and says that Pepin made his son king after the death of Thierris. The Pepin here referred to is Pepin d' Heristal, who was most powerful, as mayor of the palace, under Clovis III., Childebert, and Dagobert III. Pepin le Bref, the first of the Carolingian dynasty, became king of France in 751, while Pepin d' Heristal died in 714.

² The *Leo Patricius* of the text, by whom the mutilation was perpetrated, is elsewhere called *Leontius*, and is that Leontius who was

raised to the empire on the banishment of Justinian, and reigned for about three years. During the remaining seven years of that banishment of Justinian, Apsimarus, otherwise called Tiberius, filled the imperial throne. See Henninius, p. 136, note.

³ An interesting life of St. Guthlac in Saxon, with an English translation by C. W. Goodwin, gives a very full history of the deeds ascribed to this famous monk, expanding largely the brief notice of him in the text, especially in the matter of his power over unclean spirits.

drawn from the account in Bede, but much abbreviated.¹ The Roman empire is next noticed, wherein Tiberius (or Apsimarus) deposes Leontius, and is in turn deposed and slain (as was also his predecessor), by the restored Justinian, who was helped back to the throne by the power of the Turks and Bulgarians.² The council of Aquileia, held A.D. 698, is mentioned, but no hint is given of the character of its deliberations,³ and from the text it would be confused with the council of Constantinople of A.D. 553, for Higden's notice is entirely erroneous. He then proceeds to speak of (as Leo III.) a pope who sat for two years after Sergius, but being intruded into the papal chair by the civil power, is not noticed in the catalogue of the popes.⁴ The visit of bishop Arnulph⁵ to Britain, and his conferences with Adamnan, in consequence of which that abbot wrote his work on the marvels of the sacred places, is next narrated, and the fact that Bede owed to that work some of the materials of his history is stated.

Council of
Aquileia.

Abbot
Adamnan.

The three years pontificate of John VI., and that at this period Etheldred king of Mercia, leaving his king-

¹ In Higden and the versions the name is Brithwold, or some near approach to that form.

² The notice of Justinian's vengeance on his enemies is taken (though Higden has not inserted any reference) from Paulus *de Gest. Langob.* vi., 12, where it is said, "quoties truncas emungebat nares, aliquem e Leontii partibus mactari præcepit."

³ Higden calls it "Quinta synodus universalis," and says it was held "sub Sergio," which would mean rather "under his presidency" than in his time. The facts are that this was a heretic council [Mansi only calls it *concionabulum*] held to *oppose* the fifth general council of

Constantinople, and to support what are known as the "tria capitula," by which name the doctrines taught by Theodore of Mopsuestia and others were indicated. Paulus Diaconus, v. 14, says of this assembly: "Hoc tempore synodus Aquileiæ facta, ob imperitiam fidei, quintum universale concilium suscipere diffidit, donec salutaribus beati Sergii papæ monitis instructa, et ipsa cum ceteris Christi ecclesiis annuere consentit." See also *Mansi*, xii. 115.

⁴ The real Leo III. was pope, as we shall see, from A.D. 795 to 816.

⁵ Called elsewhere Arculf. See Lappenberg, i. 209.

dom to Kenred his nephew, became a monk at Bardeney¹ are next mentioned; then follows the record of the papacy of John VII., and of the subdivision of the diocese of Winchester, another bishop's see being founded at Sherborne. With a list of the bishops then most noted in England the chapter is brought to a close.

Bishopric
of Sher-
borne
founded.

Still dwelling on the times of Justinian II., and of his expulsion and return, Higden tells that Tiberius his son was his colleague in the empire for six years. It is said that Justinian's cruelty in the destruction of the place of his exile caused an insurrection against him, in which Philippicus Bardanes overcame him, and succeeded to the imperial power. The death of Alfrid king of Northumbria, and the succession of his son of eight years old,² Osred by name, are next mentioned, as is the visit of Kenred of Mercia to Rome, accompanied by the son of the king of Essex. Colred nephew of Kenred thus succeeded to the Mercian kingdom. The brief pontificate of Sisinnius, and the succession of Constantine I., are recorded. A longer notice is given to the life, works, and virtues of St. Adhelm. The death of St. Wilfrid and the record of his epitaph, is followed by a notice of the death of abbot Adrian, who had been the fellow worker of archbishop Theodore, and the tutor of Alcuin. After some remarks on the proper time of observing Easter, introduced in consequence of an application made by the king of the Picts to abbot Colfrid for information, the history reverts to the doings of the emperor Philippicus Bardanes³ (A.D. 711) in his brief reign of a year

Cap. xxii.
Of the
Roman
empire.

British
affairs.

Philippi-
cus em-
peror.

¹ William of Malmesbury adds (Scriptores, post Bedam, p. 28) that he subsequently became abbot of the monastery.

² The possibility of such a succession was due to the power of the ealdorman Berhtfrith, who protected the interests of the youthful monarch for his reign of eleven

years. The mother of Osred was sister of Ine king of Wessex, and this fact may have had some influence in maintaining the rule of Osred, though he was so mere a child. See Lappenberg, i. 210.

³ Called in the text Dardanicus (p. 190).

and a half. This monarch favoured the Monothelite heresy, and forbade images in churches,¹ and for this his effigy on coins was rejected by the Romans. His successor was Anastasius II. (A.D. 713–716), in whose times Dagobert II. was reigning in France, having succeeded Childebert in A.D. 711. Gregory II. followed after pope Constantine, who had died in A.D. 714; about which date St. Guthlac died at Crowland. The battle of Wodennesburgh,² between Ine king of Wessex, and Colred king of Mercia, occurred A.D. 715. In this fearful conflict it could not be said on which side the slaughter was the greatest. The quick succession on the imperial throne is next related. Theodosius III. reigned for a year, his predecessor having been conquered and compelled to enter a monastery; which lot was also Theodosius' own, when he was deposed by Leo III. The Saracen assaults on Constantinople are mentioned, and the fame of Johannes Damascenus, at the mention of whom Higden makes a digression to prevent this Johannes being confounded with Johannes Heremita. Miracles were wrought in connexion with both men, but Heremita was the earlier in date by many years.

Of the sovereigns of France.

Battle of Wodennesburgh (A.D. 715).

Johannes Damascenus.

Cap. xxiii. This chapter opens with a notice of the twenty-five years duration of the reign of the emperor Leo III.,³ who made his son Constantine his coadjutor. In his days died Pepin d'Heristal⁴ (whom Higden as before identifies

¹ According to Platina (fol. 51 a) the emperor ordered the paintings on the walls of the church of St. Sophia in Constantinople to be scraped off. For this and other offences of like kind he was excommunicated by Pope Constantine I., as Higden records, p. 176. After being deprived of his eyes, Philippicus died in prison (A.D. 713). See Henninius, p. 137.

² This place is identified with

Wenborough in Wiltshire. See Lappenberg, i. 263.

³ This is Leo the Isaurian, who came to the throne A.D. 717. He defeated the Caliph Solyman, who was besieging Constantinople, but his name is most known in connexion with the Iconoclastic struggle in the church, as is recorded in the following chapter.

⁴ Pepin really died in A.D. 714.

with Pepin le Bref), and his power came into the hands of his son Charles Martel, afterwards so famous for his reforms and conquests.¹ The spoliation of the church which Charles carried out in order to support his soldiers, is said to have been punished in another world, and this punishment witnessed by Eucherius bishop of Orleans. His body also is said to have been spirited away from its grave. After noticing a great flood in the Tiber at this date, the history returns to the kings of Mercia, on which throne Ethelbald succeeds Colred. His conquests are mentioned, and his final overthrow by Cuthred king of Wessex. The ecclesiastical history of England occupies the rest of the chapter, and in it are comprised the miracles of St. Egwyne, a notice of St. John of York, and his successor known as Wylfrid junior, the erection of the monastery of Glastonbury by Ine king of Wessex, with some notices of the saints whose bones have been either originally laid in, or else translated to that famous abbey.

Charles
Martel.

British
ecclesiastical
history.

Taking a further notice of the emperor Leo III., Cap. xxiv. Higden mentions the distinction between *δουλεία* as a service which may be paid to a creature, and *λατρεία* only to God. Pope Gregory was earnest in his opposition to the imperial edicts,² and was aided in his opposition by Germanus of Constantinople. Withred king of Kent, and Tobias bishop of Rochester, died at this period. The Saracens attack Constantinople, and Luitprand king of the Lombards causes the relics of St. Augustine to be conveyed to Pavia. Ine king of Wessex, having resigned his kingdom to his kinsman

Ine, king
of Wessex
goes to
Rome.

¹ Charles Martel was an illegitimate son of Pepin, and did not succeed to his father's power except after a struggle against Plectrude, the widow of Pepin, who, after her husband's death, governed in the name of Dagobert III. and of her

infant grandson, the child of her second son, for a year.

² Leo seems to have been desirous to establish his temporal power above the ecclesiastical quite as much as to purify the church. See Robertson's Church Hist., ii. 43.

Ethelard, went to Rome, where he granted Peter's pence for the first time to the papal see. His wife induced him to take this step, and she became a nun at Barkyng. Osric king of Northumberland dies, and is succeeded by Colwulf, for whom Bede wrote his History. Two comets appeared at this time, and were thought to portend still further inroads of the Saracens. Brithwold archbishop of Canterbury died, and the next occupant of the see was archbishop Tadwyne. The power of Mercia was, for a short time, extended under king Ethelbald. The Welsh for a while grew more independent.¹ Gregory III. became pope (A.D. 731-741), and maintained the same opposition as Gregory II. had done to the iconoclastic measures of the emperor, and threatened with excommunication all who joined in the imperial struggle against images. Petronax of Brescia restored the monastery on Mount Cassinus at this pope's instigation. Archbishop Tadwyne is succeeded by Nothelmus. About the same time Bede also died. Higden gives a brief summary of the events of his life, and discusses the question of whether he ever visited Rome or not. He was invited to do so by pope Sergius. The epitaph which is given is, as Higden says, unworthy of the tomb of such a man.

Kingdom
of North-
umbria.

Gregory
III. pope.

Death of
Bede,
A.D. 735.

Ricold, a
duke of
Frisia.

A story is next told of Ricold, a duke of Frisia, who, when about to be baptized, inquired whether more of his forefathers were in heaven or hell, and being told there were more of them in hell, declined to proceed farther with his baptism, electing rather to join the large company of his progenitors. Satan having got such a hold on him, he died within three days. The story of St. Frideswyde of Oxford is told. Colwulf, king of Northumbria, retires into a monastery, and leaves his kingdom to his cousin Egbert, who reigned nineteen

¹ On the condition of the Welsh after the departure of Ine to Rome, see Lappenberg, i. 268.

years. Cuthbert bishop of Hereford is made archbishop of Canterbury on the death of Nothelmus.

Constantine V. succeeds (A.D. 741) his father Leo, and reigned thirty-three years.¹ This monarch inherited his father's hostility to images, which he caused to be destroyed everywhere. He likewise opposed the Monothelites. Ethelard king of Wessex dying, is succeeded by Cuthred, who had many wars with Ethelbald king of Mercia. Cuthred is succeeded by Sigebert, but he for his ill government is soon expelled, and afterwards slain by the swineherd of a nobleman whom he had put to death during his reign. Charles Martel dies, leaving two sons, Pepin and Carloman, the latter of whom soon retires into a monastery. The son of Theirri III. was reigning at this time in France as Childeric III. Pepin had determined to depose the Merovingians, and transfer the crown to himself and his posterity. He won the clergy to his side by various means, and in A.D. 751, when his plans were matured, he sent ambassadors to Pope Zachary to propound the following question: whether the throne of the Merovingians should be considered as rightfully belonging to them in their present state of useless insignificance, or whether it did not more legitimately belong to him who exercised all the power and sustained all the responsibility of the government. The pope answered in a manner favourable to Pepin, and in March A.D. 752, in an assembly of bishops and nobles, he caused himself to be proclaimed king of the Franks, and was anointed by St. Boniface. Childeric III.² was deposed, and confined in the convent of St. Omer till his death. Pope Zachary, who succeeded Gregory III., filled the papal throne for twelve years. A marvellous story

Cap. xxv.
Constantine V.
emperor.

Affairs of
Wessex.

End of the
Merovingian
dynasty.

Pepin
le Bref,
king
of the
Franks.

¹ Till A.D. 775. He is known by the title of Copronymus, a name which some think was given to him by his enemies among the church-

men. See Henninius, pp. 145, 146.

² Called *Hilderic* by Higden and the versions.

is told of a cloud which protected him from the sun's heat on a journey to Ravenna, and remained near his tent by night. Also of rays of light in the clouds as he went forward.¹

English
episcopal
changes.

Wylfrid, the younger, bishop of York, dies, and is succeeded by Egbert, who did great service to that see, and is praised by Alcuin. Daniel bishop of Winchester is succeeded by Hunfrid. Pope Stephen II. (A.D. 752) held the papal throne five years, and anointed Carloman and Charles (afterwards the Great), the sons of Pepin, as emperors. For the imperial power was leaving the Romans and passing to the Franks.

Kingdoms
of Wes-
sex and
Mercia.

Kenulphus,² a grandson of Penda, succeeds to the throne of Wessex, after Sigebert had been expelled. Yet for a time he allowed Sigebert to occupy Hampshire. Ethelbald³ king of Mercia is slain at Sigeswold by Beornred, but that slaughter is avenged by Offa the grandson of Ethelbald. Offa reigned thirty-nine years. Higden gives an enumeration of his conquests, and mentions more particularly how he transferred the metropolitan see from Canterbury to Lichfield. The payment of Rome-scot and the making of Offa's dyke are noticed, and the alliances which this prince sought with other royal families. It was by him that Alcuin was sent to Charlemagne.

Offa king
of Mercia.

Organs
first
brought
into
France.

Notice is next taken of the introduction of organs into France, the first having been sent to Pepin le Bref by the emperor Constantine IV. The succession of the Northumbrian kings was Egbert, Oswulf, and then Moll, called also Ethelwold. Paul I. (A.D. 757-767) succeeds

¹ Platina, in his life of Zachary, says nothing of these marvels. See fol. 53 a. b.

² Written sometimes Cynewulf. There were few events in his reign which are noteworthy. See Lapenberg, i. 271.

³ The correspondence between

Ethelbald and Boniface, archbishop of Mainz (see William of Malmesbury in "Scriptores post Bedam," p. 28) is a pleasing evidence of the kindly intercourse which prevailed at this time between the Christians in England and in Germany.

Stephen on the papal throne, and in his time lived St. St. Gengulphus, the wickedness of whose wife, and her murder of her husband, and the subsequent punishment of the crime, are duly recorded.

In the kingdom of Northumbria, Alured succeeded Moll. This Alured had two sons, Osred (who some time afterwards came to the throne) and St. Alkmund.

After Pope Paul came one Constantine, who was intruded by lay influence into the papal throne, but was "by the zeal of the faithful expelled and deprived of his eyes." This was the date of the death of Pepin le Bref (A.D. 768), who died of dropsy.

With the exception of the last sentence the whole of this chapter is occupied with a notice of Charles the Great (A.D. 768-814). We are told how the widow of his brother Carloman sought an asylum at the court of Lombardy; of his siege of Pavia,¹ and his victory over Desiderius the Lombard monarch. His further conquests are enumerated, as are the stories of Roland and Oliver, and of Aygolandus the Spanish prince, and of his reason for refusing Christian baptism. On the authority of archbishop Turpin a description is given of Charles' personal appearance, of his great strength, his manner of life, the education of his children, and his fondness for learning. Peter of Pisa and Alcuin are mentioned among his instructors. He was such a lover of learning that he had a reader employed while at his meals, and his favourite author was Augustine "De Civitate Dei."

¹ Higden only says that the siege was undertaken at the request of Pope Adrian. The origin of the war was in the conduct of Charles towards Hermengarde, daughter of Desiderius [Didier], whom he married, but repudiated within a year. Her father appealed to the pope, and when the pontiff refused to move in the cause, the Lombard

troops invaded the papal territory. It was on this account that the pope's request was made to Charles that he would invade Lombardy. See Moreri (s.vv. *Hermengarde* and *Charles I.*), who says that the marriage had, in the first instance, been brought about by Bertha, the mother of Charles, against his will.

A description of his food, somewhat differing from the former, is also inserted, and his love for sacred things, relics and the like, does not go without notice. A church of St. Mary which he built at Aix is mentioned, and that he founded as many monasteries as there are letters of the alphabet. We are told how he bestowed his wealth before his death; of a joke between him and Alcuin about the difference between a Scot and a sot, which might be taken as evidence very contradictory of what has been before recorded of the temperance of Charles. Higden endeavours to reconcile conflicting dates in the reign of Charles,¹ and mentions his death in the fourteenth year of his empire (A.D. 814). St. James of Compostella, we are informed, saved the soul of Charles from the fiends, and we have this on archbishop Turpin's authority.

Difference
between a
Scot and
a sot.

Going back to history of the papacy, the name of Stephen III. is next in order, and in the next chapter Adrian I. The former of these is said to have revoked all that his predecessor² had enacted, and the latter to have assembled two councils, in the latter of which, held at Rome, Charles the Great was present, and obtained for himself a voice in future papal elections.

Papal
history.

Cap. xxvii.

The history turns now, for a moment, to the British kingdoms, and mentions Etheldred as king of Northumbria and Mercia.

Kingdoms
of North-
umbria and
Mercia.

¹ It is remarkable that Higden makes no mention of the liberality of Charles the Great to the see of Rome. He not only confirmed the large grants of his father Pepin, but added to them very greatly, and extended the temporal power of the pontiff, though probably intending by this means to make the pope his representative and the agent of his power in Italy. Nor does Higden say anything of the "School of the palace" at Aix, which was at least as great a distinction of this

reign as the building of the church of St. Mary. The great contemporary authorities for the life of Charles are Eginhard, *De Vita et Gestis Caroli Magni*, and Turpin, *de Gestis Caroli Magni*.

² By his predecessor is evidently meant that Constantine whom the lay power had forcibly introduced, but who had been rejected (see text, p. 246) by the zeal of the faithful. The acts revoked were not the acts of Pope Paul I.

bria, and Offa as reigning in Mercia, and that the latter, with pope Adrian's consent, removed the archiepiscopal see from Canterbury to Lichfield. The four years duration of the empire of Leo IV. (A.D. 775-780) is next noticed, and the succession of his son Constantine VI., who with his mother Irene reigned ten¹ years (A.D. 780-797), and she five years alone, after causing the deposition and murder of her son. But vengeance came upon her. Nicephorus (called Logothetes) headed a revolution against Irene in Constantinople, in A.D. 802, whereby she was dethroned, and afterwards banished to Lesbos, where she died the next year.² Nicephorus was saluted as emperor by the army, but his first act was to conclude a treaty with Charles the Great,³ by which the limits of the two sovereignties were defined, and wherein Charles was recognised as the emperor of the West. After a story of the discovery at this time of a gold plate with a wondrous inscription, Higden turns again to English history, and mentions the battle of Bensington,⁴ between Kenulph king of Wessex and king Offa, in which victory declared for the Mercians. The Northumbrians expelled their king Ethelbert,⁵ and elected Alfwold in his stead,

Of the Roman empire in the East.

Charles the Great recognised by Nicephorus as emperor of the West. Battle of Bensington. Northumbrian disorders.

¹ This is a mistake. Constantine came to the imperial throne in 780, and it was not till 797 that his mother caused his eyes to be put out, and afterwards had him murdered that she might reign alone. See Henninius, p 150.

² See Henninius, ut supra.

³ A project had been set on foot soon after the coronation of Charles the Great as emperor (which took place A.D. 800) to unite the empire of the East with that of the West by a marriage between Charles and Irene, but though this scheme had been steadily pursued (some say through the advice of Pope Leo), and preli-

minaries had been in some degree arranged, the plan was brought to naught by the revolution under Nicephorus. Henninius, pp. 151-2, where is a long list of authorities for all the life of Charles.

⁴ *i.e.*, Bensington (or Benson) in Oxfordshire. This battle was, according to the Saxon Chronicle, in A.D. 777 (or according to one MS. 775). See Lappenberg, i. 230 and 271.

⁵ This was mainly through the influence of two rebellious ealdormen, for the state of the northern kingdom was one of the greatest turbulence at this time. For a full account of these outbreaks, and of

Affairs
of Wes-
sex.

who reigned for eleven years. The violent death of Kenulph is related, and the vengeance which was taken on his murderers. Kenulph was succeeded by no direct heir, but by Brithric, who is merely said to have been descended from Cerdic. He reigned fifteen years. For the domestic security of his kingdom he expelled Egbert the son of Alkmund (afterwards the famous monarch under whom England was made one kingdom), who taking refuge in Gaul, in later days returned and became king.

Second
council of
Nicæa
(A.D.
786).

During this time was held the second council of Nicæa, of which the object is wrongly stated in Higden,¹ for he says that at this assembly the question of the procession of the Holy Ghost from the Father *and* the Son was definitely settled.²

Of the
church in
England.

Death of
Brithric
king of
Wessex.

Richulphus succeeds Lulle as archbishop of Canterbury. He built the church of St. Albans. A daughter of king Offa, named Ethelburga, is married to Brithric king of Wessex, and she is said to have poisoned her husband, when she intended only to poison some favourite³ of his against whom she was enraged. In their detestation of this woman the people of Wessex resolved that no future consort of their king should be permitted to occupy a royal throne by the side of her husband or to bear the title of queen, so that henceforth the queen was called "hlæfdige," *lady*. Finding her presence could be no longer tolerated in her own country, Ethelburga with

the conspiracy in which Alfwold afterwards perished, see Lappenberg, i. 213, and the references and notes given there.

¹ This council was called to settle the question of images. Its sanction was given to the use of paintings and other representations on a flat surface, not of works of sculpture. To this limitation the Greek Church has ever since ad-

hered. See Robertson's Church History, iii. 138.

² The question of the double procession was set forth at the Council of Frankfort, where Charles the Great was present in A.D. 794. See Lumby on the Creeds, p. 93.

³ This was a young caldorman named Worr. See Lappenberg, i. 273.

her treasures went to the court of Charlemagne,¹ who on her presenting him with various gifts, said to her, "Choose which you will marry, me or my son." To which she answered that she should prefer the son. "If you had chosen me," said Charles, "you should have had my son, but having chosen my son, you shall have neither him nor me." He thereupon deprived her of her treasure, and placed her at the head of a monastery, but being found guilty of immorality, she was expelled, and ultimately died a beggar in the city of Pavia.²

End of
Ethel-
burga.

Marks like the sign of the cross were found on the clothes of Englishmen at this time, and there was a rain of blood. These signs may have been a forewarning of the crusades, or of Danish invasions, but that Higden leaves unsettled, with a "God only knows." The Danes (he however adds) did come for the first time just at this period, and kill the king of Wessex.³

Portents in
England.

In Northumbria Alfwold is killed by his nobles. Osred, called "nepos" of Alfwold, is the next king, but he is soon expelled, and then follows Etheldred, son of a former king Ethelwald. But he too was murdered. Then the ealdorman Oswald was proclaimed king, but was only in power a few days before he fled to Lindisfarne for safety. After him Ardulphus, another ealdorman, is chosen, and for one year holds the royal power, and then during seventy years there were six other kings, the last of whom were Osbrith and Elle, who were slain at York by the Danes in A.D. 867, and after this the Danes were masters in Northumbria till the days of Athelstan. A perfectly fabulous story of a conspiracy

Troubles
in North-
umbria.

End of
Northum-
brian
kingdom.

¹ Higden only says, "Rex Franciæ." The story is from Asser. See also Lappenberg, i. 274.

² This story is from Asser, and is noteworthy, because he says he had it from King Alfred's own lips,

"A domino meo Ælfrido
audivi. See Lappenberg, i. 274.

³ They landed with three ships on the coast of Dorsetshire. It was not the king, but the king's reeve, whom they killed. See Lappenberg, i. 273.

Murder of Ethelbert king of East Anglia. by Pepin, son of Charles the Great, against his father is here told, and the chapter ends with the death of Ethelbert king of the East Angles¹ (A.D. 792), after which Offa became master of the kingless district.

Cp. xxviii. This chapter opens with the death of Offa, who was succeeded first by Egfert his son, and then by Kenulph a Mercia.

son of Cuthbert, and great-great-grandson of Penda.² This monarch, after a struggle, obtained possession of the kingdom of Kent. The king of that district at this time was Egbert, otherwise called Pren. And Higden relates the very mild treatment which this prince received at the hands of his conqueror, though some authorities tell a very different story.³ Kenulph made Canterbury once more the archiepiscopal city. He was in the end buried at Winchcombe, and was succeeded by his son Kenelm. The remainder of the chapter is occupied almost entirely with gathering up the threads of history which lead to

Canterbury once more the metropolitan see.

Portents in the air.

Of the Papacy.

the union of all England under Egbert. There is, however mentioned a darkness of seventeen days continuance which occurred at Constantinople, and some fiery dragons seen in the air in Britain during the reign of Brithric, and supposed to foretell Danish invasion. A wonderful

¹ This prince was a suitor for the hand of a daughter of King Offa, and had been received in a splendid manner at the Mercian court; but during the night after his arrival there he was summoned to the king's presence as if on business of importance, and was murdered in one of the passages through which he went. Some ascribe the deed to the king, some to his queen. See Sax. Chron. A.D. 792; also Flor. Wigorn. A.D. 793, and Lappenberg, i. 235.

² This is Higden's statement. The truth is, that Kenulph was descended from Kenwalcus, a brother of Penda, Cuthbert (Kenulph's

father) being the fifth in a direct line from Kenwalcus. See Genealogical Tables, Lappenberg, vol. i. 290.

³ The Saxon Chronicle (anno 796) and Simeon of Durham (anno 798) tell how Pren was deprived of his eyes, and had his hands cut off. They agree that he was set at liberty at the dedication of Winchcombe church, but if the mutilation be a true story there is not much praise due to Kenulph. It should, however, be mentioned that there is no word about the mutilation either in Ethelward or Florence, and Malmesbury dwells long on the clemency of the king.

story is told of the mutilation and blinding, and then of the marvellous restoration of the speech and sight of a Pope Leo. But as he is called Pope Leo IV., and is said afterwards to have crowned Charles the Great,¹ we may rest sure there is a mistake, though as the story is not related of Leo III.² by other writers, we cannot exactly say to what event Higden is referring.

The return of Egbert the son of Alkmund to Wessex is noticed, and his conquest of Bernulph the Mercian usurper at Ellandûn,³ in Hampshire (A.D. 823), a victory which enabled him to become master of Mercia, Kent, Northumbria, and a part of Wales, in addition to his own kingdom. Whereupon he caused himself to be crowned king of the whole country at Winchester, and called the land, as it is now called England (A.D. 827).

The deaths of St. Alkmund, and of Alcuin are noticed at this date, the latter of whom had been placed by Charles the Great over the monastery of St. Martin at Tours. This was the time when St. Giles lived, also Paulus the historian of the Lombards. Michael I. the emperor of the East (A.D. 811-813) is named, for he retired into a monastery in his third year on account of an eclipse which happened at that time. Rinderpest was not unknown at this period. In the last year of Charles the Great (A.D. 814) the great wooden bridge which he had made over the Rhine at Mainz was burned.

Louis the Pious, son of Charles the Great, succeeded to his father's imperial power. Higden notices a reform in the dress of the clergy at this time. He also gives an

¹ The pontificate of Leo IV. was A.D. 847-855; Charles the Great died A.D. 814.

² And yet there are marvels enough in Platina's notice of Leo III.: "Mantiam Leo proficiscitur ad visendum Christi sanguinem qui tum miraculis magno in pretio erat . . . A probato

"Christi sanguine ob frequentia
"miracula ad Karolum proficiscitur." fol. 59. b.

³ The lines of Robert Brunne say that Bernulph died at Ellandûn:

"Ellendoune, Ellendoune, bi lond
is fulle rede,

"Of the blode of Bernewolf, þer
he toke his dede."

Egbert
king of
Wessex.

Egbert
king of
England.

Death of
Alcuin.

St. Giles.
Paulus.

Rinder-
pest.

Cap. xxix.
Louis I.
emperor
of the
West.

account of the family of Louis.¹ Great part of the story deals with the doings of Charles the Bald, the son of Louis by his second wife, Judith, daughter of Guelph count of Bavaria. This lady is said to have been of too close a relationship to Louis, and to this Higden ascribes all the misery, and tells how the king was rebuked by the bishop of Utrecht and for a time put away Judith.

Rebellion
of the sons
of Louis.

The rebellion which broke out (A.D. 830) because of the formation of a kingdom for the infant prince Charles out of the territories already assigned by Louis to his son Lothaire, is noticed, but little is said of the remainder of his reign, though the result of its troubles was the dismemberment of the empire of Charles the Great. The papal throne was filled after the death of Leo III. by Stephen IV., and after him by Paschalis. It was by the latter Pontiff that Lothaire was crowned emperor. Paschalis also established a congregation of Greek monks at Rome in the church of Praxedis.² The death of Kenulph, and the succession of Kenelm in Mercia, is next noticed, and the story of the murder of the latter, and of the marvellous way in which the murdered body was found, is related, and also God's visitation on the murderess.³

Kenelm
king of
Mercia.

Cap. xxx.
Other
kings of
Mercia.

Colwulf, the uncle of Kenelm, succeeds him for two years, and then is driven out of his kingdom by Beornulph, whose kindred is not mentioned. This king reigned

¹ Louis I., known as le Débonnaire, reigned A.D. 814-840. He was a feeble monarch, and entirely under the control of his second wife. In A.D. 830 the empire was for a time virtually transferred to his sons, though Louis retained the name of emperor; and when afterwards he was restored to power the same kind of rebellion was repeated more than once. Louis died while on a campaign against his third son, known as Louis of Germany.

² Platina mentions the rebuilding of the church of Praxedis, but says nothing of the Greek monks. See fol. 60 b.

³ The sister of Kenelm, whose name Higden writes Quendreda, otherwise written Cwenthryth, was his murderess; the Heskbert (*Æsceberht*) whom she employed as her agent was tutor to the young king, who was little more than seven years old when he was murdered. See Lappenberg, i. 241.

two years, and was killed in an expedition against the East Angles, against whom he marched because they had aided Egbert of Wessex to victory at Ellandūn. After him came Ludecans (or Ludeca), but was soon slain; and then Wyglanus,¹ who reigned for thirteen years.

Eugenius II.² (A.D. 824–827) sat on the Papal throne between three and four years.³ All that is said of him is, that he presented to the abbot of St. Denis the bones of St. Sebastian. Eugenius was succeeded by Valentinus, who died within a few days⁴ of his accession to the Papal throne. In this time St. Swithin was born at Winchester. Gregory IV. (A.D. 827–844) followed Valentinus in the Papacy, and sat for sixteen⁵ years or more.

Popes of Rome.

Birth of St. Swithin.

At this time lived Theodulphus, who became bishop of Orleans, and Rabanus Maurus, the famous archbishop of Mainz. Some notice of the works of the latter prelate is given. The Danes at this date landed in the isle of Sheppey, where for the first time they wintered in England, and defeated king Egbert next year at Carrum (Charmouth) in Dorsetshire. A marvel is related of a fasting girl, even in these early days. The Soldan of Babylon overran Italy at this time, being invited and aided by a party of traitors at Rome. But he and his troops were drowned in a storm on their way over the Mediterranean into Africa.⁶

Danes in England.

¹ Called Witlaf by Ingulf, who says he was allied by marriage to Colwulf, a former king.

² Higden says wrongly, *quartus*, but there is no trace of a variation in either the MSS. or versions.

³ Where a reign extends into another year, even when that year is not nearly completed, Higden almost always gives the incomplete year as a whole year; thus here he writes, "*annis quatuor*," p. 310.

⁴ Platina says, "*quadagesimo*

"*pontificatus sui die moritur*," and gives marvellous laudation to the gravity, learning, and eloquence of Valentinus. Higden's "*quatuor annis*," for the duration of this Pontificate is an error. See Platina, fol. 61 a.

⁵ Having assigned four years to Valentinus, Higden here gives the Pontificate of Gregory as only of thirteen years duration.

⁶ Platina, who gives an account of this Saracen invasion in his notice

Death of
King
Egbert
(A.D.
836.)

Ethel-
wolf's
visit to
Rome.

St. Mod-
wenna.

Cap. xxxi.

Helmstan bishop of Winchester dies, and is succeeded by St. Swithin. The defeat of the Danes by king Egbert at Hengistdoun¹ is next mentioned. The death of king Egbert and the succession of Ethelwolf are then chronicled. The latter had been educated by Helmstan, and designed for the clerical life.² Towards the latter part of his reign he went to Rome, and took with him his youngest son, afterwards the famous king Alfred. His largesses to the church of St. Peter and other sacred objects are detailed, but Higden takes no notice of the anointing of Alfred, by the Pope, as king of England.³ As Ethelwolf returned home, he married Judith the daughter of Charles the Bald, his former wife, the daughter of his cup-bearer, having died. Great indignation⁴ was aroused because the king set his youthful wife on the throne beside him, in violation of the custom which had grown up since the crime of Ethelburga, that no queen should sit on the throne with her husband. A digression is here made to introduce the mention of a painful disease with which Alfred was afflicted, and for the cure of which he was sent to St. Modwenna into Ireland. This holy woman afterwards came to England, and was aided in many pious foundations by king Ethelwolf. With a notice of further Danish invasions, and some changes of the petty kings of Mercia, this chapter is brought to a close.

Lothair, the eldest son of Louis the Pious, reigns eighteen years after his father's death (A.D. 840-855),

of Pope Leo IV., says that it was believed by some that the storm which overwhelmed the invaders, was sent by God in answer to the prayers of that most holy Pontiff. See fol. 63 a.

¹ Identified with *Hengstone*, Lap-
penburg, ii. 9.

² On this question, and also

whether Helmstan or Swithin were the tutor of the prince, see Lap-
penburg, ii. 23, and the authorities there.

³ See Asser, anno 853.

⁴ Asser and Flor. Wigorn., anno 855, contradict this, and say there was no opposition to the king's act.

but has only Italy and part of Germany nearest to the Alps, as his dominion. He had himself proclaimed sole emperor, but at the battle of Fontenay (25th June 841) he was defeated by the combined forces of his brothers Louis and Charles, and a partition of the dominions of Charles the Great was made at the treaty¹ of Verdun (A.D. 843). The Saracens took advantage of the disorders in Europe, to make another invasion. Sergius II. (A.D. 844-847) was the next pope in order.² From him came in the custom that the pope on his election should receive a new name, for Sergius had aforesaid the unpleasant name of Pig-face,³ which of course could not be retained by the occupant of the Pontifical throne. At this period the body of Helena, mother of Constantine the Great, was brought from Rome to Rheims; the Normans made their invasion into France; and Bertulph⁴ son of Bernulph, petty king of Mercia, put St. Wystan to death. Leo IV.⁵ (A.D. 847-855) was pope after Sergius. He restored the churches which had been destroyed by the Saracen invaders. Two prayers⁶ of his, one made against the invaders and

Battle of
Fontenay.

Sergius II.
pope.

Pope
Leo IV.

¹ Lothaire received Italy, and the territories comprised between the Rhine, the Meuse, the Saône, and the Rhone, including the city of Lyons. The northern part of this district was called Lotharingia from him.

Louis had Germany, with the cities of Mainz, Worms, and Spiers, on the left bank of the Rhine.

Charles the Bald had the country west of the Meuse, the Saône, and the Rhone, so that the erection of the kingdom of France is looked upon as beginning with the treaty of Verdun.

² Here again Higden is in error about the duration of the pontificate. See p. 322.

³ *Os porci*. Platina, fol. 62 a, who says that the custom of changing the name of the Pope on his election has not been universally observed.

⁴ This name is given by Higden as Bertfert (p. 320).

⁵ Higden, consistently with his previous mistake, calls this Pope *Leo V*. The years of his pontificate are said in the text to have been only four.

⁶ Platina gives the full text of these collects, fol. 63, b. (1.)
 " Deus cujus dextera beatum
 " Petrum ambulans in fluctibus
 " ne mergeretur erexit, et coapos-
 " tolum ejus Paulum tertio naufraga-
 " gantem de profundo pelagi libera-

the other on the completion of the restoration of St. Peter's, are next alluded to by Higden. The papal anointing of prince Alfred, is called an¹ adoption by Higden. Some changes in the rulers of Mercia are next chronicled, and a Danish landing in which the invaders were conquered by Ethelwolf at Ockley. At this time Lothaire I. retired to a monastery,² and his soul was rescued at his death from the fiends by the prayers of the monks. His successor on the throne and in the empire was his eldest son Louis II. a notice of whose reign opens the next chapter. Of the length of his reign (A.D. 850-875) Higden's authorities leave him in doubt. Johannes Scotus was in France at this time, and made a translation of the supposed works of Dionysius the Areopagite, and wrote *περὶ φύσεων μερισμοῦ*. The legend of his death at Malmesbury killed by his scholars is told.

Abdication of Lothaire I. Cap. xxxii.

Ethelbald king of England. King Ethelwolf is succeeded by Ethelbald, who reigned a very short time.³ His marriage with his youthful

“ vit, exaudi nos propitius et concede ut amborum meritis horum fidelium tuorum brachia contra inimicos ecclesie tue sanctae dimicantia omnipotenti dextera tua corroborentur, et convalescent, ut de recepto triumpho nomen sanctum tuum in cunctis gentibus gloriosum appareat.”
 “ (2.) Deus qui Apostolo tuo Petro collatis clavibus regni caelestis, ligandi atque solvendi pontificium munus tradidisti, concede ut ejus intercessionis auxilio a malis nexibus liberemur, et hanc civitatem quam noviter te adjuvante fundavimus fac ab ira tua in perpetuum manere securam, et de hostibus quorum causa constructa est novos ac multiplices habere triumphos.” A pope of “ the

“ true church militant,” from his language.

¹ On this see Henninius, p. 158, who explains that *filius adoptivus* was the title given by the Popes to all English kings from Alfred to Henry VII.

² The monastery of Prum was the place of his retirement, which took place A.D. 855. Prum was a Benedictine abbey in the forest of Ardennes. See Moreri, s.v. *Lothaire*.

³ Higden says *one year* the Saxon Chronicle says *five*. (Anno 860.) Judith, the wife, afterwards married Baldwin the first count of Flanders, and from that marriage in direct line was descended Matilda, daughter of Baldwin V., and wife of William the Conqueror.

stepmother is mentioned to account for the shortness of his reign. The story is next told of the female pope Johannes *Anglicus*, as she is called in Higden's text, though said also to be a native of Mainz.¹

The conversion of the Bulgarian king and nation to Christianity is next recorded, and this is immediately followed by the mention of Ethelbert's succession to Ethelbert Ethelbald in the kingdom of England.² The papacy of king of England Benedict III. (A.D. 855-858), and the death of St. (A.D. 860-866). Swithin, are just noticed. More is said of pope Nicolas I. (A.D. 858-867), who is compared to Gregory the Great, Pope and a remonstrance of his with Louis II. of France is Nicholas I. recorded, but not with any trustworthy foundation. Ethelred I. succeeded Ethelbert in England (A.D. 866-871). The Danes in his time were constantly attacking Ethelred king of England. England. They put an end to the kingdom of Northumberland, and from thence extended their ravages southward, and were met by Burdred the petty king of Mercia, and on that account took refuge in York, where they stayed a year. Adrian II. (A.D. 867-872) next occupied Adrian II. the papal throne.³ He admitted Louis II. to communion pope. again, who had been excommunicated by his predecessor. The Danes continue to push their way south, and take up their quarters at Thetford. Higden next gives an account of the murder of Edmund, king of the East Angles, by Hynguar and Hubba, the Danish leaders. The brother of St. Edmund retired into a monastery, and so East Anglia came altogether into the hands of the

¹ This fable is mentioned by Platina, as he says, "ne obstinate nimis pertinaciter omisise vi-
dear quod fere omnes affirmant."
That there can be no doubt of the fabulous nature of the story, see Robertson's Church History, iii. 341, notes, where the origin of the story is discussed, as is also done by Döllinger (Papst-Fabeln, i. 45).

² The Danish landing in England in his reign, which is just noticed in Higden, was made under a leader named Weland, and the invaders landed at Southampton, and in their destruction of Winchester did not leave a single monk surviving. See Lappenberg, ii. 29.

³ Higden says only for two years, Platina more than five.

- Danes in East Anglia. Danes. The chapter closes with a reflection on the difference between the use of monastic establishments in Higden's day and in former times.
- Cp. xxxiii. Louis III. succeeds Louis II. in France (A.D. 879-882). The Danes press forward and reach Reading, but receive a check at Englefield from Ethelwolf, duke of Berkshire, but afterwards that brave man is slain by them. Four days after came the battle of Ashdown, where the victory was on the side of the English. But shortly after this the Danes were successful at Basing and at Merton.
- Death of King Ethelred. Not long after these events king Ethelred died. John VIII. (A.D. 872-882) was the next occupant of the papal throne, and with a mention of some few occurrences in his time the chapter and the fifth book of the history are concluded.
- Book VI. The reign of Alfred lasted from A.D. 871-901. Higden tells the usual stories of his youthful zeal for learning, of his foundation of the university of Oxford, of his encouragement of learning, of his family, and his friends and counsellors, John the monk, and Grimwald the monk, and Plegmund the archbishop, and shows that Wales was in advance of England in learning at this date. Then he tells of the king's manner of bestowing his revenue, and ordering his time, and afterwards of his sufferings from the Danish invaders. In a confused passage, the list of kings of France and Roman emperors is carried down to the time of Charles the Fat¹ (ob. A.D. 887). The Danes at Repondoun (Repton) expel Burdred the petty king of Mercia, and set up Colwolf in his stead, but he was merely a puppet removeable at will, and with
- Danes in Mercia.

¹ The kings of France after the death of Louis the Pious, were Charles the Bald, then his son Louis the Stammerer, who reigned a year and a half till April (A.D. 879). Then followed as joint kings Louis III. and Carloman, sons of Louis the Stammerer. As these two last left no

male issue, the nobles adjudged the kingdom of France to the emperor Charles the Fat, grandson of Louis the Pious, and son of Louis the German. The two emperors during this period were Charles the Bald and Charles the Fat.

him ended every trace of the Mercian kingdom. At this time Alfred for a short period made peace with these powerful invaders. The Hamburgenses, who lived about five miles from Repton, conveyed the body of St. Werburg to Chester for fear of the Danes. Rollo the Dane invaded Normandy, and in the end obtained (A.D. 911) a grant from Charles III. (A.D. 898-936) of Neustria and Armorica, on condition that he should own allegiance to the king of France.¹ The story of the upsetting of the French king by Rollo's rude mode of doing homage, is told by some as though the result was from the roughness of a soldier whom Rollo had deputed to perform the ceremony of homage in his stead.

The first matter mentioned in this chapter is that Louis the Stammerer reigned two years in France. The history then returns to Alfred, and the Danish invaders of England. In A.D. 876² the fleet of the Danes sailing for Exeter from Wareham in Dorsetshire are said to have lost one hundred and twenty ships by a storm, but a part of this force took the royal town of Chippenham on the Avon. Then came Alfred's time of greatest distress, but he was comforted by the appearance to him of St. Cuthbert, who assured him of victory in the end. From Athelney, where he and his followers had raised a fortress, Alfred issued in disguise and visited the Danish camp. Finding that success had made them careless, he attacked them near Selwood Forest,³ with such success that Guttrun the Danish leader made peace, and consented to be baptized. His baptismal name was Athelstan. Going back to the history of France, the reign of Charles the Fat is noticed, and at this time we are told the counts of Flanders had their beginning. There is an error at this point in

¹ The treaty was made at the village of St. Clair-sur-Epte, near Gisors.

² See Saxon Chronicle, anno 876 and Asser under the same date.

³ The place of the engagement was Buxton (Egberhtes-stan) on the east of Selwood forest. See Lappenberg, ii. 54.

Rollo the
Dane
and his
family.

Higden's narrative, it was Charles the Bald, and not Charles the Fat who had poison¹ administered to him by his Jewish physician Zedekias. There is a further error in saying that it was the daughter of Charles *the Fat* who was given in marriage to Rollo the Dane. The daughter of Charles *the Simple* was given to that conqueror as a wife² (A.D. 911) at the cession of Neustria and Armorica. But Rollo's son William Longsword and a daughter Gerlota were the children of another wife, Popa, daughter of Guy, called count of Salvanect.

Succession
of popes.

Dunwolf is made bishop of Winchester. King Alfred restores the town of Shaftesbury. Pope Martin³ succeeds John VIII., and reigns from A.D. 882-884. Higden then mentions the one year's pontificate of Agapitus, a name which is not found in other lists of popes. Then follows Adrianus III. (A.D. 884-885). After whom Higden inserts Basilius, another addition not found in Platina or other lists, and after him Pope Stephen V. (A.D. 885-891) who was pope six years. The chapter contains a notice of a Danish attack on Rochester, which city was relieved by Alfred, who also gave chase to the Danish vessels, and captured sixteen of them. The Danes besiege Paris at this time. King Alfred repairs the city of London, sends alms to India and to Rome, and founds two monasteries, in one of which he makes his daughter abbess.

Danish
move-
ments.

Cap. III.

Repeating the mistaken story of the poisoning of Charles the Fat, Higden correctly states that that monarch was succeeded in his empire by Arnulph (A.D.

¹ See text, p. 380, and conf. Hen-
ninius, p. 259.

² The name of this princess was
Gisla. She bore Rollo no children,
and his former wife Popa, who had
been put away that he might marry
Gisla, was taken to wife again by

him. Popa was the daughter of
count Berengar. See Freeman's
Norman Conquest, i. 202.

³ Called elsewhere Marinus. See
Robertson's Church Hist. iii. p. x.;
but Platina writes the name as
Higden does.

896-899) son of Carloman,¹ brother of Louis III. The baptism of Rollo is here noticed again, and the death of Guttrun the Dane. A quarrel is related about the miraculous virtue of the dead body of St. Martin bishop of Tours. King Alfred has four armies afoot against the Danes. Three Scotch pilgrims come by sea to Cornwall, and present themselves before King Alfred. Formosus is pope after Stephen (A.D. 891-896). He had been degraded into a lay position by Pope John VIII., but was restored to his clerical order by Pope Martin. Other popes mentioned in this chapter are Boniface VI., who sat for fifteen² days; then Stephen VI. who was on the throne for little more than a year, after which he retired into a monastery. He was succeeded by Romanus for four months. Then came Theodore II. for one month, John IX. for two years (A.D. 898-900). After him followed Benedict IV. (A.D. 900-903), Leo V. for two months, and Pope Christopher for the greater part of a year. All these five popes were in the reign of Charles the Simple.³ Plegmund is made archbishop of Canterbury, and Alfred's successes against the Danes increase. Louis the son of Arnulph the emperor, is said by Higden to have reigned in France, but here our author is in error. The Louis here mentioned is Louis III. of Germany, who was emperor after his father Arnulph (A.D. 899-911). He was the last of the family of Charles the Great who sat on the imperial throne. The death of King Alfred took place A.D. 901. Higden quotes the epitaph of this king from Henry of Huntingdon.

Papal succession.

English affairs.

Death of King Alfred.

Edward the Elder reigned after his father Alfred for twenty-four years. He extended the supremacy of

Cap. iv. Edward the Elder.

¹ Carloman was not, as Higden states, the brother of Charles the Fat, but the son of Louis the Stammerer, and therefore brother of Louis III. and Charles the Simple.

² Platina says . twenty-six, fol. 67 b.

³ This must be meant by the sentence in the text (p. 394), where the five pontiffs are all mentioned by name.

Wessex over the whole of Britain. Higden makes some mention of Edward's family, but it is somewhat incomplete.¹ A story is told of how Edburga, one of his daughters, when only three years old, gave evidence of her vocation to the life of a nun. Pope Benedict IV. (A.D. 900-903) succeeds John IX., about which time dies Grimbold, Alfred's priest and teacher; and Plegmund ordains seven bishops in one year to the sees in England. Under the year A.D. 905 there is said to have been a famine in Ireland, the crops being destroyed by worms. Next is mentioned the rebellion of Clito Ethelwold² against Edward. The rebel occupied Wynburne near Bath, but was driven forth, and took refuge with the Danes in Northumbria. Ethelwold afterwards invaded Mercia, penetrating as far as Cricklade, and after crossing the Thames committed great ravages, and then retired into East Anglia. King Edward pursued and laid waste the district between St. Edmund's dyke and the river Ouse, and then led back his troops; but in an encounter between the laggard Kentish men, whom Edward had charged not to remain behind him, but who disobeyed his orders, it befel that Clito Ethelwold was slain on the Danish side, and so Edward was relieved from this enemy. A second notice is given to the papacy of Leo V. and Pope Christopher, and the troubles of the Roman see at this time, and then follows Sergius III.³ (A.D. 904-911), whose insults to the dead body of Pope Formosus are recorded, as also the honour paid to

Increase
of the
English
episcopate.

Rebellion
of Ethel-
wold.

Papal
animosi-
ties.

¹ Edward had three wives : (1.) Egwyna, who was mother of Ethelstan, and one daughter ; (2.) Elflæda, mother of Ethelward, who died soon after his father, and Edwine, and six daughters ; (3.) Edgiva, mother of Edmund and Edred, and two daughters. See Lappenberg, ii. 99.

² This Ethelwold was the son of

king Alfred's elder brother Ethelred. The rebellion seems to have been intended to recover some private possessions of which Ethelwold thought himself wrongly deprived by his uncle's will. See Lappenberg, ii. 85, and the note there.

³ Higden calls him Sergius quartus, p. 406.

the corpse when it was restored to St. Peter's, where all the statues did obeisance on its entry. The restoration of Chester by Ethelred of Mercia and his wife Elflæda is mentioned, as also a castle built at Hereford by King Edward, and the foundation of the monastery at Cluny by William of Burgundy. The bones of St. Oswald were transferred from Bardeney to Gloucester.

The succession of Conrad I.¹ to the German empire Cap. v. (A.D. 912–919) is the first event noticed in the next Conrad I. chapter. In his time the empire passed into the hands emperor. of the Germans. But titular emperors of the West also reigned in Italy till the accession of Otho I., who combined the two conflicting claims. The successes of English Edward the Elder against the Danes at Totenhale (affairs. Tettenhall) in Staffordshire, and at Wodenesfeld, are next related. Ethelred, the petty king of Mercia, died at this time. His wife Elflæda was King Edward's sister, and continued to hold the government of Mercia, in which she displayed great energy, building and restoring many important towns, such as Runcorn, Bridgenorth, Tamworth, Stafford, and several others. The Danish landing on the shores of the Severn, and the carrying off of a British bishop,² whom King Edward redeemed with forty pounds, are next recorded; also the fortifications which were prepared against the Danish invaders at various points in the country, on the Avon and on the Ouse. Anastasius III. (A.D. 911–913) was pope for two Popes of years; then followed Lando for the brief space of five Rome. months, at which time the Hungarians invaded Italy.³ John X. was the next occupant of the pontiff's chair, and

¹ Conrad I. was son of Conrad duke of Franconia, and was declared emperor by the German nobles after the death of Louis III. But by Baronius and the Italians he is not reckoned as emperor

because (as Higden notes) he was never crowned by the pope.

² This was Cameleac, bishop of Llandaff. See Lappenberg, ii. 95.

³ This incursion of the Hungarians was in the pontificate of John X. See Platina, fol. 70 a.

held the papal power for fourteen years (A.D. 914–928). He was the son of pope Sergius III. He greatly aided Albericus, Marquis of Ravenna, in expelling the Saracens from Italy; but when a quarrel arose between the pope and the marquis, the latter encouraged the Hungarian inroads mentioned above. Rollo duke of Normandy dies¹ at this period (A.D. 927), and is succeeded by his son William Longsword. The further exploits of queen Elfreda, and the zeal for building cities which animated her and the king her brother, are next noticed. Henry,² son of Otho of Saxony, is the next German emperor (A.D. 920–936). He conquered the hosts of the Hungarians, and is said to have converted William Longsword to Christianity. Elfreda, the famous queen of Mercia, dies, and King Edward then takes Mercia into his own hands. Higden quotes the epitaph of Elfreda from Henry of Huntingdon. Edward built fortresses and established garrisons³ in Mercia. King Edward died suddenly at Faringdon near Oxford, in the twenty-fourth year of his reign, and was succeeded by his eldest son Athelstan (A.D. 924–941), who was crowned at Kingston in Surrey. Dunstan, afterwards the famous abbot of Glastonbury, was born at this time. Athelstan marries his sister to Sithric the Danish king of Northumberland, and when her husband died, he united the northern kingdom to his own. Howel king of Wales and Constantine king of the Scots became subject princes to King Athelstan. That king gave another sister in marriage to Otho emperor of Germany, from whom

Death of Rollo duke of Normandy.

Henry the Fowler emperor.

Death of Queen Elfreda and King Edward.

Cap. vi. Athelstan king of England.

His foreign relations.

¹ For an account of Rollo's death, and the questionable nature of his profession of Christianity, see Freeman's *Norman Conquest*, i, 202, *seqq.*

² Known as Henry the Fowler. His mother was a daughter of the emperor Arnulf. His victory over

the Hungarians was A.D. 922, and he again was at war with them in A.D. 933. See Henninius, p. 179.

³ Such were those made at Bakewell in Derbyshire, Manchester, and Thelwall. See *Saxon Chron., annis* 919, 923, 924.

he received large presents.¹ Leo VI. was pope (A.D. 928-929), not as Higden says four years and seven months, but seven months only.² Odo was made Bishop of Wilton;³ and on the death of Frithstan, Byrstan became Bishop of Winchester. The story of how the dead from their graves said "Amen" to prayers of the latter is told from William of Malmesbury. Byrstan was succeeded by a monk Elphegus, whose piety and prophetic gifts were highly celebrated. A marvellous evidence is next recorded to show that the Scots ought to be subject to the English. Stephen VII. (A.D. 929-931) was pope two years, and was succeeded by John XI. (A.D. 931-936), and he by Leo VII. (A.D. 936-939). Louis d'Outremer, the son of Charles the Simple and a daughter of King Edward of England, reigned in France after his father.⁴ (A.D. 936-954). The Hugo mentioned on p. 432 is Hugh le Blanc, the count of Paris, and father of Hugh Capet. An anecdote is related of the emperor Otho I., who was emperor from A.D. 962 to

English
bishops.Popes of
Rome.

¹ Higden has here confused two stories. Athelstan gave one sister to Otho (afterwards the emperor), son of Henry the Fowler, but he also gave his sister Eadhild to Hugh the count of Paris, father of Hugh Capet, and it was from him that the marvellous gifts were sent. See William of Malmesbury, ii. 6, and Lappenberg, ii. 107.

² See Platina, fol. 70 a.

³ This was the second bishop of Wilton, and he afterwards was the famous archbishop Odo.

⁴ Higden makes no mention of the events which immediately preceded the death of Charles the Simple. In 922, in consequence of the incapacity of that monarch, Robert duke of France was proclaimed king, and crowned at

Rheims. Haganon, the minister of Charles, fought for the cause of his master, and in a battle at Soissons in 923, Robert was slain; but the nobles rallied under the son of Robert, Hugh le Blanc, and Herbert count of Vermandois, the latter of whom got Charles into his power and kept him prisoner, while Rodolph duke of Burgundy was set up as king of France. It was at this time that the queen of Charles, who was king Athelstan's sister fled with her son to England; hence the boy had the name *d'Outremer*. After various fortunes, but nearly always kept as a prisoner, Charles died in A.D. 929. It was after the death of Rodolph of Burgundy (A.D. 936) that Louis d'Outremer came to the throne of France.

973. Anlaf, the invader of England at the instigation of Constantine king of Scotland, was one of the sons of Sithric, the former Danish king of Northumberland.¹

Battle of
Brunan-
burh.

The Brumford of the text is Brunanburh in Northumberland. This battle was one of the most famous of the Middle Ages, and the Saxon chronicler in his record breaks forth into poetry² in describing it. Anlaf and Constantine were defeated and fled. The further conquests of Athelstan in battles at Hereford and in Cornwall, and his restoration of the city of Exeter are recorded, and the chapter concludes with his death and epitaph.

Death of
King
Athelstan.

Martin III. (A.D. 942-946) is mentioned as pope by Higden after Leo VII., to the exclusion of the three years' pontificate of Stephen VIII.³ (A.D. 939-942).

Cap. VII.
Edmund
king of
England.

Edmund succeeds his brother Athelstan (A.D. 941-946). His children are mentioned, and the old story is repeated of a rebellion in Northumberland. Anlaf is again brought over from Ireland, and once more defeated. Cumberland is subdued, and given into the government of Malcolm king of Scotland. In this expedition it is said that the king carried off with him the bones of Abbot Colfrid and Hilda the abbess, and removed them to Gloucester out of the troublous region of the north.

Murder of
William
Long-
sword.

Agapitus II. (A.D. 946-955) succeeded Martin III. in the papal chair. William Longsword⁴ is murdered, Hig-

¹ When, after the death of Sithric, Athelstan took to himself the kingdom of Northumberland, Anlaf retired to Ireland, where some Danish princes, his near relatives, were ruling, who received him gladly. But Sithric was never king of Ireland, as stated in Higden's text (p. 436).

² Saxon Chron., anno 937 (938).

³ The notice given in Platina (fol. 70 b) may account for the

omission of the name of Stephen. "Stephanus . . . ita a Romanis "seditionibus vexatus est ut nil "memoria dignum ab eo geri potuerit. Immo vero (ut Martinus refert) in tanta seditione "mutilatus turpiter aliquandiu "vitam duxit, cum ob inhonesta "vulnera prodire in publicum erubesceret."

⁴ William was invited by Arnulf of Flanders to a conference on the

den says, through the instigation of the French king Louis d'Outremer, whom the nobles compelled to take an oath that Richard, son of William, should succeed his father in Normandy. Richard's reign lasted from A.D. 943 to 996. Higden has many stories of him, which tell some for and some against his character, but some of which are assuredly untrue, and due to Norman legend makers. Edmund recovered the five towns in the centre of England, Lincoln, Derby, Nottingham, Leicester, and Stamford,¹ which had been ceded to the Danes; and the rebellious Anlaf consents to be baptised, though the story says rather through compulsion than free will. King Edmund followed the advice of Dunstan in many reforms,² and enriched considerably the abbey of Glastonbury. The king was murdered at Pucklechurch in Gloucestershire, by an outlaw Leof, who had intruded himself into the royal banquet on the feast of St. Augustine, and whom the king was endeavouring to eject. The assassin stabbed him with a dagger, which he had concealed on his person.

Conquest
of the five
burghs.

Murder of
King Ed-
mund.

The younger brother of the murdered king, Edred by name, was called to the throne by reason of the youth of his nephews, and reigned nine years (A.D. 946-955.) Under a new king the Northumbrians once more rebel, and are reduced to submission, and the Scots in consequence submitted without a struggle. John XI. (A.D. 931-936) was pope after Agapitus, but neither the methods employed to procure his election, nor the conduct which he displayed when in power, are worthy of anything but censure.³ The death of Louis d'Outremer is mentioned,

Cap. VIII.
Edred
king of
England.

French
succession.

island of Picquigny in the Somme, and there murdered; but on the question of the motives and circumstances which led to the act, cf. Freeman's *Norman Conquest*, i. 231.

always give Stafford, *see* p. 450, &c.

² Several enactments of this king have been preserved, *see* Lappenberg, ii. 123.

³ Platina (fol. 71a) says of him: "Joannes autem vir omnium qui

¹ Higden and his translators

and the succession of his son Lothaire, who reigned thirty-two years,¹ and did not, as Higden states, die without children, for Louis V., called le Fainéant, was his son. The story next turns to England, where Edred devastates Northumbria,² burning the abbey of Ripon. A marvel is related of the manner in which Dunstan was informed of the death of King Edred. Edred died at Frome, and was buried at Winchester. He was succeeded by Edwy, the eldest son of King Edmund. Higden says little of this reign. The attacks made by the King on the Benedictine monasteries and their occupants, in retaliation for the insults heaped by the monks on Elgiva,³ are just mentioned, as is also Dunstan's exile.⁴ The division of the kingdom between Edwy and Edgar is ascribed to the Northumbrians and Mercians. Angels were said to have uttered to Dunstan words of good omen when Edgar was made king. Not a word occurs about Elgiva, but we are told that the soul of Edwy was rescued from hell and translated to purgatory by Dunstan's prayers. On which matter of purgatory Trevisa has a longer comment than usual, for, says he, "the words beþ perilousliche isette."

Death of Edred.

Reign of Edwy.

Trevisa on Purgatory.

Cap. ix. Edgar king of England.

King Edgar reigned sixteen years (A.D. 959-975). He recalled Dunstan from exile, and that prelate was the guiding spirit of his reign. He was translated from the abbey of Glastonbury to the bishopric of Worcester.⁵

"unquam ante se in pontificatu
"fuere perniciosior et sceleratior."

¹ Higden's text says thirty-seven. Louis d'Outremer died A.D. 954, and Lothaire in 986.

² In the text (p. 456, line 2) *Rex Edredus* ought to be inserted after *tandem*, through the MSS. in use for this volume omit the name. A MS. to which allusion will be made at the close of the preface contains the words.

³ The marriage with Elgiva is

called "nefarius concubitus." Perhaps she was related to Edwy within the ecclesiastically prohibited degrees.

⁴ He fled to Ghent, and remained there till it became safe to return to the northern kingdom of Edgar.

⁵ He was soon after promoted to the see of Canterbury, but this is not here stated by Higden, though, on p. 464, his language implies it, for he there calls Dunstan *archiepiscopus*.

Much is said of the reforms of this young king, and especially of his endeavours to amend church discipline. Higden records many reforms in this reign. Thefts were severely punished. By his tax on Wales he cleared the country of wolves. An anecdote of his dealing with Kynadius, king of Scotland, is told to illustrate king Edgar's personal bravery and strength. He endeavoured to put down piracy, and brought his navy into effective condition, kept a watchful eye over the acts of judges and magistrates, but his easiness in allowing Danes to dwell among the English introduced habits of drunkenness into the land. The king, to correct the evil, introduced marked drinking vessels, so that men might drink measurably. Higden mentions the family of the king, and with some anecdotes of them the chapter closes. We can see in the conflicting narratives of Edgar's reign the traces of the feud between the regular clergy, who speak in his praise, and the stories, so inconsistent even with morality, much less with religion, which are current concerning his reign,¹ and which, it may be, the secular clergy, who were ousted to make room for monks, preserved or even invented, concerning the king who was so hard on their order.

I have been allowed to have in my possession, during a large part of the time occupied by the production of the present volume, a MS. of Higden belonging to Dr. Sebastian Evans. I have already alluded to it, and it merits a few words of description. It is on paper, in a running hand of the fifteenth century, and, so far as I have used it, is very carefully written. Another MS. of Higden. There are no illustrations, nor elaborately illuminated letters in the volume, which fact accounts perhaps for the unutilated condition in which it remains. Commencing its prologue "Post præclaros artium scriptores," &c., the text proper begins with cap. v., "Ex senatu consulto, &c." Description of the MS.

¹ Higden records the remark of Canute, in which (p. 476) Edgar is spoken of as "libidinosus et tyrannus."

The sixth book closes "cum fidelitate jurata manus ei dederunt." In the first sentence of the seventh book there is the passage, "declinato Stigando, &c.," which is absent from some MSS. The work of Higden closes with 1326 or 1327. The continuations, which in this MS. are most like those marked in the British Museum Catalogue, "Continuations, I. c. and II.," begin in 1326, with the words "Hoc anno regina Angliæ Isabella;" but the preceding sentence does not end with "partibus transmarinis" as in the typical copies, but with the words "tanquam regni proditores." In 1342 the entry closes, as is usual, with "sub pœna capitis et carceris interdixit." Then for the second continuation omitting the link "Hoc anno non. Jun. natus est regi Edwardo III. Edmundus," &c., which covers in a few words the years 1343-1346, this MS. proceeds, "In festo Translationis S. Thomæ, &c., and ends in 1376 with the first notice of Wycliffe at the words "sermonibus predicantes." This is somewhat like the Second Continuation in the British Museum Catalogue of such MSS. as Cotton Nero D. VIII., but not exactly the same; and a closer examination than I have yet been able to make, may disclose some other variations in the matter of the two parts of this continuation.

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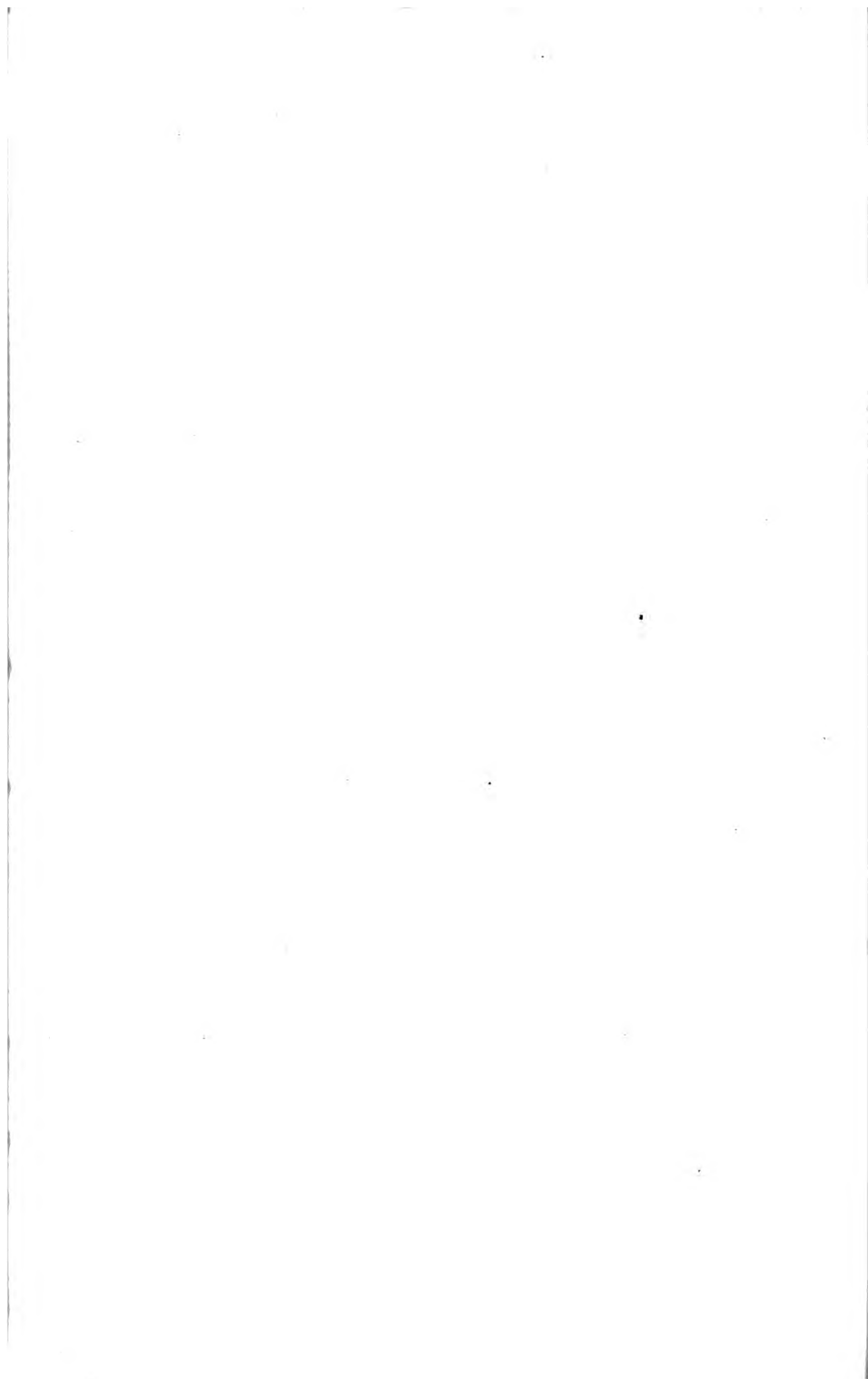
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SANCTUS Birinus² confessor missus ad prædicandum Anglis ab Honorio papa, dum mare Britannicum sulcaret, recordatus est rescellarum³ suarum quas obliviose in portu dimiserat; pedibus ivit super mare et rescellas reportavit. *Beda, libro tertio, capitulo sexto.*⁴ Iste Birinus² regem Westsaxonum Kyngilsum convertit et baptizavit apud urbem Dorcic,⁵ id est Dorcestram,⁶ assistente tunc⁷ rege Oswaldo ipsius Kyngisly⁸ patrino et genero mox futuro. Qui ambo reges dederunt Birino urbem illam ad statuendam sedem episcopalem;

¹ A.B.C.D. omit heading; *Byrino*, MS., et infra.

² *Birinus*, from A.B.

³ *recellarum*, sed infra *rescellas*, A.B.

⁴ C.D. omit reference; it should be *cap. vii.*

⁵ *Dorcic* in MS., sed infra *Dortic*.

⁶ *Dorcestriam*, D.

⁷ *tunc*] om. B.

⁸ *Kingisli*, A.; *Kingilsy*, B.; et, add. A.

TREVISA'S TRANSLATION.

Capitulum tertiumdecimum.

SEINT Birinus [pe confessour]¹ was i-sent of Honorius pe pope for to² preche to Englisshe men; and while Birinus seilede in pe see of Britayne he bypouzte hym of his restelles³ pat he hadde forzete⁴ in pe haven, and zede uppon pe see and fette⁵ [his]⁶ restelles.⁷ *Beda, libro 3^o, capitulo 6^o.* Dis⁸ Birinus convertede Kyngilsus kyng of West Saxons, and cristenen⁹ hym at pe citee Dortik,¹⁰ pat is Dorchestre; pere was [kyng]¹¹ Oswald present, and was Kyngilsus his godfader,¹² and wedded¹³ his douzter afterward. And bope kynges zaf Birinus¹⁴ pat citee for¹⁵ to ordeyne pere a bisshoppes see; and

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ANONYMOUS TRANSLATION OF THE FIFTEENTH
CENTURY.

Capitulum tertiumdecimum.

Ab urbe. SEYNT Birine the confessor sende from Honorius the pope to preche to Ynglische men, beyng in the see, and havynge remembraunce of certeyne thinges of his lefte in the haven wher he toke schippe, wente on his feete on the see and brouzhte pe wrytynge to the schippe. *Beda, libro 3^o, capitulo sexto.* This Birinus converte Kyngilsus kyng of the Weste Saxons, and baptizede hym at Dorcestre, Oswaldus beyng per presente, whiche kynges zafe to seynt Birine that cite to the seete of the bischoppe, where he was beryede after the

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A transmi-
gracione.

¹ From a., β., and γ.
² vorte, γ.
³ rescellis, a. and γ.; restellis, β.;
restellys, Cx., bis.
⁴ vorzute, γ.
⁵ vette, γ.
⁶ From β. and Cx.
⁷ rescellas, a. and γ.

⁸ pes, γ.
⁹ folled, β.; vollede, γ.
¹⁰ Dortic, β.
¹¹ From a., β., γ., and Cx.
¹² godvader, γ.
¹³ wedde, γ.
¹⁴ Birinus] om. Cx.
¹⁵ vor, γ.

ubi et postea sepultus est post quartum-decimum episcopatus sui annum. Sed tandem per Heddam Wentanum¹ episcopum ad urbem Wentam translatus est, in ecclesia apostolorum Petri et Pauli. *Ranulphus*.² Reclamant tamen canonici Dorcestrenses, et dicunt aliud corpus quam Birini³ translatum fuisse, et ipsos translatores in hoc deceptos fuisse;⁴ unde⁵ et feretrum⁶ mirandi operis super locum primæ suæ sepulturæ apud Dorcestram hodie cernitur. Distat autem⁷ Dortic sive Dorkynga⁸ ab urbe Oxoniensi⁹ sex milliaribus ad austrum, inter duo flumina Thamam et Thamisim¹⁰ sita.¹¹ Repertum¹² est etiam in cronicis quod rex Kyngilsus assignavit¹³ totam terram in circuitu Wyntoniam ad spatium septem miliarium ad constructionem sedis episcopalis in Wyntonia et ad sustentationem ministrantium. Quod quia rex ipse letali morbo præpeditus implere non potuit, filium suum Kenwalcum illud impleturum¹⁴ fore juravit.¹⁵ *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro secundo*. Hæc urbs ab eo tempore usque adventum Normannorum mansit apud episcopos Merciorum, sed tempore Wil-

¹ *Wintanum*, A.

² C.D. omit reference.

³ *quam corpus Birini ad Wintoniam . . .* C.D.

⁴ *exstitisse*, C.D.

⁵ *unde*] om. B.

⁶ *marmoreum stupendæ sculpturæ circa annum gratiæ 1320 super corpus Birini apud Dorcestram est constructum*, C.D.

⁷ *urbs ante Dorcit*, add. A.

⁸ *Dorcit seu Dorkinga*, A.; *urbs Dorkic sive Dorkinga*, B.; *sive Dorcestre*, C.; *sive Dorcestra*, D.

⁹ *Oxonia*, C.D.

¹⁰ *Thamasin*, A.

¹¹ *collocata*, C.D.

¹² *Reperta*, B.; *Refert tamen Dunensis in chronica sua*, C.D.

¹³ *Birino Dorcestram villam humilem ut interim sederet in ea donec ipse rex majorem in urbe Wintoniam conderet ecclesiam tanto sacerdoti dignam, ad cuius operis constructionem et ministrorum sustentationem rex ipse assignavit totam terram in giro Wintoniam per novem millaria adjacentem. Quod quia rex ipse letali, &c.*, C.D.

¹⁴ *se*, B.

¹⁵ *juramento compulit*, C.; *jurare compulit*, D.

pere Birinus deide after þe fourtene¹ ȝere of his bisshopriche, and was i-buried pere. Bote atte þe laste, by Hedda bisshop of Wynchestre, Birinus was translated² to Wynchestre,³ into þe chirche of [Seynt]⁴ Peter and⁵ Poul. But þe chanouns of Dorchestre seiþ⁶ nay, and seiþ⁶ þat it was anoper body þan seint Birinus his body þat was so translated; þerfore a beere⁷ of a wonder werk is ȝit i-seie⁸ at Dorchestre, above þe place of his firste⁹ grave: þat citee Dortic oper Dorkynga, þat now hatte Dorchestre, is sevene myle besouthe¹⁰ þe citee¹¹ Oxenford, i-sette bytwene þe tweie¹² riveres of Tame and of Temse. Also it is i-founde¹³ in cronykes þat Kyngilsus assignede al þe lond seven myle aboute for¹⁴ to make a bisshoppes see in Wynchestre, and for þe sustenance of [þe]¹⁵ mynystres; and for þe kyng was i-lette by his deþ yvel þat he miȝte nouȝt it fulfille,¹⁶ he swoor þat his sone Kenwalkus schulde it fulfille afterward. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro 2º*. Þis citee Dorchestre longede to þe bisshoppis of Mercia from¹⁷ þat tyme

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Ab urbe. xiiiithe yere of his bischoppehode; whiche was translate after-MS. HARL. 2261.
warde to Wynchestre, by Hedda, bischoppe perof, into the church of Petre and Paule. B. But the chanons of Dorcestre say the contrary, affermyng that an oper body was translate in the stedde of the body of seynte Birine, and the men makenge the translacioun to be deceyvede, ffor a tumber werke mervellous is seene to this tyme on the place of his firste sepulture at Dorcestre, whiche cite is from Oxenforde vi. myle at the sowthe of hit, betwene ii. waters Thame and Thamyse. Also hit is redde in cronicles that Kyngilsus kyng assignede alle the londe of vii. myles in a circuite to the construcciou of the bischoppes seete of Wynchestre, and to the sustentation of his ministres; but the kyng not fullfillenge this grawnte by the impediments of dethe, causede Kenwalcus his son to swere that he scholde performe his grawnte. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro iiº*. That cite longede from that tyme to the bis- f. 264 b.

¹ *vourtene*, γ.; *fourteenth*, Cx.² *translatet*, γ., et infra.³ *Wyncestre*, γ.⁴ From Cx.⁵ *of*, add. β.; *Paule*, Cx.⁶ *seym*, β., bis; *seggeþ*, γ., bis; *saye*, Cx.⁷ *bere*, β.; *þarevore a bere*, γ.; *byere*, Cx.⁸ *seen*, Cx.⁹ *vurste*, γ.¹⁰ *bysouþ*, α., β., and Cx.¹¹ *þe citee*] om. Cx.¹² *twy*, γ.¹³ *yvounde*, γ.¹⁴ *vor*, γ., ut passim.¹⁵ From α., β., and Cx.¹⁶ *folfulle*, γ., et infra.¹⁷ *vram*, γ.

lelmi¹ conquestoris² translata est sedes ad³ Lincolniam. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro primo.*⁴ Hoc⁵ anno Felix genere Burgundus, qui Sigeberto regi Orientalium Anglorum in Gallia quondam exulanti familiaris extiterat, cum eodem Angliam⁶ venit, et⁷ sedit episcopus primus apud⁸ Donmic xvi^a annis. *Beda, libro tertio, capitulo xvii^o.*⁹ Iste Sigebertus post Corpwaldum¹⁰ fratrem suum regno potitus, sicut in Galliis¹¹ viderat scholas litterarum in regno suo ordinavit ac pædagogos¹² pueris, instruendis¹³ more Cantuariorum assignavit; qui tandem¹⁴ commendato regno nepoti suo Egrico,¹⁵ tonsoratus est in monasterio quod ipse construxit; sed postmodum Penda pagano rege illud regnum infestante, extractus est Sigebertus de monasterio quasi ad milites roborandos, et sic occisus est in simplicitate sua, solam virgam¹⁶ manu gestans, totusque pæne¹⁷ exercitus ejus cæsus est.¹⁸ Cui successit in regnum¹⁹ Anna filius Eni,²⁰ quem postmodum Penda occidit.²¹ Sed et Sigeberto regnante venit de Hibernia vir quidam sanctus nomine Sanctus
Furseus.

¹ *primi*, C.D.

² *qui ordinavit ut episcopi de locis humilibus ad urbes insignes transirent translata est sedes illa usque ad urbem Lincolniam*, C.D.

³ *ad*] om. A.

⁴ *secundo*, B., which is the correct reference.

⁵ *etiam*, add. C.D.

⁶ *Anglia*, A.

⁷ *et primus Est-Anglorum episcopus factus, habuit sedem episcopalem in urbe Dunwik*[*Donwik*, D.], *in qua sedit 18 annis*, C.D.

⁸ *apud*] om. B.

⁹ 27^o, B. It should be xviii.

¹⁰ *Corpwaldum*, from A.B.; *Erpwaldonum*, C.D.; *Eorpwaldum*, MS.

¹¹ *prius*, add. D.

¹² *petagogos*, MSS.

¹³ *instruendum*, A.

¹⁴ *cæleste regnum sitiens*, add. C.D.

¹⁵ *Egripto*, D.

¹⁶ *in*, add. B.

¹⁷ *pæne*] om. A.

¹⁸ *et dispersus*, add. C.D.

¹⁹ *regnum*] om. B.

²⁰ *Eni*. See Thorpe's Lappenberg, i. 242; Ejus, D.; Evi, MS.

²¹ *prædictus interfecit*, C.D.

anon to þe comynge of þe Normans. But in William Conquerours tyme þe bisshoppes see was i-chaunged¹ to Lyncoln.² *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro primo.* Þat ʒere Felix of þe nacioun of Burgoyne, þat had be homeliche³ wip Sigebertus kyng of Est Angles, while he was exciled in Fraunce, com with hym into Englonde, and was i-made bisshop first of Domnyk,⁴ and was pere bisshop sixtene ʒere. *Beda, libro 3^o, capitulo 17^o.* Þis Sigebertus hadde þe kyngdom after his broþer Corpwaldus, and ordeyned scoles of lettrure⁵ in his kyngdom as he hadde i-seie⁶ in Fraunce, and assignede pedagoges⁷ and maistres for children in þe manere of Caunterbury men; at þe laste he be took⁸ his kyngdom to his newew Egritus, and was i-schore monk in an abbay þat he hym self bulde; but aftirward kyng Penda paganus werred⁹ in þat kyngdom, and Sigebertus was i-drawe out of þe abbay as it were for to strengþe þe knyʒtes; and so he was i-slawe in his simplenesse, and bare but a ʒerd¹⁰ on his hond, and nygh¹¹ al his oost was i-slawe; after hym regnede Anna, Enus his sone; hym slouʒ Penda. Bote while Sigebertus regnede, an holy man þat hiʒte¹² Furseus com out

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Ab urbe.

choppes of the marches unto the tymes of William conqueroure, and then that seete was translate unto Lyncolne. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro primo.* Felix borne in Burguygne, familier with Sigebertus the kyng beyng in that cuntre in exile, come to Ynglonde with hym, and was the firste bisshop at Donmic xvj. yere. *Beda, libro 3^o, capitulo decimo septimo.* This Sigebertus made kyng after the dethe of Corpwaldus his broþer, ordeynede scoles in his realme lyke as he hade sene in Fraunce, assignynge maisters to informe the childer; whiche takenge the realme to Egricus his cosyn, was made monke in a monastery þat he made. But Penda the pagan kyng trowblyng soor the realme, Sigebertus was taken from that monastery to make the knyʒhtes stronge, and so he was sleyne in simplicite, havynge a rodde in his honde, and allemoste alle his hoste also; whom Anna the son of Enus succeeded in that realme, whom Penda did sle afterwarde. In the tyme of this Sigebertus a holy man, Furseus by name, come from Yrlonde

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A transmi-
gracione.

¹ *chaungide*, β
² *Lyncolyn*, Cx.
³ *be homeliche*, from α. and γ.;
be homelich, β.; *had ben homely*,
Cx.; *had hem liche*, MS.
⁴ *Domynyk*, β.; *vurste of Don-*
mik, γ.; *Domoyck*, Cx.
⁵ *lettur*, γ.

⁶ *seen*, Cx.
⁷ *petagoges*, β. and Cx.
⁸ *bitoke*, β.; *bytoke*, Cx.
⁹ *werride*, β.
¹⁰ *rodde*, Cx.
¹¹ *neiʒ*, β.
¹² *het*, β.; *hete*, Cx.

Furseus ad provinciam Orientalium Anglorum, in qua multos aut convertit aut amplius confirmavit; ubi aliquando languescens monitus est per angelicam visionem cœpto ministerio insistere, vigiliis¹ orationibus² incumbere; unde et ipse regia [ope]³ adjutus monasterium construxit juxta mare in castro quod Cunbrisburgh⁴ dicitur, ubi⁵ iterum languore correptus, raptus est e corpore usque ad beatam angelorum visionem, ubi audivit resonare illud psalmi, *Ibunt sancti de virtute in virtutem, videbitur Deus deorum in Syon.*⁶ Qui⁷ etiam reductus in corpore et die tertia iterum eductus,⁸ vidit non solum majora beatorum gaudia sed et maxima⁹ malignorum spirituum certamina, qui¹⁰ impedire sanctos nituntur. Cum ergo in altum levaretur vidit sub se ^{Quatuor ignes.} quatuor ignes in aere, quos angelus ejus ductor sic ex-

¹ *et*, add. B.C.

² *assuetis*, add. C.D.

³ *ope*, from A.B.C.D.

⁴ *Cimbrisburgh*, A.; *Knobisburghum*, C.; *Knobirsburgh*, D.

⁵ *ibi*, A.

⁶ *Sion*, A.

⁷ Slightly varied in C.D.

⁸ *reductus*, A.D.

⁹ *maxima*] om. A.

¹⁰ *quibus*, A.C.D., and this the versions have translated.

of Irlond into þe province of Est Angles, and in þe wey [con-
 vertede meny men oþer made hem more studefast in þe fey].¹ TREVISA.
 Þere in a tyme he was seek, and was i-warned in a visioun by
 an aungel þat he schulde besiliche² do as he hadde bygonne,
 and besiliche² wake and bidde his bedes.³ Þanne by help
 of the kyng he bulde an abbay by þe see, in a castel þat hatte
 Cunbrisburgh;⁴ þere eft he worþe seek,⁵ and i-was i-ravis-
 shed⁶ out of his body⁷ anon to þe holy siȝt of aungles, and
 in þe wey þere in a tyme he was seek,⁸ þere he herde⁹ sowne
 þat vers of þe sauter "Holy men schul go forþ from vertue to
 " vertue; God of goddes schal be seyn¹⁰ in Syon;" also he
 was brouȝt to his body, and i-lad eft aȝen¹¹ the þridde day, and
 sigh¹² not onliche þe grete ioie of holy seyntes, but also þe
 grettest strif of evel spirites,¹³ by þe whiche¹⁴ þei fondeþ¹⁵ to
 lette holy men. Þanne he was i-left¹⁶ an hiȝe,¹⁷ and siȝe under
 hym foure fuyres¹⁸ in þe ayer, and þe aungel þat ladde hym

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 mony men and moche peple, or elles made theym moore stronge 2261.
 in the feithe. Whiche laborynge in soore sekenesse was A transmi-
 monyschede by an angelle that he scholde applye hym to the gracione.
 ministry y-begunne, as to vigiles and preiers, makenge a
 noble monastery thro the helpe of þe kyng, nye to the see in
 a castelle callede Cimbbisburghe, wher he trowblede with
 langor was rapte from body to the blissede vision of angelles,
 wher he herde this sentence, "Ibunt sancti de virtute in virtu-
 " tem." "Holy men schalle goe from vertu to vertu untille that
 " Godde off goddes be seen in Syon." Whiche brouȝhte ageyne
 to his body, and brouȝhte furthe ageyne in the thrydde day
 foloyng, see not oonly the grete ioies of blissede men, but
 also the peynes of men condempnede, and also grete stryv-
 ynges of wickede spirites by whom they laborede to lette holy
 men. And when he was on hie in the aier, he see iiij. fires in
 the aiere under hym, whom the angelle, his ductor or leder,

¹ From a., β., γ., and Cx.
² *bisilich*, β., bis.
³ *make his praiers*, Cx.
⁴ *Cunbrisburgh*, γ.; *hete Cim-*
brisburgh, Cx.
⁵ *there he wexe seke agayne*, Cx.
⁶ *yrauesed*, γ.
⁷ *spiritually unto*, Cx.
⁸ *and . . . seek*] om. a., β., and
 Cx.
⁹ *hurde*, γ.

¹⁰ *ysey*, γ.
¹¹ *Also his spyryte cam to his body*
agayn, and take away agayn, Cx.
¹² *syȝ*, β.
¹³ *spīritis*, γ.
¹⁴ *whoche*, γ.
¹⁵ *purposed*, Cx.
¹⁶ *liȝte*, β.
¹⁷ *yllyft an hii*, γ.
¹⁸ *voure vures*, γ., et infra.

posuit: "Hi ignes sunt mundum consumpturi. Primus
 " ignis¹ est mendacii, quia homines non implent quod in
 " baptismo promiserunt. Secundus est cupiditatis, quando
 " divitiæ Deo præponuntur. Tertius est dissensionis,
 " quando sine² causa proximus³ offenditur. Quartus est
 " impietatis, quando superior inferiorem opprimere⁴ non
 " timet."⁵ At⁶ cum ignes isti quasi in unum glomerari⁷
 viderentur expavit Furseus et clamavit. Cui angelus:⁸
 " Quod non incendisti in te non ardebit. Iste ignis sin-
 " gulorum merita examinabit." At dum⁹ pervenisset ad
 januam¹⁰ Furseus patentem,¹¹ daemones projecerunt in
 eum unum hominem quem torrebant, unde et humerus
 et¹² maxilla Fursei comburebantur.¹³ Cognovit statim
 Furseus hominem illum, et quod vestimentum illius
 morientis aliquando receperat, quod quidem vestimentum
 angelus ductor Fursei¹⁴ in ignem projecit; et dixit

¹ ignis] om. C.D.

² aliqua, add. C.D.

³ proximus] om. B.

⁴ opprimere] om. B.

⁵ timeat, A.

⁶ At] om. A.; Et, D.

⁷ glomerare, A.

⁸ ait, add. C.D.

⁹ cum, B.; demum cum, C.D.

¹⁰ quandam, add. A.B.C.D.

¹¹ patefactam, C.D.

¹² humerus et] om. A.

¹³ comburebantur, from B.; ure-
batur, D.; comburebatur, MS.

¹⁴ ejus, B.

expowned hym¹ þe fuyres in þis manere, and seide: "Þese
 " fuyres schal destroye þe world:² þe firste fuyre³ is þe
 " fuyre of lesynge, for men dop nouȝt as þey byheet⁴ in her
 " bapteme;⁵ the secounde is þe fuyre of covetise, whan
 " riches is more i-loved þan God Almyȝti; þe þridde is
 " fuyre of discord and of strif, whan men greveþ⁶ her neighe-
 " boures⁷ with oute cause; þe ferþe⁸ is þe fuyre of wikked-
 " nesse, whanne þe gretter⁹ dredeþ not for to undo and de-
 " stroye¹⁰ þe lasse."¹¹ Þese fuyres semede i-gadrede as it
 were al into oon. Þanne Furseus was sore adrad,¹² and cride,
 and þe aungel to hym seide: "What þou hast not i-sette
 " afuyre¹³ in þe schal not brenne; þis fuyre¹⁴ schal examyne
 " and serche alle men dedes." Þan Furseus com to þe¹⁵ ȝate
 þat was open, and fendes þrewe¹⁶ on hym a man þat þey tor-
 mented in fuyre, and þerwip Furseus his schuldre and his
 cheke were i-brent. Anon Furseus knewe þat man, and knewe
 þat he hadde i-fonge his cloþ whan he deide; þe aungel þat
 ladde Furseus þrewe¹⁷ þat cloþ into þat¹⁸ fuyre, and a fende¹⁹

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Ab urbe. expownyde in this maner, seyenge, "These iiii. fires ar to con-
 " sume the worlde, the firste is the fire of lesynge, for peple
 " fullefille not þat thei promisede in baptye. The secunde
 " is the fire of covetise, for richesse be luffede more then God.
 " The thridde is the fire of dissencioun, when a man is offen-
 " dede withoute eny cause. The iiii^{the} is the fire of iniquite,
 " when the superior dredethe not to oppresse his inferior." f. 265 a.
 Furseus seyenge these iiii. fires as unyte, was afrayede and
 cryede. To whom þe angelle seide, "That thou hase not
 " offended schalle not brenne in the; this fire schalle examyne
 " the merites of every man." After þat Furseus commynge
 to a ȝate and fyndenge hit open, the develles caste a man to
 hym whom thei tormentede soore, where-thro the schulder of
 Furseus and cheke were brente. Furseus hade knowlege anon
 of þat man, how he hade taken a clothege of hym somme
 tyme, whiche clothyng the angelle and ducer of Furseus caste

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gracione.¹ to hym, Cx.² worl, γ.³ vur, γ., et infra.⁴ as huy byhyȝte, γ.⁵ follouȝt, β.; baptemme, Cx.⁶ greven, Cx.⁷ neȝeboures, α.⁸ fourth, Cx.⁹ or myghtyer, add. Cx.¹⁰ distruye, β.¹¹ and febler, add. Cx.¹² agast, Cx.¹³ avure, γ.¹⁴ fuyre] om. Cx.¹⁵ a, α. and Cx.; þat, γ.¹⁶ vendes þruwe, γ.¹⁷ þruw, γ.¹⁸ þe, α.¹⁹ vend, γ.

dæmon, "Noli repellere quod prius¹ approbasti; nam
 " sicut bona peccatorum recepisti, ita et pœnas eorum²
 " participare debes." Cui contradicens angelus ait, " Non
 " propter avaritiam, sed pro³ salvanda ejus anima hoc
 " suscepit;" et tunc cessavit ignis. Dixitque angelus
 Furseo "Quod incendisti, hoc arsit in te." Quamobrem
 Furseus ipse ad corpus restitutus semper deinceps⁴
 signum incendii quod in anima pertulit visibiliter in
 humero et maxilla portavit. Hæc quotienscumque post-
 modum Furseus narraret,⁵ quamvis in tenui foret veste⁶
 et in media hyeme, semper sudaret præ timore. Tandem
 Furseus relicto monasterio illo fratri suo Fullano, liber
 ipse [cum]⁷ alio fratre suo⁸ Vulcano per unum annum
 vitam eremiticam⁹ transegit. Deinde turbata nimium
 provincia illa incursione barbarica, navigavit Galliam, ubi

¹ prius] ante, C.D.

² eorum] om. B.

³ propter salvandam ejus animam
 suscepit, C.D.

⁴ deinceps] om. B.

⁵ Quod si contingeret Furseum
 postea ista narrare, C.D.

⁶ veste] om. B.

⁷ cum, from A.B.

⁸ suo] om. B.

⁹ hereticam, MSS.

seide: "Prow not away þat þou hast to forhonde approved,¹ " for þou hast i-fonge the goodes of synful men, so þat² þou " schalt be partyner of here peynes."³ "Nay," quop þe aungel, and seide, "he feng it nouȝt for covetise, but for " savacioun of his soule." And þan þe fuyre cesede,⁴ and þe aungel seide to Forseus, "What þou hast sette on⁵ fyre þat " haþ i-brend on⁶ þe." Þanne Forseus was i-brouȝt to his body aȝe. Þe same merk and tokene þat he hadde i-felt⁷ in his soule he bare alwey after i-sene on his schulder and cheke. Afterward as ofte as Forseus tolde þis tale, þey he hadde þynne clopyng⁸ in þe myddel of [þe colde]⁹ wynter, he schulde alwey¹⁰ swete for drede. At þe laste Forseus lefte þat abbay to his broþer Fullanus, and he wente free¹¹ wip anoþer broþer Ulcanus,¹² and lyved hermytes lyf al oon ȝere. Þanne þe¹³ province was swiþe¹⁴ destourbed by rennyng¹⁵ of reses¹⁶ of straungers, and he seillede into Fraunce, and

TREVISA.

Ab urbe.

into the fire. Then the develle seide, "Refuse not now that " thow hase approbate afor; for like as thow hase receyvyde " the goodes of synners, so in lyke wise thow awe to take " parte of their peyne." To whom the angelle was contrarious, seyng that he toke not that clothyng for avarice, but for the salvacioun of his sawle, and then the fire seased. The angelle seide, "That thow offendeste hase brente in þe:" wherefore Forseus, restorede to his body, bare allewey after that tyme the signe of brennyng in his cheke and schulder that he suffrede in his sawle. And after that tyme, when Forseus scholde telle this vision, thauȝhe hit were in the tyme of colde fforste, he wolde sweet for feere. At the laste Forseus levynge that monastery to Fullanus his broþer, takenge with hym Wulcanus was an heremite by oon yere. After that the province trowblede with the incursions of peple of Barbre, he saylede to Fraunce, whiche schewynge mony vertues þer, and dyenge,

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gracione.¹ to vorhond appruved, γ.² þat] om. a. and Cx.³ paynce, Cx.⁴ ceesed, β.; sesede, γ.⁵ a, Cx.⁶ on] om. Cx.⁷ yveld, γ.⁸ hadde clopyng] were ryȝt þenne y-cloþed, a. and γ.; were ryȝt þynne y-cloþed, β.; were right thynne clothed, Cx.⁹ From a., β., and Cx.¹⁰ alwey, Cx.¹¹ vre, γ.¹² Vulcanus, a., γ., and Cx.¹³ þat, a. and Cx.¹⁴ anone destroyed by rennyng and reyses, Cx.¹⁵ ȝurnyng and, γ.¹⁶ ernyng and reses, β.

post multas virtutes moriens sepultus est apud Peronam.

Gratias
DCXXXVII.
Heraclii.
XXVII.

*De Pontificibus Romanorum.*¹ Severinus papa post Honorium sedit anno uno.² Post quem Johannes quartus sedit anno uno, sub quo Judæi conversi sunt. *De imperatoribus Romanis.*³ Heraclius imperator post insignes victorias⁴ aberravit a fide, suadentibus ad hoc Cyro⁵ Alexandrino et Sergio Constantipolitano patriarcha, obiitque hydropicus ac⁶ depravatus⁷ hæresi Jacobitarum, qui scilicet⁸ Jacobum apostolum male sequuntur.⁹

CAP. XIV.

*De Machometo duce Saracenorum et pseudopropheta.*¹⁰ Machometus.

CIRCA hæc tempora viguit¹¹ Machometus pseudopropheta, dux Saracenorum¹² et Turcorum,¹³ cujus historia sic introducitur, juvantibus plurimum in hac materia Stephano Cantuariensi et Giraldo Cambrensi. Florente dudum Romana republica latior pœne erat orbis Christianus quam orbis Romanus. Qui nimirum¹⁴ præter¹⁵

¹ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

² *Honorio papa defuncto successit Severinus anno*, C.D.

³ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁴ *per Cyrum Alexandrinum et Sergium Constantinopolitanum patriarcham aberravit a fide*, C.D.

⁵ *Cyro*, MSS.

⁶ *aut*, B.

⁷ *damnatus*, D.

⁸ *scilicet*] om. C.D.

⁹ *male intelligunt et male sequuntur*, A.; *intelligunt*, B.

¹⁰ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

¹¹ *obiit*, C.D.

¹² *Sarzenorum*, A.

¹³ *Thurchorum*, A.; *Thurcorum*, B.; *Turchorum*, MS.

¹⁴ *ninium*, B.

¹⁵ *propter*, B.

deide pere after meny grete dedes of vertu, and was i-buried TREVISIA.
 at Pernia. After Honorius Severus¹ was pope oon zere; in
 his tyme þe Iewes were converted to Cristene fey.² Heraclius
 þe emperour, aftir his noble victours,³ errede out of þe fey,
 and þat by counsaile of Cirus patriark of Alexandria, and of
 Sergius patriark of Constantynnoble; and Heraclius deide in þe
 dropesie,⁴ and was i-schend with þat⁵ heresy of þe Iacobytes;
 þat where⁶ þey⁷ þat mysunderstood seint Iame þe Apostel.

Capitulum quartumdecimum.

ABOUTE þat tyme lyvede Machometus⁸ þe false prophete,
 duke and ledere of Saracenes⁹ and of Turkes. Þis¹⁰ storie is
 [y.¹¹]brouzte in þis manere, bote Stevene of Caunterbury and
 Girald of Cambria helpeþ moche¹² in þis manere. Somtyme
 while þe empere of Rome was in gret myzt and strengþe,
 Cristendom was nyh wydder¹³ þan þe empere of Rome, and is

Ab urbe. was beryede at Perma. Severinus the pope succedede Hono-
 rius oon yere; after whom Iohn, the iiiiithe pope of that name, MS. HARL.
 succedede oon yer, under whom the Iewes were converte. 2261.
 Heraclius themperour, after noble victoryes, errede from the
 feithe thro the mocion of Cirus, bischop of Alexandria, and
 of Sergius, bischop of Constantinopole and patriarke, and
 dyede in the dropicy, infecte with the heresy of Iacobites,
 whiche understonde ylle seynte Iames thapostle. A transmi-
gracione.

Capitulum quartumdecimum.

MACHOMETUS the fals prophete was abowte this tyme duke
 or governour of the Saracenyys and of the Turkes. The story
 of whom is introducte in this wise, Steven off Cawnterbury
 and Giraldus of Wales helpeþ moche in this mater. The
 commune utilite of Rome floryschynge late, the worlde of f. 265 b.
 Cristen peple was moore large then thempyre of Rome, whiche

¹ Severius, a.; Severinus, B. γ.,
and Cx.

² feyth, Cx. passim.

³ victories, B.; victoryes, Cx.

⁴ droposye, Cx.

⁵ þe, a. and Cx.

⁶ were, γ. and Cx.

⁷ hy, γ.

⁸ Macomete, B.; Machamet, Cx.

⁹ Sarsyns, B. et infra; Sarasyns,
Cx.

¹⁰ þis] His, a. and Cx.

¹¹ From a.

¹² myche, B.

¹³ and more] add. Cx.

Europam magnas Asiæ provincias cum tota pene Africa inter suos limites cohibebat. Intestinus tandem Christianorum discidiis actum est¹ ut, invalescentibus Agarenis, qui et Ismaelitæ² seu Saraceni dicuntur, de quorum imperio prophetavit Methodius martyr, Christiana religio extra fines Europæ modicum possideret. Quin etiam post Africam totam infectam idem Saracenorum³ pestilens error non modicam Hispaniæ partem maculavit, et nisi divina miseratio obstitisset, Galliam cum Hispania infecisset. Cum ergo⁴ post tempora Gregorii magni Romanum imperium, quod olim⁵ ab oceano Britannico usque in fines Persidis porrigebatur, tyrannicis motibus bellisque civilibus ita esset attritum ut prope⁶ defensionis contra hostes minus sufficeret, paganus Persarum exercitus in Christianos sæviens quasdam orientales Romanæ ditionis et Christianæ religionis provincias occupavit. Secuta est e vestigio, velut erucam locusta, Ismaelitarum pestis edacior, quæ

¹ *est*] om. A.B.

² *Hismaelita*, A.C.D.

³ *Agarenorum*, C.D.

⁴ *igitur imperium*, A.C.D.

⁵ *post . . . olim*] om. C.D.

⁶ *propria*, A.B.C.D.

no wonder, ffor Cristendom was so encreased pat it conteyned **TREVISIA.**
 Europa and meny provinces of Asia and wel nygh al Affrica
 wip ynne his merkes and boundes.¹ At pe laste, by discord
 and stryf of Cristen men bytwene hem self, it was i-do pat pe
 Agarenes wexe stronge. Pe Agarenes hauep² pre names, and
 beep i-cleped Agarenes, Ismaelites,³ and Saracenes.⁴ Of
 here empere propheciede Methodius pe martir, and seide pat
 Cristene religioun schuld litel⁵ have with oute pe endes of
 Europa. Also after pat errour of Saracenes hadde infecte al
 Affrica, hit defouled also a grete deel of Spayne, and but
 Goddes grace and mercye hadde i-holde⁶ it wolde have in-
 infecte and schend also Fraunce wip Spayne. Panne after pe
 grete Gregories tyme pe empere of Rome, pat strecchep⁷
 somtyme from⁸ pe ocean of Bretayn anon to pe endes of Pers,
 was so destroyed wip tyrandise⁹ and wip civil batailles, pat it
 was¹⁰ nouzt of power to defende hym¹¹ self azenst enemyes.
 Panne pe cruel¹² paynym oost of Pers gan to occupie meny
 provinces of pe lordschipe of Rome and of men of Cristene
 fey in the estlondes. Panne as pe grete flye folwep¹³ pe tras

Ab urbe. hade with in the lordeschippe of hit, withowte Europe, noble **MS. HARL.**
 provinces of Asia, with alle Affrike. Neverthelesse the Aga- **2261.**
 renys, Ismaelites, or called Saracenyngs encreasenge moche, of
 thempire of whom Methodius pe martir propheciede, seyenge
 that the feithfulle peple of Criste scholde possede but fewe
 cuntres more then Europe. And after alle Affrike infecte, the
 pestilente errour of the Saracenyngs infecte a grete parte of
 Speyne; and but that the grete mercy of allemyzhty God hade
 schewide resistence thei hade infecte Fraunce with alle Speyne.
 And in the tymes of grete Gregory, the Romane empyre, that
 was porrecte from the ocean of Briteyne unto the costes of
 Persida, was so attrite and trowblede with batells civile, that
 hit was unnethe sufficiaunte ageyne their awne enemyes.
 Then the pagan hoste of men of Persida occupiede diverse
 provinces of the este of thempire of Rome, and of the feithe
 of Criste. After that an innumerable pestilence as of corrup-

A transmi-
 gracione.

¹ bondes, γ.

² habbeþ, γ.

³ Ismalytes, Cx.

⁴ Saracenes in MS. Here by an error of the scribe *wexe stronge* is inserted again from the previous line.

⁵ lyte, a. and γ.

⁶ holpe, a.; holpen, Cx.

⁷ strechede, γ.

⁸ vram, γ.

⁹ tyrauntrie, β.; destroyed wip tyraundys, γ.; tyrauntrye, Cx.

¹⁰ a was, γ.

¹¹ hit, a.; hyt, γ.

¹² cruwel, β.; crewel, γ.

¹³ vlye volwep, γ.

tempore Heraclii imperatoris Christianas¹ in oriente reliquias sub principe Machometo pœne consumpsit. Igitur tempore papæ Bonefacii quinti, regnante Heraclio, circiter annum gratiæ sexcentessimum vicesimum,² Machometus pseudopropheta et magus³ Ismaelitas⁴ Gestus Machometi. Agarenos decepit in hunc modum. Clericus quidam famosus, cum in Romana curia assequi non posset quod volebat, transmarina petiit, multos sibi allexit. Inter quos Machometo promisit quod illum genti suæ præficeret si dictis suis adquiesceret. Nutriens itaque⁵ columbam grana in auribus Machometi posuit, ex quibus columba sæpius⁶ se pavit. Prædictus tandem⁷ clericus die quadam populum convocavit,⁸ illumque

¹ *Christianorum*, C.D.

² *circa annum Domini 610*, C.D.

³ *et magus*] om. A.; *magnus*, B.

⁴ *Saracenos seu verius*, add. C.D.

⁵ *ita*, A.; *Nutriensque*, B.

⁶ *sæpius*] om. B.; *frequenter*, C.D.

⁷ *tandem*] om. B.

⁸ *vocavit*, C.D.

of þe malschawe,¹ so after oþer woo com þe² pestilence of þe TREVISA.
 Ismaelites, þat was more grevous, and destroyed nygh þe
 Cristene men þat were i-left in þe estlondes by ledynge of
 þe province³ Machometis,⁴ and⁵ Heraclius þe emperour his
 tyme. Þanne þe fiftē⁶ pope⁷ Bonefas his tyme, while Hera-
 clius regnede, aboute þe ʒere of oure Lord sixe hondred and
 twenty, Machometis þe false prophete þe whiche⁸ bygiled
 þe Ismaelitis [and]⁹ Agarenes in þis manere. A famous clerk
 was at the court of Rome and myʒt nouʒt spede at his wille,
 and passede [þe see, and plesede meny]¹⁰ men, and hadde hem¹¹
 at his assent. Among þe whiche¹² he byhet Machometis þat
 he wolde make hym prince of his peple¹³ ʒif he wolde doo as
 he seide. Þanne þis clerk fedde¹⁴ up a colver¹⁵ and made hym
 fecche¹⁶ his mete in Machometis ere, for þere he dede¹⁷ þe
 corn þat the colver schulde ete, and þerof¹⁸ þe colver ofte
 schulde¹⁹ fede²⁰ hym self. Þanne in a day þis clerk gadrede
 þe peple to geders,²¹ and byheet þat he wolde make²² hym here

Ab urbe. cion consumynge Cristen peple in the Este, in the tyme of MS. HARL.
 Heraclius theperour, by Machometus the fals prophete. 2261.
 Perfore in the tyme of Bonifacius the vthe pope, in the tyme of
 Heraclius, abowte þe yere of oure Lorde God vi.c. and xx^{ti}, A transmi-
 Machometus, þe fals prophete and nigromancier, deceyvede the gracione.
 Agarenyis in thys maner. A famous clerke beyng in Rome,
 and not obteynyng his purpose, wente into other ferre cuntres,
 drawynge mony men to hym, amonge whom he promisede
 Machometus that he scholde make hym a grete lorde, if he
 wolde condescende þerto. Whiche norischynge a doffe, putte
 cornes in the ere of Machometus, of whom þat doffe fedde her
 ofte. At the laste the seide clerke callede the peple of þat
 cunte to gedre, promisyng þat he scholde be governour of

¹ *malschawe*, β.; trace of the *malshawe*, Cx.

² *com þe*] cometh, Cx.

³ *p'uince* (sic), MS., but clerical error for *prince*, which is in β. and Cx.

⁴ *Machometes*, α. and β.

⁵ *in*, α., β., and Cx.

⁶ *vyfþe*, γ.

⁷ *pope*] om. Cx.

⁸ *wyche*, α.; and *wicche*, β.; and *wheche*, γ.; *prophete* and *witche*, Cx.

⁹ From Cx.

¹⁰ From α., β., γ., and Cx.

¹¹ *ham*, γ.

¹² *whoche*, γ.

¹³ *pupel*, γ., et infra.

¹⁴ *vedde*, γ.

¹⁵ *douve*, Cx. semper.

¹⁶ *vecche*, γ.

¹⁷ *dude*, γ.; *put*, Cx.

¹⁸ *þerof*] of that same, Cx.

¹⁹ *wolde*, α. and β.

²⁰ *wolde vede*, γ.

²¹ *pupel to gadders*, γ.

²² *makyng*, α.

populo præficere promisit quem Spiritus Sanctus in specie columbæ monstraret. Statimque columbam emisit, quæ juxta morem consuetum humeris Machometi insedit, rostrumque in auribus ejus posuit. Ex hinc Machometus¹ in ducem eligitur. *Ista præacta vulgariter traduntur, sed quod sequitur magis communiter approbatur.*² Monachus quidam Sergius nomine, a commonachis suis, eo quod in errorem Nestorii incidisset,³ expulsus, in Arabiam venit, Machometoque adhæsit, quem et instruxit: quamvis alibi legitur⁴ quod iste Sergius fuerit archidiaconus Antiochiæ sive patriarcha Jerosolimitanus.⁵ Igitur Machometus utroque parente orbatus, sub patrum sui custodia annos pueritiæ transegit aliquantoque tempore cum gente sua Arabica idolorum cultui deservivit, potissime tamen Veneris venerationi deditus fuit. Inde est quod Saraceni adhuc diem Veneris celebrant sicut Judæi suum Sabbatum solemnizant⁶ aut nos diem Dominicum.⁷ Post hæc⁸ Machometus decursa adolescentia, ingenio acer, negoti-

¹ *tanquam cælitus inspiratus in judicem [aspiratus in ducem, D.], et doctorem populi eligitur. Ista quidem vulgariter traduntur, sed verius est quod subsequitur, C.D.*

² This passage is not written as a rubric except in MS.

³ *insidisset, A.*

⁴ *legatur, A.B.C.D.*

⁵ *Constantinopolitanus, C.D.*

⁶ *solempnizant, MSS.*

⁷ *celebramus, add. C.D.*

⁸ *hoc, A.*

prince whom þe Holy Goost wolde schewe in colveres liche,¹ and lete fle² his colver anon, and þe colver, as he was i-woned, satte uppon Machometus his schuldres, and putte his bele³ in Machometus his eres; þerfore Machometus was i-chose prince and ledere of þe peple. Þis þat is i-seide in þe comyn table,⁴ but what now folowep is more alowed and apreved. A monk þat heet⁵ Sergius was i-put out of þe companye of þe monkes þat he was among for he was i-falle⁶ into Nestorius⁷ his error. He com into Arabia, and putte hym self to Machometus, and enformed hym; þei⁸ it be i-rad þat þis Sergius were archedecon⁸ of Antiochia oþer patriark of Ierusalem. Þanne Machometus faderles [and moderles]⁹ was in his emes keypyng in his childhode; he¹⁰ worschipped mawmetrie somewhat of tyme wip his contrey men of Arabia, and he ʒaf hym specialliche to worschippe Venus, and þerfore it is þat ʒit the Saracens holde þe Fridy¹¹ holy as þe Iewes doop¹² þe Saturday and we þe Soneday. After þat Machometus com to age, and was scharp of witte, and wente into meny londes

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. the peple whom the Holy Goste, in the likenesse of a doffe, scholde schewe. Whiche sendenge furthe a doffe, sche wente and sate on the schulder of Machometus, and putte her bylle in his ere, and so Machometus was electe into the governour of that cuntre. These thynges towchide afore be after the commune oppinion, but thynges foloyng be of moore approbacioun. A monk, Sergius by name, was expulsede from the other monkes of his monastery, for cause he felle into þe erreure off Nestorius; whiche goyng into Araby, drawede to Machometus, whom he informede: thau⁸ he hit be redde in other places that this Sergius was archidiacon of Anthiochia, other the patriarke of Ierusalem. The fader and moder of Machometus dedde, he was norischede in his infancy by his uncle, servyng ydolatry with the peple of Araby, ʒiffen specially to the synne of lechery. Wherefore hit is that the Saracenys halowe the Friday as the Iues do Seturday, and as we do the Sonday. After the adolescency of Machometus paste, he wente into mony regiouns for cause of marchandise,

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A transmi-
graciou.

f. 266 a.

¹ in a colver hys lych, γ.; in lykenes of a douwe, Cx.

² vle, γ.

³ bile, β.; potte hys byle, γ.; bylle, Cx.

⁴ comyn tale, α. and Cx.

⁵ hyzt, γ.

⁶ avalle, γ.

⁷ Nestorius, Cx.

⁸ archdekene, β.

⁹ From α., β., and Cx.

¹⁰ and, α. and Cx.

¹¹ Vryday, γ.; Fryday, Cx.

¹² doop] don, Cx.

andi gratia plures peragrans regiones, crebra cum
 Judæis et Christianis conversatione utriusque religionis
 cultus ritusque didicit, magicisque artibus imbui¹
 curavit. Quibus instructus homo mire callidus et facun-
 dus Corosaniæ² provinciæ dominam, nomine Cadigan,
 partim speciebus quas attulerat, partim magicis præ-
 stigiis et verbis suasilibus,³ ita dementavit ut eum⁴
 tanquam summum Dei prophetam, vel certe ipsum
 Messiam quem Judæi expectant, coleret, atque ejus
 nuptias exoptaret. Moris quippe erat tunc eam gentem
 regi etiam a fœminis. Sic igitur⁵ per conjugium
 viduæ⁶ reginæ dominus provinciæ effectus,⁷ junctis sibi
 Arabibus Persidam infestavit, et orientale imperium
 contra Heraclium usque ad fines Alexandriæ occupavit.
 Exin⁸ verorum imitatione prophetarum personam lo-
 quentis Dei in se assumpsit, sic præmittens in⁹ libris
 quos edidit, "Locutus est Dominus ad Machometum pro-

¹ *imbui*, from A.B.C.D.; *inibi*,
 MS.

² *Corozania*, A.C.D.

³ *suasibilibus*, C.D.

⁴ *illum*, B.]

⁵ *etiam*, B.

⁶ *et*, add. C.D.

⁷ *Machometus*, add. C.D.

⁸ *Exinde*, A.B.C.D.

⁹ *in*] om. B. "

by cause of marchaundise, and ofte was in companye of Iewes and of Cristen men, and lernede þe maneres and usages and customs¹ of boþe² lawes of Cristen men and of Iewes, and kouþe boþe wicchecraft and nigromancie, and was a wonderfel³ man and fer castynge, and hadde nobil ffacounde and faire⁴ speche. Þan he com to þe lady of þe province Corozonia, þe lady heet⁵ Cadygan, and somdel wiþ spices⁶ þat he brouzþte, wiþ wicchecraft, and wiþ faire wordes, he made þe lady so mad and so nyce⁷ þat sche⁸ worschipped hym as þe grettest prophete of God Almyzty, oper as it were Messyas þat þe Iewes abideþ,⁹ and sche¹⁰ desired hym to housbonde. It is þe usage of þat province to be [y-¹¹]ruled¹² also by wommen.¹³ Þanne he wedded þe wymmen¹⁴ þat was quene, and so he was i-made lorde of þe province. Þanne he drowz to hym þe Arabes, and occupiede þe est empere anon to Alexandria azenst Heraclius þe emperour. Þanne he took þe manere spekinge of trewe prophetes, as þey God hadde i-spoke in hym, and spak in pis manere in his bookes þat he made: "Oure Lord spak to his prophete Machomete¹⁵ and seide ;"

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. havynge grete comunicacion with Iues and Cristen peple, untill that he hade lernede the rytes of theyme bothe. Then he appliede hym to nigromancy, whiche instructe in that arte, excellent in comunicacioun, made Cadigan, lady of the province of Corozania, what with nigromancy and with wordes of pleasure, and what with spices that he hade taken to here, to have suche affecioun to hym in so moche that sche supposede hym to be a prophete of God, other elles Messias whom þe Iues taryede, and after that desirede hym to wedde her. The ryte and consuetude was that tyme, that peple scholde be governede off women as by men and so by the mariage of that qwene; he was made kyng and lorde of that province. Whiche ioynynge to hym men of Araby, zafe batelle to men of Persida, and occupiede thempir of the este, unto the costes of Alexandria, ageyn Heraclius. Spekyng in his bookes, whom he made, in this wise, "God spake to Machomete his prophete,

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A transmi-
gracione¹ *costome*, γ.² *þe*, added in β.³ *wonder felle*, Cx.⁴ *veyr*, γ.⁵ *hyzte*, γ.⁶ *and with somme spyces*, Cx.⁷ *nyse*, α.⁸ *heo*, β. and γ.⁹ *abidiþ*, β.; *abiden*, Cx.¹⁰ *heo*, β.¹¹ From α.¹² *yruled*, γ.¹³ *wymmen*, α.¹⁴ *widewe*, β.; *wydewe*, γ. and Cx.¹⁵ *Machometus*, α.; om. Cx.

“ phetam suum ;”¹ ut sic² divinæ auctoritatis pondus habere crederetur,³ quod ab eo seductorie confingebatur.⁴ Cumque non solum subacti populi⁵ sed etiam longinqui ad eum confluerent inclinati, accensus libidine latius dominandi sub prætextu propagandæ religionis suæ tanquam ex Dei præcepto finitimas gentes invasit, arte et astu efficiens quod armis non poterat.⁶ Unde et Egypto, Libya, Arabia,⁷ Syria tota subactis, ut religiosior videretur, subjectos populos paternis ritibus abdicatis in suam superstitionem attraxit, paganis quidem idololatriam⁸ inhibens,⁹ Judæis juxta ritum eorum¹⁰ circumcisionem concessit. Novas quasdam leges de suo¹¹ confixit, testimonia de utroque testamento adhibens quas etiam Saraceni usque hodie suas leges appellant. Unde secundum ritum Judæorum Saracenos circumcidi præcepit, suillæ tamen carnis esum suis sequacibus interdixit. Cujus rei¹² rationem Machometus assignare volens, dixit quod ex

¹ *dicens*, addunt A.B.C.D.

² *sic*] om. B.

³ *videretur*, C.

⁴ *fingebatur*, B.

⁵ *proprii*, B.

⁶ *potuit*, B.

⁷ *Arabia*] om. B.

⁸ *ydolatriam*, MS.

⁹ *pendens*, B.

¹⁰ *divinum*, add. C.D.

¹¹ *de novo*, C.D.

¹² *rei*] om. B.

for so þe bookes þat he feyned gylfulliche schulde be i-trowed¹ as þouȝ þey were i-made by auctorite of God Almyȝti. Whan² nouȝt onliche his owne men but also men of fer londes fil³ to hym and bowed⁴ to hym in every side, he hadde greet likyng to have⁵ gretter lordschipe; and as it were for to bryng men into good manere lyvyng, and as it were by heste⁶ of God Almyȝte, he assailede⁷ þe naciouns þat wonede⁸ nyȝt hym, and dede by crafte and by gile what he myȝte nouȝt doo by dedes of armes. Perfore whan Egipt, Libia, Arabia, and Siria were suget,⁹ [for he wolde seme þe more holy, he drouȝt þe peple þat were suget]¹⁰ to his false lawe, and made hem forsake¹¹ þe usages and þe lawes here forfadres.¹² And he forbeed¹³ þe paynims mametrie, and graunted circumcisioun to þe Iewes¹⁴ as þeyȝ he hadde i-used it,¹⁵ and i-feyned of his some¹⁶ newe lawes, and alleide¹⁷ witnes of eiper testament. Þe Saracenes clepþ þat lawe his lawe ȝit anon to þis tyme, and be heet þe Saracenes circumcide hem as þe Iewes doþ,¹⁸ and forbeed hem þat wil folwe hym etyng of swynes¹⁹ flesche. And Makometus wolde telle þe cause why he forbeed þe

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Ab urbe. "seyenge," that his werkes myȝhte have auctorite, þat were feynede falsely by hym. And when he hade subduede to hym not oonly peple nye to hym, but also peple of ferre cuntres hade grete confluence inclinede to the carnalle concupiscence²⁰ to hym, as Egipte, Libia, Araby, and alle Siria, and causede theyme to leve their olde rytes, and folowe his lawes, what thro his arte and wylenesse, whyche thyng he myȝhte not do by strenȝhte, prohibityng to the paganes ydolatory, grawntyng to the Iewes circumcision after their rytes: whiche made to theym newe lawes inducyng wyttensse of eiper testamente, whom the Saraceny kepe, and calle them their lawes, in whom he commaundid the Saracyns to be circumcided after the ryte of þe Iues, prohibityng to his successors the etyng of swyne flesche. Machomete schewyng a cause seide that a swyne f. 266 b.

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gracione.¹ *itrowed*] bylevyd, Cx.² *Whan*] Thenne, Cx.³ *vulle*, γ.⁴ *bowide*, β.⁵ *habbe*, γ.⁶ *commaundement*, Cx.⁷ *assaylide*, β.; *assoyled*, Cx.⁸ *dwellyd*, Cx.⁹ *subgett*, Cx.¹⁰ From α., β., γ., and Cx.¹¹ *ham vorsake*, γ.¹² *vorþvadres*, γ.; *forþfaders*, Cx.¹³ *vorþud*, γ.¹⁴ *huy*, γ.¹⁵ *as they had used*, Cx.¹⁶ *some*] owne self somme, Cx.¹⁷ *alleyde*, β.; *alleged*, Cx.¹⁸ *doþ*] don, Cx.¹⁹ *swynnyssh*, Cx. bis.²⁰ Sic in MS.

fimo cameli post diluvium porcus sit creatus, et ¹ tanquam immundus cibus a mundo populo vitari debuit. Ad imitationem quoque Christianorum more baptismatis crebras in aqua membrorum ablutiones quasi pro delictorum expiatione fieri statuit. At ut seductos populos fortius ² irretiret,³ statuit pro lege quod noverit ⁴ humanæ concupiscentiæ complacere, utpote tot uxores et concubinas habere quot homo de suis facultatibus posset sustentare. Uxores etiam usque ad quaternarium numerum de propria cognatione sumere, et usque quater uxorem ⁵ repudiare et iterum reassumere permisit. Empticias ⁶ seu captivas quot vellet homo habere concubinas, et eas vendere nisi aliquam illarum impregnasset liceret. Sobrietatem ⁷ in cibus

¹ *ideo*, B.

² *sibi*, add. C.D.

³ *irritiret*, A.C.D.

⁴ *noverat homini placere*, C.D.

⁵ *uxorem*] om. C.D.

⁶ *vero*, add. C.D.

⁷ *tamen*, add. C.D.

etyng¹ of swynes [flesche],² and seide þat swyn come of camels³ drit⁴ after Noe his flood, and þerfore clene men schulde schonye it as mete þat is unclene; and [as]⁵ it were to acorde with Cristen men in þe manere of cristenyng⁶, he ordeyned ofte wasshyng⁷ of lemes⁷ in water, as it were for clensyng⁸ of synnes. And for to bryng⁹ þe peple þat was [so]⁸ bygiled þe faster in snarl,⁹ what he knewe þat was most plesyng¹⁰ to manis likyng⁹, he ordeyned for lawe, and so he ordeyned þat a man schulde have as many wifes and concubynes as he myz^{te} susteyne¹¹ wip his catel. Also þat a man myz^{te} have wifes of his owne kynrede¹² anon to þe noumbre of foure, and þat a man myz^{te} four sipes forsake his wif and take hir aze, þat he suffrede, and also þat¹³ he¹⁴ myz^{te} [have as meny concubynus as a wolde of wymmen þat were ybozt oper prisoners, and also þat a myz^{te}]¹⁵ selle¹⁶ hem but 3if he hadde i-brouzt eny of hem wip childe; and ordeyned hem to use sobernesse in mete and in drinke, and forbeed hem mete and¹⁷

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. was create of the dungge of a camele after the grete floode of Noe, and perfor hit awe to be eschewede of clene peple as unclene meyte. Also he ordeynede certeyne waschynges in water, for the expiacion or clenesyng⁹ of their synne, after the maner of baptyne usede amonge Cristen peple; and that he he myz^{hte} snare the peple in moore suerte he ordeynede and made a statute by whiche he knowede to please the concupiscence of man, that thei scholde have so many wifes and concubynes as a man myz^{te} fynde, and take wyves also of their owne kynrede, into the iiiii^{the} nowmbre, and to refuse unto the iiiii^{the} wife, and suffreng^e men to take theyme ageyne, grauntyng^e licence to a man to take so many concubynes as he wolde bye, or women taken in captivite, and to selle theyme ageyne withowte he hade geten eny of theym with childe. Also he ordeynede sobrenesse in meytes and in drynkes, prohibityng^e

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gracione.¹ þe etyng^e] þeim, β.² From a., β., and Cx.; vlesch, γ.³ a kamyles, α.⁴ dryt, γ.; dirt, Cx.⁵ From a., β., and Cx.⁶ follouzt, β.; vollouzt, γ.⁷ lymmes, Cx.⁸ From a. and Cx.⁹ vaster in þe snar, γ.; to snarle,

Cx.

¹⁰ playsaunt, Cx.¹¹ susteyny, γ.¹² kynrad, β.¹³ þat] that, Cx.¹⁴ he] a, γ.¹⁵ From γ.; have als many concubynes as he wolde of wymmen þat were bouzt oper prisoners, and also that he myz^{te}, β.; have as many concubynes as he wolde of wymmen that were bought prisoners, Cx.¹⁶ sille, β.¹⁷ mete and] om. α.

et potibus sanxivit. Vini quoque usum præterquam in certis et solemnibus¹ in anno diebus interdixit. Et ut a Judæis, qui versus occidentem, et a Christianis, qui versus orientem adorant, aliquid distinctum haberet, suos sequaces versus meridiem, ubi lucis est plenitudo, cum multis genuflexionibus orare docuit. Venerem deam² colere, et diem ejus celebrem facere³ instituit; unum Deum omnipotentem omnium⁴ Creatorem coli jussit dicens Moysen et Johannem⁵ magnos fuisse prophetas, sed Christum majorem, et maximum omnium prophetarum, utpote⁶ natum de Virgine Maria Dei virtute, non humano semine, sicut in libro suo Alcorano testatur. Quædam tamen falsa veris miscebat,⁷ dicens Christum postmodum ad cælos elevatum, non tamen occisum. Nam asseruit Judam traditorem, dum Christum quæreret in spelunca, in similitudinem Christi mutatum, et loco⁸ Christi crucifixum. Per singulos quoque annos suos sequaces domum Dei quæ est in Matha orationis causa si

Christum
maximum
omnium
propheta-
rum dixit
Machame-
tus.

¹ *et solemnibus*] from A.C.D.; *solemnitatibus*, MS.

² *deam*] om. C.D.

³ *unde et feria sexta apud Saracenos, sicut Sabbatum apud Judeos et dies Dominica apud Christianos, colitur et festivatur*, added in C.D.

⁴ *omnium*] om. C.D.

⁵ *Johannes*, MS.

⁶ *utpote*] om. B.

⁷ *Falsa tamen quibusdam veris miscuit*, C.D.

⁸ *loco*] om. A.

drynkenge of wyn but it were in certeyne solempne dayes in þe 3ere. And¹ for he wolde somdel varie from² þe Iewes þat worschipped God [westward, and from Cristen men þat worschipped God]³ estward, he tau3te his peple to worschippe God souþward with ofte knelynges, for in þe soup is plente of li3t. He ordeyned hem to worschippe the goddes⁴ Venus, and to holde þe day þerof solempne and holy, þat is Friday.⁵ He heet worschippe [on]⁶ Almy3ti God, Creatour and Makere of alle þinges, and seide þat Moyses and Iohn⁷ were prophetes, but þat Crist was grettere, and grettest of alle prophetes, and þat he was i-bore of þe mayde Marie by vertu of God wip oute mannys mone,⁸ as he seip in his book þat hatte Alcoranum.⁹ Noþeles he melled¹⁰ som false sawes with soop sawes, and seide þat Crist was [afterward]¹¹ i-hove¹² up into hevене, and nou3t i-slawe; for he seip þat Iudas þe traytour sou3te Crist in a den, and chaungede into þe likenesse of Crist, and so was i-take and i-nayled to þe cros in stede¹³ of Crist. Also he hete þat þe men of his lawe schulde every 3ere, 3if þey my3te, goo in to Goddis hous þat is in Matha for to bidde here bedes, [and]¹⁴

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Ab urbe. drynkyng of wyne, but in certeyne festes in the yere, tech-
nyng his peple to pray with mony knelynges towarde the
sowthe, that he my3hte have somme distinccioun from the
Iewes, whiche make their preiers towarde the weste, and also
from Cristen men, whiche use to prey towarde the este. Also
he tau3hte his peple to honore Venus, goddess of lechery, and
to kepe that day holy, commaundyng oon God omnipotente to
be worschippede, seyenge Moyses and Iohn Baptiste to have
bene ii. grete prophetes, and Criste the moste of prophetes, as
borne of a virgyn by the vertu of Godde, and not thro carnalle
affeccion, as hit is schewede in his booke Alcoranus. Never-
thelesse he mixte fals thynges with trawthe, seyenge after that
Criste elevate to hevyn, and not sleyne; for he seide that Iudas
þe traytour sechenge Criste in a denne, was chaungede into the
similitude of Criste, and crucifiede in his stedde. Also he
movede his peple to goe to a certeyne temple every yere, which
was callede metha orationis, and to prey þer; where thei caste

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gracione.¹ An, MS.² varye vram, γ.³ From a. and Cx.⁴ godas, a. and γ.; goddesse, Cx.⁵ Fryday, γ.⁶ From a., B., and γ.; one, Cx.⁷ Johan, Cx.⁸ seede, Cx.⁹ Alkaron, Cx.¹⁰ medled, B.¹¹ From γ.¹² i-hove] afterwarde born, Cx.¹³ stude, a.¹⁴ From a., B., and Cx.

possent adire jussit, ubi convenientes circuire deberent consimilibus [vestibus]¹ induti, et lapides per media foramina parietum tanquam pro lapidando diabolo jactare. Hanc autem domum² asserebat³ Abraham pro filiis suis, potissime pro Ismaelitis,⁴ causa orationis construxisse. Item secundum legem Machometi deprehensus cum adultera lapidatur, fornicatus cum soluta octoginta verberibus plectitur, fur prima et secunda vice verberibus afficitur, tertia vice manus, quarta vice pedes perdit.⁵ Servantibus hæc et alia legis suæ mandata, ut asseruit,⁶ Deus paradisum promisit, hortum⁷ scilicet⁸ deliciarum, ubi nulla intemperies aut incommodi afflictio, sed omnigenarum deliciarum fruitio. Nam optati cibi aderunt ad victum, vestes ad amictum, virgines ad amplexum, angeli formosi⁹ ad obsequium, tam magni quidem ut ab uno oculo ad alium¹⁰ sit spatium unius

Depena
adulteran-
tium in lege
Machameti.

¹ *vestibus*] from A.C.D.

² *domum*] om. B.

³ *ferebat*, C.D.

⁴ *Hismaelitis*, A.C.D.

⁵ *præciduntur*, C.D.

⁶ *asserit*, B.

⁷ *ortum*, MSS.

⁸ *videlicet*, C.D.

⁹ *illis ministrabunt*, A.B. ; *pulcri illis ministrabunt*, C.D.

¹⁰ *ad alium*] angeli ad reliquum, C.D.

whanne þey were i-come pider¹ þey schulde be bygoo aboute TREVISA.
 and² i-cloped in oon manere clopyng, and þey schulde prowē
 out stones þorow³ holes of þe walles, as it were for to stene
 the devel; ⁴ and seide þat Abraham made þat hous for his
 children Ismaelites, for þey schulde þere bidde here⁵ bedes.
 Also by Machometus his lawe he þat were i-take with a
 womman in spousebreche⁶ schulde be stened to depe, and
 3if he dede⁷ ffornicioun wip a sengle⁸ woman he schulde
 have foure score lasshes.⁹ A þeef þe firste tyme and þe
 secounde schulde be i-bete, and þe þridde tyme he schulde lese¹⁰
 his hondes, and þe ferþe¹¹ tyme he schulde lese¹⁰ his feet.
 And he seip þat who þat holdeþ al þis and opere hestes of his
 lawe God Almy3ti byhotep¹² hym paradys, þe orchard of
 likyng, ¹³ þere is noon¹⁴ distemperure¹⁵ noþer peyne, þere is
 no manere greef,¹⁶ but al manere of welþe and of likyng; þere
 is likyng mete for to ete, and clopes to werie,¹⁷ and maydens
 to beclippe¹⁸ faire¹⁹ schal serve hem þere; þe aungels beep so
 huge²⁰ and so greet þat from þe²¹ oon y3e²² to þat oper is þe

Ab urbe. many stones, as to stone the develle; seyenge Abraham to have MS. HARL.
 made þat howse for his sonnes, and specially for the Ismaelites, 2261.
 for cause of preyenge. Also a man taken in advowtery, after A transmi-
 the lawe of Machomete, is stonyde; and a man doynge fornica- gracione.
 cioun with a woman in liberte is correcte by lxxx. betynges. f. 267 a.
 Also a thefe is punyschede in the firste tyme and secunde by
 betyng, in the thryde tyme he losethe his hondes, in the iiiithe
 tyme his feete; seyenge that God hathe promisede paradise to
 men keyng these thynges, and other commaundementes of
 his lawes. In whiche paradise is the gardyn of delices, where
 noon intemperance is or affliccioun of incommodite, but the
 fruicion of alle maner delices, where alle thynges schalle be to
 there pleasure, and angelles schalle ministre to theyme, so grete
 that hit scholde be as the space of oon day from þe oon eie

¹ þuder, γ.
² bygoo aboute and] om. Cx.
³ þur3, β.
⁴ develen, γ.
⁵ hare, γ.
⁶ spousebriche, β.; spousebruche, γ.
⁷ a dude, γ.
⁸ sengel, γ.
⁹ lasches, γ.
¹⁰ luse, γ. bis.
¹¹ fourth, Cx.

¹² promysed, Cx.
¹³ plesyre, Cx.
¹⁴ no, α., β., and Cx.
¹⁵ dystemper, γ.; distemperure, Cx.
¹⁶ gryef, Cx.
¹⁷ werye, β.
¹⁸ tembrace, Cx.
¹⁹ veyr angels, γ.
²⁰ hoge, γ.
²¹ þe] þat, Cx.
²² ye, γ.

diei. Illis autem qui legem ejus non observant comminatus est gehennam¹ id est² infernum. Insuper³ et in⁴ Alcorano suo commendat omnes patres Veteris Testamenti, potissime Moysen et Johannem Baptistam,⁵ Christum et Machometum. Commendantur et omnes qui in Deum⁶ credunt et operantur justitiam, sed non legitur ibi quid sit fides,⁷ qui⁸ fideles aut infideles. Ibi⁹ etiam traditur¹⁰ ¹¹ quod quinque libri descenderunt de cœlo ad informationem hominum, scilicet Psalterium, lex Moysi,¹¹ libri prophetarum, Evangelium, et Alcoranum Machometi. In quo dicitur¹² quod omnipotens Deus volens dirigere genus humanum in viam salutis post Abraham dedit filiis Israel legem,¹³ per quam cognosceretur et coleretur Deus; sed quia illi legem suam irritaverunt,¹⁴ dedit Deus cæteris hominibus evangelium suum. Verum quia Arabes,¹⁵ qui de Abraham per Ismaelem¹⁶ descenderant, ac major erat populus quam Judæi per Isaak de Abraham descendentes, sine lege remanserant,¹⁷

¹ *Jehennam*, MSS.

² *et*, A.C.D.

³ *igitur*, A.

⁴ *libro illo*, C.

⁵ *sed super omnes filios hominum commendavit Jesum Christum, filium Mariæ, et post illos Machometus summus Dei propheta commendatur*, C.D.

⁶ *Christum*, B.

⁷ *aut*, add. C.D.

⁸ *vel*, add. A.

⁹ *In illo quoque libro tradunt Saracenorum sapientes quinque libros descendisse*, C.D.

¹⁰ *legitur*, B.

¹¹ *scilicet Legem, Psalterium, Librum Prophetarum*, C.D.

¹² *etiam*, C.

¹³ *salutem*, B.

¹⁴ *idcirco*, add. C.D.

¹⁵ *Verum et quia illi lege sua abusi sunt et Arabes*, B.

¹⁶ *Ismalem*, A.; *Ismahelem*, MS.

¹⁷ *Verum quia Arabes sine lege remanserant, qui tamen per Hismaelem de Abraham descendentes major erat populus quam Judei qui per Ysaac et Abraham, descendentes legem acceperant, idcirco*, C.D.

space of a day his iornay.¹ And to hem þat holdep² nouȝt his lawe, he byhotep³ hem fuyre and peyne of helle wip outen ende. And also in his book þat hatte Alcoranum he preyseþ al þe fadres of þe Olde Testament, and specialliche Moyses, Iohn⁴ Baptiste, Crist, and Machometus. Also he preyseþ al þat trowep in God and doop riȝtwisnesse; but it is nouȝt þere i-rad what is þe riȝt fey, noþer what men beep of riȝtbileve [noþer what men beþ of misbileve].⁵ Also þere is i-write⁶ þat fyve⁷ bookes com down from heven for informacioun of mankynde, þe Sauȝter, Moyses bookes, þe bookes of prophetes, þe gospel,⁸ of⁹ Machometus his Alcoranum.¹⁰ In þat Alcoranum¹¹ it is i-wrete þat Almyȝti God wolde rule¹² and lede mankynde into þe wey of savacioun, and after Abraham he ȝaf þe children¹³ of Israel lawe, by whiche lawe þey schulde knowe God and worschippe hym; but for þey tolde nouȝt of þis lawe, God ȝaf the gospel to oper men. And also þey mysused his lawe. And þe Arabies þat com of Abraham by Ismael were moo men and gretter peple þan þe Iewes þat come of Abraham by Isaac, and the Arabes þat were i-left¹⁴ were i-left wip oute lawe. Þerfore out of þe concistorie¹⁵ of

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Ab urbe. unto that other, promisenge helle to theyme that wylle not kepe his lawes. Also he commendethe, in his booke Alcoranus, faders of the Olde Testamente, specially Moyses, Iohn Baptiste, Criste, and Machomete. Also alle men be commendede that truste in God and exercise ryȝhteousenes; but hit is not redde þer what feithe is, and what men be tru, and who be fals. Also hit is seide þer that v. bookes didde descende from hevyn to the informacioun of men, the Sawter, the Lawe of Moyses, the bookes of prophetes, the Gospelle, and the Alcoran of Machomete. In whom hit is seyde Allemyȝhty God, willynge to directe mankynde into the weye off sawle healethe, ȝave a lawe to the childer of Israel after Abraham, by whom God scholde be knowen and worschippyde. But thei brekyngge that lawe, God ȝafe to other peple his tru gorpelle; seyenge

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gracione.

¹ *a day journeye*, Cx.
² *holdep*] holde ne kepe, Cx.
³ *promyseth*, Cx.
⁴ *Johan*, Cx.
⁵ From β .; *noþer what men beþ of mysbyleve*, add. γ .; *ne what men ben of mysbyleve*, add. Cx.
⁶ *wreton*, Cx.
⁷ *vuf*, γ .

⁸ *þe gospel*] om. Cx.
⁹ *and*, α ., β ., and Cx.
¹⁰ *Alcaron*, Cx.
¹¹ *Alcoron*, Cx.
¹² *reule*, γ .
¹³ *a ȝaf þe childern*, γ .
¹⁴ *laft*, α .
¹⁵ *consistorye*, Cx.

ideo de consistorio divinæ justitiæ exiit decretum ut ad Ismaelitas mitteretur de propria gente propheta, cum lege quam¹ Saraceni sequerentur,² sicut Moysen Judæi et Christum Christiani.³ Unde et in hoc Saraceni⁴ tanquam legem suam integre servantem se præferunt Judæis et Christianis, quos asserunt legem suam sæpius violare. Ad hæc Machometus præfatus⁵ camelum elegantis formæ in occultis tenere nutritum et solis Machometi manibus assuetum, suspenso ad collum ejus sacrilego codice Alcorano⁶ leges prædictas continente, ante lucem diei ad campos emisit, qui nimirum insolita libertate gaudens omnium⁷ attactus refugit.⁸ Fama spectaculi crebrescit, populus accurrit. At ubi nutritorem⁹

¹ quem, B.

² imitarentur, C.D.

³ sicut . . . Christiani] om. C.D.

⁴ sequerentur . . . Saraceni] om. A.

⁵ præfatus] om. B.

⁶ præfato, add. C.D.

⁷ accedentium tactus, C.D.

⁸ aufugit, B.

⁹ nutricium, C.D. ; nutritum, MS.

Goddis riȝtwisnesse com a decre pat a prophete of here owne peple schulde be i-sent to Ismaellites wip a lawe, þe whiche¹ prophete and lawe þe Saracenes [shold folowe as the Jewes folowed Moyses, and Crysten men Cryst; and therfore the Sarasyns]² holdeþ hem self better þan Iewes and Cristene men; for þey holdeþ holiche³ here lawes, and Iewes and Cristen men ofte trespasip⁴ aȝenst here owne lawe. For to brynge þis aboute Machometus norsched⁵ and fedde a faire⁶ camel in a prive place, so þat þe camel hadde no mete but of his owne honde; and Machometus wayted his tyme, and heng pat corsede book⁷ Alcoranum⁸ aboute þe camel his nekke; [in pat book were þe forsayd⁹ lawes y-write; and Machometus let goo þe camel¹⁰ into þe feeldes¹¹ wip þe book aboute his nekke]¹² to fore þe day lyȝt. Þanne þe camel, as it was no wonder, gan to lepe and [to]¹² sterte, and made grete ioye for he was¹³ at large, and fliȝ¹⁴ eche¹⁵ man, and wolde come nyh no manis hond. Speche of þis wonder sprang out in feeldes and townes, and þe peple gadrede pider¹⁶ on¹⁷ everyside.

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Ab urbe. that hit was diffynede by Godde that a prophete scholde be sende to the Ysmaelites, with a lawe whom the Saraceny scholde folowe, as the Iewes do Moyses, and Cristen men Criste. Wherefore the Saraceny kepynge their lawe holly, preferre theyme to Iues and Cristen men, whom thei say to violate their lawes mony tymes. Machomete havynge a camel of semely forme, usynge hym in secrete places to his awne honde, hongenge that book Alcoranus, conteynyng the lawes in hit, abowte the necke of the camelle, and sende hym in the nyȝhte to the felde. Whiche ioyenge of his liberte, and not suffrenge to be towchid of eny man, that rumor and fame was excitede anoon, and a grete multitude of peple were gedrede to see that beeste; whiche beste perceyvynge and seyng Ma-

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gracione.¹ *whoche*, γ.² From Cx.; *schulde folowe*, as the Jewes Moyses, and Cristen men Crist. And therefore the Sarasyns, β.; *schulde volwe* as þe Iewes Moyses, and Cristene men Cryst, and þare vore þe Saracenes, γ.³ *hollich*, β.; for hy holdeþ holliche, γ.⁴ *trespacen*, Cx.⁵ *norysshed*, Cx.⁶ *vedde a veyr*, γ.⁷ *bok*, γ.⁸ *Alcaron*, Cx.⁹ *vorseyde*, γ.¹⁰ Cx. inserts *forsayd* before camel.¹¹ *veldes*, γ., et infra.¹² From α., β., γ., and Cx.¹³ *vor a was*, γ.¹⁴ *vly*, γ.¹⁵ *fled every*, Cx.¹⁶ *puder*, γ.¹⁷ *out of*, α. and Cx.

suum Machometum eminus animal conspexit, protinus accurrit, et procumbens notas manus nutritoris allambit. Acclamat populus in hoc clarere Dei prophetæ meritum, rogat codicem ejus sacris manibus enodari. Quo aperto, “ Ecce,” inquit, “ lex vestra, non atramento hominis sed “ angelica manu conscripta, de cœlo missa,¹ perpetuistem- “ poribus observanda, in qua docetur quomodo debetis “ Deum colere, quanta pro hac lege servata debetis² ab “ eo sperare.” Dies vero in³ quo hæc facta sunt factus est deinceps⁴ singulis annis celebris, et festum cameli nuncupatur, uniusque mensis jejunio prævenitur; in quo quidem mense⁵ sic jejunant ut quolibet die ab hora matutinali qua nigrum ab albo discernere possunt⁶ usque ad solis occasum nihil comedant aut bibant, cum uxoribus suis non concumbant, orationi⁷ jugiter

¹ *demissa*, C.D.

² *Deum . . . debetis*] om. C.D.

³ *in*] om. A.B.C.D.

⁴ *de cetero*, C.D.

⁵ *mense*] om. C.D.

⁶ *discernitur*, B.

⁷ *orationibus*, B.

But whan Machometus was i-come¹ þe beest sigh hym afer TREVISIA.
 þat ʒaf hym alwey mete, and ran to hym anon riʒt, and bowed
 a doun² and likked his hondes as he was i-tauʒt. Þanne þe
 peple cride and seide, in þis dede is i-schewed þe holynesse of
 Goddis prophete, and prayed hym þat he wolde undo þe book
 wip his holy hondes. And whan þe book was i-opened, "Loo,"
 quod Mahometus, "here is ʒoure lawe, nouʒt i-write wip
 "manis ynke, but wip angelis hondes, and i-sente from
 "hevene for to by holde³ evere wip oute [eny]⁴ ende. In þis
 "book ʒe be i-tauʒt how ʒe schal worship God, and how grete
 "mede ʒe schal hope to fonge⁵ of hym⁶ for kepyng of þis
 "lawe." Þe dey⁷ þat þis was i-doo ynne is every ʒere i-made
 solempe and holy, and i-cleped þe feste of þe camel. And
 þei fasteþ⁸ a moneþ to fore þat feste in þis manere: everiche
 day of þat moneþ from þe firste⁹ liʒt of þe day, whanne me¹⁰
 may knowe [bytvene]¹¹ white and blak, anon to þe goyng
 doun of þe sonne, þey fasteþ and eteþ nouʒt, noper deleþ¹²
 wip hir wifes, bote seke men and feble,¹³ but beep alwey in

Ab urbe. chometus his norischer, come noon to hym, and likkede his MS. HARL.
 hondes. Then the peple cryede seyenge that he was the tru 2261.
 prophete of God, preyenge hym that the booke scholde be
 openede with his holy hondes. Whiche openede, Machomete A transmi-
 seide, "Beholde youre lawe, not written by the honde of man, gracione.
 "but by the power of Godde, sende from hevyn, and to be ob- f. 267 b.
 "servede in tymes perpetualle; in whom hit is rehersed howe
 "ye awe to honoure God, and what rewardes ye schalle have for
 "the keypyng of his lawes." And that day in whom these
 thynges wer doen, was made holy day, and callede the feste of
 the camelle, and the peple prevente that feste by the absti-
 nence of a monethe, in the whiche monethe thei faste in this
 wise, that thei eite noo þinge from morowe in whiche howr
 blacke may not¹⁴ be discernede from white, unto the goyng
 downe of the sonne, ne drynkynge afore that tyme, not lyenge
 with there wifes, ʒiffenge theyme to preiere; usenge surfette

¹ comen, β.² a doun] to hym, Cx.³ be y holde, α.; be holden, Cx.⁴ From α., β., γ., and Cx.⁵ fang, β.; vonge, γ.; resseyve
of hym, Cx.⁶ of hym, from α.; hym of, MS.⁷ day, γ.⁸ hy vasteþ, γ., et infra.⁹ vram þe vurst, γ.¹⁰ men, Cx.¹¹ From γ.; bitvene, Cx.¹² deliþ, β.; ne delen, Cx.¹³ bote . . . feble] om. α., β., and
Cx.¹⁴ Sic in MS.

vacent; sed post solis occasum usque ad sequentis diei crepusculum escis, potibus, et uxoribus utuntur: infirmi tamen¹ et imbecilles ad hæc² non arctantur. Hic tandem Machometus cum plurimum³ displiceret⁴ ux-
Simulatio Machameti.
 ori suæ propter morbum epilepticum⁵ quo sæpe cadebat, demulcebat eam et cæteros quibus legem dederat, dicens [se]⁶ idcirco cadere propter verba Michaelis archangeli secum frequenter loquentis, eo quod homo carnalis non posset sufferre verba angeli nisi caderet. Denique cum vinolentiam tanquam spurcitiã abhorreret, aut forsã propter calorem regionis suæ hoc⁷ devitaret, nocte⁸ quadam corruit ipse in platea⁹ vinolentus, ubi et a porcis, quos immunda iudicavit animalia, corrosus est. Quamobrem ejus sequaces a vino et a porco abstinent; in quo¹⁰ primo videntur¹¹ judaizare, in secundo

¹ *tamen*] om. B.

² *hoc*, A.B.C.D.

³ *pluribus*, C.

⁴ *et maxime*, addit. C.

⁵ *epilepticum*, MSS. but om. B.

⁶ *se*, from A.B.C.D.

⁷ *hoc*] om. C.D.

⁸ *tamen*, B.

⁹ *platea*] via, C.D.

¹⁰ *quorum*, B.

¹¹ *unde in primo putantur*, C.D.

here bedes ;¹ but after þe goynge doun of þe sonne anon to þe dawenyng aȝen þey eteþ and drinkeþ and liggeþ² by here wifes : bote seke men and feble³ beep⁴ nouȝt i-holde so for to faste. Þis Machometus displesede ofte his wif, for he hadde ofte⁵ þe fallynge evel,⁶ [and in pat evel]⁷ he fel doun ofte to grounde. [Bote he plesed here and opere pat had y-fonge⁸ his lawe in þis mannere, and seide pat he fil⁹ to þe grounde]⁷ for þe wordes of Seint Mychel¹⁰ the archangel pat spak wip hym ofte.¹¹ For a fleschelich¹² man, he seide, may nouȝt suffre an aungels wordes but ȝif he falle.¹³ He hated wyn dronkenes, ribaudye,¹⁴ and harlottie ;¹⁵ uppon caas for¹⁶ hete of þe contray he wolde have it i-spared. But in a nyȝt he was dronke, and fel¹⁷ doun in þe strete, and pere swyn hete¹⁸ hym, pat he hylde¹⁹ unclene bestes ; perfore þey pat holdeþ his lawe spareþ wyn and swynes flesch.²⁰ In þe firste poynt it semeþ pat þei folweþ²¹ þe Iewes ; in þe secounde poynt it semeth pat þey

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Ab urbe. from the goynge downe of the sonne untille the tyme afore-seide in the morowe foloyng, and usenge theire wifes : but feble men and seke are not constreynede to that abstinence. This Machometus havynge the fallynge disease or infirmite, and displeasyng his wife moche þerby, pleasede here and oper peple to whom he hade ȝiffen the lawe, seyenge hym to falle soe for the wordes of Michael tharcangel spekyng ofte with hym, in that a carnalle man may not suffre the wordes of an angelle but if he falle. Whiche hatede wyne moche, whiche was peraventure for the grete hete of the cuntre, neverthelesse Machomete made drunke thro wyne in a tyme, and lyenge in the strete, was devourede and gnaven allemoste of swyne, whom he iuggede unclene bestes. Wherefore his foloers absteyne from wyne and from the flesche of swyne, in the firste thyng of whom they seme to folowe the Iues. In the secounde hit is presupposede that thei folowe the phisikke of here maister. Also hit is seide that this Machomete luffed moche an holy

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gracione.¹ *prayers*, Cx.² *ete, drynke, and lye*, Cx.³ *febel*, γ.⁴ *bup*, β.⁵ *ofte*] om. a.⁶ *vor he hadde þe vallyng evel*, γ.⁷ From a., β., γ., and Cx.⁸ *resseyved*, Cx.⁹ *a vul*, γ.¹⁰ *Mizhel*, β.¹¹ *ofte*] so ofte, Cx.¹² *Vor a vleschliche*, γ.¹³ *ȝef a valle*, γ.¹⁴ *riboudry*, γ. ; *as rybawdrye*, Cx.¹⁵ *harlottrye*, a. and Cx.¹⁶ *oppon cas vor*, γ.¹⁷ *vul*, γ. ; *fjulle*, Cx.¹⁸ *ete*, a. and Cx.¹⁹ *heelde*, β. ; *reputed*, Cx.²⁰ *swyn his vlesch*, γ.²¹ *hy volweþ*, γ., et infra.

videntur¹ sequi prophetiam² magistri sui. Post mortem quoque Machometi illa pestifera secta adeo invaluit quod potentes Persas in deditiōnem et superstitionem Arabum attraxit. Inde Africam totam et partem Hispaniæ³ magnam usque hodie infecit. *De idolo Machometi.*⁴ Et ut refert Turpinus archipræsul, in margine maris³ Hispaniæ extat⁵ idolum Machometi de auricalco,⁶ quod ipse⁷ propriis manibus fabricavit, faciem habens versus meridiem, in quo Machometus legionem dæmonum arte sua magica inclusit, ubi Christianus

¹ *creduntur*, C.D.

² *physicam*, C.D. ; *prophetam*, A.

³ *Hispaniæ . . . maris*] om. A.

⁴ B.C.D. omit heading.

⁵ *Hispanici extat adhuc*, C.D.

⁶ *auricalco*, MSS.

⁷ *ipset*, B.

folowep þe philosophy¹ of hir maister. Also after þe dep of ^{TREVISIA.} Machometus þat cusede secte encresede so faste² þat it drouz myzti men of Pers³ to þe cused law of þe Arabes. Al⁴ þat sette⁵ hap infecte anon to pis tyme al Affrica and a greet deel of Spayne.⁶ And þe archebisshop Turpius⁷ telleþ þat Machometus his ymage of latoun,⁸ þat he made wiþ his owne hondes, stondeþ in þe see stronde, and hap his face toward þe souþ. In þat ymage Machometus by wichecraft closed a legioun of fendes: a Cristen man þat comeþ pere liztliche i-persed,⁹ but

Ab urbe. heremite, dwellynge in deserte, in the hye weye towarde Ynde ^{MS. HARL.} from Araby or Caldee, whom he visitte ofte tymes, in so moche ^{2261.} that his men were vexede soore perwith, for the necessite of ^{A transmi-} theire maistere causede theyme to wake mony nyzhtes with- ^{gracione.} owte eny slepe. Whiche thouzhte to slee the heremite: at þe laste hit happede this Machometus to be made drunke per in a season, whiche beyng faste in slepe, his men conspirede, come to his chambre, and takege his swerde did sle the heremite, ^{f. 268. a.} and putte after that his swerde alle bloody in his shethe. Machomete arysynge in the morowe, and fyndynge the heremite sleyne, was hevy in herte, and thouzhte how he myzhte be vengede of his men. But the men acordede afore, seide that he hade sleyne hym in his drunkenesse, schewynge to hym his swerde defiled with bloode. Machometus supposynge that to be tru, cusede wyne and alle men drynkynge hit; wherefore devoute Saracenys in the lawe drynke noo wyne, but that man is worthy to be reprovde þat drynkethe wyne amonge them; nevertheless thei have delectable drynke made of diverse spices, but somme of þeym drynke wyne secretely. That pestilente secte encresede so moche after the dethe of Machomete, that hit toke men of Persida into dedicacion, and to the supersticion of men of Araby, infectynge after that alle Affrike and a grete parte of Speyne, contynynge soe unto this tyme presente. And Turpinus tharchebisshop rehersethe, Machomete made an ydole of auricalke or alkmuyne in the brynke of the see of Speyne, made with his awne hondes, havynge the face of hit towarde the meriden, in whom he includede a legion of spirittes by nigromancy, and a Cristen man comynge to þat

¹ philosophy, from *a.* and *γ.*; philosophye, *β.*; philosophye, *C.*; filosofe, MS.

² vast, *γ.*

³ that it caused so myghty men of Perce to drawe, Cx.

⁴ Also, *a.* and Cx.

⁵ secte, Cx.

⁶ Cx. adds *as Gernarde* after Spayne.

⁷ Torpynus, *a.*; Turpinus, *γ.* and Cx.

⁸ latone, *β.* and Cx.; laton, *γ.*

⁹ yperished, *β.*; ypersed, *γ.*; lyghtly perysshed, Cx.

accedens facile periclitatur, Saracenus vero incolumis recedit, avicula¹ ibidem descendens illico moritur. Tenet autem imago illa in manu dextra clavam, quæ tunc primo cadet quando² natus fuerit rex in Gallia qui totam terram Hispanicam Christianis legibus innovabit, et tunc lapsa clava Saraceni relictis gazis suis fugient. Hujus aliquando nefariæ sectæ famosus alumnus dux Turcorum³ Saladinus, validus Christianorum malleus, circa annum Domini millesimum centesimum nonagesimum, cum audisset quod Christiani pluribus ferculis in prandio uterentur, fertur dixisse tales Terra Sancta indignos fore. Hic quoque quam argutus fuerit ad propriæ sectæ commendationem nostræque religionis sugillationem subjecto patet exemplo. *Narratio de duobus monachis.*⁴ Præsentati sunt aliquando⁵ dicto duci Saladino⁶ duo Cisterciensis ordinis monachi, a prædonibus Turcorum capti, quos ex schemate⁷ inusitato intelligens⁸ esse de genere philosophantium Christianorum, per interpretem sciscitatus est quinam essent,

¹ *avis*, C.D.

² *cum*, B.

³ *Thurcorum*, A.B., et infra.

⁴ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁵ *alū*, A.B.C.D.

⁶ *et*, A.B.

⁷ *semate*, A.B.

⁸ *intelligit*, A.

a Saracen goop away hole and sound; a bridde¹ pat comeþ TREVISA.
 pere deieþ anone. Þe ymage holdeþ a mace in his riȝt hond,
 and pat mace schal first falle² whanne a kyng is³ i-bore in
 Gallia pat schal renewe al Spayne wiþ Cristene lawe. And
 whanne þe mace is i-falle,⁴ þanne þe Saracens schal flee⁵
 and leve here tresorie. Þe famous nory⁶ of þis cursede secte,
 Saladinus, duke of Turkes, þe strong hamer of Cristen men,
 aboute þe ȝere of oure Lord eleven hondred foure score and
 ten, he herde⁷ pat Cristen men used meny messes⁸ at oon
 mele, and seide pat⁹ men¹⁰ were nouȝt worþy to have þe
 holy lond. Also he was fel and sliȝ¹¹ for to preise his owne
 secte, and to blame and despise oure lawe, and pat is i-knowe
 by þis ensample. In a tyme were tweie¹² white monkes
 i-brouȝt to fore hym, pat þeeves¹³ of Torkes hadde i-take, and
 he knewe by here straunge cloþinge pat þey were filosofres
 and Cristen men; and he axede by oon pat knewe boþe
 longages of hem¹⁴ boþe what men þey were, and of what con-

Ab urbe. place is trowblede sone; a Saracene departethe with owte eny MS. HARL.
 hurte; a brydde liȝhtenge and sittynge on hyt dyethe anoon. 2261.
 That ymage hath a mace in the ryȝhte honde of hit, whiche
 schalle falle firste when a kyng is borne in Fraunce whiche A transmi-
 schalle innewe alle the londe of Speyne with the lawes of gracione.
 Criste, and then that mace fallen the Saracens schalle flee
 for fere, levynge their rychesse to other peple. The famous
 norischer and childe of that secte, the Sawden and duke of
 Turkes, the grete malle of Cristen peple, abowte the yere of
 oure Lorde God m^r. c. and xc., herynge that Cristen men usede
 diversites of meytes at oon refeccion, seide suche men were
 not worthy to have hevyn. Also hit is schewede in an ex-
 emple foloyng the laboure of that Turke, to the encrease of
 their and to the schame of the religion of Criste as amonge
 þeim. Too¹⁵ monkes of the ordre Cisterciense were presentede
 to hym, taken afore by the Turkes, whom he understode to be
 of the kynde of filosofres by their comunicacion, in-
 quiryng of þeim by interpretators of what condicion and pro-

¹ byrde, Cx.

² vurst valle, γ.; fallen, Cx.

³ is] shal be, Cx.

⁴ avalle, γ.

⁵ vle, γ.

⁶ norry, B.; nory, from γ.; norye,
Cx.; norþ, MS.

⁷ hurde, γ.

⁸ messe, γ.; of mete, add. Cx.

⁹ pat] om. a.

¹⁰ that Cristen men, Cx.

¹¹ felle and slyhe, Cx.

¹² two, Cx.

¹³ þeeves, γ.

¹⁴ ham, γ.

¹⁵ white written, but then erased.

cujus¹ conditionis professionisve² forent. At illi responderunt se monachos esse, regulamque patris Benedicti professos. Ille quoque de institutione dictæ³ regulæ plurima percunctatus, quæsiuit inter cætera an vinum biberent, aut carnibus vescerentur. Responderunt se omni tempore certum vini modulum habere ad usum, esum⁴ vero carniū non nisi causa necessitatis aut infirmitatis admittere. Tunc iussit eos tyrannus laxiori custodiæ mancipari, et per duas decentis formæ mulierculas carnes cum aqua ministrari; qui carnibus usi et aqua exemplo beati Job pepigerunt fœdus cum oculis suis, ut nec quidem cogitarent de turpitudine, sed orationi jugiter incumbabant. Quod ubi comperit Saladinus, sublatis carnibus et aqua iussit apponi vinum et pisces. Et quidem si hoc eo animo egisset quo a Salomone dictum est: "Date vinum his qui amaro sunt
" animo; bibant et obliviscantur egestatis suæ;" beni-

¹ *cujus*] om. A.
² *essent aut*, C.D.

³ *prædictæ*, B.
⁴ *usum*, B.

dicioun and professioun ; and þey seide þat þey¹ were monkes, and hadde i-made² here professioun to Seint Benet his³ rule.⁴ Þanne he axede besiliche of meny poyntes of þat rule, [and specialliche among oper he axede by here rule]⁵ 3if þey schulde ete flesche oper drinke wyn. Þey⁶ answerde and seide þat þey hadde at al tyme somewhat of wyn for to drynke, but flesche schulde þey noon ete but it were for sekenesse oper for grete nede.⁷ Þoo þy⁸ tyraunt heet þat þey schulde have⁹ more large kepyng, and have tweye faire 3ong wommen to serve hem, and heet þat þey schulde ete flesche and drynke water ; and so þey ete flesche and dronke water, and took ensauple of¹⁰ Seint Iob, and made covenant wip hir eyzen¹¹ þat þey wolde nou3t þenke of folye ne¹² filþe¹³ [and]¹⁴ of synne, and were besy alwey in here bedes.¹⁵ Þanne Saladinus was war þerof, and took fro hem þat¹⁶ flesche and þe water, and heet serve hem wip fische and wip wyn. And [3ef]¹⁷ he hadde i-doo so to þat entent þat Salamon meneþ,¹⁸ and seip, “ 3eveþ wyn to hem þat beþ in greet sorwe, þat þey⁶ mowe¹⁹

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Ab urbe. fession thei were of. Thei seide that they were monkes, professede to lyve after the rule of Seynte Benedicte. The Turke enquirenge mony thynges of the institucion of that rule, inquirede specially amonge other thynges wheþer thei drunke eny wyne, or did ei3te eny flesche. They answerede seyenge that they hade a certeyne wyne to theire refeccion, and noo flesche, but if necessite of infirmite requirede hit. Then the tyraunte commaundede theym to have moore liberte, and so be servede of theire meyte by ij. ferre and beawtuous women, with flesche and water. Whiche usenge flesche and water, made a convencion with þeire eien after thexemple of blissede Iob, that thei scholde not applye theim to synne, but to 3iffe theym to preyere. The Sawden perceyvynge that, commaundid that they scholde be servede with fisches and wyne, after the seyenge of Salomon : “ 3iffe wyne to þeim that “ be of a bytter sawle, that they may drynke and forgete

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gracione.
f. 268 b.¹ *hy seyde þat hy, γ.*² *i-made] don, Cx.*³ *Benetes, β.*⁴ *reule, γ.*⁵ *From a. and β.*⁶ *hy, γ., et semper.*⁷ *neede, γ., et infra.*⁸ *the, Cx.*⁹ *habbe, γ.*¹⁰ *of] by, Cx.*¹¹ *yene, γ.*¹² *folye ne] om. a., β., γ., and Cx.*¹³ *vylþe, γ.*¹⁴ *From a., β., and γ.*¹⁵ *theyr prayers, Cx.*¹⁶ *þat] the, Cx.*¹⁷ *From γ.*¹⁸ *moeveth, Cx.*¹⁹ *may, Cx.*

vole egisset: sed profecto insidiabatur callidus insidiator ut simplicitatem arte deluderet, et ex hoc calumniam religioni contexeret. Vinum ergo sumentes monachi, ubi cum hilaritate vini surrepsit oblivio, irruerunt in fœminas illas. Mane autem digesto vino et reatu agnito fleverunt amare. Quibus sic flentibus ait tyrannus, "Cur solito tristiores estis?" "Quia," inquiunt, "peccavimus graviter vino absorpti." Et ille: "Cum carnibus vesceremini et aquam biberetis propositum vestrum caute custodistis, sed absque carnibus mandentes vino regulam et propositum prævaricati estis.¹ Ex quo patet quod ille regulæ vestræ auctor Benedictus minus discretus fuerit, esum² carnis inhibens,³ quo status animi nequaquam turbatur, et vini vobis

viri prævaricatores inventi estis, C.D. | ³ *inhibens*] from A.B.C.D. ; *inibens*, MS.
² *usum*, B.

“ drynke and for¹zete here sorwe and her nede,” panne he hadde i-do goodliche and as he schulde ; but² he caste gilfulliche³ to begyle symplenes by falskede and by gilful craft⁴, for he wolde ³if he my³te þerby þe secte⁵ chalenge⁶ and blame upon [þe]⁷ religioun. Þanne þe monkes dronke wyn, and wex mery⁸ and glad, and for³at⁹ þat þey schulde have in mynde, and fil¹⁰ to and lay by þe wommen. Þanne amorwe,¹¹ whanne þe wyn was defied,¹² þey pouzt on here trespas, and gonne¹³ for to wepe ful¹⁴ sore. Þe tyraunt sigh hem wepe, and seide, “ Why beep ³e more sory þan ³e were i-woned “ to be ? ” “ For we haveþ i-synned grevously,”¹⁵ quod þey, “ and were¹⁶ overcome wip wyn.” Þan he seide, “ While ³e “ ete flesche and drank water ³e helde¹⁷ forþ¹⁸ ³oure purpos “ rediliche inow,¹⁹ but whanne ³e were overcome with wyn “ wip oute flesche ³e brake ³oure rule²⁰ and ³oure purpos, “ þerfore it is i-knowe þat Benett, þe auctor of ³oure rule, was “ unwys to forbede²¹ ³ow etynge of flesche, þat destourbeþ²²

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Ab urbe. “ their necessite : ” that wily enemy intendede to delude simplicite by that arte, that he my³hte delecte the blamenge of the religion of Criste. The monkes drynkyng wine gladdely, and not remembrege their holy religion, felle on the women that ministrede to þeim, and folowede the pleasure of the flesche. In the morowe that wyne digeste, and knowynge their offense, thei wepede soore, to whom the tyraunte seide, “ Wherefore be ye moore soory nowe then ye were “ wonte to be ? ” They seide, “ We have synnede soore thro “ the xcesse of wyne.” The tyraunte seide, “ Ye kepede youre “ profession truly while ye did eite flesche and drynke water, “ but thro wyne ye have offended ageyne youre profession. “ Wherefore hit apperethe that Benedicte the auctor of your “ rewle was not discrete prohibyng the eytynge of flesche, by

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gracione.

¹ vorzete, γ.
² panne . . . but] whan he had thus done, Cx.
³ gylfolliche, γ.; om. Cx.
⁴ to . . . craft] to begyle by symplenes these two monkes, Cx.
⁵ þe secte] sette, a.; sett, B.
⁶ for . . . chalenge] for he wold yf they myghte therby sette chalenge, Cx.
⁷ From β. and γ.
⁸ mury, a.
⁹ vorgate, γ.
¹⁰ vulle, γ.

¹¹ on the morowe, Cx.
¹² diffyede, β.; dyffyed, γ.
¹³ gan, Cx.
¹⁴ fol, γ.
¹⁵ habbeþ ysynwed grevousliche, γ.
¹⁶ were, from a., β., γ., and Cx.; we, MS.
¹⁷ heelde, β.
¹⁸ hulde vorþ, γ.
¹⁹ redyly ynowgh, Cx.
²⁰ reule, γ., et infra.
²¹ vorbude, γ.
²² distourbled, Cx.

" usum relaxans, quo¹ rationis vigor enervatur; quod
 " quidem tam recenti probatis experimento. Idcirco
 " prudentior fuit noster² legis lator Machometus, qui
 " nobis animi turbatorem inhibuit vinum, [et]³ innox-
 " ium nobis concessit carnis esum: sed qualis vobis esse
 " poterit hujus delicti expiatio cum propositum ves-
 " trum solvitis."⁴ Et illi: "Pœnitentia et satisfactio
 " ad arbitrium senioris nostri." "Ergo," inquit, "apud
 " nos non potestis expiari: redite ad vestros secundum
 " modum vestrum expiandi." Et sic⁵ dimisit eos.
 Homo quidem inveterata peste imbutus, ad suggillandum
 quod sapere non poterat argutus, ita nostris illusit ut
 sanctum⁶ virum carperet Benedictum, de quo ait Gre-
 gorius papa magnus quod scripsit monachorum regulam
 discretionem plenam et⁷ sermone luculentam. Nam
 revera discretum fuit quod ad sacram militiam trans-
 euntibus ciborum delicias, quæ mentem emolliunt, cura-

¹ *integerrime*, C.D.

² *propheta noster et*, C.D.

³ *et*] from A.B.

⁴ *salutis*, B.

⁵ *sic*] om. A.

⁶ *Dei virum spiritu propheticum*
plenum, C.D.

⁷ *et*] om. A.B.

“ not a manis wit, and grauntede [ʒow to drynke wyn, pat ^{TREVISA.} rotep up þe strengþe of resoun, as ʒe haveþ assayed¹ by
 “ newe assaye. Þanne he þat made oure lawe, Machometus,
 “ pat forbeed us wyn þat destourbeþ mannis wyt, and graunted]²
 “ us þe use of flesche, was wiser þan ʒoure Benet. But what
 “ may be ʒoure remedie³ and clenysynge of þis synne, now ʒe
 “ haveþ [y-broke]⁴ ʒoure rule and ʒoure purpos?” “Penaunce,”
 quop they,⁵ “ and satisfaccioun, by ordynance of oure elder⁶
 “ fader.”⁷ “ Þanne,” quod he, “ mowe ʒe nouʒt be clensed
 “ among us, goop⁸ to ʒoure owne and beþ i-clensed in ʒoure
 “ [owne]² manere wise;” and so he lete hem goo. Þis man
 was ful of olde pestilence of sleipe⁹ and wyles, and what þe
 wily schrewe myʒte nouʒt have savour¹⁰ ynne, he gan to
 despice, ffor he wolde blame þe holy man Seint Benett. Of þe
 which Seint¹¹ Benet þe grete Gregorie seiþ þat he wroot the
 rule of monkes ful¹² of wit and of wisdom, and open and cleer
 in wordes; for it was a wys dede to wiþdrawe [fro]¹³ hem þat
 goop to holy chevalrie¹⁴ likynge of metes þat wiþdraweþ þe
 soule from holynesse of dedes and of pouʒtes; and by the
 apostles lore he graunted hem [a litel what of wyn forto strengþe

Ab urbe. “ ye whiche the state of the sawle is not trowblede, and grawnt- ^{MS. HARL.}
 “ ynge wyne, by the whiche the state of reason is destroyede. ^{2261.}
 “ whiche ye have provede by experience. Perfore Machometus ^{A transmi-}
 “ oure awtor was more discrete inhibitynge the drynkyng of ^{gracione.}
 “ wyne that dothe trowble the sawle, and grawntyng to us the
 “ eytyng of flesche, that noyethe not. And þerfor sithe ye
 “ have offended ageyne youre profession, ye may not be recon-
 “ ciled by us; goe into youre awne cuntre and do penaunce
 “ after youre consuetude;” and he suffrede theyme to departe,
 a man of a pestilence inveterate, reprovege the blissede man
 Seynte Benedicte. Of whom Gregory the noble pope re-
 hersethe, seyenge that he did write the rule of monkes fulle ^{f. 269 a.}
 of discreccion: for truly he was discrete that he chargede to
 restreyne the mynde and delices of metes to men goynge to
 holy chevallery, grawntyng to theyme a lytelle wyne after the

¹ habbeþ asayed, γ.

² From α., β., γ., and Cx.

³ remedies, Cx.

⁴ From α., β., γ.; broken, Cx.

⁵ quap hy,

⁶ elþer, α.

⁷ vader, γ.

⁸ goop] goo ye, Cx.

⁹ sleyght, Cx.

¹⁰ saveour, Cx.

¹¹ whoche Seynt, γ.

¹² vol, γ.

¹³ From Cx.

¹⁴ chyvaylry, Cx.

ret restringere,¹ et juxta doctrinam apostoli² modicum vini³ indulsit, quo caro infirma refocillaretur, et acies mentis minime⁴ gravaretur.

CAP. XV.⁵

[*Quædam de rebus Romanis, plura de Britannicis.*]

Gratiæ
DCXXXVIII.
Heraclonæ
I.

HERACLONAS⁶ filius Heraclii regnavit duobus annis; quem, cum matre sua Martina, senatus Romanus de regno expulit,⁷ abscisso matris naso⁸ et lingua. *De pontificibus Romanis.*⁹ Theodorus papa post Johannem quartum successit annis sex. Quo tempore floruit Isidorus¹⁰ Hispalensis episcopus, quondam magni Gregorii discipulus, qui post se egregia sui laboris reliquit opuscula, utpote Etymologiarum,¹¹ De summo¹² bono, De ordine creaturarum, Synonyma,¹³ et multa alia.¹⁴ *Beda, libro tertio, capitulo septimo.*¹⁵

Gratiæ
DCXL.
Heraclonæ
tertio.

*De regibus Cantia.*¹⁶ Edbaldus rex Cantia obiit relinquens Ercombertum filium hæredem, ex Emma

¹ *distringere*, B.

² *apostoli*] om. B.

³ *vini*] om. B.

⁴ *non gravatur*, C.D.

⁵ A. commences the chapter at *Edbaldus*, three sentences further on.

⁶ *Heracolonas*, MS.

⁷ *expulsit*, A.

⁸ *vaso* (sic), B.

⁹ A.B. omit title.

¹⁰ *Ysidorus*, MS.

¹¹ *Ethymologiarum*, MSS.

¹² *et*, C.D.

¹³ *Synonyma* MS.; *Sinonima*, A.

¹⁴ *De . . . alia*] om. C.D.

¹⁵ The reference should be cap. viii.

¹⁶ B.C.D. omit heading.

somwhat þe febelnesse of þe flesche, and graunted hem]¹ but TREVISA.
 litel, for it² schulde nouȝt greve þe scharpnesse of þe soule.

Capitulum quintumdecimum.

Heraclonas.

HERACLONAS, Heraclius his sone, regned two ȝere. Þe
 senatoures³ of Rome putte⁴ hym and his wif⁵ Martina out of
 his kyngdom, and his moder nose and here tonge were i-kutte⁶
 of al boþe. After þe fourþe⁷ Iohn, Theodorus was pope sixe
 ȝere; þat tyme was Isedre bisshop Hispalensis⁸ in his floures,
 he was somtyme þe greet Gregorie his disciple.⁹ Isedre¹⁰ lefte
 after hym meny goode bookes þat he hadde i-made:¹¹ þe bookes
 Ethimologiarum, De Summo Bono, De Ordine Creature,¹² Sino-
 nima, and meny oþer good¹³ bookes. Edbaldus¹⁴ kyng of Kent
 deide, and lefte after hym his sone and his heire¹⁵ Ercon-

Ab urbe.

sentence of thapostle, thro the whiche the unsure flesche MS. HARL.
 scholde be noryschede, and þe scharpenes of þe mynde scholde 2261.
 not be vexede þerwith.

A transmi-
gracione.

Capitulum quintumdecimum.

HERACLONAS, the sonne of Heraclius, was emperoure ij. yere;
 whom the senate of Rome expulsede from thempire, with
 Martina his moder, the noose and tunge of here kytte away.
 Theodorus the pope suceded Iohn iiiijth vj. yere. In whiche
 tyme Isidorus bisshop Hispalensis, and disciple somme tyme of
 grete Gregory flowrede, whiche lefte noble werkes of his labor
 after hym, as the books of his Ethimologies, De Summo Bono, of
 the ordre of creatures, sinonymes, and mony oþer þinges. *Beda,*
libro 3^o, capitulo septimo. Edbaldus kyng of Kente dyede,
 levyngge after hym Erusbertus his successoure, geten by Emilia

¹ From a., ß., γ., and Cx.
² bote lyte vor hyt, γ.
³ senatour, Cx.
⁴ potte, γ.
⁵ Sic in MS.
⁶ yhut, γ.
⁷ vurþe, γ.
⁸ Ispalencis, γ.; Ysodre bisshop
 Yspalencis, Cx.

⁹ dyscypel, γ.
¹⁰ Isidor, γ., et supra.
¹¹ ymad, γ.
¹² Creaturarum, γ.; Creaturarum
 Simonia, Cx.
¹³ good] om. Cx.
¹⁴ Edwaldus, Cx.
¹⁵ eyr, γ.

Francorum progenitum,¹ qui viginti quatuor annis regnavit in Cantia.² Qui delubra destruxit, jejunium quadragesimale in regno suo servari instituit.³ Ex uxore sua⁴ Sexburga, filia scilicet Anne regis Orientalium⁵ Anglorum, genuit filiam Erkengodam, quæ apud Bryggense monasterium in Gallia facta est sanctimonialis; ubi et matertera sua Ethelburga,⁶ relicta scilicet Edwyni, Deo famulabatur; ubi et postmodum utraque illarum⁷ præfecta est abbatissa. Eo quippe tempore moris erat Anglorum, nec dum multis in Anglia monasteriis constructis, Francorum monasteria conversationis gratia quærere,⁸ maxime apud Brigge,⁹ Caleys, Andilegum. Eo tempore Audomarus¹⁰ pontifex et Bertinus abbas in territorio Tarvenensi apud Gallias claruerunt. *De imperatoribus.*¹¹ *Paulus, libro vº.* Constantinus, tertius filius Heraclii, et frater Heraclonis,¹²

Gratiæ
DCXLI.
Constantini
primo.

¹ *ex . . . progenitum*] om. C.

² *Hic primus omnium regum Anglorum in toto regno suo ydola destrui fecit et*, C.D.

³ *pœnam transgressoribus statuendo. Hic nempe ex, &c.*, C.D.

⁴ *Sancta*, add. C.D.

⁵ *Orientalis*, A.

⁶ *Ethilburga*, A.; *Etherburga*, B.; *Ethylburga*, MS.

⁷ *pro vitæ merito Briggensis*, add. C.D.

⁸ *ac filias suas illuc mittere*, add. C.D.

⁹ *Brygge*, A.

¹⁰ *Andornarus*, A.

¹¹ *De imperatoribus*] om. A.C.D.

¹² *post fratrem suum Heraclonem*, add. C.D.

bertus,¹ [pat he hadde y-gete² on Emma, a womman of TREVISIA. Fraunce.³ Econbertus]⁴ regnede foure⁵ and twenty ȝere in Kent; he destroyede⁶ þe temples of mawmetrie,⁷ and ordeynede pat þe⁸ Lent fastynge⁹ schulde be i-holde in his kyngdom.¹⁰ Of¹¹ his wif Sexburga þe douȝter of Anna, kyng of Est Angles, he gat a douȝter Enkengoda,¹² pat was i-made mynchoun¹³ in þe abbey Bryggense in Gallia, pat¹⁴ is in Fraunce; þere here aunte Ethelburga seruede God in pat abbey. Ethelburga¹⁵ hadde i-be Edwynus his wif; also þere afterward eiper of hem was abbas.¹⁶ Pat tyme, þeyȝ þere were many abbayes in Engelond, ȝit Englische men used for to goo into abbayes of Fraunce by cause of conversacioun and of þe manere of levyng, and specialliche at Brugges,¹⁷ at Caley, and¹⁸ at Andilegium. Pat tyme Audomarus¹⁹ þe bisshop, and Bertinus²⁰ þe bisshop, and Bertinus þe abbot, were in here floures in þe contray of Tarvernens²¹ in Gallia, pat is Fraunce. *Paulus, libro 5^o.* Þe pridde Constantinus was Heraclius his

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a woman of Fraunce, reignynge in Kente xxiiij. yere, destroy- MS. HARL. 2261.
enge churches, ordeynenge þe faste of Lente to be kepede in his
realme; whiche gate by Sexburga, the doȝhter of Anna, kyng
of the Este Ynglische men, a doȝhter Eukengoga, whiche was
made a myncheon at the monastery of Brigges in Fraunce,
where Ethelburga, doȝhter of Edwinus, and awnte to here,
was. Where either of theyme was abbesse by succession. In
whiche tyme the consuetude of Ynglische peple was to visitte
Fraunce, and specially the monasterys in hit, for cause of con-
versacion, in that þer were but fewe monasterys that tyme in
Ynglonde, and specially at Brigges and Calise. Andomarus
bisshop, and Bertinus pabbot, were this tyme in Fraunce, in
the territory Carvernense. *Paulus, libro tertio.* Constantinus

A transmi-
gracione.¹ *Ercombatus*, Cx. bis.² *bygoten*, Cx.³ *Frauns*, γ.⁴ From α., β., γ., and Cx.⁵ *voure*, γ.⁶ *destryde*, γ.⁷ *mametrie*, γ.⁸ [þe] om. γ.⁹ *Leynte vastyng*, γ.¹⁰ [his kyngdom] Englonde, Cx.¹¹ *On*, α. and Cx.¹² *Eukengoda*, Cx.¹³ *monchone*, β.; *mynchyn*, γ.;
menchone, Cx.¹⁴ [pat *Fraunce*] om. γ.
and Cx.¹⁵ *Ethilburga*, γ., bis.¹⁶ *abbesse*, Cx.¹⁷ *Brydges*, Cx.¹⁸ [and] om. Cx.¹⁹ *Andomarus*, Cx.²⁰ [þe *Bertinus*] om. γ. and
Cx.²¹ *Toreuence*, Cx.

regnavit annis viginti octo; qui deceptus est a Paulo, sicut avus suus a Sergio; quamobrem Martinum papam exilio damnavit, et Romam spoliavit.¹ *Willelmus de Regibus, libro iiii.*² Nam fastigia ecclesiarum tegulis æreis cooperata nudavit, quæ tamen, apud Syracusam Siciliæ in balneo extinctus, per Saracenos amisit. Illi enim manubias illas apud Alexandriam detulerunt. *Beda, libro tertio, capitulo vi. De Westsaxonum regibus.*³ Hoc anno defuncto rege Westsaxonum Kyngislo,⁴ successit filius suus Kenwalcus, et regnavit xxxi annis. Nam alter frater suus natu prior, nomine Quichelinus, prius cum patre⁵ regnaverat,⁶ et eo anno quo cum patre baptizatus fuerat obierat, relicto filio [suo]⁷ Cuthredo, quem similiter Birinus baptizaverat. *Ranulphus.* Nota hic varietatem inter Bedam et Willelmum; nam Beda dicit Quichelinum fuisse filium Kyngisli, et Willelmus dicit eum fuisse fratrem Kyngisli. *Beda ubi supra.*⁸ Hic itaque Kenwalcus⁹ in principio regni sui fidem

¹ *tandem interfectus est apud Siciliam in balneo*, C.D., which omit *Willelmus*, &c., and substitute, *Beda, lib. 3, cap. 6.*

² B. omits reference.

³ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁴ *Kingilso*, B.; *Kingulfo*, C.D.

⁵ *aliquantulum*, add. C.D.

⁶ *conregnaverat*, B.

⁷ From A.

⁸ *Cuthredo . . . supra*] om. C.D.

⁹ *Kinwalkus*, B.

sone, and Heraclioun¹ his broþer, and regnede eyȝte and twenty ȝere. He was begiled of Paulis,² grauntsire of Sergius,³ perfore he exciled pope Martyn and spoylede Rome. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 4^o*. He unheled⁴ chirches roves⁵ and coppes þat were i-heled⁶ wip slattes⁷ of bras, and took away þe slattes, but he loste hem at Siracusa in Sicilia, and was i-slave by Saracenes in a bath, and þey ladde away þat pray⁸ into Alexandria. *Beda, libro 3^o, capitulo 6^o*. Þat ȝere Kyngulsus, kyng of West Saxons, was dede, and his sone Kenwalkus⁹ regnede after hym oon and þritty¹⁰ ȝere; for his eldere¹¹ broþer Quichelinus hadde rapen i-regned wip his fader, [and deide þe same ȝere þat he was y-cristened¹² wip his fader,¹³ and lefte after hym]¹⁴ his sone Cuthredus, þat was i-cristned also¹⁵ Birinus. [B]¹⁶ Here take hede þat Beda and William varieþ,¹⁷ for Beda seip þat Quichelinus was Kyngilsus his sone, and William seip þat he was Kyngilsus his broþer. *Beda ut supra*. Þis Kenwalcus in þe bygynnyng of his kyngdom wolde nouȝt fonge¹⁸

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Ab urbe. the thrydde, sonne of Heraclius, and broþer to Heraclonas, was emperoure xxviiijth yere; whiche was deceyvede of Paulus, like as his grawntefader was of Sergius, wherefore he condemnede Martinus the pope unto exile, and spoylede Rome. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro quarto*. For he made bare the flores of the churches coverede with plates of brasse, whom he loste at Siracusan in Sicil, extincte by the Saraceny in a bathe; and the Saraceny toke his goodes with theym to Alexandria. *Beda, libro 3^o, capitulo sexto*. Kyngilsus, kyng of Westesaxons, dedde this yere, Kenwalcus his son succeeded xxxj. yere; for Qwichelinus his elder broþer reignede with his fader, and deide in the same yere he was baptizedde, levynge after hym Cuthredus his sonne, whom seynte Birine baptizede also. *Beda ubi supra*. This Kenwalcus refusede to receyve þe feithe of

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gracione.

¹ *Heraclon, a.; Heraclius, Cx.*
² *Paulus, Cx.*
³ *of Paul as his grauntsire of Sergius, γ.*
⁴ *onhelede, a.*
⁵ *chirche rooves, β.; cherche roves, γ.*
⁶ *He uncoverd chirche rooves and steples that were coveryd, Cx.*
⁷ *slattes, β., γ., bis.*
⁸ *partye, β. and Cx.*

⁹ *Kynwalcus, Cx.*
¹⁰ *thyrity, Cx.*
¹¹ *epere, a.*
¹² *folled, β., bis.*
¹³ *yvolled with hys vader, γ*
¹⁴ *From a., γ., not Cx.*
¹⁵ *yvolled also of, γ.*
¹⁶ *From Cx.*
¹⁷ *varyen, Cx.*
¹⁸ *vonge, γ.*

suscipere renuit, ideoque regnum juste perdidit; nam repudiata uxore sua sorore regis Pendæ,¹ aliam superduxit; idcirco Penda eum quinto regni sui anno effugavit. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro ii.* Qui tunc² apud Annam regem Orientalium Anglorum tribus annis delituit.³ Qua de causa Penda postmodum Annam⁴ occidit; sed et Kenwalcus⁵ sub illo exilii sui tempore apud Annam baptizatus est a Felice⁶ episcopo, et regnum [suum]⁷ juvante Anna recuperavit; pontificemque provinciæ suæ Agilbertum, natione Gallum, venientem de Hibernia, constituit; qui quindecim annis provinciæ Westsaxonum apud Wentam præsedet. Ac dum rex barbaræ linguæ esset⁸ pertæsus, aut alias nescio unde offensus, subintroduxit alium suæ linguæ pontificem nomine Wyne.⁹ Cui in Gallia ordinato tradidit rex provinciam suam, in duas parochias divisam, principalem

¹ *Merciorum quam nuper duxerat,* add. C.D.

² *Et ille sic effugatus per triennium,* C.D.

³ *exulavit,* C.D.

⁴ *regem,* C.D.

⁵ *prædictus,* C.D.

⁶ *illius provinciæ episcopo sub anno gratiæ 646, et sic ope regis*

Annæ in regnum restitutus est. Qui post restitutionem suam constituit genti suæ Westsaxonum pontificem, C.D.

⁷ *suum]* from A.B.

⁸ *pontifex vero Parisiacus unde offensus,* C.D.

⁹ *Wine,* A.

pe fey of Cristendom, and perfore riȝtfulliche he loste his kyngdom; for he dede away his wif þat was kyng Penda his suster,¹ [and wedded anoþer, and perfore Penda,]² in þe fifte³ ȝere of his kyngdom, chasede hym and droof⁴ hym away. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro 2º*. And he hydde⁵ hymself þre ȝere with Anna, kyng of Estangles; perfore afterward Penda slouȝ hym.⁶ But in þe⁷ tyme of his excilynge Kenwalcus was i-cristned⁸ of Felix, þe bisshop of his province,⁹ while he was wiþ Anna, and rekevered¹⁰ his kyngdom by help of Anna, and made bisshop of his province oon Agilbertus, a Frenscheman,¹¹ þat com out of Irlond, and he was bisshop of Wynchestre in West Saxon fiftene¹² ȝere; and þe kyng of strange tonge was greved¹³ and noyful, oþer for¹⁴ som oþer cause I noot, he was¹⁵ wroop, and brouȝte yn anoþer¹⁶ of his owne longage and tonge, and¹⁷ was i-cleped Wyne¹⁸ by his name; he was ordeyned in Fraunce, and þo kyng¹⁹ bytook hym tweye²⁰ provinces²¹ i-deled in tweye

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Ab urbe. Criste in the begynnyng of his reigne, wherefore he loste his realme by ryȝhte; whiche refusyng his wife, suster of Penda, mariede an other, wherefore Penda causede him to fle from his realme in the vtho yere of his reigne. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro secundo*. This Kenwalcus was prively iij. yere with Anna, kynge of Este Ynglische men, wherefore Penda did slee Anna the kynge after þat; in whiche tyme Kenwalcus was baptized by the bisshop Felix, and recurede his realme thro helpe of Anna, and made Agilbertus, borne in Fraunce, bischoppe of his province, whiche was bischoppe at Wentu xv. yere. But at the laste Kenwalcus made an other bischoppe þer, Wyne by name, and removede Agilbertus, y cannot certifye the trawthe of that cause, wheþer hit was for the langage of hym not understonde amonge theyme, or for

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gracione.
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¹ *soster*, γ.
² From a., β., γ., and Cx.
³ *vyfþe*, γ.
⁴ *drof*, γ.
⁵ *huddle*, γ.
⁶ *Anna*, a., β., γ., and Cx.
⁷ *me*] add. Cx.
⁸ *follid*, β.; *yvolled*, γ.; *baptised*, Cx.
⁹ *of his province*] om. Cx.
¹⁰ *recoveryd*, Cx.

¹¹ *Freymsman*, γ.
¹² *vyftene*, γ.
¹³ *agreved*, β.
¹⁴ *vor*, γ.
¹⁵ *I not a was*, γ.
¹⁶ *bishop*] add. Cx.
¹⁷ *þat*, a., β., and Cx.
¹⁸ *Wyn*, β. and Cx.
¹⁹ *þo kyng*] they, Cx.
²⁰ *tweye*] the, Cx.
²¹ *þe province*,

sedem in Wenta¹ urbe² ponens; unde offensus Agilbertus recessit ad Gallias, sedem apud Parisium postmodum adeptus. Nec multo post idem Wyne, post biennium suscepti præsulatus, per regem pulsus, emit a rege Merciorum Wolfero sedem Londoniæ urbis, quam dum vixit tenuit. Sicque provincia Westsaxonum quatuor annis episcopo caruit. Tandem rex Kenwalcus, multipliciter³ ab hostibus impetitus,⁴ pro Agilberto expulso⁵ misit; sed ille redire nolens, aut non⁶ valens, misit pro se nepotem suum Leutherium, qui confirmatus a Theodoro archiepiscopo septem annis ibidem præfuit.⁷ *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.*⁸ Iste⁹ Kenwalcus Britannos bis contrivit, primo apud Withgosnesburgh, secundo apud montem Pencis; et in vindictam paternæ persecutionis, Wulferum filium Pendæ magna regni sui parte multavit. *De Sancto Oswaldo.*¹⁰ *Beda, libro iii., capitulo viii.* Hoc anno occisus est rex Northumbrorum¹¹ Oswaldus per paganum⁹ regem Pendam, in

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¹ *Wentana urbe constituens principalem*, C.D.

² *urbe*] om. A.

³ *scelerorum suorum penituit et pro*, C.D.

⁴ *impeditus*, B.

⁵ *expulso*] om. B.

⁶ *forsan valide non posset*, C.D.

⁷ *provinciam illam rexit*, C.D.

⁸ C.D. omit reference.

⁹ *Iste . . . paganum*] om. C.

¹⁰ A.B. omit title.

¹¹ *Northumbrorum*] om. C.D.

parisches,¹ and sette þe cheef bisshoppes see at Wynchestre; þerefore Agibertus² was wroop, and wente into Fraunce, and was afterward bisshop of Parys; and nouȝt longe after þis Wyn, after [þe]³ two ȝere of his prelacie, was i-putt [oute]⁴ by þe kyng, and bouȝt⁵ þe see of Londoun of þe kyng of Mercya Wolferus, and hilde⁶ it while he was onlyve;⁷ and so þe province of West Saxons was foure ȝere bisshoples. At þe laste kyng Kenwalcus was ofte hard bysette wip his enemyes, and sente for Agibertus, þat was i-putte⁸ out, but he wolde nouȝt opere he myȝte not come, and sente his newew Leutherius in his stede,⁹ þat was confermed of þe archebisshop Theodorus, and was bisshop þere sevene ȝere. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.* Þis Kenwalcus overcom þe Britouns tweis, first¹⁰ at White¹¹ Gosnesburgh and eft at þe hil of Pentya,¹² and for wreche of his fader¹³ persecucion he bynam Wilferus,¹⁴ Penda his sone, a greet deel of his kyngdom. *Beda, libro 3^o, capitulo 8^o.*¹⁵ Þat ȝere Oswald kyng of Norphumberlond was i-slawe by a paynym kyng Penda,¹⁶ in a place þat

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Ab urbo. eny other cause. Wherewith Agilbertus movede soore, wente to Fraunce, and was made bisshop of Parise. Also Wyne, expulsede from Wynchestre, after that he hade bene bisshop þer ij. yere, wente and bouȝhte the seete of London of Wulferus, kyng of the Marches, kepyng that seete while he lyvede, and soe the province of Westesaxons wonted a bisshop iiij. yere. Kenwalcus the kyng trowblede soore with his enemyes, sende for Agilbertus, whiche sende to hym Leutherius, his cosyn, whiche consecrate by Theodorus tharchebisshop of Cawnterbury, was bischoppe þere by vij. yere. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.* This Kenwalcus hade victory ij. tymes of the Britons, the firste tyme at Withgonesburghe, the secunde tyme at the mownte of Pencia, and did stryve ageyn Wulferus, sonne of Penda, in a grete parte of his realme, into a signe of the persecucion of his fader. *Beda, libro tertio, capitulo octavo.* Oswaldus, kyng of Northumbrelonde, was sleyne in this yere by Penda, the pagan kyng, in a place

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¹ *paryschus, γ.*² *Agilbertus, Cx., et infra.*³ From *a, γ.,* and *Cx.*⁴ From *Cx.*; *ypot by, γ.*⁵ *boȝte, γ.; boughte, Cx.*⁶ *hulde, γ.*⁷ *alyve, γ.*⁸ *ypotte, γ.*⁹ *stude, a.*¹⁰ *vurste, γ.*¹¹ *Wight, β.; Wiht Gosnesbrugh, γ.; Wyght Gosneburgh, Cx.*¹² *Pencia, γ.; Pente, Cx.*¹³ *vader, γ.*¹⁴ *Wulferus, β.*¹⁵ *secundo, Cx.*¹⁶ *kyng Penda paqanus, γ.*

loco qui dicitur Mazerfeld,¹ ubi sæpe divina fiunt miracula. Porro caput ejus et brachia jussit Penda suspendi in stipitibus. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.*² Quo post annum veniens successor suus et frater rex Oswy,³ caput sepelivit in cœmiterio⁴ Lindisfarnensi, quod nunc Dunelmæ⁵ inter brachia Cuthberti⁶ dicunt contineri; sed brachia Oswaldi condidit in urbe regia de Bebbanburgh. Corpus vero et ossa reliqua adduxit secum regina Merciorum Ostrida,⁷ filia Oswy uxorque Etheldredi,⁸ usque ad monasterium de Bardeney⁹ in Lindesey,¹⁰ ubi minime admitti potuit donec lucis columna per totam noctem super reliquias illas radiare videretur. Post multos autem annos, cum locum illum infestarent barbari Dani, ossa illa apud Gloverniam in ecclesiam canonicorum sunt allata per Elfredam dominam Merciorum. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro iii^{to}.*¹¹ Brachium tunc¹² Sancti Oswaldi, nervis, carne, et cute integrum, apud monasterium de Burgo Sancti¹³ Petri ut fertur habetur, ab antiqua

Brachium
Sancti Oswaldi.

¹ *Mazerfeld*, C.D.

² C.D. omit reference.

³ *Oswi*, A.

⁴ *cimiterio*, MSS.

⁵ *quod . . . Dunelmæ*] om. C.D.

⁶ *Chutberti*, B.

⁷ *Estrida*, A.B.

⁸ *uxorque Etheldredi*] om. C.D.

⁹ *Bardeney*, A.

¹⁰ *in Lindesey*] om. B.; *Lindesy*, A.

¹¹ *Post . . . iii^{to}*] om. C.D.

¹² *tunc*] om. B.

¹³ *Sancti*] om. C.D.

hatte Mezerfeld; ¹ pere ofte God doop ² myracles and wondres : TREVISA
 Penda heet honge his armes and his heed in pe stokkes. *Wil-*
lelmus de Pontificibus, libro primo. After oon zere his broper
 Oswy, pat was kyng after hym, come pider, ³ and buried pe
 heed in pe chirchew ⁴ of Lyndefare; ⁵ but me seip pe he de
 is now at Durham bytwene Seint Cuthbert his armes; but he
 dede ⁶ Oswold his armes in pe citee Bebbanburgh. ⁷ But
 Ostrida ⁸ queene of Mercia, pat was Oswy his douzter and
 Etheldredus his wif, brouzte pe body and pe ⁹ oper deel of
 bones wip here to pe abbey of Bardeneye: ¹⁰ pere sche ¹¹ myzte
 nouzt be i-fonge or ¹² a piler of lizt were i-seie ¹³ schyne uppon
 pilke relikes ¹⁴ al an nyzt. Meny zere after men of straunge
 nacioun pe Danes werred in pat lond, and Elfleda, lady of
 Mercia, brouzte pilke ¹⁵ boones at ¹⁶ Gloucetre in a chirche
 of chanouns. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro 4^o.* [But] ¹⁷
 Seynt Oswald his arm is in pe abbay at Peterisborgh ¹⁸ hool

Ab urbe. callede Maizerfelde, where mony miracles be schewede; and MS. HARL.
 Penda commaunded his hedde and his armes to be made faste 2261.
 to a tre. But after a yere y-paste, kyng Oswy, his broper
 beryede the hedde in the chirche off Lindisfarn, callede now
¹⁹ and seide that hit is conteynede at Diram, betwene the armes
 of Seynte Cuthberte, beryenge the armes at the kynges cite
 Bebbanburgh. But Ostrida the dozhter of Oswius, qwene
 of the Marches and wife to Etheldredus, brouzhte with here
 the oper boones unto the monastery of Bardeney, where sche
 myzhte not be admitte with theym until pat a piller of lizhte
 was sene to schyne on the relykes by alle pe nyzhte. The f. 270 a.
 Danys trowblynge soore those costes by mony yeres foloynge,
 the boones of Seynte Oswalde were brouzte to Glowcestre, to
 a place of chanons, by Elfleda lady of the Marches. *Willet-*
mus de Pontificibus, libro quarto. Neverthesse, the arme of
 Seynte Oswalde holle, with senowes, flesche, and with skynne,

¹ Mezerfeld, Cx.

² sheweth, Cx.

³ pider, γ.

⁴ chirch hey, β.; cherche hey, γ.

⁵ chircheyerd of Lyndesfar, Cx.

⁶ a dude, γ.

⁷ Bebbanburgh, γ.

⁸ Ostria, γ.

⁹ pe] om. γ.

¹⁰ Bardeny, Cx.

¹¹ heo, β.; hue, γ.

¹² yvonge ar, γ.

¹³ were i-seie] had, Cx.

¹⁴ oppon pulke relykes, γ.

¹⁵ pulke, γ.

¹⁶ at] to, Cx.

¹⁷ From a. and Cx.

¹⁸ Petur his burgh, γ.; of Petre-
 burgh, Cx.

¹⁹ A word has been commenced
 here thus, *Direm*, and then erased,
 and nothing supplied.

requietionis¹ sede furtim sublatum, daturque ibidem ostentui scrinium pretiosum; sed fides dictorum vacillat ubi nihil visus auditor explorat. Hæc² quippe non ideo dixerim quod³ de integritate sancti illius sim⁵ dubius, sed utrum eo loci contineatur nolo esse assertor præproperus. *Paulus, libro quinto.*⁶ Circa hos dies Cesara⁷ conjux⁸ regis Persarum, de Perside exiens cum paucis fidelibus, Constantinopolim venit ut sacrum baptismum susciperet. Quod audiens vir ejus misit legatos qui uxorem suam ab imperatore requirerent. Quibus Cesara⁹ respondit: "Ite et renunciate domino meo regi vestro, quod nisi fidem meam receperit, et in Deum meum crediderit, nunquam me consortem habebit." Rex ista audiens cum sexaginta millibus virorum ad imperatorem pacifice venit, baptis-

¹ *requiescionis*, A.

² *Hoc*, A.

³ *quia*, B.

⁴ *illius*] om. B.

⁵ *sum*, A.

⁶ C.D. omit reference.

⁷ *Cesena*, B.

⁸ *uzor*, B.

⁹ *Ceserea*, B.

and som,¹ wip flesche² and wip senewes;³ as me seip it was pe flesche⁴ i-stole out of pe olde restyng place, and pider i-brouzt, and pere is i-seie⁵ in⁶ a shryne pat is precious and riche. But pe fey⁷ hereof is somdel unstedefast,⁸ for pere me hirep⁹ and aspiep and seep nouzt¹⁰ perof; I seie¹¹ nouzt pus for doute pat I¹² have of pe holynesse of pis seynt, but for I¹³ kepe nouzt to hastiliche afferme wheper it be in pat place oþer no. *Paulus, libro 5^o*. Aboute pat tyme Cesarea,¹⁴ pe kyng his wif of Pers, come wip fewe¹⁵ Cristen men to Constantynnoble [for to be y-cristened:¹⁶ here housbonde herde¹⁷ perof, and sente messagers to Constantynnoble]¹⁸ for to axe his wif of pe emperour. But Cesarea answerde and seide: "Tellep¹⁹ my lord þoure kyng pat but þif he wil fonge²⁰ my " fey and trowe in my God he schal nevere have me to his²¹ " wif." Pe kyng²² herde pis,²³ and com wip sixty þowsand men in pes²⁴ to pe emperour, and was i-cristened,²⁵ he and

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Ab urbe. is seide to be at Peturburowe, getyng theder by thefte from the place where hit was of olde tymes putte per in a ryalle schryne, but y have noo certeyne auctorite that hit scholde be there. *Paulus, libro quinto*. Cesarea, the wife of the kyng of Persida, goyng from that cuntre with fewe tru peple abowte this tyme, come to Constantinopole, that sche myzhte be baptizede. The kyng here howsebonde, heryng that, sende messangers to bryng here ageyne from the emperour. Whom Cesara answerde seyenge, "Go to my lorde and yowre kyng, " that he schalle never have me to his make with owte he be " baptizede and receyve the feithe of Criste." The kyng heryng these thynges, come with lx. m^r men peseably to the

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¹ sound, a., ß., and γ.; sounde, Cx.

² vlesch, γ.

³ synwes, γ.

⁴ þeefliche, a.; þeevelich, ß.; þuefliche, γ.; theefly, Cx.

⁵ i-seie] om. Cx.

⁶ in] om. a.

⁷ fey] bileve, Cx.

⁸ doubtable, Cx.

⁹ huyrep, γ.

¹⁰ men here and aspye and see not, Cx.

¹¹ I sugge, γ.

¹² Ich, ß.

¹³ y, ß.

¹⁴ Cesara, γ., and Cx. et infra.

¹⁵ vew, γ.

¹⁶ folled, ß.; vor to be yvolled, γ.

¹⁷ hurde, γ., et infra.

¹⁸ From a., ß., γ., and Cx.

¹⁹ Telle ye, Cx.

²⁰ wol vonge, γ.

²¹ his] om. a. and Cx.

²² kyng] om. γ.

²³ therof, Cx.

²⁴ pees, Cx.

²⁵ folled, ß.; yvolled, γ.

num cum omnibus suis recepit, multis muneribus [honoribusque]¹ honoratus cum uxore² domi rediit. *Beda, libro tertio, c. teritiodecimo.* Oswaldo occiso successit in regnum Northimbrorum Oswy frater suus, qui strenue regnavit viginti octo annis, sed laboriose. Nam in primis septem³ annis habuit consortem regni super Deyros Oswynum de stirpe Edwini,⁴ filium Osrici, virum utique præstantem, religiosum, affabilem,⁵ humilem; quem tamen fecit rex Oswy occidi in domo comitis Hunbaldi, ad quem confugerat.⁶ Post quem habuit Oswy⁷ consortem regni sui super Deyros Odilwaldum⁸ filium Oswaldi. *De pontificibus Romanis.*⁹

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Martinus primus post Theodorum sedit papa annis sex; quem ad altare Dei¹⁰ celebrantem Spartarius Olympi¹¹ occidere conatus est, sed in percutiendo cæcus¹² effectus est. Iste papa, quia damnaverat Paulum Constantinopolitanum, falsi nominis patriarcham, ab imperatore Constantino relegatus est. *Beda, libro iii, capitulo xviii.*¹³ Hoc anno obiit Paulinus, tunc Roffensis sed

Obitus
Paulini
episcopi.

¹ *honoribusque*] from A.
² *sua lætus*, C.D.
³ *octo*, B.
⁴ *Oswyni*, C.D.
⁵ *et*, C.D.
⁶ *ad . . . confugerat*] om. C.D.
⁷ *in*, B.
⁸ *Odilwaldi*, A.; *Odilwaldum*, B.

⁹ A.B.C.D. omit heading.
¹⁰ *Dei*] om. B.
¹¹ *Olimpi*, MS.
¹² *secus*, A.
¹³ Reference should be cap. xiv. All the references to Bede are wrong by one chapter.

alle hise, and hadde greet worschippe, he and al his,¹ and took² TREVISIA.
 meny grete 3iftes, and took his wif and wente home a3e.
Beda, libro 3^o, capitulo 13^o. Whan Oswald was i-slawe, after
 hym his broþer Oswy was kyng of Northumberlond, and
 regnede nobilleche³ in Deyra. Oswynus, Osrucus his sone, of
 Edwynus his blood, was a stedefast man, and holy⁴ and mylde,
 and faire⁵ of speche. But kyng Oswy made hym i-slawe in
 erle Hunbaldus his hous; Oswynus was i-flowe⁶ to erle Hun-
 baldus for helpe and socour; and after hym Oswy hadde
 a felowe⁷ in þe kyndom of Deyra Oswaldus Oswoldis⁸ sone.
 After Theodorus þe firste⁹ Martyn was pope sixe 3ere; a
 swerdman of Olympus fondede¹⁰ to slee hym at his¹¹ au3ter
 while he song¹² his masse; but whyle he gan to smyte anon
 he worþ¹³ blynde. Þe emperour of Constantynnoble exciledede
 þis pope, for he hadde¹⁴ i-dampned Paulus, patriark of Con-
 stantynnoble, and hadde falsliche þat name. *Beda, libro 3^o,
 capitulo 13^o.* Þe pope¹⁵ deide Paulynus þat was [þo]¹⁶

Ab urbe. emperoure, and receyvede baptytm with alle his peple, and re- MS. HARL.
 wardede of themperoure returnyde to his cuntre with his wife. 2261.
Beda, libro 3^o, capitulo tertiodecimo. Oswalde sleyne, kyng
 Oswy, his broþer, succeeded in that realme, reignyng nobly
 xxviii^{ti} yere, but with grete labore, havynge Oswynus to governe
 men of Deira, whiche was of the stock of Edwinus, a semely
 man of person, religious, and meke in speche, in the vij. firste
 yeres of his reigne; whom kyng Oswy caused to be sleyne in
 the howse of Hunbaldus the erle, to whom he fledde. After
 that kyng Oswy hade to his felawe Odilwaldus, the son of
 Oswalde, in the realme of Deira. Martinus the firste, suc-
 cedenge Theodorus, was pope vj. yere, whom a man of Olimpus
 willenge to smyte hym at masse was made blynde in smitenge.
 This pope was put to exile by Constantinus emperoure, for
 cause he condempnede Paulus, patriarke of Constantinopole,
 of a fals name. *Beda, libro 3^o, capitulo tertiodecimo.* Pauli- A transmi-
 gracione.

¹ he . . . his] om. γ.

² took] om. a. and Cx.

³ nobelyche, γ.

⁴ meke] add. Cx.

⁵ veyr, γ.

⁶ aflowe, β.; avlowe, γ.; fledde, Cx.

⁷ a felowe, from a., β., and Cx.; a felouz, γ.; iflowe, MS., a mistake caused by the occurrence of this word just above.

⁸ Odilwaldus Oswald his, a., γ., and Cx.; Odilwaldus Oswaldes, β.

⁹ vurst, γ.

¹⁰ vondede, γ.

¹¹ þe, a.; om. Cx.; atte, γ.

¹² a sang, γ.

¹³ worde, Cx.

¹⁴ vor a hadde, γ.

¹⁵ þe pope] þat 3ere, a., β., γ., and Cx.

¹⁶ From a.; þanne, β.; thenne, Cx.

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quondam Eboracensis archiepiscopus ; cui successit Ithamar. Obiit¹ Felix primus Estanglorum episcopus, et² successit Thomas.³ *De Estsaxonum regibus.*⁴ *Beda, libro tertio, capitulo vicesimo primo.*⁵ Circa hoc

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tempus Estsaxones⁶ fidem, quam olim⁷ abjecerant,⁸ nunc mediante Oswyo⁹ rege Northimbrorum ceperunt ; nam rex eorum Sygebertus baptizatus est a Finano episcopo Northimbrorum, juxta murum illum prolixum qui quondam¹⁰ Britannos distinxit a Scotis. Unde et secum assumpsit Cedde¹¹ presbyterum de provincia Merciorum, fratrem Ceddæ,¹² ad prædicandum genti suæ orientali. Qui peracto¹³ negotio illo rediit ad Finanum prædictum, a quo ordinatus episcopus rediit iterum¹⁴ ad prædicandum Orientalibus Anglis,¹⁵ potissime in loco qui Ithancestre dicitur, quod est juxta ripam Pentæ amnis ; et etiam in villa de Tilleburgh, quod est juxta Thamisim.¹⁶ *Narratio.*¹⁷ Contigit¹⁸ semel

¹ *etiam*, A.

² *et*] om. A. ; cui, B.

³ C.D. add : " pro quo Honorius Cantuariensis ordinavit Thomam diaconum ejus ad sedem præfatum, quo tandem post quintum episcopatus annum defuncto Bonefacium quemdam instituit, qui decem septem] annis sedem illam tenuit. *Beda, lib. 3, cap. 21.*"

⁴ A.B. omit heading.

⁵ *primo*] should be *secundo*.

⁶ *Circa hæc tempora Est Saxonnes*, B.

⁷ *expulso Mellito episcopo suo*, add. C.

⁸ *abjecerant*, A.B.

⁹ *Oswio*, A.

¹⁰ *quondam*] om. C.D.

¹¹ *Cedd*, A.B.

¹² *fratrem Ceddæ*] om. B.

¹³ *aliquantulum*, add. C.D.

¹⁴ *ad . . . iterum*] interim, B.

¹⁵ *ad orientales partes, ubi instanter prædicavit, baptizavit, ordinavitque sacerdotes et ceteros ecclesiæ ministros, præcipue in loco, &c.* C.D.

¹⁶ *Thamasim*, A. ; *ad ripam fluminis Thamesis*, C.D.

¹⁷ A.B. omit title.

¹⁸ *autem*, add. C.D.

bisshop of Rouchestre, and hadde i-be somtyme erchebisshop of 3ork; and after hym Thamar was bisshop. Also Felix deide, þe first bisshop of Est Angles, and Thomas was bisshop after hym. *Beda, libro 3^o, capitulo 21^o.*¹ Aboute þat tyme þe Est Saxons fenge² þe fey þat þey³ hadde to forehonde i-caste away and forsake: Oswynus, kyng of Northumberlond, made hem now receyve⁴ and fonge þe fey; for here kyng Sigebertus was i-cristned⁵ of Fynanus bisshop of Northumberland, faste⁶ by þe longe wal þat departede somtyme betwene Britouns and Scottes. Þanne he took⁷ wip hym oon Cedde,⁸ a preost, þe broþer of Chedda,⁹ out of þe province of Mercia, for to preche to his men of þe Est; and whan he hadde i-doo þat dede he tornede a3en to þe forsaide¹⁰ Fynanus, and was i-made bisshop of hym, and wente ofte for to preche to þe Est Angles in a place þat hatte Stanchestre,¹¹ þat is by þe brynke of þe water Ponte,¹² and also in þe toun of Tillebury,¹³ þat is faste⁶ by Tempse.¹⁴ But¹⁵ byfel¹⁶ in a tyme in þat contray þat the for-

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Ab urbs. nus, bischoppe of Rowchestre, deide this yere, somme tyme archebischoppe of Yorke, whom Ithamar succedid; and Felix, the firste bischop of Este Ynglische men, deide also, whom Thomas did succede. *Beda, libro 3^o, capitulo xxj.* The Este Saxons receyvyde the feithe of Criste in this yere, whom thei hade refusede afore and abjecte, by the labor of Oswinus kyng of Northumbrelonde; for Sigebertus, their kyng, was baptizede of Finanus bischop of Northumbrelonde, nye to the large walle whiche dividede somme tymes Britons from Scottes. Wherefore he toke with hym Ced, the broþer of Seynte Chadde, from the province of Marches to preche to his people of the este: that doen he returnede to Finanus aforeseide, whiche made bischoppe by hym, returnede to preche to Este Ynglische men, and specially into a place whiche is callede Itanchestre, nye to the water of Penta, and also to the towne of Tilleburgh nye to Thamys. Hit happede in a tyme in that

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¹ 12^o, Cx.² *vynge*, γ.³ *hy*, γ.⁴ *resseyve*, β.⁵ *yfolled*, β.; *yvolled*, γ.⁶ *vaste*, γ.⁷ *touk*, γ.⁸ *Ced*, γ.⁹ *Cedda*, γ.; *Chad*, Cx.¹⁰ *vorsede*, γ.¹¹ *Schancester*, γ.; *Straunchestre*, Cx.¹² *Pent*, α., β., γ., and Cx.¹³ *Tylleburgh*, α. and Cx.; *Tilleburgh*, β.¹⁴ *Temse*, β. and Cx.¹⁵ *hit*, α.; *It*, β. and Cx.¹⁶ *hyt byful*, γ.

in partibus illis ut Cædde¹ episcopus præfatus² excom-
Cedde
episcopus.
 municaret comitem quendam cum communicantibus, pro
 eo quod illicito incumberet matrimonio.³ Contempsit
 rex Sigebertus⁴ jussum episcopi, et a comite illo rogatus
 cibum cum illo in domo ejus sumpsit. Recedenti de
 prandio regi Cedde⁵ episcopus obviavit, ac cum virga
 quam manu tenuit regem tetigit, sic inquit, “ Quia
 “ noluisti ad præceptum meum a domo illius perdit⁶
 “ hominis abstinere, tu in illa domo morieris.” Quod et
 ita contigit, nam comes prædictus cum fratre suo ger-
 mano regem in domo illa occiderunt;⁷ ac postmodum
 interrogati cur sic fecissent,⁸ hoc solum responderunt,
 quia rex erat nimis remissus erga inimicos suos
 injurias suas facile remittendo. *Beda, libro tertio,*

¹ *Cedd*, A.B.

² *frater Ceddæ*, B.

³ *contra episcopi inhibitionem*,
 C.D.

⁴ *Sigebertus*] om. B.

⁵ *Ced*, A. ; *Cedd*, B.

⁶ *prædicti*, C.D.

⁷ *occidit*, B.

⁸ *fecerunt*, B.

saide¹ bisshop Ced corsede an erle and alle þat communed² TREVISA.
wip hym,³ for he held⁴ a womman in unlaweful⁵ wedlok.
And [kyng]⁶ Sigebertus despisede þe bisshop his heste, and
com at þat erle his prayer, and eet wip þat erl in his hous.⁷
And whanne þe kyng wente from⁸ þe mete þe bisshop Cedde⁹
mette þe kyng, and touched hym wip a ȝerde¹⁰ þat he bare in
his honde, and seide to þe kyng in þis manere: "For¹¹ þou
" woldest not at myn heste wipdrawe þe¹² and holde þe out
" of þat¹³ lost and corsede¹⁴ manis hous, in þe same hous þou
schalt deie." And so it byfel¹⁵ þat¹⁶ þe same erl and his
broþer slouȝ þe kyng in þat same hous; and afterward, whan
he¹⁷ axed hym wy¹⁸ þei hadde i-doo þat cursede dede, þey
answerde nouȝt elles,¹⁹ but seide þat þe kyng was to esy²⁰ to
his enemyes, wolde liȝtliche forȝeve²¹ wronges and trespas.²²
Trevisa. It is soop þat corsed men hateþ god,²³ and here
good dedes, and so þe corsed erle slouȝ þe kyng, for he was
gracious and good.²⁴ Þanne it foloweþ²⁵ in þe story: also þat

Ab urbe. cuntre that Ced the bisshop cursede an erle, with men havynge MS. HARL.
communicacioun with hym, in that he usede unlawefulle matri- 2261.
mony. Sigebertus the kyng despisede the commaundemente A transmi-
of the bischoppe, and desirede to dyne by that erle wente to gracione.
his place. Ced the bischoppe ȝafe metenge to the kyng com-
mynge from dynen from therles place, towchyng the kyng
with a rodde that he hade in his honde, seyenge, "For cause
" thow wolde not absteyne from the cumpanye of that cursede
" man at my commaundemente, þow schalle dye in that howse;"
and so hit folowede. For the seide erle, with his broþer ger-
man, did sle the kyng in his house; whiche enquirede why
thei did soo, seide that the kyng was slawe ageyne his
adversaryes forȝiffenge liȝhtely iniuryes doen to hym. Kinge

¹ þat *vorsede*, γ.
² *comynede*, β.
³ *cursed an erle and excomyned*
him, Cx.
⁴ *heelde*, β.
⁵ *alaweful*, α.; *unlawful*, Cx.
⁶ From α., β., and Cx.
⁷ *hous*, Cx.
⁸ *vram*, γ., *passim*.
⁹ *Ced*, Cx.
¹⁰ *rodde*, Cx.
¹¹ *vor*, γ., *passim*.
¹² [þe] om. Cx.
¹³ From β.

¹⁴ *cursed*, β.
¹⁵ *bifil*, β.
¹⁶ [þat] For, Cx.
¹⁷ *me*, β.; *men*, Cx.
¹⁸ *ham why hy*, γ.; *hem why*, Cx.
¹⁹ *not ellys*, Cx.
²⁰ *esy*, β.
²¹ *vorȝeve*, γ.
²² *trespaces*, β.
²³ *gode men*, β. and γ.; *good men*,
Cx.
²⁴ *gode*, β.
²⁵ *volweþ*, γ.

capitulo xiiii.¹ Hoc etiam anno rex Oswy jussit Oswynum regem Deyrorum occidi in domo comitis Hunbaldi,¹ ad quem Oswynus demisso exercitu fidenter confugerat,² tanquam opportuniora expectans tempora ad pugnandum.³ De isto Oswyno fertur quod equum suum optimum aliquando donaverat Aydano episcopo, qui magis pedibus pergere quam equo vehi⁴ consueverat; qui tamen equum illum cito postmodum, cum aliud ad manum non haberet, cuidam pauperi eleemosynam⁵ petenti donavit. Hoc cum regi relatum fuisset, plurimum indignatus ait episcopo Aydano secum ad mensam Aydanus sanctissimus. commessanti: "Quid fecisti, domine præsul? Numquid
 " non viliores equos habuimus qui ad eleemosynam suffi-
 " cerent?" Cui episcopus: "Quid loqueris, domine rex?
 " Num carior nobis erit filius equæ quam Filius Mariæ?"⁶
 Continuo rex procidens ad pedes episcopi veniam

¹ B. omits reference. It should be xiv.

² *confidenter fugerat*, B.

³ *bellandum*, B.

⁴ *vehi*] om. A.

⁵ *elemosinam*, MS., et infra.

⁶ It is worth while noting that Bede wrote *Filius Dei*.

Ʒere kyng Oswy leet slee¹ kyng Oswynus in² erl Hunbald³ his hous. Oswynus hadde i-left his oost, and was i-flowe⁴ for greet trust to erle Hunbaldus, as it were for to abide betre tyme for to fiƷte.⁵ It is i-seide of Ʒis Oswynus Ʒat he hadde somtyme i-Ʒeve⁶ his beste hors to Aidanus Ʒe bisshop, Ʒat used more to goo oon foot⁷ Ʒan on hors for to ride.⁸ But sone afterward a pore⁹ man prayed¹⁰ Ʒe bisshop of his almesse,¹¹ for¹² Ʒis bisshop hadde but oon hors, and Ʒat he Ʒaf to Ʒe poore man for almesse,¹² for he hadde nouƷt elles at honde. Whanne Ʒat was i-tolde Ʒe kyng, Ʒe kyng was swiƷe¹³ wrooth, and seide to Aidanus as he satte by hym at Ʒe¹⁴ meete: "What hast " y-doo,¹⁵ sire bisshop, hadde we nouƷt Ʒinges¹⁶ of lasse prise " Ʒat myƷte suffice for almesse dede." "What spekest Ʒou, lord " sire¹⁷ kyng?" quop¹⁸ Ʒe bisshop, "schal a mare sone be¹⁹ " levere²⁰ to us Ʒan Mary²¹ sone?" Anon Ʒe kyng fil²²

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. Oswy commaundid kyng Oswinus, governoure of Deira, to be sleyne this yere in the house of Hunbaldus his erle, to whom Oswinus fledde for truste, forsakyng his hoste, abidyng a season that he myƷhte make batelle to Oswy. Hit is redde that this kyng Oswinus Ʒafe his beste horse to an holy bisshop, Aidanus by name, whiche usede raper to go then to ryde; whiche havynge noon other thyng nye to his honde, Ʒafe that hors to a poore man askenge almes of hym. The kyng Oswynus heryng Ʒerof hade indignacioun, and seide to Aidanus the bisshop, syttenge at mete with hym, "What hase thou done, my lorde bisshop, what, have we not wurse horses " sufficiante to almes?" To whom the bischoppe seyde, "My " lorde, what sey ye, WheƷer is the sonne of a mare moore " pleasaunte to yow, or the sonne of Marye?" The kyng heryng that, felle downe to the feete of the bisshop and askede

MS. HARL.
2261.A transmi-
gracione.

¹ *heet slee, a.; bade slee, Cx.*
² *Ʒe, add. Ʒ.*
³ *Hunbaldas, a.; In the erle Hunbaldus, Cx.*
⁴ *avlowe, Ʒ.; fledde, Cx.*
⁵ *vor to vyƷte, Ʒ.*
⁶ *yeven, Cx.*
⁷ *a vote, Ʒ.*
⁸ *than to ryde on horsbak, Cx.*
⁹ *poure, Ʒ. and Cx.*
¹⁰ *prayde, Ʒ.*
¹¹ *almus, Ʒ., et infra.*
¹² *for . . . almesse] and Ʒe bisshop Ʒaf hym Ʒat hors, a., Ʒ., and*

Ʒ.; and the bysshop gave him that hors for he hadde nought ellys at honde, Cx.
¹³ *swiƷe] anone, Cx.*
¹⁴ *Ʒe] om. Cx.*
¹⁵ *hastow ydo, Ʒ.; hast thou don, sere, Cx.*
¹⁶ *ƷynƷus, Ʒ.*
¹⁷ *sere, Cx.*
¹⁸ *quap, a.*
¹⁹ *be] om. a.*
²⁰ *lever be, Cx.*
²¹ *Marie, Ʒ.*
²² *vul, Ʒ.*

rogavit, promittens fideliter quod nunquam deinceps obloqueretur¹ in hac parte. Cum² ergo ad mensam simul pacati considerent rex et ipse³ pontifex, præsul subito in lacrimas est solutus. Cujus rei causa a circumstantibus inquisita, ait præsul, “ Non multo tempore victurus est apud nos rex iste. Hucusque [vix]⁴ vidi regem “ humilem; nec digna est gens ista nequam talem diu “ habere regem.” Unde contigit cito post regem illum,⁵ sicut dictum est, occidi. Nec supervixit præsul Aydanus^{Aydanus obiit.} nisi duodecim solummodo⁶ diebus. Cujus animam vidit Cuthbertus⁷ in cælum ab angelis ferri. *Ranulphus.*⁸ Isto etiam anno obiit Sanctus Birinus, primus Dorcestrensis episcopus, post quartumdecimum adventus et præsulatus sui annum. Cujus corpus juxta historiam Bedæ transtulit Hedda Wentanus⁹ præsul¹⁰ usque Wintoniam.¹¹ *De hoc vide supra, libro primo, de pontificibus Westsaxonum. Beda, libro tertio, capitulo xxviii.*¹² *De pontificibus.*¹³ Eugenius¹⁴ papa post Martinum sedit in papatu annis quasi tribus. Quo in¹⁵ anno rex Dei-

¹ *alloqueretur*, A.

² *Dum*, A.B.

³ *ipse*] om. A.

⁴ *vix*] added from A.B.

⁵ *Oswynum*, C.D.

⁶ *solomodo*, MS.

⁷ *in oratione positus*, C.D.

⁸ C.D. omit reference.

⁹ *Wyntanus*, A.

¹⁰ C.D. add. : “ qui fuit ab eo quintus, usque Wintoniam, sed huic “ opinioni contradicunt Dorcestrenses canonici, sicut supra de “ pontificibus tactum est, se asseverantes aliud corpus quam corpus “ Birini fuisse translatum.”

¹¹ *Wyntoniam*, A.

¹² C.D. insert here : “ Birino “ itaque defuncto, Kenewalcus rex “ instituit Agilbertum in sede “ Wintoniæ pro tota provincia “ Westsaxonica, quam tenuit circiter quindecim annis, donec rex, “ sicut supradicitur, aut barbaræ “ linguæ pertæsus aut aliunde offensus Wynam propriæ linguæ pontificem subintroduceret. Inde “ offensus Agilbertus recessit ad “ Gallias, unde erat oriundus, ibique “ tenuit sedem Parisiensem quoad “ vixit.”

¹³ *De pontificibus*] om. A.B.

¹⁴ *Egenius*, A.

¹⁵ *in*] om. A.

doun to þe bischopps feet,¹ and prayed mercye and forþif-
 nesse,² and byhet truliche³ þat he wolde nevere after þat
 tyme speke evel of þat dede. Þanne þe kyng and the bisshop
 bope were wel apaide and seete⁴ in fere⁵ at þe mete, and þe
 bisshop gan [sodenliche]⁶ to wepe, and⁷ wepte⁸ meny sore
 teres.⁹ Þanne me axede hym the cause of his wepyng,
 and he answerde and seide, "Þis kyng schal nouzt longe
 " wip us be here onlyve. Unnepe¹⁰ I have i-seie kyng meke
 " afore¹¹ þis tyme, and þis evel peple¹² is nouzt worpy to
 " have suche a kyng longe tyme." Þanne it happede sone aftir
 þat þe kyng was i-slawe as it is i-seide, and þe bisshop Aidanus
 lyvede after but twelve dayes,¹³ and seint Cuthbert sigh¹⁴
 angels bere his soule into hevne. R. Also deide þis 3ere
 Byrinus þe firste¹⁵ bisshop of Dorcestre, after þe fourtenpe¹⁶
 3ere of his comynge and of his bisshopriche. Beda seip
 þat Hedda bisshop of Wynchestre translated Birinus his body
 out of Dorcestre [to Wynchestre];¹⁷ look more hereof in
 þe firste book de Pontificibus Westsaxonum. *Beda, libro 3^o,
 capitulo 23^o.* After Martyn Eugenius was pope as it were
 þre 3ere. [Þis 3er]¹⁸ þe kyng of Deira Odilwaldus,¹⁹ Oswald

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. forþifenesse, promisenge that he wolde not use oblocucion after MS. HARL.
 that in that parte. After that they pleasede, and sittynge at 2261.
 meyte, the bisshop weped soore as sodenly. The cause in-
 quired of men stondynge by, the bischoppe seide, " This kyng
 " schalle not lyve longe amonge us. 3itte as unto this y have
 " seene unnethe a meke kyng, and this wickede peple is not
 " worthy to have suche a kyng long with theym." And so
 that kyng was sleyn soone after, as hit is schewide afore.
 And the bischoppe Aidanus lyvede xij. daies after the dethe of
 Oswin; the sawle of whom Seynte Cutheberte see to be f. 271 a.
 brou3hte to hevyn by anges. R. Seynte Birine, the firste
 bischop of Dorcestre, deide in this yere, after the xiiij. yere of
 his bischophode. *Beda, libro 3^o, capitulo xxij.* Eugenius the
 pope succedid Martinus as thre yere, in whiche yere Odilwal-

A transmi-
gracione.

¹ veet, γ.
² vor;evenes, γ.
³ byhyzte treweliche, γ.
⁴ plesed and sate, Cx.
⁵ yfere, β.; yvere, γ.
⁶ From α.; sodeynlich, β.; su-
 deynlich, γ.; sodenly, Cx.
⁷ and wepte] om. β.
⁸ weep, α.; wep, γ.
⁹ to wepe many teres, Cx.

¹⁰ Ich, γ.
¹¹ to fore, α.; to vore, γ.
¹² pupel, γ.
¹³ dawes, γ.
¹⁴ syz, β. and γ.; sawe anges, Cx.
¹⁵ vurst, γ.
¹⁶ vourtene, γ.
¹⁷ From α., β., and Cx.
¹⁸ From α. and Cx.
¹⁹ Odylewaldus, Cx.

rorum Odiswald,¹ filius Oswaldi, dedit Ceddæ² episcopo orientali, ad partes boreales sæpius³ venienti, locum in arduis montibus qui vocatur Lestingay,⁴ ad construendum inibi monasterium; sed Cedde⁵ præfatus, antequam monasterium⁶ fundaret, jejunavit quotidie per totam Quadragesimam excepta Dominica usque ad vesperam. Et tunc⁷ quidem⁸ modicum panis, unum ovum gallinaceum, cum parvo lacte aqua mixto sumebat, juxta morem discipulorum Aydani, a quibus edoctus fuerat. Hunc nempe locum frater suus Chynybillus⁹ post eum rexit, et tempore mortalitatis ibidem sepultus;¹⁰ post quos¹¹ Cedda locum fovit.

CAP. XVI.

*De pontificibus Romanis.*¹²

Gratie.
CCLIII,
Constantini
XIII.

VITALIANUS¹³ papa post Eugenium sedit annis quatuordecim. Hic misit ecclesiis Anglorum archipræsulem Theodorum, monachum Tarsensem.¹⁴ *Beda, libro*

¹ *Odilwald, A.; Odilwaldus, B.; Oswaldus, C.D.*

² *Ced, A.B.*

³ *sæpe, B.*

⁴ *Bestingai, A.; Lastynghey, B.*

⁵ *Ced, B.*

⁶ *seu conobium illud, add. C.D.*

⁷ *tunc] om. A.*

⁸ *tunc quidem] om. B.*

⁹ *Chinibil, A.*

¹⁰ *est in ecclesia beatae Mariae, add. C.D.*

¹¹ *tertius frater Sanctus Cedda episcopus locum frequentavit, C.D.*

¹² *A.B.C.D. omit heading.*

¹³ *Vitelianus, B.*

¹⁴ *Tharsensem, MS., which C.D. omit, as also the reference.*

his sone, 3af to Ced, bisshop of þe Est, þat com ofte into þe norþe, a place in hy¹ hilles² þat hatte Loftyngay,³ for to bulde⁴ þere an abbay. But þis Ced or⁵ he wolde founde þe abbay faste⁶ al a Lente⁷ everiche day save⁸ þe Soneday al day for to⁹ it were eve, and þanne he wolde ete a litel what of mylk¹⁰ and oon hen ey¹¹ and a litel what¹² of mylk i-melled¹³ wip water, as Aidanus his disciples usede; of hem he hadde i-lerned and was i-tou3t.¹⁴ After hym his broþer Chunbillus¹⁵ governed þat place, and was i-buried þere in a pestilence tyme. And after hym Chedda¹⁶ rulede¹⁷ þat place.¹⁸

TREVISA.

Capitulum sextumdecimum.

AFTER Eugenius Vitalianus was pope fourtene¹⁹ 3ere: he sente to þe cherches of Engelonde and þe²⁰ archebisshop Theodorus, monk of Tarsens.²¹ *Beda, libro 3^o, capitulo 9^o.*

Ab urbe.

MS. HARL. 2261.
 A transmi-
 gracione.

Ab urbe. dus, son of Oswaldus, and kyng of Deira, 3afe to Ced, bisshop of þe Este Ynglische men, commynge ofte to the partes of the northe, a place in hye hilles, callede Lestingay, to edify a monastery þer. But Ced did faste dayly by alle Lente unto Wy3htesonneday, excepte takenge then a lytelle brede, an egge, with a lytelle mylke mixte with water, after the maner of þe disciples of Aidanus, or that he began to edifye that monastery. Whiche place Chimbyl, his broþer, governede after his dethe, and was beryede þer in a tyme of a grete dethe. After whom Cedda norisched þat place.

Capitulum sextumdecimum.

VITALIANUS was pope after Eugenius xiiij. yere. Þis pope sende to the churches of Yngelonde Theodorus tharchebisshop, a monke Tharcense. *Beda, libro 3^o, capitulo vicesimo.*

¹ heiz, β.; high, Cx.
² hulles, γ.
³ Lestyngay, α., γ., and Cx.; Lestingay, β.
⁴ buylde, γ.
⁵ or] er, β.; and Cx.
⁶ vaste, γ.
⁷ Leynte, β. and γ.
⁸ saf, β. and γ.; sauf, Cx.
⁹ for to] til, Cx.
¹⁰ breed, α.; brede, β. and Cx.
¹¹ eye, β.; egge, Cx.

¹² what] om. Cx.
¹³ ymedled, β. and Cx.
¹⁴ As Adaynus his disciples usid him he had lerned and taught, Cx.
¹⁵ Chimbillus, γ.
¹⁶ Cedda, Cx.
¹⁷ reulede, γ.
¹⁸ plas, γ., passim.
¹⁹ vourtene, γ.
²⁰ and to þe, β.
²¹ Tarseus, Cx.

*tertio, capitulo nonodecimo.*¹ Hoc anno Midelangli,² id est Mercii, sub principe suo Weda filio Pendæ, mysterio³ fidei sunt imbuti; nam ipse Weda, volente⁴ patre suo, acceperat in conjugem Elfredam, filiam regis Oswy, ea conditione ut Christianus fieret; et eo libentius hoc fecit quod Alfridus filius Oswy sororem suam Kynoburgam⁵ desponsaverat; unde et Weda quatuor sacerdotes de terra Northimbrorum,⁶ Cedde,⁷ Adda, Becti, Duina,⁸ secum duxerat ad prædicandum genti suæ. Nec prohibuit Penda rex quin converterentur⁹ ad fidem Christianam¹⁰ quicumque¹¹ vellent. Hoc etiam anno obiit Honorius archiepiscopus Cantuariensis. Cui post annum successit Deusdedit¹² ix annis, quem confirmavit Ithamar Roffensis præsul.¹³ *Willelmus de pontificibus, libro iii.* Hoc anno Benedictus¹⁴ Biscop, abbas et nutricius Bedæ presbyteri, ministerque regis Oswy, domum cognatos¹⁵ patriam amore Christi

¹ *vicesimo*, B. It should be xxiv.

² *Middeangli*, A.

³ *mist'is*, B.; *mysteriis*, C.D.

⁴ *nolente*, A.

⁵ *Kineburgam*, A.B.

⁶ *scilicet*, B.

⁷ *Cedda*, A.

⁸ *Dwina*, A.

⁹ *quin converterentur*] om. B.

¹⁰ *de regno suo*, add. C.D.

¹¹ *quotquot*, B.

¹² *de gente Westsaxonum*, add. C.D.

¹³ *et post hoc pontificavit annis novem*, add. C.D.

¹⁴ *cognomine*, add. C.D.

¹⁵ *possessionem*, add. C.D.

þat ʒere þe Merces, þat beep men ¹ of myddel Engeland, fenge ² **TREVISA.**
 Cristendom under her prince Weda, Penda his sone; for þis
 Weda, willynge his fader, ³ hadde i-wedded Effleda, kyng
 Oswy his douʒter, uppon a condicioun þat he schulde be a
 Cristen man; and he dede ⁴ it wiþ þe bettere wille, ffor
 Alfridus, ⁵ Oswy his sone, hadde i-spoused ⁶ Oswy his suster ⁷
 Kyneburga; þefore Weda hadde i-broʒt wiþ hym foure ⁸
 preostes out of Northumberlond ⁹ for to preche his peple ¹⁰
 and his men. Þe prestes were Cedde, Adda, Becti, and Duina;
 and kyng Penda forbode ¹¹ nouʒt to conuerte to Cristene fey al
 þat euer he ¹² wolde. Also þat ʒere deide Honorius, arche-
 bisshop of Caunterbury; and after oon ʒere aftirward oon
 Deusededit was bisshop nyne ʒere; hym confermede Ithamar, ¹³
 bisshop of Rochestre. ¹⁴ *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro 3º.*
 Þat ʒere Benet bisshop, ¹⁵ þe abbot þat norschede ¹⁶ Beda þe
 preoste, and was kyng Oswy his seruaunt, forsook ¹⁷ his ¹⁸ hous
 and home, his cosyns, and al his kyn for Cristes love, and took ¹⁹

Ab urbe. Men of the marches were imbute with the mistery of the **MS. HARL.**
 feithe in the tyme of Weda, prince amonge þeim, and sonne of **2261.**
 Penda. For this prince Weda maryede the doʒter of kyng
 Oswy, by consente of Penda his fader, in this condicion, that
 he scholde be made a Cristen man, whiche thyng he did with
 goode wille, for Alfridus the son of Oswy maryede Kynburga
 his sustyr. Wherefore this prince Weda brouʒhte from North-
 umbrelonde with hym iiij. prestes, Ced, Adda, Becti, and
 Duina, that thei scholde preche to his peple. And Penda the
 kyng prohibitte not but that alle men scholde receyve the
 feithe of Criste that wolde. Honorius tharchebisshop of
 Cawnterbery deide in this yere, and after a yere y-paste Deu-
 dedid succedid ix. yere, whom Ithamar the bisshop of Row-
 chestre confermede. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro tertio.*
 Benedictus Biscop, abbot, and the norischer of Beda the
 preste, and the ministre of kyng, refusede places and co-
 synnes for the luffe of Criste, and wente to Rome and com-

A transmi-
gracione.

¹ *be now of, Cx.*

² *nyng, γ.*

³ *by consente of his fader, Cx.*

⁴ *dide, β.; dude, γ.; dyde, Cx.*

⁵ *Elfridus, Cx.*

⁶ *wedded, Cx.*

⁷ *soster, γ.*

⁸ *voure, γ.*

⁹ *Norþhumburlond, β.*

¹⁰ *pupel, γ.*

¹¹ *vorbud, γ.; forbad not, Cx.*

¹² *he] om. α., β., and γ.; euer he,*
om. Cx.

¹³ *Thamar, γ.*

¹⁴ *Rouchestre, β.*

¹⁵ *bisshop, β.; Cx. inserts and.*

¹⁶ *norischide, β.*

¹⁷ *vorsouk, γ.*

¹⁸ *his] om. α., β., and Cx.*

¹⁹ *touk, γ.*

linquens anno ætatis vicesimo quinto Romam adiit, et doctor inde rediit.¹ Itidem vero usque quinquies Romam visitans, libros et reliquias sanctorum ad monasteria sua, quæ erant in ripa Wyri² fluminis revexit; artem vitriariam primus ad partes suas³ attulit. Duo monasteria, scilicet⁴ Petri et Pauli, super ripas Wyri fluminis in Girvum⁵ hinc inde construxit, quibus utrisque jure abbatis⁶ præfuit, egregiumque alumnum Bedam septennem suscipiens quoad vixit docuit.⁷ *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.*⁸ *De Benedicto Biscop.*⁹ Ejus¹⁰ industriam et patientiam miratur¹¹ Beda; industriam quidem quod tantam copiam librorum et artificum¹² Angliam advexerat, toto ævo suo pœne peregrinans; in quo amor patriæ et voluptas elegantiae asperos fallebant labores. Patientiam etiam¹³ in eo miratur quod in possessione cœnobii Sancti Augustini Cantuariensis,¹⁴ ubi per regem Cantiae abbas fuerat præfectus, venienti Adriano libenter cesserit. Et etiam in sua absentia subintroducedum Wyrencibus¹⁵ alium abbatem æquanimiter tulerit, domumque reversus pari-

¹ *domum et cognatos reliquit propter Christum, Romam adiit, et denuo inde rediit, B.*

² *Wiri, A.; Wyry, B.*

³ *Northimbrinas, C.D.*

⁴ *scilicet] om. B.*

⁵ *Girum, A.B.; Birnum, C.D.*

⁶ *abbatis, A.B.*

⁷ C.D. add: "ac tandem plenus

"operibus bonis, fessusque laboribus, in Domino quievit."

⁸ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁹ *De Benedicto Biscop] om. A.*

¹⁰ *Ejus . . . eum] om. C.D.*

¹¹ *mirabatur, A.*

¹² *artinum, B.*

¹³ *etiam] que, A.*

¹⁴ *Cantuarie, B.*

¹⁵ *Wircensibus, A.*

pe wey to Rome, [and com ef¹ aze :² fyve³ sipes he wente to Rome,]⁴ and brouz^{te} bookes and holy seintes relikes⁵ hoom to his abbayes pat were in pe brynke of pe river Wyre. He was pe firste pat brouz^{te} glasier his crafte⁶ into his contray. He bulde tweie abbayes of Petir and of⁷ Poule uppon pe brinke of pe ryver⁸ Wyre ; were⁹ oon in pe on side, and pat¹⁰ o^{per} in pe o^{pir}¹¹ side in Girvum,¹² and was abbot¹³ of bope ; he took his noble norrey¹⁴ Beda, a childe of sevene zere olde, and tauz^{te} hym whiles he was onlyve. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.* Beda wondrep¹⁵ of his pacience and of his witt. Of his wit, for he brouz^{te} so many bookes and craftes men into Engelond, and was pilgrim wel nygh al his lyf tyme. In hym love of pe contray and likynge of fairnesse¹⁶ overcome pe strong travailles. He wondrep¹⁷ of his pacience, for he was i-made abbot by pe kyng of Kent, and in possessionoun of pe abbay of Seynt Austyn at Canturbury, and at comynge of Adrian he lefte it wip good wille, and leet Adrian be abbot pere. Also pe abbayes of Wyre made hem anoper abbot while he was absent, and he suffred it wip good wille,

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. mynge ageyne wente pider into the v^{the} tyme, bryngenge mony bookes and relikes of seyntes to his monasteries, whiche were in the side of the water of Wire, beyng abbotte of theyme, and techynge Beda his welbelovyde while that he lyvede. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.* Beda mervellethe¹⁹ his discrecion and pacience ; his discrecion in that he brouz^{hte} to Yngelonde so grete plente of bookes and men of crafte, travaylunge allemoste in alle his age, in whiche travayle the luffe of the cuntre and elegancy voluptuous deceyvide his grevous labors. Also he mervaylede his pacience, that he beyng in possession of the monastery of Seynt Austyn of Cawnterbury, whereof he was made governour by the kyng of Kent, zafe place to Adrianus commynge to hit ; also he suffrede an other abbot made in his absence at his monastery

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2261.A transmi-
gracione.

f. 271 b.

¹ ef] eft, Cx.² efte azen, β.³ vyf, γ.⁴ From α., β., γ., and Cx.⁵ holy relekes of holy seyntes, α. and β. ; relyquyes, Cx.⁶ glasieres craft, β.⁷ of] om. α.⁸ rever, γ.⁹ were] om. α., β., and Cx.¹⁰ pe, α.¹¹ o^{per}] om. α.¹² in Girvum] forn azenst, β.¹³ that other syde, forn azenst, and was abbot, Cx.¹⁴ nory, α. and β.¹⁵ wonderp, γ.¹⁶ veyrnes, γ.¹⁷ wondryd, Cx.¹⁸ a was, γ.¹⁹ Sic.

lem ei honorem communicaverit; quin etiam¹ ipse tandem paralyti² percussus etiam³ tertium abbatem adjunxit.⁴ Hoc quoque anno Penda rex Merciorum occidit⁵ bello Annam regem Orientalium Anglorum, pro eo quod regem Kenwalcum foverat contra eum.⁶ Hoc etiam anno Bothulphus⁷ abbas construxit monasterium ad orientem Lincolniae in loco qui dicitur⁸ Icanno. *Beda, libro tertio, capitulo vicesimo quarto.*⁹

Gratiæ
DCLV.
Constantini
XVII.

Hoc anno decessit Penda rex Merciorum,¹⁰ cum triginta ducibus extinctus, qui venerat ad partes Northimbranas ut regem Oswy deleteret, sicut fratrem suum Oswaldum aliquando deleverat. Neque cohibuit eum respectus affinitatis inter filios et filias contractæ.¹¹ Verumtamen rex Oswy obtulerat Pendæ donaria plurima ut a finibus¹² suis recederet. Quo nolente¹³ ait Oswy, "Si paganus nescit nostra donaria recipere, offeramus ei qui novit." Vovit igitur rex Oswy quod¹⁴ si victor in bello existeret filiam suam Elfedam¹⁵ Deo sacraret, insuper et duodecim possessiones ad construenda mo-

¹ *et, A.*

² *paralysi, MS.*

³ *etiam] om. B. ; et, A.*

⁴ *adjunxit, A.*

⁵ *in, B.*

⁶ See note ¹⁰, page 78.

⁷ *Botulphus, A.*

⁸ *qui dicitur] quidem, A.*

⁹ C.D. omit reference.

¹⁰ *Merciorum] om. A.*

¹¹ *eorundem, C.D.*

¹² *cæptis desisteret quo nolente, &c., C.D.*

¹³ *volente, B.*

¹⁴ *ut, B.*

¹⁵ *Alfedam, A.*

and dede¹ þe newe abbot whan he come home worschipe² as opere men dede; also he was at þe laste i-smyte wip a palsye, and made þe þridde abbot þerto. Also þat 3ere Penda, kyng of Mercia, slou3 Anna, kyng of [Est]³ Angles, in a bataille, for he hadde i-favored kyng Kenwalcus a3enst⁴ hym. Also þat 3ere Bothulphus bulde⁵ an abbay byside⁶ Lyncolne in a place þat hatte Icanno. *Beda, libro 3º, capitulo 24º.* Þat 3ere deide Penda kyng of Mercia, and was i-slawe, he and þritty cheventeynes⁷ þat come into þe contray of Norþhumberlond for to slee kyng Oswy, [as]⁸ he hadde i-slawe his broþer Oswald somtyme, and spared nou3t for alye and affinite þat was bytwene here sones and hir dou3tres. Nopeles kyng Oswy profred hym meny grete 3iftes for to wende out of his lond, but he wolde nou3t therof; þanne Oswy seide, “Yf þis pay-“ nym can nou3t fonge⁹ oure 3iftes, þanne [we]¹⁰ schal profre “and offre to hym þat can.” Þan kyng Oswy made a vow¹¹ þat 3if he hadde þe victorie in þat bataille he wolde offre his dou3ter Elfreda to God of hevene, and also possessiouns¹² for

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. of Wyre paciently. Whiche vexede soore with the palsy, made the thrydde abbote at his monastery in his lyfe. Penda the kyng of the Marches did sle in this yere Anna kyng of Este Yngliche men, in that he norischede Kenwalcus ageyne hym. Also Bothulphus thabbot made in this yere a monastery at the este of Lincoln, in a place called Ichao. *Beda, libro 3º, capitulo vicesimo tertio.* Penda the kyng of Marches was extincte this yere, with xxx^{ti} dukes, whiche come to Northumbrelonde to have sleyne kyng Oswy like as he did Oswalde his broþer, refreynge not hym selfe for the contracte of matrimony betwene theyme and their childre. Neverthelesse kyng Oswy offrede to hym grete 3iftes that he scholde departe from his londe. Penda refusenge theyme, kyng Oswy seide: “If a pagan hathe noo knowlege to take oure “3iftes, we schalle 3iffe to hym suche pinges as he knowethe.” Then kyng Oswy made a promyse to God þat he scholde make Alfedra his do3hter a myncheon, and 3iffe also xij. possessions to the edificacion of monasterys to God, so that he

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¹ *dide, β.*
² *obedience, Cx.*
³ From *α, β, γ,* and *Cx.*
⁴ *a3enus, β.*
⁵ *bilde, β;* *Botulphus bylded,*
Cx.
⁶ *by Est, α, β,* and *Cx.*

⁷ *cheveteynes, β;* *capytayns, Cx.*
⁸ From *α* and *Cx.*
⁹ *vonge, γ;* *resseyve, Cx.*
¹⁰ From *α, β, γ,* and *Cx;* *he,*
MS.
¹¹ *made his avowe, Cx.*
¹² *possession, Cx.*

nasteria Deo daret. *De morte Pendæ regis Merciorum.*¹ Commisso igitur prælio in regione Leedes² non longe ab Eboraco, juxta flumen Wynwed, tunc plurimum inundatum, ibi³ periit Penda cum triginta ducibus suis, quamvis tricies majorem haberet exercitum. Nam qui gladium evaserant in flumine mergebantur.⁴ Tunc Alfridus⁵ cum patre fuerat, sed Egfridus obses apud uxorem Pendæ tenebatur. Odiswald⁶ filius Oswaldi tunc cum Penda fuerat, sed seorsum stetit ut eventum videret. Hac victoria peracta rex Oswy tradidit filiam suam, vix tunc⁷ trienniam,⁸ disciplinatui⁹ Hildæ abbatissæ apud monasterium suum de Hertsey,¹⁰ quod sonat insulam cervi; quæ tamen postmodum rexit monasterium apud Strenishalt,¹¹ quod sonat sinus farris,¹² quod et modo Whyteby¹³ dicitur, triginta miliaria ab Eboraco distans, ubi et¹⁴ ipsa Elfreda postmodum præfuit.¹⁵ Dedit tunc¹⁶ Oswy possessiones promissas, sex in provincia Deyrorum, et sex in provincia Berniciorum, ad con-

¹ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

² Leedis, A.

³ ibique, A.

⁴ unde et qui gladium evaserunt in flumine illo sunt submersi, C.D.

⁵ filius Oswy qui filiam Pendæ desponsarat tunc cum patre suo in bello fuerat, sed alter filius Oswy Egfridus apud reginam Merciorum Kynnetwidam obses tenebatur. Oswaldus autem filius Oswaldi, qui in parte adversa erat, tunc cum Penda stabat seorsum in loco tuto ut eventum discretius conside-

raret. Obtenta igitur hac victoria, &c., C.D.

⁶ Odiwald, A. ; Odiwal, B.

⁷ tunc] om. A.

⁸ triennem, A.B.

⁹ disciplinatui, A.

¹⁰ Hertsey, A.B.

¹¹ Streneshalc, B.

¹² ferri, B. ; farri, MSS.

¹³ Wytby, A.

¹⁴ Strevehalc, quod modo Whyteby dicitur in quo et, C.D.

¹⁵ effecta est magistra, C.D.

¹⁶ et rex, add. C.D.

to bulde twelve abbayes. Þanne þe bataille was i-doo in þe TREVISA.
 conray Leedes,¹ not fer from² ʒork, faste by þe ryver
 Wynwed, þat was þo³ hugelich⁴ aryse and over flowed⁵ a
 greet⁶ deel of þe conray; in þat batayle Penda was i-slawe,
 and pritty dukes and leders of his; and ʒit⁷ he hadde suche
 þre so hardy⁸ men⁹ in his oost as þe oþer hadde in his;¹⁰
 ffor þey þat askapede¹¹ þe swerd were adreynt¹² in þe ryver.
 Þo Alfridus hadde i-be with his fader, bote Egfridus was
 i-holde in hostage with Penda his wif. Þo Odilwald¹³ his
 sone hadde i-be wiþ Penda, but he stood aside for to see what
 ende þe bataille schulde have. Whanne þis victorie was i-doo,¹⁴
 þe kyng Oswy bytook his douʒter of þre ʒere olde to þe lore¹⁵
 of Hilda, þe abbas afterward¹⁶ in þe abbay of¹⁷ Hertiseie, þat
 is Hertes Ilond. But aftirward sche¹⁸ was abbas of Streni-
 schalt,¹⁹ þat is, þe bosom²⁰ oþer þe lappe of corn, þat now
 hatte Whiteby, and is pritty myle from ʒork; þere Elfede was
 abbas²¹ aftirward. Þanne Oswy ʒaf possessiouns for to bulde
 abbayes, as he hadde byhote, sixe in province of [Deira, and

Ab urbe. wolde sende to hym victory agenye Penda. In whiche batelle MS. HARL.
 Penda was sleyne, with xxx^{ti} dukes, nye to a grete water þat 2261.
 tyme callede Wynwed, in the cuntre of Ledis, not ferre from
 Yorke, þauʒhe Penda hade iij. tymes so mony men in his hoste A transmi-
gracione.
 as kyng Oswy hade. Then Alfridus was with his fader,
 but Edwalde the son of Oswald, as a plegge to the wife of
 Penda, stode alarge from the felde to beholde thende. That
 victory schewede to kyng Oswy, he toke his doʒhter unnethe
 of iij. yere in age to Hilda þabbes of Hertiseye, to be tauʒhte,
 whiche sowndethe as the yle of Hertys, whiche governede
 after that þe monastery of Stremschalt, as the bosom of corne,
 callede now Whiteby, xxx^{ti} myle from Yorke, where Elfeda
 was governoure afterwarde. Then Oswy ʒaf þe possessions
 promised; vj. in the province of Deira, and vj. in the province f. 272 a.

¹ *Leedys, γ.*² *ver vram, γ.*³ *thenne, Cx.*⁴ *hogelich, γ.*⁵ *flowide, β.; vlowede, γ.*⁶ *greed, MS.*⁷ *ʒut, γ.*⁸ *menye, α.; soche þrytty men, γ.; thryes soo many, Cx.*⁹ *had sich þre so many, β.*¹⁰ *in his] in his tricies, γ.; evidently not knowing what to do with the Latin word.*¹¹ *escaped, Cx.*¹² *drowned, Cx.*¹³ *Odilwald Oswaldes sone, β.; Odilwald Oswald hys, γ.; Odylwald Oswaldes sone, Cx.*¹⁴ *doon, β.*¹⁵ *loore, Cx.*¹⁶ *afterward] om. α.*¹⁷ *afterward . . . of] om. Cx.*¹⁸ *heo, β.*¹⁹ *Stremshalt, β., γ., and Cx.*²⁰ *bosome, γ.*²¹ *abbes, β.*

struendum monasteria. Dedit et Wedæ¹ genero suo regnum Australium Merciorum, quod est, ut aiunt, quinque milium familiarum, discretum fluvio² Trenta ab Aquilonalibus Mercii: sed Weda³ post triennium regni sui cito⁴ periit prodicione uxoris suæ.⁵ Quo mortuo Mercii rebellantes contra regem Oswy, erexerunt sibi in regem Wulferum filium Pendæ, quem occulte servaverant.⁶ Qui primus omnium regum Merciorum Christianus factus, Ermenildam⁷ filiam Ercomberti⁸ regis Cantuariensis⁹ in conjugem accepit,¹⁰ ex qua Kenredum et Werburgam progenuit; regem Westsaxonum Kenwalcum apud Asshedune¹¹ gloriose devicit; Vectam insulam subjugavit; quam postmodum regi Estanglorum, ut¹² Christianus fieret dedit; cujus et ipse in baptismo paternus extitit. Tandem¹³ post septimumdecimum regni sui annum apud Lichefeld sepultus est. *De regibus Francorum.*¹⁴ Clodoneus post Dagobertum patrem suum regnavit

¹ filio scilicet Pendæ, eo quod gener suus esset, C.D.

² a flumine, A.

³ præfatus, C.D.

⁴ post hoc, C.D.

⁵ C.D. insert here: "Insuper et rex Oswy misit Edwinum episcopum ad convertendos Mercios, post quem Collach Scotus, et post illum Trunher Anglus diebus Wolferi pontificaverunt, necnon Jerumannus, Cedda, et Wilfridus vicissim Occidentibus Mercii præsiderunt. Dagobertus rex Francorum obiit; cui succedens Clodoneus filius suus regnavit sexdecim annis. Hic instigante diabolo brachium Sancti Dionisii abscindi fecit. Eo quoque anno Sanctus Wandragesilus abbas obiit. Hoc etiam anno rebellaverunt duces Merciorum contra regem Northumbriæ, Oswy levantes sibi in regem Wulferum," &c.

⁶ et sic ejectis Northumbrensibus libertatem pristinam et regni fines recuperarunt. Iste Ulferus primus omnium regum Merciorum

lavacrum regenerationis suscepit quatuor episcopos in sua provincia successive habuit, scilicet, Thurnher, Jarumannus, Ceddam, et Wilfridum. Hic etiam rex filiam Ercomberti regis Cantuarie et reginæ Sexburgæ sanctam, scilicet Ermenildam, accepit in conjugem, ex qua progeniit Kenredum et Werburgam sanctam virginem, regnavitque septem annis. In quo tempore regem Westsaxonum Kenwalcum apud montana de Aschodoun gloriose devicit, Vectam quoque insulam subjugavit, quam et postmodum regi Est-Anglorum ut Christianus fieret dedit, cujus et ipse Ulferus in baptismo patrinus extitit. Paulus, lib. vi., C.D.

⁷ Eormenildam, A.

⁸ Eorcumberti, A.

⁹ Cantuariorum, B.

¹⁰ suscepit, B.

¹¹ Assedum, A.; Asshedoun, B.

¹² ubi, A.

¹³ Tandem . . . abbas] om. C.D.

¹⁴ A.B. omit title.

sixe in þe province of]¹ Brenisia. *Trevisa*.² Loke more TREVISA.
of Deyra and Brenisia in þe firste boók, capitulo 51^o. Þan it
folowep in the storie:² and he ʒaf to Weda, þat hadde
i-wedded his douʒter, þe kyngdom of Souþ Mercia, þat con-
teyneþ, as me seiþ, fyve þowsand housholdes and meynes,³
and is departed from Norþ Mercia by þe water of Trent. But
Weda after þre ʒere of his kyngdom was sone i-spyld⁴ by
tresoun⁵ of his owne wif. Whanne Weda was dede þe Merces
wax⁶ rebel aʒenst þe kyng Oswy,⁷ and took⁸ Wlferus,⁹
Penda his sone, þat þey had priveliche i-kept, and made hem¹⁰
here kyng. He was þe firste Cristen man of alle þe kynges
of Mercia, and wedded Ermenilda, Ercomber his douʒter,¹¹
kyng of Canturbury, and gat on here Kenredus and Wereburga,
and overcome nobilliche¹² Kenwalcus, kyng of West Saxons;
and wan þe yle¹³ of Wyght, and ʒaf it aftirward to þe kyng
of Est Angles for to be a Cristen man, and was his godfader
whan he was i-cristened.¹⁴ At þe laste, after seventene¹⁵ ʒere
of his kyngdom, he was i-buried at Lichefeld. Clodoneus, after
his fader Dogobertus, regnede in Fraunce seventene¹⁶ ʒere of

Ab urbe. of Bernicia, unto the edificacion of monasterys. Also he ʒafe MS. HARL.
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to Weda his son in lawe þe realme of men of the sowthe
marches; but Weda was sleyne by his wife after the thrydde
yere of his reigne. After the dethe of whom, men of the A transmi-
gracione.
Marches rebellynge ageyne kyng Oswy, erecte into theire
kyng Wulferus, the sonne of Penda, whom thei hade kepede
secretely, whiche made a Cristen man firste of þe kynges of
the Marches toke to his wife Ermenilda doʒhter of Erusbertus
kyng of Kente, by whom he gate Kenredus and Wereburga,
havyng a glorious victory ageyne Kenwalcus kyng of West-
saxons at Asshedun; subduyng also to hym the yle of Wiʒhte,
whom he ʒafe to the kyng of Este Ynglische men, that he
scholde be baptized, and he was godfader to hym, beryede
at Lichefelde after the xvij^{tho} yere of his reigne. Clodoneus
regnede in Fraunce after Dagobertus his fader, xvj. yere,

¹ From *a.*, *β.*, and *Cx.*

² *Trevisa* . . . storie] om. *β.*

³ *meynes*, *a.* and *γ.*

⁴ *lost*, *Cx.*

⁵ *trayson*, *γ.*

⁶ *Mercyes wex*, *β.*; *wex*, *Cx.*

⁷ *aʒens thynng Oswy*, *β.*

⁸ *touk*, *γ.*

⁹ *Wulferus*, *β.*; *Wolferus*, *Cx.*

¹⁰ Sic MS.; *hym*, *β.*

¹¹ *Errombes doughter*, *Cx.*

¹² *nobly*, *Cx.*

¹³ *yl*, *γ.*

¹⁴ *yvolled*, *γ.*

¹⁵ *the sevententh*, *Cx.*

¹⁶ *sixten*, *Cx.*

apud Francos xvi. annis. Qui instigante diabolo brachium Sancti Dionysii¹ fecit abscindi. Eoque² anno obiit Sanctus Wandragisilus³ abbas.⁴ *Paulus, libro sexto. De Longobardis.*⁵ Circa hæc tempora rex Longobardorum Grimaldus⁶ comperiens militem suam Bercaricum fugisse ad regem Avarorum⁷ Cacanum,⁸ mandavit regi⁹ Cacano,¹⁰ dicens quod aut Bercaricum dimitteret aut pacem cum Longobardis non haberet. Quibus auditis Bercaricus Italiam rediit, et mediante Hunulpho amico suo regi reconciliatus est. Videntes autem¹¹ quidam perversi quod Bercaricus a multis¹² esset salutatus, suggesserunt regi quod nisi Bercaricus citius necaretur rex ipse regnum¹³ perderet. Quo audito misit rex satellites stipare domum Bercarici ne fugeret.¹⁴ Quod comperiens Hunulphus amicus ejus, misit pannos lecticarios in collo Bercarici,¹⁵

¹ *Dionysii*, MS.

² *Eo quoque*, A.B.

³ *Wandragelinus*, A.

⁴ See note ¹³, page 84.

⁵ *De Longobardis*] om. A.B.

⁶ *Gribaldus*, C.D.

⁷ *Evarorum*, C.D.

⁸ *apud Sithiam*, add. C.D.

⁹ *regi*] om. B.

¹⁰ *Cacano*] om. C.D.

¹¹ *autem*] om. A.

¹² *Ticinensium civium*, add. C.D.

¹³ *vitam*, C.D.

¹⁴ Slightly varied in C.D.

¹⁵ *Bercarii*, A.

his kingdom;¹ by entysynge of þe devel he made kutte² of TREVISIA.
 seint Denys his arme. Also þat ȝere deide seynt Wandregisili-
 lius³ þe abbot. Aboute þat tyme Girmaldus,⁴ kyng of Longo-
 bardes, aspied⁵ þat his knyȝt Bertaricus was i-flowe⁶ to
 Cakanus, kyng of Auares, and sente to kyng Cakanus worde,
 and seide þat he schulde leve Bertaricus oper he schulde
 have no pees wiþ þe Longobardes. Bertaricus herde⁷ hereof,⁸
 and wente into Italy aȝe, and by help of his frend Hunnul-
 phus he was reconsiled, and i-made at oon wiþ þe kyng. Som
 wikked men sight⁹ þat Berthericus¹⁰ hadde good semblant of
 meny men, and made sugestioun to þe kyng, and seide but
 þat Berthericus were þe sonner i-slawe¹¹ þe kyng schulde lese¹²
 his kyngdom. Þe kyng herde þat, and sente¹³ knyȝtes and
 opere men to bysette Berthericus his hous, for he schulde
 nouȝt ascape, and Hunulphus aspied þat, and dede a burpen¹⁴
 of bedclopes on Berthericus his nekke, and bete¹⁵ hym with

Ab urbe. whiche causede the arme of Seynte Dionise to be kytte away, MS. HARL.
 by the instigacion of the develle. And Seynte Wandrigesilius 2261.
 thabbot deide in this yere. *Paulus, libro sexto.* Grimmaldus
 percevyngte Bertaricus his knyȝhte to have fledde to the
 kyng of Hunes, Cakanus by name, sende to kyng Cakanus
 seyenge that he scholde leve Bertaricus, or elles he scholde
 not have pease with the Longobardes. Bertaricus heryngte
 that fledde to Ytaly, and was reconsiled to Grimmaldus the
 kyng by the labor of Hunulphus, his tru frende. Then
 wikkede men seyngte that Bertaricus was taken to grace, seide
 to the kyng that he wolde be expulsede from his realme with
 owte Bertaricus were sleyne. That herde the kyng sende
 men to kepe his place þat he scholde not escape in eny wyse.
 Hunulphus his frende, percevyngte that, made Bertaricus to
 take the clothes of his bedde, and to bere theyme on his necke,

¹ of his kingdom] om. Cx.

² kitt, B.

³ Wandrigesilus, B. and γ.;
 Wandregesilus, Cx.

⁴ Girmaldus, B. and Cx.

⁵ aspied . . . Longobardes] bis
 in MS.

⁶ aflowe, B.; vlowe, γ.

⁷ hurde, γ.

⁸ therof, Cx.

⁹ siz, B.; syȝe, γ.; sawe, Cx.

¹⁰ Bertaricus, B. passim; Berta-
 ricus, Cx. et infra.

¹¹ but yf soo were that Bertaricus
 were slain, Cx.

¹² leose, γ.

¹³ sette, Cx.

¹⁴ dide a bürpen, B.

¹⁵ butte, γ.

cum pugno eum percutiens, et propellens per medium urbis usque ad muros, ubi demissus fugit in Franciam. Cum autem Hunulphus interrogaretur cur sic faceret, respondit, "Ille servus meus nequam voluit stravisse
 " mihi lectum¹ in cubiculo illius ebriosi Bercarici, sed
 " quia hoc mihi² displicuit, facio modo illum reportare
 " pannos ad domum meam." Sicque illi satellites delusi, et in cubiculo Bercarici nihil inventes, famulum Bercarici, hujus fugæ conscium, capillis extractum, usque ad regem deducunt. Contra quem quamvis⁴ mortis sententia fuisset prolata, rex tamen supra modum⁵ fidem illius famuli et Hunulphi commendans, optionem illis [dedit]⁶ utrum secum in curia sua perpetuo manere, an ad dilectum Bercaricum accedere mallet. At illi cum omni suppellectile⁷ sua ad amicum suum Bercaricum in Franciam perrexerunt.⁸ *De Sancta*

¹ *meum*, B.

² *sinere*, C.D.

³ *usque mane cum*, C.D.

⁴ *licet*, C.D.

⁵ *illius vestiari necnon et Hunulfi fidem commendans*, C.D.

⁶ *dedit*] from A.B.C.D.

⁷ *sepelectili*, A.; *suppellectuli*, B. and MS.

⁸ C.D. insert here: "Hoc anno Hilda abbatissa construxit monasterium apud Streneshale, quod

"sonat sinus farris, qui nunc
 "Qwyteby nuncupatur. Alfridus
 "filius regis Oswy desponsavit
 "Sanctam Eldredam, filiam Annæ
 "regis orientalis, quæ licet bis
 "desponsata, et jugiter per maritos
 "suos ad occubitum fuerit sollicita,
 "tata, virgo tamen mansit. Et
 "tandem in monasterio Eliensi
 "abbatissa effecta gloriosior
 "ruseans signis beato fine
 "vit."

his feest,¹ and schuft² hym, and putte³ hym forþ þoruþ þe myddel of þe citee anon to þe walles,⁴ and lefte hym þere, and Berthericus fliþ⁵ into Fraunce. Whanne me axede of Hunnulphus why he dede soo, he answerde and seide: "For þis þat is my wicked servaunt⁶ wolde have i-bedded me in þe drunken⁷ Bertaricus his beddechamber, but⁸ for þat was unlikynge to me,⁸ I⁹ make hym bere þe clopes aþen home¹⁰ to myne owne hous;" and so þe knyþtes were begiled, and fonde¹¹ not¹² in Bertaricus his chambre; and þey took Bertaricus his servaunt, þat wist of þis scapyng, and was assentyngerto, and drouþ hym out by þe heer, and brouþt hym out¹³ to þe kyng. Þe servaunt was i-dampned to þe deth, but þit þe kyng preyed hym and Hunnulphus wonderliche wel,¹⁴ for þey were so stedefast¹⁵ and so trusty,¹⁶ and þaf hym¹⁷ choys wheþer hem were levere abyde wip hym in his court for evermo oper wende to here leve¹⁸ frende Bertaricus. Þanne þey wente into Fraunce to here leve¹⁸ frend¹⁹ Bertaricus wip

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Ab urbe. smytyng hym with his fiste; and so Hunulphus bryngyng Bertaricus from his place, sende hym over the walles of the cite by a rope, and so he wente to Fraunce. This Hunulphus inquirede of men keypyng the place off Bertaricus that he scholde not escape, why he did smyte his servaunte soe, seide, "My wicked servaunte wolde have made my bedde in the chambre of drunken Bertaricus, and in that he displeasede me, y make hym to bryng the clothes home ageyne." And soe²⁰ keypyng the howse of Bertaricus deluded, and fyndyng the servaunte of Hunulphus knowyng of that dede, drawyng hym by his hedde brouþhte hym to the kyng. And thauþhe that sentence of dethe was þiffen ageyne Hunulphus and his servaunte, the kyng mervaylyng that fidelite þafe to theym choyce wheþer they wolde tary and dwell in his cowrte, or to go to Bertaricus his frende; then thei takyng theire goodes

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¹ *vest*, γ.² *schufte*, β.; *schyf*, γ.³ *pult*, γ.⁴ *wallus*, γ.⁵ *vlyþ*, γ.⁶ *Bycause my servaunt*, Cx.⁷ *drunkene*, β.⁸ *but . . . me*] whiche plesyd me not, Cx.⁹ *Ich*, β. and γ.*home*] om. Cx.¹¹ *vonde*, γ.¹² *nothyng*, Cx.¹³ *out*] om. β. and Cx.¹⁴ *wonderliche wel*] gretely, Cx.¹⁵ *stidefast*, β.¹⁶ *tristy*, β.¹⁷ *hem*, Cx.¹⁸ *lef*, β.; *lyef*, Cx.¹⁹ *to . . . frend*] with, Cx.²⁰ Sic in MS.

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XX.

*Etheldreda.*¹ Hoc² anno Egfridus filius regis Oswy ^{Sancta} ~~Etheldreda.~~

desponsavit Sanctam Etheldredam, quæ tamen prius³ Todberto comiti desponsata fuerat. Quæ licet bis⁴ desponsata, et ad amplexum jugiter fuisset⁵ sollicitata, virgo tamen mansit, et ab Egfrido separata, ad Elyg⁶ monasterium se transtulit, et abbatissa effecta miraculis coruscavit.⁷ Circa hæc tempora Hunarus⁸ princeps Saracenorum in Syria construxit novum templum, quod etiam nunc videtur in Jerusalem, ubi⁹ Saraceni adorant. *Beda, libro quarto, capitulo primo. De Can-*

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XXIII.

*tuaritis.*¹⁰ Ercombertus¹¹ rex Cantuariensis¹² obiit; cui successit Egbertus filius suus ix. annis. Eo etiam anno obiit archiepiscopus Deusdedit; unde pari¹³ consilio rex Cantia¹⁴ et rex Northimbrorum miserunt Wyghardum¹⁵ papæ Vitaliano¹⁶ ut ordinaretur archiepiscopus Cantuariensis.¹⁷ Quo mox, mortalitatis peste per An-

¹ A.B. omit heading.

² Hoc . . . coruscavit] om. C.D.

³ prius] om. A.

⁴ fuisset, B.

⁵ fuisset] om. A.B.

⁶ Elyg, A.; Ely, B.

⁷ chruscavit, MS.; coruscavit,

A.

⁸ Hunarius, A.

⁹ quotidie, C.D.

¹⁰ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

¹¹ Eorcombertus, A.

¹² Cantuariorum, A.B.

¹³ patris, C.D.

¹⁴ Cantuarie Egbertus et rex Northimbriae Oswy, C.D.

¹⁵ Wighardum, A.; Whigardum, B.

¹⁶ presbiterum, natione Anglorum, domino papæ, add. C.D.

¹⁷ Cantuarie, B.

alle þat þey hadde. Also þat [ʒere]¹ Egfridus, kyng Oswy his sone, spoused seint Etheldreda, þat was to forehonde² i-wedded to erle Todber. [Þey heo were twyes yspoused and byslych ywowed to]³ cosses and clippyng⁴ and fleschely lokynge;⁵ ʒit sche⁶ lefte⁷ clene mayde, and was departed from Egfridus, and wente into þe abbay of Elyg,⁸ and was i-made abbas pere, and dede many faire⁹ myracles and grete. Aboute þat tyme Hunarus, prince of Saracenes¹⁰ in Siria bulde a newe temple þat is now in Ierusalem, pere þe Saracenes worschipeþ God and biddeþ here bedes.¹¹ *Beda, libro 4^o, capitulo primo.* Ercombertus, kyng of Caunterbury, deide, and his sone Egebertus was kyng after hym nyne ʒere. Also þat ʒere deide þe archebisshop þat heet Deusdedit; þan þe kyng of Kent and þe kyng of Northumberlond, by oon assent, sente Wyghardus¹² to pope Vitalianus for to be archebisshop of Caunterbury. But he and wel¹³ nygh¹⁴ al his companye deyde in [þe]¹⁵ greet pestilence þat was þo¹⁶ strong in¹⁷ al Engeland;

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Ab urbe. wente to Bertaricus. Egfridus, sonne of kyng Oswy, maryede Seynte Etheldreda in this yere; whiche was maryede afore to an erle, Totbertus by name; whiche contynuede in virginite thauʒhe sche was mariede twyes; and movede to the luste of the flesche, departede after from Egfridus, and wente to þe monastery callede Elig, and made abbese, ʒafe grete resplendence thro miracles. Hunarius the prince of Saracenyngs made a newe temple in Siria abowte this tyme, whiche churche is seene now in Ierusalem, where the Saracenyngs do prey. *Beda, libro quarto, capitulo primo.* Ercobertus the kyng of Cawnterbury deide þis tyme, whom Egbertus his son succeded ix. yere. Deusdedit tharchebisshop deide in this yere, wherefore Wighardus was sende to Vitalianus þe pope, by consente of the kynges of Kente and of Northumbrelonde, that he myʒhte be ordeynede archebisshoppe of Cawnterbury. Whiche dedde by a grete pestilence reingnyng in that tyme, þe pope or-

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¹ From Cx.
² *vorhond*, γ.
³ From γ.; *to*, α., β., and Cx.
⁴ *to kyssyng, clyppynge*, Cx.
⁵ *likynge*, α. and β.; *vleyschlych lykyng*, γ.
⁶ *heo*, β.
⁷ *lefte*] preserved her, Cx.
⁸ Some one has erased the last letter of *Elyg* in β.; *Ely*, Cx.

⁹ *veyr*, γ.
¹⁰ *Sarasyns*, Cx., et infra.
¹¹ *make theyr prayers*, Cx.
¹² *Wyghardus*, Cx.
¹³ *wel nygh*] almooste, Cx.
¹⁴ *ny*, γ.
¹⁵ From β.
¹⁶ *þo*] soo, Cx.
¹⁷ *in*] into, β.

gliam tunc grassante, cum omnibus pœne suis comitibus extincto, ordinavit papa Theodorum monachum¹ Anglorum ecclesiis præsidendum.² *Beda, libro tertio, capitulo xxi.* Eo quoque anno facta est clades mortalitatis per Britanniam, incipiens a partibus austrinis;³ sub qua peste contigit quod de Egberto monacho tunc correpto narratur. Vir quippe iste cum se sentiret moribundum, tempore matutino clam de lectulo⁴ egressus est, cordeque⁵ compuncto⁶ Deum jugiter exoravit⁷ ne morti tunc daretur priusquam præteritas negligentias plenius diluisset.⁸ Vovit ad hoc quod si⁹ pestem illam evadere tunc posset, quod peregrinando¹⁰ obiret, quod præter canonicam et quotidianam¹¹ psalmodiam psalterium quotidie persolveret, si tamen corporis valitudo non obstaret, et quod in omni hebdomada¹² diem unum cum nocte sua jejunus transiret. His completis clam in lectulo se¹³ recollegit. Verumtamen ad aliqualem strepitum quem recubando concitaverat expergefactus sodalis ejus sic eum alloquitur:¹⁴

¹ *natione Tharnensem, C.D.*

² *præsidentium, B. ; archiepiscopum, C.D.*

³ *et tunc eclipsis solis contigit, tunc etiam accidit quod, &c., add. C.D.*

⁴ *cubiculo, C.D.*

⁵ *corde, B.*

⁶ *compungto, A.*

⁷ *adoravit, B.*

⁸ *deluisset, A.*

⁹ *si] om. B.*

¹⁰ *peregrinus, C.D.*

¹¹ *quotidianam et canonicam, A.B.*

¹² *ebdomoda, MS.*

¹³ *se] om. B.*

¹⁴ *alloquitur] from A.B. ; alloquium, MS.*

and þe pope ordeyned oon Theodoricus,¹ a monk, [gouvernour of þe cherches of Engelond].² *Beda, libro 3^o, capitulo 21^o.* Also þat ȝere fel³ greet pestilence in al Bretayne, and bygan in þe south contrayes. In þat pestilence byfel⁴ þat þat is i-rad of Egbertus þe monk þat werþe⁵ seek þat tyme. Þis man felede⁶ þat he was sike, and wente privelich out of his bed at matyn tyme, and was verray contrite and sorwful in his herte, and prayed God besiliche⁷ þat he schulde nouȝt deie at þat tyme, or⁸ [he had ful clenched him of his synnes that]⁹ he hadde i-doo to forehonde, and he made his avow¹⁰ þat ȝif he myȝte scape þat pestilence he wolde deie in pilgrymage; and þat wiþ oute¹¹ þe ful¹² service he wolde every day seie¹³ þe sawter, but ȝif sikenesse of body hym lette;¹⁴ and þat everiche woke¹⁵ he wolde faste¹⁶ oon day, and þe nyght þerto. Whanne þis was i-doo he wente priveliche to his bed aȝen. Bote wiþ som manere rouschelynge¹⁷ þat he made in liggynge adoun¹⁸ his felowe awook, and spak to hym and seide :

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. deynde Theodorus, monke, to be presidente of the churches of Ynglonde. *Beda, libro 3^o, capitulo xxvj^{to}.* In whiche yere a grete pestilence reignede in Britayne, begynnyng in þe sowthe partes, in whiche tyme hit happede that is rehersed of Egbertus the monke. This Egbertus perceyvynge hym lyke to dye, wente from his bedde secretly in the morowe, preyenge God with an herte contrite that he wolde not suffre hym to dye untyl that he hade doen satisfaccion and penaunce for his synnes doen by hym in his yowthe, promittyng if he myȝhte escape þat pestilence, þat he wolde dye in goynge pilgrimages, and that he scholde say dayly the sawter besyde his quotidian servyce if he were not seke, and that he scholde faste in every weke oon day with the nyȝhte withowte eny meyte. This doen he wente to bedde, and thro the movynge and sownde of hit an oper broþer to hym laboreng in the pestilence awakede and seide to him,

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¹ *Theodorus, a. and Cx.*
² From *a., β., and Cx.*
³ *fil, β.; vul, γ.*
⁴ *byfil, β.; byvul, γ.; byfl, Cx.*
⁵ *worþ, γ.; were, Cx.*
⁶ *velede, γ.*
⁷ *besyly, Cx.*
⁸ *or] er, β.; ar, γ.*
⁹ From *Cx.*; *he ful clenched hym of his trespas þat, β.; he hadde vol clenched hym of his trespases þat, γ.*

¹⁰ *avou, γ.*
¹¹ *wiþ oute] above, Cx.*
¹² *ful] vol, γ.*
¹³ *saye, Cx.*
¹⁴ *letted hym, Cx.*
¹⁵ *every weeke, Cx.*
¹⁶ *vaste, γ.*
¹⁷ *rousynng, α.; roustlyge, β.; rosslyng, γ. rustlyng, Cx.*
¹⁸ *lyng doune, Cx.*

“ Egberte, quid fecisti? Sperabam quod simul ad re-
 “ quietem¹ pergeremus; tamen quod postulasti concessum
 “ est tibi.” Unde et² mortuo illo sodali,³ Egbertus
 præfatus usque in⁴ nonagesimum ætatis annum vitam
 protelavit.⁵ Ad priora tamen vota hoc addidit, quod
 tribus anni temporibus,⁶ in Adventu, in xl^a., ante Pente-
 costen, quadraginta diebus continuis in pane et lacte
 tenui, sullata superficie⁷ crassiori, jejunavit. *Beda, libro*
*tertio, capitulo vicesimo tertio.*⁸

CAP. XVII.

[*Pleraque de Ecclesia Anglicana, et de termino Pas-*
chali accurate reperiendo.]

CIRCA hæc tempora defunctis jam dudum Aydano
 et Finano Northimbranis episcopis, successit Colmannus
 Scotus⁹ per triennium pontificaturus. In cujus diebus
 venit Agilbertus præsul Westsaxonum ad partes Nor-

¹ *vitam aternam*, C.D.

² *et*] om. B.

³ *proxima nocte, ipse*, add. C.D.

⁴ *ad*, A.

⁵ *plenus bonis operibus et exem-*
lis, add. C.D.

⁶ *videlicet in Adventu ante Natale*
Domini, in Quadragesima, et ante
Pentecosten, C.D.

⁷ *se reficiendo*, add. C.D.

⁸ *quinto*, A. ; B. omits reference.

⁹ *Scottus*, MS.

“ Egbert, what hast þou i-doo? ¹ y ² hopede þat we tweyne
 “ schulde wende in fere ³ to reste, but what þou hast i-prayed
 “ it is [y] ⁴-graunted to þe.” Þanne þat felawe deide, and
 þis ⁵ Egebertus lengþede ⁶ his owne lif to þe ʒere of his age
 foure score and ten : but he dede more þan þe raper avow, ⁷
 and faste pries in þe ʒere fourty ⁸ dayes contynuallyche to
 breed and to þynne mylk ; ⁹ fourty ⁸ dayes continuallyche ¹⁰
 in þe Lente, fourty ⁸ dayes in þe Advent, and fourty ⁸ dayes
 to fore Witsunday ; ¹¹ but al þe creem ¹² and fatnesse ¹³ of þat
 mylke þat he hadde to his breed schulde be overblowe and
 i-take away. *Beda, libro 6º, capitulo 25º.*

TREVISA.

Capitulum septimumdecimum.

ABOUTE þis tyme ¹⁴ deyde Aydanus and Fynanus, bisshops
 of Northumberlond ; and Colmannus, a Scot, com after hem to
 be bisshop þre ʒere. In his tyme come Agelbertus ¹⁵ bisshop

Ab urbe. “ Egebertus, what hase thou done ; y supposede þat we tweyne
 “ scholde have goen to gedre to reste, neverthelesse that þou
 “ desireste is grawntede to the ; ” wherefore the felawe of
 Egebertus dedde, he lyvede after unto þe xc. yere of his age,
 puttenge moore to his promisse made afore to faste in thre
 tymes of the yere, as in Advente, in Lente, and afore Pente-
 coste, xli^{ti} daies continually, contente with brede and mylke,
 þe beste of the mylke taken away. *Beda, libro 3º, capitulo
 xxiiij.*

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Capitulum septimumdecimum.

AIDANUS and Finanus, bischoppes of Northumbrelonde,
 dedde abowte these tymes, Colmannus the Scotte was suc-
 cessor to theyme by thre yere. In whiche tyme Agilbertus,

¹ doon, β.

² Ich, β. and γ.

³ yfere, β. ; yvere, γ. ; sholde
have gone togyder, Cx.

⁴ From a.

⁵ þis] thus, Cx.

⁶ lengþide, β.

⁷ dyde more than his fyrste avowe,
Cx.

⁸ vourty, γ.

⁹ melk, a.

¹⁰ continuallyche] om., a., β., γ.,
and Cx., and the Lent and Advent
transposed.

¹¹ Wytsonyde, Cx.

¹² craym, β.

¹³ fastnesse, a. ; vatnes, γ.

¹⁴ þese tymes, a. and β.

¹⁵ Agilbertus, β. and Cx.

thimbranas, ubi et ordinavit Wylfridum, tunc Ripensem¹ abbatem, in presbyterum, rege Oswyo² id rogante. Quo in tempore facta est quæstio magna et frequens de observatione termini Paschalis, quod non rite tunc a Scotis et Britonibus observabatur, sed³ ob reverentiam sanctorum patrum Columbæ,⁴ Aydani, Finani, et aliorum venerabilium patrum tolerabatur. Unde et facta est synodus in monasterio Hildæ abbatissæ, apud Strenishalt, sub anno Domini dcº. sexagesimo quarto,⁷ ubi ex una parte convenerunt Colmanus episcopus et Hylða abbatissa, allegantes pro se ut⁸ eorum prædecessores venerabiles patres sancti fuerunt, qui a quartadecima⁹ luna usque [ad]¹⁰ vicesimam Pascha sic celebraverant¹¹ et potissime beatus¹² Johannes Evangelista, qui apud Asiam sic observabat. At contra ex parte altera Agilbertus episcopus Westsaxonum, Jacobus

¹ *Rofensem*, B.

² *Oswio*, A. ; *Oswy*, C.D.

³ *Scottis*, MS.

⁴ *quia*, B.

⁵ *Columbani*, B.

⁶ *Jerneshalc* (sic), B.

⁷ 664, C.D.

⁸ *quod*, A.

⁹ 28, C.D.

¹⁰ *ad*, from B.

¹¹ *celebrant*, A. ; *celebraverunt*, B.

¹² *beatus*] om. A.

of West Saxons into þe contrayes of Northumberlond, and ordeyned pere¹ Wilfridus þat was tho abbot of Rypoun,² and made hym preost at þe prayour³ of kyng Oswynus. Þat tyme was a grete questioun i-made and i-meoved⁴ of þe holdyng of þe Ester terme,⁵ þat was nouȝt þat tyme lawefulliche⁶ i-holde of Scottes and of Britouns, but it was y-suffred⁷ for⁸ reverence of Columba, of Aydanus, of Fynanus, and of opere holy noble fadres.⁹ Pere¹⁰ was a counsail i-made in the abbay of Hilda þe¹¹ abbesse at Strenischalt,¹² þe ȝere of oure Lorde sixe hondred sixty and foure. Pere in þe¹³ oon side come Colmannus þe bisshop and Hilda þe abbas, and aleyde¹⁴ for hem þat here predecessours were holy men and worthy,¹⁵ and hilde¹⁶ þe Estertyde from þe fourtenþe¹⁷ day of þe mone to þe xx^{ti}¹⁸ day of þe monþe, and specialliche seint Iohn þe Evaungeliste hilde¹⁹ so the Estertyde in Asia. In þe¹³ oper side aȝenst hem com Egelbertus²⁰

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. bischop of Westesaxons, come to costes of Northumbrelonde, where he made Wilfride thabbot Ripense preste, at the peticion of kyng Oswy. In whiche tyme a grete question was movede of the observacion of Ester, seyenge that hit was not duly keped of Scottes and of Britons, but hit was suffrede as incorrecte for the reverence of holy faders, Aidanus, Finanus, Columba, and oper venerable faders. Wherefore a seyne was kepede at Stremshalte at the monastery of Hilda þabbesse, in the yere of oure Lorde God vj. c. lx. and iiij. ; where Colmanus the bischop, and Hilda the abbesse mette of that oon parte, makenge allegacioun for theym that worschipfulle faders theire predecessours and seyntes kepede Ester from the xiiij^{the} moone unto the xx^{ti} moone, and specially Seynte Iohn Evangeliste in Asia. On that oper parte was Agilbertus bischop o

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¹ *pare*, γ.
² *Rypou*, Cx.
³ *prayer*, a.; *prayers*, Cx.
⁴ *meved*, β.; *mevyd of the Eester-daye that was*, Cx.
⁵ In the margin is "*Loo here dis-putasion ys whenne Ester day schal falle, and on what day yt schal be holde.*"
⁶ *lawfollyche*, γ.
⁷ *y-suffred*, from a.; *suffred*, β.; *suffryd*, Cx.; *i-offred*, MS.
⁸ *for*] at, Cx.

⁹ *vaders*, γ.
¹⁰ *pere*] *perfor*, Cx.
¹¹ *þe abbesse . . . foure*] om. Cx.
¹² *Stremshalt*, β.; *Strenshalt*, γ.
¹³ *þe*] *þat*, β.
¹⁴ *axede*, γ.; *alleggyd*, Cx.
¹⁵ Transposed in a. and β.
¹⁶ *helde*, β.; *hulde*, γ.
¹⁷ *vourteþe*, γ.
¹⁸ *twentibe*, a.
¹⁹ *huld*, γ.
²⁰ *Egylbertus*, Cx.

presbyter Paulini quondam Eboracensis archiepiscopi Wylfridus Ripensis¹ abbas, et Alfridus [filius² regis Oswy]³ una cum uxore⁴ regis, disputante⁵ pro eis Wylfrido; qui allegabant pro se morem universalis ecclesiae, puta⁶ Græciæ, Italiæ, Romæ, Africae, Galliae, præferendum fore constitutioni⁷ unius orbis anguli, qui nimirum decreta synodalia non noverat. Præsertim cum Johannes Evangelista in primitiva et novella tunc ecclesia legis adhuc scita in multis observaret,⁸ Judaizante tunc ecclesia in multis, nec ipso Johanne valente tunc omnia ad plenum abradere; sicut legitur de⁹ Paulo apostolo quod Timotheum¹⁰ circumcidit, quod¹¹ hostias¹² in templo immolavit, quod cum Aquila et Priscilla caput suum totondit Corinthi, ad nihil utile nisi ad scandalum Judæorum devitandum. Quin etiam¹³ beatus Johannes juxta legis ritum quarta-decima die mensis primi ad vesperam incipiebat Pascha, nil curans utrum hoc sabbato an alia feria perveniret. Ac vero Petrus apostolus, cui datus est ecclesiae primatus cum potestate¹⁴ ligandi et solvendi, secundum

¹ *Rifensem*, B.

² *filius . . . Oswy*] from C.

³ *Oswy*] om. A.

⁴ *ejusdem*, C.D.

⁵ *et Alfridus regis filius disputante*, B.

⁶ *puta*] from A.; *pu^a*, B.; *Picta*, MS.

⁷ *constitutionem*, A.

⁸ *inscia in multis oberraret*, C.D.

⁹ *in*, A.

¹⁰ *Thimotheum*, A.B.

¹¹ *et*, A.

¹² *ostias*, MS.

¹³ *et*, B.

¹⁴ *cum potestate*] cui data est potestas, B.

bisshop of West Saxons, Iames pat was somtyme Paulinus pe archebisshop of 3ork his preost, and Wilfridus abbot of Ripoun, and Alfridus pe kynges sone. And Wilfridus desputede for hem, and pey¹ alleide² for hem pat pe manere and pe usage of al holy chirche of Grees,³ of Italy, of Rome, of Gallia, and of Fraunce, schulde be i-sette to fore⁴ pe manere and custom⁵ and usage of a corner of pe worlde,⁶ and⁷ knewe nouzt pe decrees of synodus,⁸ as it is no wonder, namliche while Iohn pe Evangelist in pe bygynnyng of holy chirche, pat was tho 3ong and tendre, heeld pe ordinaunce of Moyses lawe, in meny pinges⁹ folwede¹⁰ poo the Iewes;¹¹ and Iohan¹² muzte nouzt 3it schave al away at pe¹³ fulle;¹⁴ as it is i-wrete of Poule pat he circumcided Thimotheus,¹⁵ and pey¹ offred oystes¹⁶ in pe temple, and schare¹⁷ his heed with Aquila and Priscilla at Corinthi; and pat was profitable to nopng but for to putte¹⁸ of pe slaundre of the Iewes. And also Seint Iohn, by pe usage of pat lawe, bygan to holde pe Ester¹⁹ tyde the fourteenpe day of pe firste monpe, and rouzt²⁰ nouzt wheper hit fel²¹ in a Satirday oper in a nofer day of pe woke. And Peter pe Apostel, pat was primat of holy chirche, and hadde power to

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. Westesaxons, Iacobus, preste of Paulinus somme tyme bischoppe of Yorke, and Wilfridus thabbot Ripense, with Alfridus son to the kyng. Wilfridus, disputyng for theym, did allegate the consuetude of the chirche universalle, as of Grece, of Ytaly, of Rome, of Affrike, and of Fraunce, seyng theyme to be preferrede afore a constitucion of oon angle of the worlde, whiche hade noo knowlege of hooly decretys made by cownesayles. And as for Seynt Iohn began Ester from the xiiij^{the} day of pe firste monethe at evynsonge, takyng noo hede wheper hit were in that day or in an othyr day. And also Petre the prince of apostles, to whom the principate of the chirche was 3iffen, with power of byndyng and of loosyng, abode after

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gracione.¹ pey] om. Cx.² aledged, Cx.³ Grekes, B. and Cx.; Gres, γ.⁴ tovore, γ.⁵ costum, γ.⁶ worl, γ.⁷ and] that, Cx.⁸ synodes, Cx.⁹ and added in Cx.¹⁰ volwede, γ.¹¹ Juwes, γ.¹² Joon, β., et infra.¹³ atte volle, γ.¹⁴ and . . . fulle] om. Cx.¹⁵ Thimothe, β.; Thymothe, Cx.¹⁶ oostes, Cx.¹⁷ schar, γ.¹⁸ potte, γ.¹⁹ Eester, Cx.²⁰ rozte, γ.²¹ fil, β. and Cx.; vull, γ.

legis traditionem¹ quartamdecimam lunam primi mensis nascentem in vespere plenam, sicut et Johannes, expectavit, et proxima Dominica quæ illud plenilunium et equinoctium usque ad lunam vicesimam primam sequebatur Pascha celebravit. Si vero Dominica dies in ipsa quartadecima luna caderet, illam non observabat,² qui illa Dominica tunc foret de præcedenti anno, et non de novo incipiente.³ His auditis rex Oswy subintulit. Et⁴ quo vos⁵ asseritis tot et tanta Petro fuisse a Christo collata, tali ostiario⁶ contradicere non audeo, ne forsan⁷ cum venero claudat mihi fores cœli. His dictis assensit multitudo, sed et Ced Orientalis episcopus tunc præsens deinceps mansit correctus;⁸ Colmannus tamen⁹ episcopus Northimbranus¹⁰ indignanter recessit ad partes Scotorum. *Ranulphus*. Igitur ad terminum festi Paschalis infallibiliter¹¹ reperiendum, juxta

Tria sunt
conside-
randa pro
termino
Paschali in-
veniendi.

¹ *præcepta*, C.D.
² *observabit*, B.
³ *quia incipiente*] om.
 C.D.
⁴ *Ex*, A.B.
⁵ *omnes in hoc consentitis quod
 Christus tradidit Petro claves regni
 cœlestis una cum ecclesia princi-
 patu, nec alicui alteri tale quid*

*commisit, dico vobis quod tali hos-
 tiario, &c.*, C.D.
⁶ *ostiario*, MS.
⁷ *forte*, A.
⁸ *correptus*, A.
⁹ *tunc*, A.B.
¹⁰ *North'*, A.; *Northumbria*, B.
¹¹ *infallibiliter . . . Anglorum*
 om. A.

bynde and unbynde, he abode¹ þe fourtenþe day of þe mone [whanne þe moone were at þe folle,² as Seint Iohn dede, and bygan to holde þe Ester tyde at eve þe next Sondag after]³ þe fulle of þe moone, and þe evenes of þe day and þe nyzt, and hilde þat tyde to þe oon and twenty day of þe moone; and 3if þe fourtenþe day of þe moone fil⁴ in a Sondag, he hilde nouzt þere þe Ester day, for þat Sondag was of þe raper 3ere, and nouzt of þe newe 3ere þat schulde þo bygynne. Kyng Oswy herde⁵ þis, and seide; "Sippe⁶ þat 3e telleþ⁷ þat so " meny and so⁸ greet privileges and powere were i-graunted⁹ " to Peter, I dar nouzt wip seie¹⁰ so grete and suche a " fissher¹¹ and porter,¹² leste he close hevene 3ate a3enst¹³ " me¹⁴ whan þat¹⁵ I schulde come in to hevene." Whan þis was i-seide þe multitude assented; bote Eede¹⁶ bisshop of þe Est was þere present, and hilde¹⁷ hym corrected from þat tyme forþward.¹⁸ But Colmannus, þat was the¹⁹ bisshop of Norþumberland, was²⁰ wroop, and wente þennes into þe contray of Scottes. [R.]²¹ þan²² for to fynde²³ þe Ester terme wip oute

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. the tradicion of þe lawe the xiiijthe moone of the firste monethe, lyke to Seynte Iohn, kepyng the feste of Ester in the nexte Sonneday whiche folowede the fulle of the moone and the equinocciale unto the xxjthe moone. And if Sonneday felle on the xiiijthe day, he kepede not Ester in that day, for then that Sonneday was of the yere precedent, and not of a newe yere. These wordes purposede, kyng Oswy seide, " Sithe ye say so mony thynges and grete to have be 3iffen to " Petyr, y dar not say ageyne hym, leste peradventure he schutte " the durre when y comme." Then a grete multitude of peple condescende to Wilfridus, and Ced, bischoppe of Esteyngliche men, was correcte from that tyme; but Colmannus havynge indignacion þerof, returnede to the Scottes. R. Unto the tru knowlege of the kepyng of Ester thre thynges ar to be atten-

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gracione.
f. 273 b.

¹ *abod*, γ.
² *volle*, γ., et infra.
³ From α., β., γ., and Cx.
⁴ *vul*, γ.
⁵ *hurde*, γ.
⁶ *Seppe*, γ.
⁷ *telle*, Cx.
⁸ *so*] om. Cx.
⁹ *ygrauntet*, γ.
¹⁰ *wipsigge*, β.; *wipsygge*, γ.
¹¹ *vischer*, α.; *uscher*, β.; *an oyschere*, γ.

¹² *soo grete an ussher & porter*, Cx.
¹³ *a3enus*, β.
¹⁴ *men*, α.
¹⁵ *þat*] om. β. and Cx.
¹⁶ *Ced*, Cx.
¹⁷ *heelde*, β.
¹⁸ *vorþward*, γ.; *forward*, Cx.
¹⁹ *the*] þo, β.; tho, Cx.
²⁰ *tho*, add. Cx.
²¹ From α.
²² *þan*] om. Cx.
²³ *vynde*, γ.

sententiam Bedæ, libro quinto de gestis Anglorum, oportet tria observare et expectare, scilicet equinoctium vernale, plenilunium¹ perfectum, et diem Dominicum. Nam sicut in principio mundi sol procedens a medio orientis equinoctium² suo præfixit exortu, deinde sole occidente luna plena secuta est a medio orientis, ita omnibus annis sequentibus idem primus mensis lunæ oportet servari, ut non³ ante equinoctium, sed vel in ipso equinoctii die, sicut in principio mundi factum est, vel equinoctio transenso⁴ plenilunium habere debeat. Quæ igitur luna ante equinoctium plena fuerit, puta⁵

¹ *plenilunium . . . equinoctium*] |
om. B.

² *vernale*, add. C.D.

³ *non*] om. C.D.

⁴ *transito*, C.D.

⁵ *pu*^a, B.

any¹ faile, by² Beda his lore,³ libro 5^o, de Gestis Anglorum, me mote take hede of þre and abide þe þre : þe evenes of þe day and nyȝt in springing tyme, þat now hatte Lente,⁴ and þe Sunday ; for⁵ as be⁶ bygynnyng of þe world⁷ þe sonne passede out of þe myddel of þe Est [and markede þe evenes of þe day and nyȝt in springing tyme with hys arysyng, and þanne whanne þe sonne ȝude adoun, þe voll mone com after out of the myddel of þe Est].⁸ And so all þe ȝeres after me mote take hede⁹ to þe same firste monþe of þe moone, for nouȝt to fore þe evenes of þe day and nyȝt,⁵ [but in þe evenes of þe day and nyȝt,¹⁰ as it was i-doo in þe bygynnyng of þe world ; oþer after þe evenes of þe day and nyȝt, [as hit was y-doo in þe bygynnyng¹¹ of the worlde ; oþer after þe evenes of þe day and nyȝt,¹² me mote take hede whanne the mone is at þe fulle.¹³ Þanne whan¹⁴ þe mone [þat]¹⁵ is at þe fulle¹³ to¹⁶ þe evenes of þe day and nyȝt, as it was i-doo in þe bygynnyng of þe world,¹⁷ wheþer it be of fourtene days olde,

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. dide, after Beda, libro v^{to}, de temporibus vel de gestis Angliae, MS. HARL. 2261. that is to say, the equinocciale of ver, the perfite plenilune or fullenesse of the moone, and Sonneday. For lyke as in the begynnyng of the worlde the sonne procedyng from the myddes of the este, prefixede in hys arisyng the equinocciale of ver, after that the sonne beyng in the weste a fulle moone folowede from the myddes of the este, and in likewise in alle yeres foloyng. And so the firste monethe of the moone awe to be observe, that not afore the equinocciale, or in the day of the equinocciale, as hit was in the begynnyng of the worlde, or the equinocciale paste, he awe to have the fulle of the moone, perfore what moone is fulle afore the equinocciale, as þe xiiij^{the},

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gracione.

¹ any] om. Cx.

² In Cx. the passage "by Beda . . . schal be iholde" is omitted, and his text runs thus: "To fynde the Eester tyme without fayle ther ben rewles ymowe in the ordynal of the kalendre, and it is nedeful to sette it here. But the error, &c."

³ Beda's loore, β.

⁴ leynte, α, β, and γ.

⁵ For as . . . and nyȝt] bis in MS.

⁶ be] Sic in MS. ; in þe, β. and γ.

⁷ worl, γ.

⁸ From γ; and marked þe evenes of þe day and nyȝt in springing tyme

wiþ his arisinge. And þanne whanne þe sunne ȝede down, þe ful mone com after out of the myddel of þe Est, β.

⁹ hyde, γ.

¹⁰ From α, β, and γ.

¹¹ as . . . bygynnyng] from α; the addition is made and erased in β.

¹² From γ.

¹³ volle, γ.

¹⁴ whan] om. α. and β.

¹⁵ From α, and β.

¹⁶ to] tovore, γ.

¹⁷ as it was . . . world] om. γ.

quartadecima, quintadecima, sextadecima, vel deinceps existens, hæc ad ultimum præcedentis anni mensem pertinet, idcirco ad Paschalem ¹ celebrandum habilis ² non est. Quæ vero luna in ipso equinoctio vel post ³ plena est, in ⁴ illa tanquam in tertia hebdomada primi ⁵ mensis lunaris, a vespera ⁶ quartædecimæ diei usque ad vesperam vicesimæ primæ diei procurrente, ubi Dominica dies primum occurrerit, Pascha celebrandum est. Error tamen quem ⁷ in nostro kalendario usuali ⁸ adhuc tolerat ecclesia tantus ⁹ modo inolevit, ¹⁰ quod solstitia et equinoctia et ingressus solis in signa, jam circa annum gratiæ millesimum trescentessimum vicesimum, per duodecim ¹¹ dies in kalendario retrocesserunt. Et ex hoc proveniet ¹² quod nisi kalendarium nostrum usuale per subtractionem [dierum] ¹³ bisextilium ad ¹⁴ tempus aut alio modo corrigatur, si tempus gratiæ usque ad octodecim millia annorum procurrerit, Pascha kalendarii nostri eveniet

¹ *Pascha*, A.B.

² *abilis*, A.

³ *equinoctium*, add. C.D.

⁴ *et*, A.

⁵ *proximi*, C.D.

⁶ *vespere*, B.

⁷ *quod*, C.D.

⁸ *quem*, B.

⁹ *tantum*, C.D., omitting *modo*.

¹⁰ *tolerat tantus nostro inolevit*,

A.

¹¹ *undecim*, C.D.

¹² *sequitur*, C.D.

¹³ *dierum*] from A.B.

¹⁴ *ante*, C.D.

of fiftene,¹ oper of sixtene, and so forþ, it longeþ to þe laste monþe of þe 3ere þat is a passed, and þerfore it is nou3t conuenable to holde þerby þe Esterday. But what mone is at þe fulle in þe evenes of þe day and ny3t,² duryng þat mone in þe þridde woke of þe firste³ monþe of þe mone from þe fourteþe⁴ day to þe eve of þe oon and twenteþe day, þere þe firste Sunday falleþ,⁵ þere Esterne⁶ schal be i-holde. But þe errour þat holy chirche⁷ suffreþ⁸ in oure⁹ kalender þat we useþ¹⁰ is so incresed, þat þe styntinge of þe sonne, and þe evenes of þe day and nyght, and þe entringe of þe sonne and þe evenes¹¹ into þe signes, beþ¹² a¹³ passed bakward¹⁴ by twelve dayes in oure kalender now, aboute þe 3ere of oure Lord a powsand þre hondred and twenty.¹⁵ And þerfore, but oure kalender þat we useþ¹⁰ be amended by wiþdrawyng of þe dayes þat beþ¹⁶ i-putte¹⁷ to in þe lepe¹⁸ 3ere¹⁹ in²⁰ a certeyne tyme, oper in som oper manere wise, 3if þe tyme of grace dureþ²¹ to ei3tene powsand 3ere, Ester day schal falle²²

TREVISA.

Ab urbe.

þe xv^{the}, or xvj^{the}, and so of oper or moore after that, hit pertenethe to the laste parte of the yere precedent. Perfore Ester is to be kepede in that moone whiche is fulle in þat equinocciale, or after, as in the thrydde weke of the firste monethe of þe moone, from the eve of the xiiij^{the} day unto the xxjth day rennyng, where Sonneday commythe firste. Neverthelesse the church e suffrethe the erreure in the usualle kalendary, whiche began in this wise, that the solstices and equinocciales and entrenges of the sonne into signes have goen backe in the kalendary by xiiij. daies, abowte the yere of oure Lorde God m^r.ccc. and xxth. And þerfore but if the usualle kalendary be correcte, hit schalle folowe of that errour, that and if þe yeres of Criste atteyne to the nowmbre of xvij. m^r. yere, Ester

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¹ *fiftene*, β.; *vyftene*, γ.
² *oper after þe evenes of the day and ny3t*, add. γ.
³ *first*, β.; *vurste*, γ.
⁴ *vourteþe*, γ., et supra.
⁵ *valleþ*, γ.
⁶ *Ester*, γ.
⁷ *3ut*] add. γ.
⁸ *suffriþ*, β.
⁹ *oure*] the, Cx.
¹⁰ *use*, Cx.
¹¹ *and þe evenes*] om. Cx.
¹² *ben*, Cx.

¹³ *a*] om. Cx.
¹⁴ *bacward*, β.
¹⁵ In the margin is written "*Oure kalender nedyth correccioun of yere.*"
¹⁶ *ben put*, Cx.
¹⁷ *ypot*, γ.
¹⁸ *lupe*, α. and γ.
¹⁹ *lup3ere*, β.
²⁰ *in*] to, β. and Cx.
²¹ *dure*, Cx.
²² *valle*, γ., et infra.

circa brevissimum diem anni. Et si sexta sæculi ætas ad duplum prædicti¹ numeri se protenderit, dies natalis Sancti Johannis Baptistæ erit anni brevissima, et dies Natalis Domini longissima. Cujus erroris ratio in Almageste² Ptolomei³ declaratur. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro tertio.*⁴ Igitur Colmanno⁵ Northimbrano

¹ *ad tempus numeri prædicti*, C.D.
Almagesti, B.
³ *Tholomei*, MSS.

⁴ C.D. omit heading.
⁵ *Colomanno*, A.

aboute þe schorteste day of al þe ȝere by oure kalender ; and ȝif þe sixte age of þe world¹ dureþ² suche³ two so longe, þe feste of þe burþe⁴ of Seint Iohn the⁵ Baptiste schal falle in þe schorteste day of þe ȝere, and þe feste of þe burþe of oure Lord in þe lengeste day of þe ȝere : þe cause of pis errour is declared in Tholomeus his book, in *Almagestes*⁶ Tholomey. *Trevisa*. Here have in mynde⁷ þat twyes in a⁸ ȝere falleþ⁹ þe styntyng of þe sonne, and so dooþ þe evenes of þe day and of þe nyȝt ;¹⁰ þe stinyng of þe sonne is in wynter whan þe day is schortest, and eft¹¹ in somer whan þe day is lengest. Þe evenes of þe day and of þe nyȝt is ones in þe¹² Lente,¹³ and eft¹⁴ in hervest,¹⁵ whan þe day and þe nyȝt beþ i-liche¹⁶ longe : and for we speke of þe sonne his entryng into signes, perfore have in mynde¹⁷ þat everiche monþe ones þe sonne passeþ out of oo¹⁸ signe and entreþ¹⁹ into a noþer. And for we speke of þe monþe of mone, have mynd²⁰ þat þe monþe of þe mone is from chaunge to chaunge oþer from prime to prime. Also þe firste monþe of þe mone is here i-cleped þe tyme of þe mone þat is²¹ ful whan þe day and þe nyȝt beþ i-liche longe,²² oþer next after ; for in suche²³ a tyme þe world¹ was first i-made in þe monþe of Marche.²⁴ *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro 3^o*. Þanne Colmannus, bisshop of Norþ-

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. schalle falle after our kalendary abowte þe schortyste day in the yere. And if the vithe age of the worlde contynue unto that nowmbre duplicate, the day of Seynte Iohn Baptiste schalle be the schortiste day of the yere, and Cristemasse the longeste day in the yere. The reason of this errooure is declared in the *Almagestes* of Ptolomeus. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro iij*. Colmannus the bisshop of Northum-

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gracione.

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¹ worl, γ.
² dure, Cx.
³ sich, β.; om. Cx.
⁴ birþe, β., et infra.
⁵ the] om. Cx.
⁶ *Almagestis*, Cx.
⁷ Here take heede, Cx.
⁸ a] þe, β.
⁹ valleþ, γ.
¹⁰ that is callyd in Latin equinoxium, add. Cx.
¹¹ eft] eke, Cx.
¹² þe] om. Cx.
¹³ Leynte, β.

¹⁴ eft] ageyne, Cx.
¹⁵ hervest tyme, β.; harvost-tyme, γ.
¹⁶ ylyge, γ.; ben lyche, Cx.
¹⁷ þerfore . . . mynde] ye shal understande, Cx.
¹⁸ o, γ.
¹⁹ intreþ, γ.; and entreþ, om. Cx.
²⁰ muynde, γ.
²¹ þat is] whan it is, Cx.
²² in Marche, add. Cx.
²³ sich, β.
²⁴ in . . . Marche] om. Cx.

episcopo de erroneo Paschate per Wylfridum convicto, et ad Scotos¹ ut prædictum est indignanter reverso, idem Wylfridus, procurante Alfrido regis filio,² ad archiepiscopatum Eboracensem electus est. Deinde ad Gallias consecrandus transmissus est.³ Nam archiepiscopus Cantuariensis,⁴ qui eum consecrare debuerat, Deusdedit, jam obierat.⁵ Sub illis diebus rex Westsaxonum Kenwalcus suam⁶ provinciam in duas sedes divisit; unde offensus Agilbertus indignanter ad Gallias, unde erat oriundus, reversus est, et cetera,⁷ prout supradictum est eodem libro, capitulo xv. *Paulus, libro sexto.* Circa hos dies Constantinus imperator volens Italiam de manibus Longobardorum eripere, venit Tarentum Italiæ, ubi a quodam solitario Dei viro inquisivit an Longobardos superare posset. Qui respondit, nequaquam adhuc illud fieri posse, eo quod beatus Johannes Baptista, propter unum monasterium quod ad ejus honorem in Italia fundatum est, jugiter pro Longobardis intercedit: sed erit tempus quando illud

¹ *Scottos*, MS.

² *ad*] om. B.

³ *mittitur*, C.

⁴ *Cantuaria*, B.

⁵ C.D. invert.

⁶ *episcopatum provinciæ suæ in duas sedes divisit, unam constituens apud Wyntonam principalem. Inde offensus Gilbertus episcopus de præfata synodo nuper reversus, episcopatus suo valefecit, et ad Gallias, unde oriundus erat, accessit, sedemque Parisiæ urbis quoad vixit op-*

tinuit. Sed nec successor suus imo invasor Wyne, quem rex Kenwalcus subintroduxerat, et apud Gallias propter mortem Cantuariensis episcopi ordinari fecerat, diu fovit ocium, quin etiam post biennium suscepti officii ab eodem rege expulsus est. Quamobrem ad regem Merciorum Ulferum accessit, et precio dato sedem Londoni quoad vixit occupavit, C.

⁷ *et cetera*] om. B.

humberlond, was convict¹ by Wilfridus of mysholdyng of TREVISIA.
 pe Ester day, and was wroop, and wente azen² to pe Scottes
 as it is forsaide;³ and pe same Wilfridus was i-chose arche-
 bisshop of 3ork, by procuryng of Alfridus, pat was pe kynges
 sone, and he was i-sent into Fraunce for to be sacred. For
 Deusdedit pe archebisshop of Caunterbury was dede, pat schulde
 hym sacre⁴ here in Engelonde. Pat tyme Kenwalkus kyng
 of West Saxons delede his province in tweie bisshopriches.
 Perfore Egilbertus was wroop, and wente azen⁵ into Fraunce,
 pere he was i-bore, and oper pinges, as it is i-seide in pe same
 book, capitulo 15^o. *Paulus, libro 6^o*. Aboute pat tyme Con-
 stantyn pe emperour wolde delivere Italy of pe hondes of
 Longobardes, and come to Tarent in Italy, and axede pere of
 an holy man pat was solitaire,⁶ where⁷ he myzte overcome
 pe Longobardus oper no. He answerde pat it⁸ myzte nouzt
 zit⁹ be i-doo, for bycause of an abbay pat is founded in
 Italy in worschippe of Seint Iohan¹⁰ Baptiste, Seint Iohan
 prayeþ alwey for pe Longobardes; bote tyme schal come whanne

Ab urbe. brelonde convicte by Wilfridus of the erroneus keypyng of MS. HARL
 Ester, returnede to the Scottes with indignacioun, as hit is 2261.
 schewede afore. And Wilfridus, by the labor of Alfridus, son A transmi-
 to kyng Oswy, was electe to be archebisshop of Yorke, sende gracione.
 to Fraunce that he myzhte be consecrate, ffor Deusdedit, thar-
 chebisshop of Cawnterbery, was dedde that scholde have con-
 secrate hym. In this tyme Kenwalcus, kyng of Westesaxons,
 divided his province into ij. seetes, settenge the chiefe sete at
 Wynechestre, wherewith Agilbertus movede in indignacioun,
 returnede to Fraunce, where he was borne, as hit schewede afore
 in the same booke, capitulo decimo quinto. *Paulus, libro vj^o*.
 Constantinus the emperour, willenge to delyver Ytaly from
 the Longobardes abowte this tyme, inquirede of a solitary man,
 and servaunte of Godde, wheþer he scholde have victory of the
 Longobardes. The man answerde and seide that he myzhte
 not have victory of theyme as zitte, in that Seynte Iohn
 Baptiste preyde for theym, in that thei made in Ytaly a
 monastery into the honoure off hym; but the tyme schalle

¹ convict, from a.; convicte, B., γ.,
 and Cx.; comuned, MS.

² azen] om. Cx.

³ vorseyd, γ.

⁴ sholde have sacred hym, Cx.

⁵ aze, γ., passim.

⁶ solitarye wheþer, β.

⁷ whether, Cx.

⁸ it] hyzt, γ.

⁹ zut, γ.

¹⁰ Joon, β., passim.

oratorium despectui habebitur,¹ et tunc primo² gens ipsa peribit. Imperator autem his neglectis processit contra Longobardos, sed nil prævaluit,³ Romam tamen non obstante [prece]⁴ Vitaliani papæ spoliavit. Apud⁵ Siciliam multa tyrannica exercuit, unde tandem in balneo pœnas luit. Wilfrido igitur, ut⁶ prædictum est, ad Eboracensem ecclesiam electo, et ultra mare apud Agilbertum pro confirmatione sua moras nectente, Oswynus⁷ rex, præventus consilio quartadecimanorum, id est illorum qui observabant Pascha in xiiii^a luna, Ceddam abbatem de Lestingay⁸ contra regulas canonicas sedi Eboracensi intrusit.⁹ *Beda, libro tertio, capitulo vicesimo vii*^o.¹⁰ Unde et ipsum Ceddam, ut præsul confirmaretur, Cantiam misit. Verum quia archiepiscopus Deusdedit jam obierat, Cedda divertit ad episcopum Westsaxonum Wynam¹¹ ut ab eo ordinaretur, assumptis secum in societatem ordinationis duobus de gente Bri-

¹ *et ab indignis personis habitabitur*, added in A.B. ; *et ab indignis inhabitabitur*, added in C.D.

² *primo*] om. B.

³ *quin tamen preces Vitaliani papæ minime inflexus Romam spoliavit, in partibus Siciliae, &c.*, C.D.

⁴ *prece*] from A.B.

⁵ *aut*, B.

⁶ *ut . . . vii*^o] om. C.D.

⁷ *Oswius*, A.

⁸ *Lestingai*, A.

⁹ *ultra mare moras nectente, Oswy rex, præventus consilio variorum, Ceddam abbatem de Lestingay, contra regulas canonicas, sedi Eboracensi intrusit. Beda, &c.*, C.D.

¹⁰ It should be *vicesimo tertio*.

¹¹ *Winam*, B. ; C.D. add : " qui solus in tota Britannia tunc erat canonice ordinatus."

pe¹ oratorye schal be despised, and unworpy personnes schal wonye² perynne, and panne pe Longobardus schal first be ipersed.³ Pe emperour rouzt⁴ nouzt here of, and wente forp azenst pe Longobardus, but it⁵ sped nouzt. But he spoylede Rome nouztwipstondyng pat Vitalianus pe pope prayede hym for to leve. And pe⁶ emperour dede meny grete tyrandis⁷ in Sicilia, and hadde at pe laste his penaunce in a bath.⁸ Wilfridus, as it is i-seide, was i-chose archebisshop of 3ork, and was byzonde see wij Agelbertus abidyng his confirmacioun: panne by⁹ counsaile of pe quartadecimannes, pat beep pey pat heeld¹⁰ pe Ester day in pe fourtenpe day of pe mone, ¹¹kyng Oswynus¹² took Cedda abbot of Lastyngay,¹³ and made him archebisshop of 3ork azenst pe ordynaunce of holy lawes, *Willelmus, libro 3^o, capitulo 27^o*, and sente hym into Kent for to be sacred bisshop. But for pe archebisshop Deusdedit was dede, Cedde tornede to Wyna bisshop of West Saxons, for to be i-ordeyned of hym, and took¹⁴ wij hym tweie bisshoppes

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Ab urbe.

comme when that church schalle be hade in despecte to theyme, and inhabite with unworthy persons, and then that peple schalle peresche firste. Themperoure despisyng the wordes of the servaunte of God, 3afe batelle to the Longobardes, but he prevaylede not; spoylenge the cite of Rome, notwithstandinge the preiers and desire of the pope Vitalianus beyng contrarious. Whiche goyng to Sicille exercisede grete crudelite, dyng in that cuntre in a bathe. This Wilfridus, as hit is schewede afore, electe to be archebisshop of Yorke, taryng in Fraunce with Agilbertus for his confirmacion, Oswy the kyng, movede thro peple that kepede the feste of Ester in the xiiijth moone, made Seynte Chadde, then abbot of Lestingay, tharchebisshop of Yorke, ageyne the ordinaunce of canon. *Willelmus, libro ij., capitulo xxvij.* Wherefore Chad was sende to Kente for his confirmacion, whiche returnede to Wyna bisshop of Westesaxons, for Deusdedit tharchebisshop of Cawnterbyre was dedde, havyng in his felowschippe ij. bis-

MS. HARL.
2261.A transmi-
gracione.

¹ pat, a., β., γ., and Cx.
² dwelle, Cx.
³ perished, β.; ypersched, γ.;
 perished, Cx.
⁴ rozt, γ.
⁵ he, a., β., γ., and Cx.
⁶ this, Cx.
⁷ tirauntries, β.; tyraundys, γ.;
 tyrantries, Cx.
⁸ bape, β.

⁹ by] the, Cx. (an error).
¹⁰ pat bep hy pat hulde, γ.
¹¹ In the margin is "Cedda pat
 hyhte Chadde was archebysshop of
 York, but for he was not rythfully
 yordeymed Tehodorus archebisshop
 of Cawnterbyre put hym down."
¹² Oswy, Cx.
¹³ Lestyngay, β., γ., and Cx.
¹⁴ touk, γ.

tonum episcopis.¹ Rediens ergo² Wilfridus de Galliis,³ cum videret⁴ Ceddum loco sui subintroductum, moratus est per triennium in Cantia, usque adventum Theodori, ubi⁵ ordines celebravit, ecclesias consecravit, Puttam, in arte canendi peritum, in sedem Roffensem instituit. Hoc quoque anno Benedictus⁶ Biscop secundo Romam adiit. Inde redeundo apud Lirinense⁷ monasterium attonsus biennio⁸ militavit. Unde⁹ tertio Romam veniens cum Theodoro episcopo¹⁰ et Adriano abbate, jubente papa Vitaliano Angliam rediit.¹¹ Cissa regulus, pater Yne¹² regis, construxit monasterium apud Abendoniam.¹³ Hoc anno passus est beatus¹⁴ Leodegarius sub Ebroyno majore domus.¹⁵ Constantinus imperator occiditur a suis in balneo apud Siciliam.¹⁶ *De pontificibus Romanis. Martinus.*¹⁷ Sanctus papa Adeodatus post Vitalianum sedit in papatu quatuor annis. Cujus

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DCLXVI.
Constantini
XXVI.

Gratiæ
DCLXVII.
Constantini
XXVII.

Gratiæ
DCLXVIII.
Constantini
XXVIII.

Translatio
corporis
Sancti Bene-
dicti et
sororis ejus
Scholasticæ

¹ C.D. insert : " Ordinatus itaque
" Wilfridus episcopus ab Agilber-
" to Parisiorum episcopo, a quo et
" prius in Anglia presbiter fuerat
" ordinatus, Angliam rediit ; sed
" quia Ceddum loco sui apud Ebo-
" rum institutum audierat, in Can-
" cia," &c.

² *igitur*, A.

³ *de Galliis*] om. B.

⁴ *audiret*, B.

⁵ *presbiteros et diaconos ordina-
vit. Episcopumque Puttam in arte
modulandi, quam a discipulis magni
Gregorii didicerat, peritum, &c.,
C.D.*

⁶ *agnomento*, C.D.

⁷ *Lirenense*, A. ; *Remense*, B. ;
Lirniensem, C.D.

⁸ C.D. add : " Deo indeque."

⁹ *Inde*, A.

¹⁰ *archiepiscopo*, C.D.

¹¹ C.D. insert here : " Wyne pon-

" tiffex Wentanus, per regem Ke-
" newalcum pulsus, ad regem Mer-
" ciorum Ulferum accessit, a quo
" sedem Londoni prece seu precio
" optinuit, sicque provincia West-
" saxonum quatuor annis præsule
" caruit, donec rex Kenwalcus mul-
" tipliciter conflictatus facinorum
" suorum peniteret, et ad Agilber-
" tum Parisiacensem episcopum pro
" præsule habendo mitteret."

¹² *Ina*, A.B.

¹³ *Abendoun*, A.

¹⁴ *beatus*] om. A.

¹⁵ *regiæ*, B.C.D.

¹⁶ C.D. add : " et Vitalianus papa
" obiit 6 kal. Februarii," and in-
verts the two paragraphs following,
i.e., places *Sanctus papa*, &c., after
defunctus est in next chapter.

¹⁷ A.B. omit heading and refer-
ence.

of Britouns in his companye to be wip hym at his sacrynge. Panne Wilfridus come out of Fraunce, and sigh¹ Cedda i-made bisshop in his stede; panne Wilfridus abood in Kent pre 3ere, anon to pe comynge of Theodorus, and made pere ordres, and halowede² chirches, and made oon Pucta,³ a connyng⁴ man of song, bisshop of Rouchestre. Also pat 3ere Benet bisshop⁵ wente efte⁶ to Rome, and in his comynge homward⁷ he was i-schore⁸ in pe abbey Lirnesse,⁹ and was pere two 3ere, and pennes he wente to Rome 3it¹⁰ pe pridde tyme, and com a3en into Engeland, wip Theodorus pe bisshop, and Adrianus pe abbot, at pe heste¹¹ of Vitulianus pe pope. Cissa pe kyng, [kyng Ine]¹² his fader,¹³ made an abbay at Abyndoun.¹⁴ Pat 3ere Seint Leodegarius suffred¹⁵ deth¹⁶ under oon Ebroymus,¹⁷ pe grettest man of pe kynges hous. Constantynus pe emperour is i-slawe¹⁸ of his owne men in a bath in Sicilia. After Vitalianus pe holy pope Adeodatus was pope foure 3ere; ¹⁹ in his tyme Seynt Benet his body was translated, wip the body of

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Ab urbe. choppes of Britons. Wilfridus comynge from Fraunce, MS. HARL. 2261. understondenge Chad to occupy his seete, taryede in Kente, prechynge and 3iffenge orders unto the comynge of Theodorus tharchebisshop of Cawnterbery, and haloyde churches, and made Picta, a noble musicion, bischoppe of Rowchestre. Also Benedictus Biscop, wente to Rome in this yere the secunde tyme, whiche returnynge ageyne taryede at the monastery Lirinense by ij. yere; whiche goynge to Rome in pe prydde tyme, come to Ynglonde with Theodorus bisshop, and Aidanus abbote, by the commaundement of Vitalianus the pope. Cissa, lytelle kyng and fader to kyng Ina, made the monastery of Abyndon in this yere. Leodegarius suffrede passion in this yere under Eborinus, governoure of the kynges howse. Constantinus themperoure was sleyn at Sicil by his kny3htes in a bathe. The holy pope Adeodatus succeded Vitalianus iiij. yere; in the tyme of whom the body of Seynte

A transmi-
gracione.

f. 274 b.

¹ *sy3*, β. and γ.; *sawe*, Cx.² *halwide*, β.; *halwede*, γ.³ *Putta*, Cx.⁴ *kunnyng*, β.⁵ *bisshop*, β.; *byschop*, γ.⁶ *efte*, from γ.; *agayn*, Cx.; *ofte*,

MS.

⁷ *hamward*, β. and γ.⁸ *shorne*, Cx.⁹ *Lirnesse*, α. and β.; *Bruense*, γ.; *Lirnesse*, Cx.¹⁰ *3it*] om. Cx.¹¹ *atte commaundement*, Cx.¹² From α., γ., and Cx.¹³ *vader*, γ.¹⁴ *Abendoun*, β.; *Abendon*, Cx.¹⁵ *suffride*, β.¹⁶ in *Fraunce*, add. Cx.¹⁷ *Ebroymus*, β.; *Ebroinus*, γ.¹⁸ *was slayne*, Cx.¹⁹ In margin is "*Scolastica was Seynt Benet ys suster.*"

corpore sororis suæ Scholasticæ¹ per Aygulphum² Floriacensem³ monachum, a monte Cassino, quod est in provincia Beneventana, usque ad monasterium Floriacense juxta Aurelianensem.⁴

CAP. XVIII.

[*Multa de rebus Britannicis; pauca de Longobardis et de papatu.*]

Gratiæ
DCLXIX.
Constantini
quarti
primo.

CONSTANTINUS quartus, filius superioris Constantini, imperavit annis septemdecim. *Petrus*.⁵ Grimwaldus rex Longobardorum, ix. die post phlebotomiam⁶ suam dum arcum⁷ traheret ad columbam vena dirupta⁸ sed medicis venenata apponentibus defunctus est. *Beda, libro quarto, capitulo ii*. Hoc anno Theodorus archi-
episcopus Cantiam venit sexto kalendis Junii, secundo consecrationis suæ anno, ubi per xxi. annos menses

Theodorus
magnus.

¹ *Scolasticæ*, A.B.
² *Aigilfum*, A.
³ *Floriacensis canobii*, C.D.
⁴ *Aurelianum*, A.B. ; C.D. add *Beda, lib. 4^o, c. 2.*

⁵ B. omits reference.
⁶ *fleobotomiam*, MSS.
⁷ *archum*, A.
⁸ *est* is added here in MS.

his suster ¹ Scolastica ; Augustinus, ² a monk of Floria, translated hem in to þe abbay of Floria, þat is besides Aurelia, ³ [out] ⁴ of þe hil mont Cassyn, þat is in þe province Beneventana. ⁵ TREVISA. —

Capitulum octodecimum. Constantinus.

THE fourþe ⁶ Constantyn, þe forsaide ⁷ Constantyn his sone, was emperour seventene ðere. Grymwaldus ⁸ kyng of Longobardes, þe nynþe day after his blodles, scheet to ⁹ a colver, and his veyne to brak ; and leches leyde þerto venymous pinges, ¹⁰ and so he was dede. [*Beda, libro quarto, capitulo secundo.*] ¹¹ Þat yere Theodorus þe archebisshop com into Kent fyve ¹² dayes to fore Iuyn, ¹³ in þe secunde ðere of his consecracioun, and he was bisshop pere oon and twenty ðere

Ab urbe. Benedicte, with the body of Seynte Scolastica his sustre, was translate by Aigulfus, a monke Floriacense, from the mownte Cassyne, whiche is in the province Beneventan, unto the monastery Floriacense nye to Aurelians. MS. HARL. 2261. —
A transmigratione.

Capitulum octodecimum.

CONSTANTINUS the iiiijthe, and son of Constantyne afore rehersed, was emperoure xvij. yere. Grimaldus, kyng of Longobardes, drawyng a bowe to schote at a dofe, in the ixthe day after that he was lete bloode, brake a veyne, but leches puttenge to hit poyson causede hym to dye þerwith. *Beda, libro iiiij^{to}, capitulo ij^{do}.* Theodorus come to Kente in this yere, the vijthe kalendes of Iunius, in the secunde yere of his consecracioun, where he was bisshop xxj^{ti} yere and vj. monethes.

¹ *soster, γ.*

² *Augustus, β. and Cx. ; Aigustus, γ.*

³ Over *Aurelia* is written in β. in an early hand *Orliaunce ; Orleauunce, Cx.*

⁴ From α. and β. ; *fro the mount, Cx.*

⁵ *Bonevent, β. and Cx.*

⁶ *urde, γ.*

⁷ *vorseyde, γ.*

⁸ *Grimwaldus, Cx.*

⁹ *blodeles schotte at, β. ; bled- yng on the arme shotte at a douve, Cx.*

¹⁰ *þingis, β.*

¹¹ From Cx.

¹² *vif, γ.*

¹³ *Jun, γ.*

quatuor pontificavit. Hunc virum monachum, Tarsum¹ Ciliciæ² natum, sæculari et divina litteratura Græce et Latine instructum, annos ætatis³ sexaginta sex habentem, misit papa Vitalianus⁴ Anglis episcopum, associans ei cooperatorem Adrianum abbatem, ne forsitan⁵ quicumque fidei contrarium, more Græcorum, in ecclesiam Anglorum introduceret. Qui mox ut venit totam insulam peragravit, ordinem recte vivendi instituit, modum rite Pascha celebrandi contradidit.⁶ Artem modulandi et⁷ calculandi in astronomia⁸ sub utraque lingua, Græca⁹ et Latina, juvante Adriano, suis discipulis infudit. Episcopos per loca ordinavit; non rite ordinatos aut amovit, aut rursus¹⁰ rite consecravit. *Ranulphus*.¹¹ Inter quos Ceddam episcopum¹² ad Eboracensem sedem non rite consecratum, sed defectum suum humiliter recog-

¹ *Tharso*, A.; *Tharse*, B.; *Tharsum*, MS.

² *Siliciæ*, MSS.

³ *sua*, B.

⁴ *Vitalianus*] om. A.

⁵ *Theodorus iste*, C.D.

⁶ *contradicit*, A.; *tradidit*, B.

⁷ *et*] om. A.

⁸ *astronomia*, A.; *et astonomia*, B.

⁹ Slightly varied in C.D.

¹⁰ *aut rite ordinavit*, B.

¹¹ A.B.C.D. omit reference.

¹² *non rite consecratum, sed humiliter defectum suum cognoscentem, denuo confirmavit, adque petitionem Ulferi regis Merciorum simul et Lidisfarorum episcopum destinavit, præcipiens ut de cætero equo veheretur. Wilfredum quoque jam diu expulsus sedi suæ pristinae apud Eboracum intronizavit*, C.D.

and foure monþes.¹ Þis man was a monk, i-bore in Tars TREVISIA.
 in Sicilia,² and was connyng³ boþe in holy lettrure⁴ and
 in seculer lettrure,⁵ in Gru⁶ and⁷ Latyn. Whanne he was
 pre score ȝere olde and sixe, Vitalianus þe pope sente hym
 bisshop into Engelond, and sente Adrian þe abbot wip hym
 forto helpe hym, for he schulde bringe no þing þat is aȝenst
 þe fey⁸ into holy chirche in Engelond, as þe Grees doop.⁹
 Anon. as¹⁰ he was i-come¹¹ he wente aboute into al þe ylond,
 and tauȝte þe ordre¹² of riȝt levynge,¹³ and þe laweful
 manere of þe¹⁴ holdynge of þe Ester day, and tauȝte his
 disciples þe crafte of singinge, of calculinge, of astronomy,
 boþe in Latyn and in Gru,⁶ by help of Adrian, and ordeyned
 bisshoppes in certeyne places. And¹⁵ bisshoppes þat were
 nouȝt lawfully¹⁶ y-ordeyned, he putte hem away, oþer
 ordeyned hem eft in a laweful manere.¹⁷ Among þe whiche¹⁸
 Cedda, þat was nouȝt lawefulliche i-ordeyned bisshop of

Ab urbe. Vitalianus the pope sende this Theodorus, a monke of Tharsus MS. HARL.
 borne in Sicille, havynge lxxj. yere in age, instructe excel- 2261.
 lently in divine scripture and in the langage of Grewe and
 of Latyne, þat he scholde preche to þe peple of Yngelonde,
 sendenge Adrian thabbotte as a helper to hym, leste that he
 scholde induce eny thynges erroneus into the churches after
 the consuetude of men of Grewe. Whiche commyn into
 Ynglonde, wente thro alle the costes of hit techynge the ryȝhte
 ordre of lyvynge, and toke to peple a writynge by whiche they
 scholde knowe to kepe Ester dewly, techynge the wey of
 syngynge, of calculacion, and of astronomy under either
 tunge¹⁹ of Grece and of Latyne, Adrian thabbotte and his
 disciples helpynge moche in that mater, ordeynynge bischoppes
 in diverse places, and amovynge bischoppes not ordeynede
 aryȝhte, other elles he consecrate theyme ageyne. Amonge
 whom he amovede Chadde, archebisshop of Yorke, confess-

A transmi-
gracione.

¹ *monethis*, Cx.

² *Thars in Scicilia*, Cx.

³ *kunnyng*, B.; *kunynge*, γ.

⁴ *letterure*, γ.; *hooly letture*, Cx.

⁵ *letterure*, γ.; *lettur*, Cx.

⁶ *Gruw*, γ.

⁷ *in*] add. γ.

⁸ *feip*, B.

⁹ *Grekes dyde*, Cx.

¹⁰ *as*] om. Cx.

¹¹ *comen*, B.

¹² *ordre of riȝt bileve and of*, B.

¹³ *levynge*] *byleve and of right*
lyvynge, Cx.

¹⁴ *manere of þe*] om. Cx.

¹⁵ *the*, add. Cx.

¹⁶ *lawefollyche*, γ., et infra.

¹⁷ *ordeyned hem to be bisshops in*
other places, Cx.

¹⁸ *whoche*, γ.

¹⁹ *tunge* is erased and *lungage*
written above it in MS.

noscentem, ab Eboraco amovit, Wylfridum restituens; ipsumque Ceddum denuo confirmatum episcopum Merciorum petente rege Wulfero ordinavit, præcipiens ut equo de cetero veheretur. *Beda, libro tertio, capitulo vicesimo sexto.* Erat tunc temporis magna cura doctoribus Deo servire, non sæculo; cordi, non ventri. Quapropter religionis habitus in magna erat veneratione, ita ut clericus vel monachus libenter susciperetur, et ab illis¹ itinerantibus² benedictio posceretur. Nec eis alia adeundi vicos causa fuit quam prædicandi, baptizandi, et animas³ curandi gratia. Nec aliquas⁴ possessiones ad construenda monasteria nisi a potestatibus oblatas⁵ quasi coacti susciperent. *Beda, libro quarto, capitulo quinto.* Hoc etiam anno Oswy rex Northimbrorum obiit; cui successit⁶ Egfridus filius suus, qui regnavit annis quindecim. *Item, capitulo octavodecimo.*⁷

Hic duxerat in uxorem Etheldridam relictam Tondeberti,⁸ Sancta Etheldreda.

¹ *illis*] om. B.

² *ejus*, B.

³ *animas*] om. A.

⁴ *aliquas*] om. A.

⁵ *potentibus oblata*, C.D.

⁶ *primogenitus suus*, C.D.

⁷ C.D. omit heading. The reference should be *cap. nonodecimo*.

⁸ *Tondeberti*, A.B.

Ʒork, knoweleched mekeliche¹ his owne defaute, and Theodoros put² hym away from þe see of Ʒork, and restored pere Wilfridus; and ordeyned Cedda, pat was confermed at þe laste bisshop of Mercia at þe prayenge³ of kyng Wulferus,⁴ and heet hym ride on an hors [his]⁵ bak.⁶ *Beda, libro 3^o, capitulo 26^o.* Pat tyme doctours were ful⁷ besy to serve God and nouȝt þe world, þe herte and nouȝt þe wombe; perfore þe abite⁸ of religioun was poo in greet worschippe, so pat a⁹ monk oper¹⁰ a clerk schulde be⁹ gladliche underfonge; and men pat wente by þe wey prayde¹¹ his blessyng; and þey wente for non oper cause aboute¹² weyes and stretes bote for to preche and teche, for cristenynge¹³ and for savacioun of manis soule.¹⁴ And þey wolde fonge¹⁵ non possessiouns for to bulde abbayes, but it were i-profred hem, and [þey were]¹⁶ i-dryve to fonge it by strengþe of lordes. *Beda, libro 4^o, capitulo 5^o.* Also pat Ʒere deyde Oswy kyng of Norþhumberlond; his sone Egfridus was kyng after hym fiftene Ʒere. *Item, capitulo 18^o.* Þis hadde i-wedded¹⁷ Etheldrida,¹⁸ pat hadde i-be Cutbertus¹⁹ his

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Ab urbe. ynge mekely his offense, and made Wilfridus bisshop per; MS. HARL. 2261. nevertheless he made Chadde bisshop of the Marches, at the desire of Wulferus, kynge. *Beda, libro 3^o, capitulo xxv^o.* Men of the church and religious men hade grete pleasure to serve God in that tyme, and not the worlde, the herte and not the wombe; wherefore religious peple were hade in grete reverence and honor, in so moche that men travaylynge wolde knele downe and prey theym of their blissenge. Whiche usede not to goe owte of their monasterys in that tyme but if hit were to baptize or to preche, and for the salvacioun of sawles, not willenge to receyve eny thyng to thedificacion of their monasterys, but as coacte by myȝhty men. *Beda, libro iiiij^o, capitulo v^{to}.* Oswy, kynge of Northumbrelonde, deide in this yere, whom Egfridus his sonne did succede xv. yere. *Beda, libro iiiij^o, capitulo xvij^o.* This Egfridus mariede Etheldrida doȝhter of Todbertus, prince of the sowthe Gir-

A transmigratione. f. 275 a. What devotion was in religious men.

¹ knowleched mekely, β.; knewleched mekleche, γ.

² pot, γ.

³ at prayyng, β.; prayer, Cx.

⁴ Wulferus, α.; Wuserus, γ.

⁵ From α and γ.

⁶ on horsbak, Cx.

⁷ fol, γ.

⁸ abyt, α. and β.; habite, Cx.

⁹ From β.

¹⁰ pat among oper, γ.

¹¹ prayd to have, Cx.

¹² aboute] by, Cx.

¹³ follyng, β.; vollynge, γ.

¹⁴ saule, γ.

¹⁵ vonge, γ., et infra.

¹⁶ From α., β., and Cx.

¹⁷ i-wedded] om. Cx.

¹⁸ Ethelfreda, Cx.

¹⁹ Tondbertus, α. and γ.; Tontbertus, Cx.

principis Australium Gyrwyorum;¹ quam² per duodecim annos consortem habens,³ nec prece nec pretio ad concubitum flectere posset. A rege licentiata facta est⁴ sanctimonialis per unum annum⁵ apud Coludi, sub Aebba, regis Egfridi amita; sed⁶ postmodum⁷ apud Hely⁸ facta est abbatissa; ubi semel per diem manducans, nunquam lineis usa, post synaxim usque ad diem vigilans,⁹ post septimum annum suæ præsentia moriens, sexdecim annis jacuit incorrupta. *Beda, libro*

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II.

*quarto, capitulo quinto.*¹⁰ ¹¹ Hoc anno facta est synodus Synodus.

episcoporum sub Theodoro apud Tedford,¹² in qua statutum est primo de recta Paschæ observantia,¹³ secundo ut nullus episcopus alienam parochiam invadat, tertio ut episcopi monasteria non inquietent, quarto ut clerici et monachi passim non migrent sine licentia superiorum,

¹ *Girwiorum*, A.; *Girwiorum*, B.

² *tamen*, add. A.B.

³ *Adeldredam, filiam Annæ regis Estanglorum, quam tamen prius duxerat Tondebertus princeps*, C. D.

⁴ *est*] om. B.

⁵ *habuisset et multa bona Wilfrido et eam ad concubitum inclinaret promississet, nec prece tamen*, &c., C. D.

⁶ *et post annum*, C. D.

⁷ *modum*] om. A.

⁸ *Heli*, A.

⁹ *ubi*, C. D.

¹⁰ *uno*, C. D.

¹¹ C. D. insert: "Eleutherius nepos Agilberti episcopi Parisiacensis, factus est præsul Wentis civitatis, petente rege Kenewalco et Theodoro confirmante, qui septem annis sedem illam tenuit. Clodoneus rex Francorum obiit; cui successit Lotharius quatuor annis."

¹² The place is named *Herutford* in *Beda*.

¹³ *observatione*, A. B.

wif, prince of þe souþ Girewies.¹ Whan Egfridus hadde i-had hir² to wife twelve ȝere, and myȝte have no leve of here to ligge by³ here for prayers noþer for ȝiftes; þanne sche⁴ hadde leve of þe kyng, and was i-made mynchoun⁵ oon ȝere at Colud under Aebba, kyng Egfridus his aunte; and after þat sche⁶ was made abesse⁷ at Hely,⁸ þere sche⁹ ete but ones a day, and used nevere lynnyn clopes. After þe nyȝt¹⁰ collacioun sche⁹ wook anon to¹¹ þe day; sche⁹ deide after þat sche hadde i-be abesse¹² sevene ȝere, and lay hool and sound sixtene ȝere. *Beda, libro 4^o, capitulo 5^o.* Þat ȝere was i-made a cinod¹³ of bisshoppes under Theodorus, at Tetford.¹⁴ In þat synod was ordeyned a statute of þe riȝt holdynge of þe Estertyde; the secunde þat no bisshop schalde assayle¹⁵ anoper manis bisshopriche; þe þridde þe¹⁶ bisshoppes schulde nouȝt destourbe abbayes; þe fourþe þat clerkes and monkes schulde nouȝt chaunge¹⁷ benefice¹⁸ wipoute

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. wyes, whiche havynge here in his felowschippe by xij. yere cowthe not move her to the synne and concupiscense of the flesche; wherefore sche havynge licence of the kyng was made myncheon at Coludi by oon yere, under Aebba cosyn to Egfridus. But after that sche made abesse of Hely, citynge but oonys in the day, and werynge noo lynnyn clothes, slepyde not after mydde nyȝhte, but wakede untill day in preyere and devoute meditacion; whiche dyenge after the vij^{the}. yere of here prelacy, lay xvi. yere incorrupte. *Beda, libro iii^o, capitulo v^o.* A cownesayle of bischoppes was hade by Theodorus at Tedforde in this yere, in whom hit was decrete, firste of the tru observacion of Ester; in the secunde, that noo bisshop scholde entre into the paresche of an oper; in the thrydde, that bischoppes scholde not diease¹⁹ and inquiete monasterys; in the iiiij^{the}, that clerkes and monkes scholde not goe abowte in the cuntre withowte licence of their prelates; and

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gracione.

¹ *Girwies, β.; Girwoyes, Cx.*
² *hure, γ.*
³ *dele with, Cx.*
⁴ *heo, β. and γ.*
⁵ *monchone, β.; menchone, Cx.; menchen, γ.*
⁶ *hue, γ.*
⁷ *abbes, β.; abbas, γ.*
⁸ *abbesse of Ely, Cx.*
⁹ *heo, β., et infra; hue, γ., et infra.*
¹⁰ *nyghtis, Cx.*
¹¹ *awoke unto, Cx.*
¹² *abbesse, Cx.*
¹³ *syned, β.; synod, γ.; synode, Cx.*
¹⁴ *Tedford, β.*
¹⁵ *assoyle in, Cx.*
¹⁶ *þt, α., β., and γ.; that, Cx.*
¹⁷ *chaynge, γ.*
¹⁸ *benefyces, Cx.*
¹⁹ *Sic.*

quinto ut saltem semel in anno synodus congregetur in provincia. Hoc¹ anno strages avium ad invicem confligentium facta est magna.² *Marianus, libro secundo.*

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quarti
III.

Hoc etiam³ anno Agilbertus⁴ Westsaxonum episcopus indignanter recessit ad partes Galliae,⁵ pro eo quod Kenwalcus rex suam diocesim in duas divideret. Cui⁶ subrogatus est Leutherius nepos ejus⁷ septem annis, rege id volente, et Theodoro archiepiscopo confirmante.¹

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DCLXXII.
Constantini
quarti
III.

*De regibus Cantiae et Westsaxonum.*⁸ Egbertus rex Cantiae obiit, cui successit Lotharius frater suus undecim annis. Kenwale⁹ rex Westsaxonum obiit tricesimo regni sui anno.¹⁰ Cujus uxor¹¹ Sexburga post eum¹² regnavit uno anno, sed secundum Bedam subreguli inter se regnum per decem annos dividerunt. *Beda, libro quarto,*¹³ *capitulo sexto.*¹⁴ Hoc anno Sanctus Cedda¹⁵ episcopus¹⁵ obiit apud Lichefeld, tertio episcopatus sui anno.¹⁶ Cujus loco substituit Theodorus Wynfridum diaconum Ceddae, quem non multo post ob meritum cujusdam inobedientiae deposuit, et Sexwolfum abbatem de Medehamstude¹⁷ substituit. *Ranulphus.* Medehamstude¹⁸ dicitur hodie Burgum Sancti Petri, quod quondam erat¹⁹

¹ *Hoc . . . confirmante]* om. C.D.

² *Hoc . . . magna]* In place of this sentence A.B. have the passage about the death of Egbert from the next paragraph but one, and place this where that is.

³ *quoque,* A.B.

⁴ *Agilberto,* A.B.

⁵ *recessit . . . Galliae]* recedente, A.B.

⁶ *Cui]* om. A.B.

⁷ *nepos ejus]* om. A.B.

⁸ A. omits heading.

⁹ *Kenwalkus,* B.

¹⁰ B, B.

¹¹ *Sancta,* C.D.

¹² *eum]* om. B.

¹³ *secundo,* A.

¹⁴ C.D. omit reference.

¹⁵ *episcopus]* om. B.

¹⁶ *tertio . . . anno]* om. C.D.

¹⁷ *Medehamstede ejus loco,* C.D.

¹⁸ *Medhamstud, A.; Medhamstede,* B.

¹⁹ *erat]* om. A.

leve of here soveraynes ; þe fife¹ þat in a province þe synod schulde be gadred, namliche² ones a 3ere. Egebertus³ kyng of Kent deide, and his broþer Lotharius regned after hym enlevene 3ere. *Marcianus, libro 2º*. Also Agelbertus þat 3ere,⁴ bisshop of West Saxones, wente away wroþeliche,⁵ for Kenwalkus þe⁶ kyng departed þe bisshopriche in tweyne, and Leutherius was i-made bisshop in his stede, and conferred of Theodorus [by]⁷ þe kynges wille, and he was bisshop sevene 3ere. Þat 3ere was greet slau3ter⁸ of foules⁹ þat fou3te to gidres.¹⁰ Kenwakus¹¹ kyng of West Saxons deide þe 3ere of his kyngdom þritty. *R.* His wif Sexburga regnede after hym oon¹² 3ere, but Beda seiþ þat under kynges þey¹³ delede¹⁴ þe kyngdom bytwene hem ten 3ere. *Beda, libro 4º, capitulo 6º*. Þat 3ere Seint Chedde¹⁵ deide at Lichefild,¹⁶ þe pridde 3ere of his bisshopriche. Theodorus made Wynefrede,¹⁷ Chedde his decon,¹⁸ bisshop in his stede, and putte¹⁹ hym down nou3t longe after, for he was unobedient, and made Sexwulfus, abbot of Medehamstede,²⁰ bisshop in his stede. [*R.*]²¹ Medehamstede hatte now Seint Peterisborw,²² and was somtym

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Ab urbe.

in the vthe, that oonys in the yere a cownesayle scholde be kepede. Egebertus the kyng of Kente died, whom Lotharius his son succedid xj. yere. Kenwalcus kyng of Weste Saxons diede in the xxxthi yere of his reigne. *R.* Sexburga the wife of whom reignede afterwarde oon yere, but, after Bede, other litelle kynges divided and departede that realme amonge þeim. *Beda, libro 4º, capitulo vjº*. Seynte Chadde diede this yere at Lichefeld, in the thridde yere of his bischopehode ; in the stedde of whom Theodorus did substitute Winfridus the diacon of Seynte Chadde, whom he deposide soone after for inobediency, and substitute in his place Sexwulphus, thabbot of Medhamsted, whiche is callede now Petyrborowe, sometyme

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gracione.Seynte Chad
dyed in this
yere.

f. 275 b.

¹ vyfþe, γ.² namliche] om. Cx.³ Egebertus, Cx.⁴ Transposed in a. and γ.⁵ wrothly, Cx.⁶ þe] his, Cx.⁷ From Cx.⁸ slau3t, γ.⁹ fowles, Cx.¹⁰ vou3te togedders, γ.¹¹ Kenwalcus, β.; Kenwalc, γ.;
Kenwalchus, Cx.¹² oon] o, γ.¹³ þey] om. a., β., γ., and Cx.,
which latter adds *or smal kynges*.¹⁴ delide, β.¹⁵ Chedda, Cx.¹⁶ Lichfeld, β.¹⁷ Wynfryde, Cx.¹⁸ Wynfride Cheddes dekene, β.¹⁹ pot, γ.²⁰ Medamstede, β.; Medampstede,
Cx. bis.²¹ From a., β., and Cx.²² Peter his Burgh, a.; Petres
burgh, β.; Peterburg, Cx.

in regione Girwyorum.¹ Wynfridus vero² sic depositus quarto consecrationis suæ anno accessit³ ad Barwe.⁴ *De pontificibus Romanis.*⁵ Bonus papa post Adeo- datum sedit in papatu anno uno et⁶ mensibus sex.⁷ *Beda.*⁸ Sanctus Erkenwoldus⁹ post¹⁰ mortem Wyne,¹¹ tertius Londoniensis episcopus, construxit duo monasteria, unum sibi in Southreya¹² apud insulam Ceoroti, quod nunc Certeseya dicitur, quindecim miliaria¹³ a Londoniis¹⁴ ad occidentem distans; et alterum sorori suæ Ethelburgæ ad orientem Londoniæ in provincia Estsaxonum,¹⁵ quod dicitur Berkyngum,¹⁶ ubi ipsa¹⁷ in magna sanctitate præfulsit abbatissa. ¹⁸ Ad quam sanctus Aldelmus scripsit librum de virginitate. *Willelmus de pontificibus, libro ii.* Creditur¹⁹ quod hujus sanctæ virginis orationibus²⁰ locus ille nunquam destructus sit; sed aliud monasterium de Certeseya²¹ per Danos destructum est,²² quod postmodum reparavit rex Edgarus. Hoc etiam anno Oskwynus²³ coepit regnare super Westsaxones, et regnavit tribus annis, et pugnavit contra regem Mer-

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Constantini
quarti
VI.

¹ *Girwiorum*, A.; *Gervyorum*, B.

² *vero*] om. A.

³ *recessit ad monasterium suum de Barwe, ubi sancte quievit*, C.D.

⁴ *accessit Barowy*, B.

⁵ A.B. omit title.

⁶ *et*] om. A.B.

⁷ C.D. insert: "Hoc anno Sancta Etheldreda construxit monasterium apud Ely."

⁸ *ubi supra*, B.

⁹ *Erkenwaldus*, A.

¹⁰ *post . . . Wyne*] om. C.D.

¹¹ *Wine*, A.

¹² *Sowtreia*, A.

¹³ *miliaribus*, C.D.

¹⁴ *xv. miliare ad Londoni*, A.

¹⁵ *Est Saxonum*, A.; *Estsex*, B. *Estanglorum*, C.D.

¹⁶ *Berkingum*, B.

¹⁷ *Ethelburga*, C.D.

¹⁸ *post quam Hildesitha præfuit ibidem*, add. C.D.

¹⁹ *Harum sanctarum orationibus locus ille a tempore constructionis nunquam omnino destructus est. Alius autem locus de Certeseya duravit usque ad tempora Danorum, qui locum cum monachis incenderunt. Sed postea Egarus rex locum illum sicut multa alia reparavit*, C.D.

²⁰ *precibus*, B.

²¹ *Certesya*, A.

²² *sit*, A.

²³ *Oskwinus*, A.; *Elkwinus*, C.D.

in þe kyndom of Girwies. Wulfridus¹ was so² i-putte³ doun þe fourþe ʒere of his consecracioun, and wente to Barowe.⁴ After Adeodatus pope Bonus was pope a ʒere and sixe monthes. *Beda ut supra.* After þe deth of Wyna, Erkenewold⁵ þe þridde bisshop of Londoun made tweie abbaies, oon to hym self in Southereye,⁶ in þe ilond Cereot,⁷ þat now hatte Certeseie,⁸ fiftene myle out of Londoun westward; and anoper to his suster⁹ Ethelberga, by Est Londoun, in the province of Essex, þe abbay hatte¹⁰ Berkyng; þere sche¹¹ was abbesse in greet holynesse; to here¹² Seint Aldelme brouʒte a book¹³ of maydenhood.¹⁴ *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro 2^o.* Me trowep þat¹⁵ by þe prayers of þis¹⁶ holy mayde it is þat þat¹⁷ place¹⁸ was nevere ʒit destroyed.¹⁹ But þe oper abbay of Certeseie²⁰ was destroyed by the Danes, and kyng Edgar bulde it aʒen. Þat ʒere Oswynus²¹ bygan to regne over þe West Saxons, and regnede þre ʒere, and fauʒt²² aʒenst Wul-

TREVISA.⁷

Ab urbe. in the region of the Girwyes; and Winfridus deposite in the iiijth yere of his consecracion wente Barwe. Donus the pope succedid Adeodatus oon yere and vj. monthes. *Beda, ubi supra.* Seynte Erkenwalde, the thryde bischoppe of London, after the dethe of Wyne made ij. monasteryes, oon in Southerey at an yle called Cereotte, and nowe Chertesey, xv. myle from London at the weste; and an oper at the este of London, in the province of Estesex, callede Berkyngum, to Ethelburga his sustre, where sche was abbesse and lyvede vertuously, to whom Seynte Aldelme wrote a booke of virginite. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro ij^{do}.* Men suppose that the seide place was not destroyed by the preyere of that holy virgyn; but þa other monastery of Chertiseye was destroyed by the Danes, whom kynge Edgarus repairede afterwarde. Oswinus began to reigne on the Weste Saxons þis yere, whiche reignede iij. yere, and ʒafe batelle ageyne Wulferus kynge of the

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gracione.

¹ Wynfridus Cx.
² so] om. Cx.
³ ypot, γ.
⁴ Barwe, γ.
⁵ Erkenwolde, Cx.
⁶ Souþrey, B.; Suthery, Cx.
⁷ Ceorot, γ.
⁸ Chirchecye, Cx.
⁹ soster, γ.
¹⁰ hete now, Cx.
¹¹ hue, γ., a very frequent orthography in this part of the MS.
hure, γ.

¹³ bok, γ.
¹⁴ maydonhode, B.; maidenhede, Cx.
¹⁵ It is supposed that, Cx.
¹⁶ þes, γ.
¹⁷ þat] this, Cx.
¹⁸ þlas, γ.
¹⁹ ʒitt distruyed, B.; destroyed, γ.
et infra.
²⁰ Chercheseye, Cx.
²¹ Oskwynus, γ.
²² voʒt, γ.

ciorum Wulferum apud Wydenhale.¹ Quo etiam anno² Wolferus³ rex Merciorum obiit; cui successit Etheldredus frater,⁴ regnans xxx^a annis, nam Kyneredus⁵ filius Wolferi præ immatura ætate regnare non poterat. *De sancta Ermenilda et filia ejus Wereburga.*⁶ Uxor ^{Werburga.} autem Wulferi Ermenilda, mortuo marito, cum filia sua Werburga apud Hely⁷ est attonsa, sub sancta⁸ Etheldreda abbatissa.⁹ Hanc autem Wereburgam¹⁰ sanctimoniam præfecit patruus suus rex¹¹ Etheldredus quibusdam virginum monasteriis, scilicet apud Tringham,¹² Wedunam, et Hamburgam.¹³ Sed apud primam obiit; apud tertiam, ut ipsa vivens jusserat, sepulta fuit;¹⁴ ubi per trescentos ferme annos, usque scilicet adventum Dacorum, incorrupta jacuit. Denuo¹⁵ hyemantibus Danis apud Repyndoun,¹⁶ fugatoque rege Merciorum¹⁷ Burdredo, Hamburgenses cives sibi¹⁸ timentes, cum feretro corpus virginis continente, tunc primum in pulverem resolutæ, ad Legecestriam, quæ nunc Cestria¹⁹

¹ *Widan heaf*, A.; *Wydanheasp*, B.

² *et . . . anno*] om. C.D.

³ *Wilferus*, A.

⁴ *suus*, B.

⁵ *frater . . . Kyneredus*] om. A. A caret is put to note the omission, but the words are not supplied in the margin.

⁶ A.B. omit title.

⁷ *Ely*, B.

⁸ *sancta*] om. A.B.

⁹ *abbatissa*] om. A.B.; B. inserts *Marianus*.

¹⁰ *Weriburgam*, A.

¹¹ *rex*] om. B.

Trikinham, A.; *Trikingham*, B.

¹³ *Filia vero Ulferi, Werburga nomine, patre defuncto sæculo renuntiavit, et sub matertera sua Etheldreda apud Ely Deo militavit. Hanc patruus suus Etheldredus rex quibusdam virginum monasteriis, quæ fuerunt apud Trikingham, Wedunam, et Amborgam, præfecit*, C.D.

¹⁴ *fuerat*, B.

¹⁵ *tandem*, C.D.

¹⁶ *Rependoun*, A.; *Repindoun*, B.; *Repondonam*, C.D.

¹⁷ *Merciorum*] om. B.

¹⁸ *sibi*] om. B.C.

¹⁹ *Cestre*, A.

ferus kyng of Mercia [at Wydanheaf.¹ Also þat ʒere deide TREVISA.
 Wulferus kyng of Mercia],² and his broþer Etheldredus
 regnede after hym priity³ ʒere. For Wulferus his sone Kyn-
 redus myʒte nouʒt regne, for he was so ʒong.⁴ Wulferus his
 wif Ermenilda, whanne here housbonde was dede, was i-made
 mynchoun⁵ at Hely,⁶ and her douʒter Werburga, under
 Etheldreda.⁷ *Marcianus*. Here eem⁸ Etheldredus made þis
 Werburga mynchoun⁹ in some abbayes of maydens at Try-
 kenham,¹⁰ at Wedunam, at Hamburgam. Sche¹¹ deide in þe
 firste¹² abbay, and was i-buried in þe þridde, as sche¹¹ hadde
 i-hote¹³ while sche¹¹ was on lyve: pere sche¹¹ lay hool and
 sownde aboute a¹⁴ þre hondred ʒere, anon to þe comynge of
 þe Danes. [R.]² At þe laste, whanne þe Danes lay at
 Rependoun,¹⁵ and hadde i-drive away þe kyng of Mercia, þe
 citizeyns of Hamburga dradde, and took¹⁶ þe bere þat con-
 teyned þe body of þat mayde, þat was þo firste i-torned¹⁷ into
 poudre, and fliʒ¹⁸ perwip into Legecestria, þat is Chestre, as¹⁹

Ab urbe. Marches, at Widanheaf. In whiche yere Wulferus kyng of MS. HARL.
 the Marches diede, whom Etheldredus his broþer did succede, 2261.
 and regnede xxx^{ti} yere; for Kynredus þe son of²⁰ Wulferus
 myʒhte not reigne for tendernesse of age. And Ermenilda A transmi-
 the wife of Wulferus was made a myncheon at Hely, with gracione.
 Werburga here doʒhter, after the dethe of Wulferus under
 Etheldritha. *Marianus*. Kyng Etheldredus, uncle to Wer-
 burga myncheon, made here governoure in diverse places, as
 at Trikyngham, Weddinna, and at Hamburga, dienge at the
 firste place and beryede at the thrydde, as sche commaunded
 in here lyfe, where sche lay incorrupte as by ccc. yere unto
 the comynge of Danes. R. The Danes taryenge in wynter
 at Repyndoun, Burdredus kyng of the Marches chasede away,
 citesynnes of Hamburga dredynge theyme, wente to Chestre
 with the body of that blissede virgyn, redacte firste in that

¹ *Wydaneaf*, γ.
² From α., β., γ., and Cx.
³ *thyrten*, Cx.
⁴ so *ʒung*, γ.
⁵ *menchen*, γ., et infra.
⁶ *mynchon at Ely*, Cx.
⁷ *Etheldrida*, γ.
⁸ *em*, γ.; *eme*, Cx.
⁹ *monchon*, β.; *menchon*, Cx.
¹⁰ *Trikyngham*, α. and β.; *Tir-*
kyngham, γ.

¹¹ *heo*, β.
¹² *verste*, γ.
¹³ *promysed*, Cx.
¹⁴ a] *an*, β.
¹⁵ *Rypyndon*, Cx.
¹⁶ *touk*, γ.
¹⁷ *vurste yturnd*, γ.
¹⁸ *fled*, Cx.
¹⁹ *to*, add. Cx.
²⁰ *of*] *on*, MS.

dicitur, tanquam ad locum tutissimum contra stragem barbaricam¹ confugerunt. In qua urbe a tempore Athelstani² regis usque [ad]³ adventum Normannorum canonici sæculares, collatis vicissim possessionibus,⁴ ac deinde⁵ monachi regulares, ad virginis laudes⁶ militarunt.⁷ Igitur regi Wolfero tres fuerunt⁸ germani, ut prædictum est,⁹ Weda, Etheldredus, et Merewaldus,¹⁰ qui Occidentibus Merciiis præfuit. Cui regina sua Ermenberga, filia regis Cantuariæ¹¹ Ermenredi, peperit tres filias sanctas, Mildburgam,¹² Mildredam, et Milduidam,¹³ et unum filium Meresyn,¹⁴ magnæ sanctitatis virum. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro quarto.* Habuit et¹⁵ Wulferus duas sorores sanctas, Kynedridam et Kyneswydam, Deo dicatas,¹⁶ quæ ambæ sepultæ sunt apud Medehamstude,¹⁷ quod modo Burgum dicitur,¹⁸ ubi postmodum sanctus Ethelwoldus monasterium construxit. Kyneswyda¹⁹ quidem ita regem Offam converterat ut, postquam ejus nuptias spreverat,²⁰ Romam cum Kenredo

¹ contra . . . barbaricam] om. C.D.

² Adelstani, A.

³ ad, from B.

⁴ ad Deum, C.D.

⁵ C.D. add: "per subsequens ævum."

⁶ honores Deo, C.D.

⁷ Marianus, libro secundo, add. B.

⁸ fratres, C.D.

⁹ Etheldredus, qui post eum regnavit, et Wedda, qui præfuit non diu Orientalibus Merciiis, et Merewaldus qui, C.D.

¹⁰ Metwaldus, A.

¹¹ Cantuariorum, A.

¹² Milburgam, A.

¹³ Milgwidam, A.; Milgindam, B.

¹⁴ Merefyn, A.; Metefyn, B.

¹⁵ etiam, A.B.

¹⁶ dedicatas, A.

¹⁷ Medeshamstede, A.

¹⁸ quod . . . dicitur] om. A.

¹⁹ Kineswida, A.

²⁰ separaverat, C.

pe most siker place aȝenst peril and meschif of aliens and of straunge naciouns.¹ In þat cite Chestre were seculer channouns from kyng Athelston² his tyme to þe comynge of Normandes, and ofte possessiouns were i-ȝove³ þerto, and þanne monkes of religiouns⁴ wonede þere in worschippe of þe mayde. *Marcianus, libro 2º*. Þanne kyng Wulferus hadde þre breperen,⁵ as it is forsaide,⁶ Weda, Etheldredus, and Merwaldus, þat was kyng of Westmercia; his quene Ermenberga bar hym þre holy douȝtres,⁷ Milburga, Mildred,⁸ and Milginda,⁹ and oon sone Meresyn, a man of greet holynesse. Queene Ermenberga was Ermenredus douȝter, kyng of Kent.¹⁰ *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro 4º*. Also Wilferus¹¹ hadde tweie holy sustres, Kynedda¹² and Kyneswida, mynchouns,¹³ and were bope i-buryed at Medehamstede,¹⁴ þat now hatte Burgh;¹⁵ þere Seint Ethelwoldus bulde an abbay afterward. Kyneswyda convertede so þe kyng¹⁶ þat after þat sche¹⁷ hadde forsake¹⁸ hym to housbonde, he wente to Rome wip Kynredus

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tyme into powdre. In whiche cite from the tyme of kyng Athelstan unto the comynge of Normannes into Ynglonde, seculer canons gettynge diverse possessions seruede in that churche to the lawe of that virgyn, and after that monkes. *Marianus, libro ijº*. Wulferus the kyng hadde iij. brether, as Weda, Ethelredus, and Merwaldus, whiche was presidente of the Weste Marches, to whom Ermenburga his qwene brouȝhte thre holy douȝhters, Milburga, Mildrida, Milgwidia, and a sonne, a man of grete holynesse, Meresis by name. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro iijº*. Also Wulferus hadde ij. sustres and myncheons, Kynedrida, and Kyneswida, beryede bothe at Medhamsted, callede now Petyrborowe, where Seynte Ethelwold made a monastery. This Kyneswida converte Offa the kyng, in so moche that he goynge to Rome

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¹ *enemies, a. and Cx.*
² *Adelston, a.; Adelstanes, B.; Adelstan, γ.; Ethelstones, Cx.*
³ *ȝeve, B.; yeven, Cx.*
⁴ *religiouse, B.; religious, γ.; religyouse dwellyd there, Cx.*
⁵ *bryȝern, γ.*
⁶ *vorseyd, γ.*
⁷ In the margin is "Here ys an holy kynred of maydennys."
⁸ *Myldryd, γ.*
⁹ *Myldryda, γ.; Myldreda and Myldryda, Cx.*

¹⁰ This sentence is inserted in the body of the previous one in Cx.

¹¹ *Wulferus, Cx.*

¹² *Kynedida, γ.*

¹³ *monchons, B.; menchens, γ.; menchons, Cx.*

¹⁴ *Medehamstude, γ.*

¹⁵ *Petres burgh, B.; Peterburgh, Cx.*

¹⁶ *Offa, add. Cx.*

¹⁷ *heo, B.*

¹⁸ *vorsake, γ.*

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et Egwyno Wicciorum¹ episcopo profectus, monachatum² induerit.³ *De pontificibus Romanis, Martinus.*⁴ Agatho papa sedit annis tribus; cujus anno secundo celebrata est sexta synodus apud Constantinopolim, ducentorum octoginta episcoporum, in qua asseritur duas naturas et duas voluntates esse in Christo.

CAP. XIX.

*De Francis.*⁵

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THEODORUS rex Francorum post Clotharium⁶ patrem suum regnavit octodecim⁷ annis. *Beda, libro quarto, capitulo x.*⁸ ⁹ Quo anno Ethelredus¹⁰ rex Merciorum vastavit Cantiam,¹¹ et Putta¹² Roffensis

¹ *Victiorum*, B.; *Wictiorum*, MS.

² *monachatum*] from C.D; *monachum*, A. and MS.

³ C.D. insert: "in hoc monasterio de Burgo brachium Sancti Oswaldi, ut fertur, nervis, carne, et cute integrum habetur."

⁴ A.B. omit title and reference.

⁵ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁶ *Clotarium*, A.

⁷ 14, C.D.

⁸ C.D. omit reference. It should be *cap. xii.*

⁹ C.D. insert: "Hoc anno Theo-

dorus archiepiscopus deposuit

"Wilfridum episcopum Mercio-

rum, et substituit Sexwulfum, sicut

"supra tangitur."

¹⁰ *Etheldredus*, A.

¹¹ *sub qua clade recessit Puttam episcopus Roffensis ad Sexwulfum episcopum Merciorum, accipiens ab eo possessionem ecclesie apud Hereford, ibique perdurans indulgit carminibus ecclesiasticis modulandis magis quam proprio episcopatu restaurando*, C.D.

¹² *Putta*, A.

and Egwynus, bisshop of þe Wicties,¹ and bycom a monk. TREVISA.
 Agatho was pope þre zere; in his secoude zere was i-made
 þe sixte synod at Constantynnoble,² of two hondred bisshoppes
 and foure score.³ In þat synod it is i-seide þat in Crist
 beep tweie willes and tweie kyndes, [willes and kyndes]⁴
 of þe⁵ Godhede and⁶ manhede.

Capitulum decimum nonum.

Theodorus.

THEODORUS, kyng of Fraunce, regnede after his fader Clo-
 tarius eyztene zere. *Beda, libro primo, capitulo 10^o.*⁷ Þat
 zere Etheldredus, kyng of Mercia, destroyed⁸ Kent; and
 Pucta, bisshop of Rouchestre, wente from Rochestre to Sex-

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 a monke. Agatho the pope did succede Donus iij. yere, in 2261.
 the secunde yere of whom the vjth seene or cownesayle was A transmi-
 hade at Constantinopole of cc. and lxxx. bischoppes, in whom gracione.
 hit was seide ii. natures to be in Criste and ij. willes. *Ma-*
rianus, libro ij^o. Agilbertus bisshop of Westesaxons de-
 partede from that cuntre with indignacion, in that Kenwalcus
 the kyng hade divided the province into too seetes. Leu-
 therius was made bisshop thro the grawnte of the kyng,
 Theodorus tharchebisshop confermyng hym, whiche was pre-
 sidente þer vij. yere. A grete dethe of briddes fízhtenge
 togedre was hade in this yere.

Capitulum nonumdecimum.

THEODORUS, kyng of Frenche men, reignede after Clota-
 rius his fader xvij. yere. *Beda, libro iij^o, capitulo xij^o.*
 In whiche yere Etheldredus, kyng of the Marches, wastede
 Kente, and Picta bisshop of Rowchestre, and wente to Sex-

¹ Wiccies, β. and γ.; Wiccyes, Cx.
² Constantinople, Cx.
³ voureschore, γ.
⁴ From α., β., and Cx.

⁵ þe] om. α., β., and Cx.

⁶ of, add. γ. and Cx.

⁷ 18^o, Cx.

⁸ destruyde, β.; destruyede, γ.

episcopus recessit ad Sexwolfum, a quo accepit Herfordensem ecclesiam, ubi plus indulisit¹ modulationibus ecclesiasticis quam proprio episcopatu reparando. Quo² etiam anno Benedictus Biscop, assumpto secum Colfrido monacho, quarto Romam pergens, Johannem archicantorem secum adduxit. *Beda, libro iiii., capitulo xviii.*² Hoc anno conserto³ gravi prælio inter regem Northimbrorum Egfridum et regem Merciorum Etheldredum, juxta fluvium Trent, occisus est frater regis Egfridi, Elswynus⁴ nomine, utrique regno amabilis. Pro ejus morte, ad instantiam Theodori archiepiscopi, nonnulla pecunia data, facta est concordia. In qua pugna quidam miles regis Egfridi⁵ graviter vulneratus, dum assurgere⁶ vellet, captus est ab hominibus Etheldredi; qui quotiens apud hostes aut apud Frisonem quendam, cui⁷ vendebatur, esset vinculatus,

¹ *indulsis*, MS.

² *Benedictus abbas, cognomento Biscop, qui nuper ab Egfrido rege Northimbrorum terram septuaginta familiarum ad construendum monasterium Sancti Petri ad ostium Wiri fluminis acceperat, anno isto cum religioso monacho Colfrido quarto Romam pergens, privilegia ecclesiæ suæ, necnon Johannem ar-*

chicantorem Beati Petri, secum adduxit, ut in monasterio suo cursum canendi doceret. Beda, lib. iv. cap. 18., C.D. The correct reference is cap. xxi.

³ *commisso*, C.D.

⁴ *Elgwinus*, B.

⁵ *Elfridi*, A.

⁶ *aufugere*, C.D.

⁷ *cui*] om. A.

wulfus, and feng¹ of hym þe cherche of Hereforde.² Þere he took³ more hede to þe⁴ melodye of holy chirche þan to amende his owne bisshopriche. Also þat 3ere Benet bisshop⁵ took³ wiþ hym Colfridus [þe]⁶ monke, and wente to⁷ forþe⁸ tyme to Rome, and brouȝte wiþ hym Iohn þe archechaunter. *Beda, libro 4º, capitulo 18º.* Also þat 3ere was i-doo⁹ a greet bataille bytwene Egfridus kyng of Norþomberlond and Etheldredus kyng of Mercia, bysides þe ryver Trent;¹⁰ and þe¹¹ kyng Egfridus his broþer was i-slawe þat heet Elswynus, and was leef¹² to boþe kyngdom:¹³ for his deth was moche¹⁴ money i-3eve¹⁵ at þe instaunce¹⁶ of Theodorus þe archebisshop, and so was i-made acorde. In þat fitynge¹⁷ oon of kyng¹⁸ Ethelfridus his knyȝtes was greuously¹⁹ i-wounded, and Etheldredus his men toke hym while he wolde aryse.²⁰ And as ofte as he was in bondes wiþ his enemyes, oþer wiþ oon Fryson þat hadde

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wulphus, of whom he receyvyde the church of Hereforde, where he 3afe moore attendaunce unto synngunge then to þe reparacion of his church. In whiche yere Benedictus Biscop, takynge with hym Colfridus the monke, wente to Rome the iijth tyme; whiche brouȝhte with hym to Yngelonde Iohn, a noble synger of the church of Seynte Petyr, that he scholde teche men to synge in his monastery. *Beda, libro 4º, capitulo 18º.* A grete batelle made in this yere betwene Egfridus, kyng of Northumbrelonde, and Etheldredus, kyng of the Marches; Elswinus, broþer of Egfridus, was sleyn in that soore conflicte nye to the water of Trente. For the dethe of whom a grete summe of moneye payede, pease was reformede bytwene parties by the labore of Theodorus, tharchebisshop of Cawnterbery. In whiche batelle, a knyȝhte longynge to Egfridus kyng, wounded sore and wyllenge to aryse, hade noo myȝhte, was taken and solde to a man callede Friso. Whiche

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gracione.¹ *vyng, γ.*² *Herforde, Cx.*³ *touk, γ.*⁴ *þe] om. a. and Cx.*⁵ *byschop, γ.; Benett the bisshop,*

Cx.

⁶ *From a. and Cx.*⁷ *þe, a. and Cx.*⁸ *þe vurde, γ.; fourth, Cx.*⁹ *don, Cx.*¹⁰ *of Trente, Cx.*¹¹ *þe] om. Cx.*¹² *leef, γ.*¹³ *kyngdoms, β. and Cx.*¹⁴ *myche, β.*¹⁵ *gyven, Cx.*¹⁶ *instauns, γ.*¹⁷ *fiȝtinge, β.; vyȝtting, γ.*¹⁸ *kyng] om. Cx.*¹⁹ *grevoslyche, γ.*²⁰ *as he wold have rysen, Cx.*

soluta sunt vincula ejus¹ ea hora qua frater suus sacerdos pro eo tanquam pro defuncto celebraret, quo- usque ipse² redemptione soluta ad fratrem rediret. Hoc etiam anno apparuit³ stella cometa per tres Cometa. menses tempore auctumnali.⁴ Quo in tempore⁵ Egfridus rex, ad instigationem uxoris suæ, expulit Wilfridum de episcopatu Northimbrorum. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.* Cooperante ad hoc⁶ archi- episcopo Theodoro, qui voluntati⁷ regis favens, pulso Wyifrido⁸ instituit Bosam apud Eboracum, Eatam apud Lindisfarnensem ecclesiam, Tunbertum ad⁹ Hagustaldensem, Trunwynum ad terram Pictorum apud Candidam Casam.¹⁰ *Marianus, libro secundo.*¹¹ Eadhedum vero de Lindesey nuper reversum, eo quod

¹ *potissime*, C.D.

² *ipse*] om. B.

³ *apparuit*] om. B.

⁴ *Augusti*, C.D.

⁵ *orta dissensione inter regem Egfridum et episcopum Wilfridum pulsus est Wilfridus, &c.*, C.D.

⁶ *adhuc*, A.

⁷ *voluntati . . . Wyifrido*] om. C.D.

⁸ *Wulfrido* A.

⁹ *apud*, B.

¹⁰ *addidit*, C.D.

¹¹ C.D. omit reference.

bouȝt¹ hym, his bondes breke as ofte, in þe same houre² as his broþer, a preost,³ song a masse for hym as for a deed man, [and þat alway forto his raunson]⁴ was y-payde þe money,⁵ and [he]⁶ come to his broþer aȝe. Also þat ȝere was i-seie⁷ a sterre þat hatte stella comata pre monþes in þe heruest⁸ tyme. Þat tyme kyng Egfridus, at þe excitynge of his wyf, putte Wilfridus out of þe bisshopriche of Norþhumberlond. *Trevisa*. Stella comata⁹ is a sterre wiþ a liȝt blasyng crest¹⁰ above, and evere bodeþ¹¹ pestilence, deþ, and werre, oþer some harde happes.¹² *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo*. Theodorus þe archebisshop halp to putte¹³ Wilfridus out of his bisshopriche; and for to folowe¹⁴ þe kynges wille, whanne Wilfridus was i-put out, he ordeyned Bosa bisshop at ȝork in his stede,¹⁵ and Eada¹⁶ at Lyndefare cherche, and Tunbertus at Hagustald chirche, and Trunwynus at Candida Casa,¹⁷ þat is þe White hous in þe lond of Pictes. *Marianus, libro 2º*. And putte Eadhedus in þe chirche of Ripoun.¹⁸ Eadhedus was i-come¹⁹ out of Lyndeseye, for Ethel-

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N^a mira-
culum.

Ab urbe. feturde faste, the feters were losede in that howre in whom his broþer seide masse for hym, supposynge that he hade bene dedde, untill that, his redempeion made, he come to his broþer. A blasyng sterre apperede in this yere by thre monethes, in the tyme of hervyste; in whiche tyme kyng Egfride expelled Wilfride from the seete of Yorke, at the instigacion of his wife. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo*. Theodorus tharchebisshop condescendynge þerto, whiche favorynge the wyll of Egfride the kyng, ordeynede Bosa bischoppe off Yorke, Eata at the chirche Lindisfarn, Timbertus at Hangustald, Trimwinus at Candida Casa, in londe of Pictes. *Marianus, libro 2º*. And put Eadhedus to the chirche Ripense, or of Ripon, comyn late from Lyndesey, in that Etheldredus, kyng of the

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¹ bouȝt, from a. and β.; ybouȝte, γ.; boughte, Cx.; i-brouȝt, MS.

² in the same houre] om. Cx., supplying the words after man.

³ prust, γ.

⁴ From a., β., and γ.; And that dured alwey till his raunson were payd, and that he cam to his broder ageyne, Cx.

⁵ þe money] om. a. and γ.

⁶ From a. and β.

⁷ seye, β.

⁸ harvost, γ.

⁹ cometa, β., but not above.

¹⁰ creest, Cx.

¹¹ it betokeneth, Cx.

¹² adventures, Cx.

¹³ potte out, γ.

¹⁴ vorto volwe, γ.

¹⁵ stude, γ.

¹⁶ Eata, a., β., and Cx.

¹⁷ Cassa, Cx.

¹⁸ Rypon, β. and Cx.

¹⁹ comen, β.

Etheldredus rex Merciorum provinciam illam¹ contra regem Egfridum recuperaverat, ad Ripensem ecclesiam posuit.² *Willelmus ubi supra.*³ Ubi videri et doleri⁴ potest humana miseria quod quantalibet sanctitate quis polleat non tamen ad plenum mores exuat⁵ pervicaces, siquidem Theodorus Wilfridum injuste, quantum⁶ habet nostra⁷ conjectura, ejecit. *Beda, libro quinto,*⁸ *capitulo nonodecimo.*⁹ Wilfridus igitur sic expulsus Romam pro causa sua tendit; sed itinerando ventis impellantibus Frisiam pulsus est, ubi multam plebem primus omnium convertit, quod et Wyllebrodus¹⁰ postmodum implevit. Tandem Romam veniens coram Agathone papa auditus et approbatus est, et in synodo centum viginti quinque episcoporum ibidem congregata contra errorem illorum qui unam in Christo naturam et¹¹ voluntatem dogmatizabant disputavit. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro primo.*⁹ Causamque suam¹² ita modeste¹³ promovit, ut nec Theodorum ab apostolica sede directum accusationibus urgeret, nec tamen inno-

¹ *Lindesey, A.*

² *Eadhedum . . . posuit]* om. C.D.

³ *ubi supra]* om. B. A. omits reference.

⁴ *dolori, A.*

⁵ *exuit, B.*

⁶ *nobis, A.*

⁷ *nostra]* om. A.

⁸ *sexto, A.*

⁹ C.D. omit reference. It should be *lib. iv. cap. xiii.*

¹⁰ *Willebrordus, A.*

¹¹ *unam, B.*

¹² *pro qua venerat, C.D.*

¹³ *modeste]* om. A.

dredus kyng of Mercia hadde i-recovered¹ þe² province aʒenst³ Egfridus. *Willelmus*. Þere it myʒte be i-seie and sorwfully⁴ [be]⁵ mened þat þe wrecchednesse of mankynde,⁶ þeigh it have greet holynesse, ʒit it putteþ not attefulle⁷ maneres of rebelnes.⁸ For as ferforþ as we conne⁹ caste, Theodorus putte out Wilfridus wrongfulliche. *Beda, libro 5^o, capitulo 19^o*. Þanne Wilfridus was so i-put out, and wente to Rome for his cause; but scyllunge in þe see he was wynd dryven¹⁰ into Affrica; ¹¹ þere he, firste¹² of alle men,¹³ convertede meny men, and Willebrordes¹⁴ fulfilled it afterward. At þe laste he come to Rome, and come tofore¹⁵ pope Agatho, and was i-herd and allowed. And þere [in]¹⁶ a synod of an hondred bisshoppes and fyve and twenty he desputede aʒenst þe errour of hem þat wolde teche þat in Crist is but oon wille and oon kynde. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro primo*. And he folwede¹⁷ his owne cause soberliche, þat he greved not Theodorus, þat was i-sent by þe court of Rome, and putte

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Ab urbe. Marches, occupiede that province ageyne kyng Egfride. *Willelmus*. Where the misery off man may appere, that the hedde of the churche of Ynglonde, Theodorus, amovede away from his office an holy man Wilfridus, for temporalle favor, and not by ryʒhte, as the conjecture of man may perceyve and atteyne. *Beda, libro v^{to}, capitulo xiiij^o*. Wilfridus expulsed, wente to Rome perfore; but by tempestes of the sea he was putte into Frisia, where he convertede firste mony men and women to the feithe of Criste, whiche thyng Willebordus fullefillede afterwarde. This Wilfridus commyn to Rome, and herde and approbate by Agatho the pope, disputede in a cownesayle of a cxxv^{ti} bischoppes ageyne the erreure of theym that prechyd and seide but oon nature and oon wille to be in Criste. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro primo*. Where he purposede his cause so mekely that he accusede not gretely Theodorus tharchebischop, sende to Yngelonde from Rome,

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¹ *rekevered*, β.; *recovered*, γ.
² þe] that, Cx.
³ *aʒenes*, γ.
⁴ *sorfolliche bymened*, γ.
⁵ From α., β., and Cx.
⁶ *mankynde*, γ.
⁷ at þe fulle, α.; ʒut hyt potteþ
 not atte volle, γ.
⁸ *reblenes*, Cx.
⁹ *kunne*, β.; *kun*, γ.; *can*, Cx.
¹⁰ *wyndedryve*, β. and Cx.

¹¹ *Frisia*, Cx.
¹² *vurst*, γ.
¹³ *men*] om. Cx.
¹⁴ *Willebrordus*, β.; *Willebrordus*
folfullede, γ.; *Wyllibrordus*, Cx.
¹⁵ *tofore*, from α., β., and Cx.;
to offre, MS.
¹⁶ From Cx.
¹⁷ *wolwede*, γ.; *folwede*, MS.; *fol-*
lowed, Cx.

centiam propriam fluctuare permetteret. Dixerat enim domino papæ: “Quid est domine,¹ quod Theodorus in mea sede me superstite² tres sua auctoritate me non assentiente³ episcopos ordinaverit, quem quia⁴ ab hac sede⁵ directus accusare supersedeo. Sed⁶ quamvis⁷ ibidem Wylfridus approbatus fuerit, rem tamen⁸ non obtinuit, obsistente regis protervia et Theodori conniventia. *Beda, libro iii^o, capitulo duodecimo.*⁹ Propterea¹⁰ Wylfridus ad Australes Saxones¹¹ divertit, ubi apud Seleseye,¹² quod interpretatur, Insula vituli marini, monasterium construxit,¹³ per quinque annos usque ad mortem Egfridi prædicavit, populum convertit. Verum quia per tres annos ante ejus adventum ibidem¹⁴ non pluerat, prima die baptismi sui imber¹⁵ cecidit, terra viruit; homines patriæ¹⁶ collectis retibus anguilla-

¹ domine] om. C.D.

² substite, B.

³ assentiente, MS.

⁴ quia] from A.B.; quemque, MS.

⁵ ab hac sede, bis in MS.

⁶ quia, B.

⁷ tunc iudicio consilii Romani indemptus Wilfridus iudicatus sit, et ad sedem suam remissus, rem tamen non optinuit obsistente regis Egfridi violentia et Theodori, &c., C.D.

⁸ tamen] om. A.

⁹ 22, C.D. It should be cap. xiii.

¹⁰ Igitur de Roma rediens Wilfridus, C.D.

¹¹ qui sunt juxta Vectam insulam, C.D.

¹² Selisei, A.; Selehey, B.

¹³ ubi, B.

¹⁴ pluvia nulla ibidem descendit, unde fame pervalida succrescente homines per millia junctis manibus simul se submergerent, C.D.

¹⁵ imber, C.D.

¹⁶ omnimodæ piscationis præterquam anguillarum usque tunc ignaros collectis, &c., C.D.

none grevous accusaciouns uppon¹ hym, but meyntened² his owne riȝtwisnesse³ and suffred [hyt]⁴ nouȝt to flecche.⁵ He spak to þe pope and seide, "Why is it, sire,⁶ þat Theodorus, while I⁷ " am onlyve, haþ i-ordeyned in my see þre bisshoppes by his " owne auctorite, wiþ oute myn assente. For he was i-sent " by þe court of Rome, I accuse hym nouȝt."⁸ Bote þey⁹ Wilfridus were alowed þere he hadde [nouȝt]¹⁰ indede,¹¹ and þat made þe kynges frowardnesse and Theodorus his assent. *Beda, libro 4^o, capitulo 12^o.* Þerfore Wilfridus torned hym to þe Souþ Saxons, and bulde an abbay in Selyseye,¹² and preched fiftene ȝere anon to þe¹³ Egfridus his deþ, and convertede þe peple.¹⁴ Also for þre ȝere to fore¹⁵ his comynge was þere no reyne; þe first¹⁶ day of his cristnyng¹⁷ hit bygan to reigne,¹⁸ þe erþe was¹⁹ grene, and herbes gan²⁰ to springe; he gadrede eel²¹ nettes, and tauȝte men of þe contray to fische.²²

TREVISIA.

Ab urbe. neiper he suffrede his maters to flowe away as untowchid, seynge, "O holy fader, what signifieth this, that Theodorus " hathe ordeynede thre bischoppes in my seete thro his aucto- " rite, y beyng in lyve and not consentynge þerto, willynge " not to accuse hym, in that he was sende from this holy place?" But thauȝhe Wilfridus was approbate þer by the pope, he obteynede not his benefice and seete of Yorke for the frowardnesse of the kyng and off Theodorus. *Beda, libro 4^{to}, capitulo tertiodécimo.* Wherefore Wilfride turnede to the Sowthe Saxons, where he made a monastery at an yle callede Selisey, sowndynge as the yle of a calfe, prechyng þer, and convertynge peple, unto the dethe of Egfridus. In whiche cuntre hit reynede not afore by the space of thre yere, but in the firste day that he began to baptise, hit reignede, and þe grounde began to wexe grene; techynge men of that cuntre f. 277 a.

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A transmi-
gracione.

¹ *oppon*, γ.
² *maintened*, Cx.
³ *ryȝtwesnes*, γ.
⁴ From γ.
⁵ *to flecche*, from α.; *suffride hit nouȝt to flecche*, β.; *soffrede hyt nouȝt to fleycche*, γ.; *suffrid it not bowe*, Cx.; *suffred nouȝt þe flesche*, MS.
⁶ *sere*, γ.
⁷ *ich*, β.; *yeh*, γ.
⁸ *y accuse hym nouȝt*, β.; *y acuse hym noȝt*, γ.; and *I accuse hym not*, Cx.; *cause*, MS.
⁹ *þouȝ*, β.

¹⁰ From α. and β.
¹¹ *he had not in dede*, Cx.
¹² *Silyseye*, β.; *bylled an abbay in Sylyseye*, Cx.
¹³ [þe] om. α. and Cx.
¹⁴ *pupel*, γ.
¹⁵ [fore] om. γ.
¹⁶ *wurste*, γ.
¹⁷ *folkyng*, β.; *volloȝt*, γ.
¹⁸ *ryne*, γ.
¹⁹ *wex*, β. and γ.; *wexe*, Cx.
²⁰ *gonne*, α.; *bygunne*, β.; *gunne*, γ.
²¹ *ele*, γ. and Cx.
²² *vysch*, γ.

ribus¹ piscari docuit. Oskwynus² rex West Saxonum obiit,³ cui successit Kentwynus, qui regnavit novem annis. Quo anno defuncto Leutherio episcopo illius⁴ provinciae, Theodorus ordinavit Heddum,⁵ qui⁴ sedit apud Wentam⁶ triginta annis. Sanctus Audoenus⁷ Rothomagensis⁸ obiit, et Beda puer nascitur. *De pontificibus Romanis.*⁹ Leo secundus post Agathonem sedit in papatu annis quasi tribus, et cessavit¹⁰ papatus¹¹ anno uno. *Beda, libro quarto, capitulo xx^o.*¹² Sancta Etheldreda Heliensis¹³ abbatissa obiit. ¹⁴Cui successit in regimine soror sua¹⁵ Sexburga, regis Cantuariorum quondam relicta Ercomberti.¹⁶ *De sancta Hylda abbatissa.*¹⁷ Hoc anno obiit Hylda abbatissa de Whyteby,¹⁸ sexennali¹⁹ languore decocta, quinto-decimo kalendas Decembris, anno ætatis²⁰ sexagesimo sexto,²¹ neptis Edwyni regis; mulier quidem sancta, prudens,²² litterata; de cujus monasterio quinque episcopi exierunt, scilicet Bosa, Eata, Offer,²³ Johannes, Wylfridus. In cujus monasterio fuit frater quidam nomine Cedmon divinitus edoctus in lingua patria²⁴

Gratie
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Constantini
quarti
X.

Gratie
DCLXXIX.
Constantini
quarti
XI.

¹ *ritibus angularibus*, A.

² *Oscwinus*, A.

³ *qui paucio tempore regnaverat super West Saxones*, add. C.D.

⁴ *illius . . . qui*] om. C.D.

⁵ *Eddam*, A.

⁶ *Wentanum episcopum*, C.D.

⁷ *Rotomagensis*, A.

⁸ *archiepiscopus*, add. C.D.

⁹ A.B.C.D. omit title.

¹⁰ *cessit*, B.

¹¹ *et cessit anno primo*, A.; *post eum*, C.D.

¹² It should be *cap. xix.*

¹³ *Eliensis*, B.; *Elisiensis*, C.D.

¹⁴ *Marianus, libro secundo*, add. A.B.

¹⁵ *Sancta*, add. C.D., which omit *Sexburga . . . abbatissa.*

¹⁶ *Ercomberti*] om. B.

¹⁷ A.B.C.D. omit heading; A.B. have reference to *Beda*, where the history of St. Hylda is in lib. iv., cap. xxiii.

¹⁸ *Hilda abbatissa Witteby*, A.

¹⁹ *sexennali*, MS.

²⁰ *sua*, B.

²¹ C.D. add: "Hæc filia fuit nepotis Edwini regis, conversa aliquando ad prædicationem Paulini archiepiscopi."

²² *et*, C.D.

²³ *Offer*, B.

²⁴ *propria*, C.D.

Oswynus kyng of West Saxon deyde, and Kentwynus regnede after hym nyne zere. Þat zere deide Leutherius, bisshop of þat province, and Theodorus ordeyned Hedda bisshop, þat was bisshop at Wynchestre þritty zere. Seynt Audoenus, bisshop of Rothomager,¹ is [ded and chyld]² Bēda is i-bore.¹ After Agatho þe secunde Leo was pope as it were³ þre zere, and þe pope-riche⁴ cesede⁵ oon zere. *Beda, libro 4^o, capitulo 20^o.* Seynt Etheldreda, abbas of Hely,⁶ deyde. *Marianus, libro 2^o.* Aftir here hir suster⁷ Sexburga was abbess, þat hadde i-be somtyme þe wyf of Ercombertus kyng of Caunterbury. *Beda, ubi supra.* Þat zere deide Hilda, abbess of Whitby, þat hadde i-be seek⁸ sixe zere, fourtene⁹ dayes to fore Decembre, þe zere of here age þre score and sixe. Sche¹⁰ was kyng Edwyn his nese; ¹¹ an holy womman, wys and redy, and well i-lettred.¹² Out of here abbay come fyve¹³ bisshopes, Bosa, Eata, Offor, Iohn, and Wilfridus. In here abbay was a broþer þat heet Cedmon, þat was i-tauzt by inspiracioun of God to make songes

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. to fische with nettes. Oswinus kyng of Westsaxons diede, whom Kentewinus, his sonne, did succede ix. yere. In whiche yere Leutherius bischoppe off that province dedde, Theodorus made Chedda bischop, whiche contynuede the secte of Wynchestre xxx^{ti} yere. Seynte Audoenus bischop of Roone dyede, and the childe Beda by nam was borne. Leo the secunde succedid Agatho the pope iij. yere, and the bischophode of Rome was vacante oon yere. *Beda, libro iij^{to}, capitulo xvij^o.* Seynte Etheldrede abbess of Hely diede in þis yere. *Marianus, libro secundo.* Whom Sexburga here suster succedid, dozhter of Ercombertus kyng of Kente. *Beda, libro quarto, capitulo vicesimo primo.* Hilda thabbess of Whitby diede this yere, the xv. kalendes of December, in the lxvj yere of her age, laborynge in infirmite by vj. yere afore here dethe, dozhter of the dozhter of kyng Edwynus; a woman of grete holynesse, prudente, and nobly instructe. From the whiche monastery v. bischoppes were made, as Bosa, Eata, Offa, Iohn, and Wilfridus In whiche monastery was a man, Cedmon by name, tauzhte by

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gracione.

¹ Rotomager is ded and chyld, γ.;
Roan deyde this yere, and the childe
Beda was borne, Cx.

² From γ.; a child, MS.

³ as it were] om. Cx.

⁴ papacye, Cx.

⁵ ceesed, β.; cessed, γ.

⁶ Ely, Cx.

⁷ soster, γ.

⁸ syk, γ.; be seke, Cx.

⁹ vourtene, γ.

¹⁰ Heo, β.

¹¹ neece, β.; nece, Cx.

¹² ylettert, γ.

¹³ vyf, γ.

facere carmina compunctiva,¹ cui nullus alius in hujus-
 cemodi potuit æquiparari. Nec ipsemet in alia ma-
 teria quam ædificatoria quicquam agere² scivit; quod
 illi isto modo donatum.³ Dum semel⁴ ille verecunda-
 tus exisset de convivio pro eo quod rogatus ad citha-
 ram canere nesciret, tristis valde exiens obdormivit. Cui
 astitit quidam in somnis monens ut cantaret. Et ille,
 “ Nescio, et ideo fugi.” Tunc alius, “ Canta de cetero con-
 “ fidenter de rerum principio.” A quo tempore frater⁵
 evigilans fecit mira poemata quasi per omnes sacræ
 scripturæ historias. *Henricus, libro tertio.* Hoc anno
 Theodorus⁶ coegit consilium episcoporum et aliorum
 doctorum apud Hatfeld,⁷ ut sciret cujus singuli forent
 fidei, sicut ei papa Agatho mandaverat per Johannem
 archicantorem suum, qui cum Benedicto Biscop nuper
 de Roma venerat, et huic synodo interfuerat. Quo in

¹ *compunctiva*, A.

² *facere*, C.D.

³ *est*, A.B.

⁴ *semel*] om. B.

⁵ *ille*, A.

⁶ *archiepiscopus*, add. C.D.

⁷ *Batfeld*, B.

and ditee in þe contre longage þat schulde moeve¹ men to devocioun.² In þat manere doynge no man myȝte be his peere. And he hym self couthe noþing doo in oþer matir, but onliche in matir of devocioun. He com þerto in þis manere: he wente in a tyme from a feste ful³ sore aschamed, for he was i-prayed for to synge to þe harpe, and koupe nouȝt synge. Þanne he was sory, and fel⁴ on slepe, and oon com to hym in his slepe and chargede hym þat he schulde synge. "I⁵ can "nouȝt," quop he, "and þerfore I⁶ flee." "After þis," quop þat oþir, "synge boldeliche of hym þat haþ i-made alle þinges." Þis man awook, and after þat tyme he made wonder poysies⁷ as it were of alle þe stories of holy writte. *Henricus, libro 3^o.* Þat ȝere Theodorus made a counsail of bisshoppes and oþir doctours at Hatfelde, for he wolde wite⁸ and knowe of what byleve alle men were, as pope Agatho hadde i-hote⁹ [hym]¹⁰ by his archechauntur Iohn, þat was present in þat synod. Þat

TREVISA

Ab urbe. God to make dities of compuccion,¹¹ excellenge every oþer man in that connyng havyng noon understondynge in eny oþer thyng, but oonly in that. Whiche thyng was ȝiffen to hym in thys maner foloyng. This man beyng at a grete feste, and desirede to synge with his harpe, wente furthe for schame, and soe thro sorowe and hevynesse felle on slepe, where a man apperede to hym, and inquired why he wolde not synge. To whom he seide, "I cannot, and þerfore y departede from the "feste." That oþer man seide to hym, "Synge boldely from "this tyme, and spare not." From whiche tyme that man awakyng made mervellous dities, as thro alle the storyes of scripture. *Henricus, libro tertio.* Theodorus tharchebischop citede alle bischoppes of Ynglonde to appere in this yere, and mony oþer doctors at Hatfeld that he myȝhte knowe of what feithe thei were,¹² as Agatho the pope commaunded hym to do, by Iohn, the chawnter of Seynte Petres church, whiche come but newly afore from Rome with Benedictus Biscop. In

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gracione.¹ *meove*, β.; *muve*, γ.² *devocioun*, from β.; *devocyon*, γ.; *devocion*, Cx.; *langage*, MS.³ *fol*, γ.⁴ *fil*, β.; *vul aslepe*, γ.; *fylle a stepe*, Cx.⁵ Y, β.⁶ *ich*, β.; *ich vly*, γ.⁷ *poesyes*, β.⁸ *wete*, β. and Cx.⁹ *boden*, Cx.¹⁰ From α., γ., and Cx.; *bede hym*, β.¹¹ *cōpuccōn*, MS.¹² A note of later date in the margin is, "It seemes then that "bishops were chosen in those "dayes withoute any respecte had "to their fayth."

tempore provincia Merciorum, quam ¹ solus Sexwolfus ² tunc regebat, divisa est in quinque parochias, ³ una apud Legecestriam, alia apud ⁴ Wygorniam, tertia apud Lichefeld, ⁵ quarta in Lindeseya apud Sydeneyam, ⁶ quinta apud Dorecestriam. Sed Putta ⁷ mansit apud Herfordiam, ⁸ quondam institutus per Sexwolfum. *Paulus, libro septimo. De Longobardis.* ⁹ Cunebertus rex Longobardorum dum stans sub fenestra camerae suae ¹⁰ consultaret ¹¹ cum quodam secretario suo quo modo Aldonem suum ¹² interficeret, affuit quaedam magna musca, quam dum rex ¹³ occidere conaretur, ejus ¹⁴ pedem cum cultello abscidit. Interim Aldo, ¹⁵ regiae machinationis ignarus, versus curiam regiam tendit. ¹⁶ Cui obvians quidam claudus baculo innixus sic ait, "Cave tibi, Aldo, quia si ad curiam accesseris, regia manu interibis." Quo audito Aldo ad ecclesiam Sancti Romani ¹⁷ confugit. ¹⁸ Interrogatus autem a rege cur sic fugisset,

¹ *cui tunc temporis*, C.D.

² *Sexwolfus*, A.

³ *provincias* B.; *dioceses*, C.D.

⁴ *provinciam Merciorum in*, C.D.

⁵ *Lechefelde*, A.

⁶ *Sedenciam*, A.; *Sydenam*, C.D.

⁷ *quondam Roffensis nuper factus fuerat Herefordensis, tradente Sexwolfo*, C.D.

⁸ *Herfort*, A.

⁹ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

¹⁰ *dum*, add. A.

¹¹ *consiliatus est*, C.D.

¹² *militem*, A.B.C.D.

¹³ *dux*, B.

¹⁴ *solummodo pedem abscidit cum cultello quem tunc manu tenebat*, C.D.

¹⁵ *Aldo*] from A.B.; *Albo*, MS.

¹⁶ *tetendit*, A.B.

¹⁷ *martyris*, C.D.

¹⁸ *fugit*, B.

tyme þe provynce of Mercia, þat Sexwulfus ruled¹ allone, was departed in fyve bisshopriches, oon at² Chestre, anoper at Worcestre,³ þe þridde at² Lichefeld, þe fourþe at² Sedema⁴ in Lendeseye,⁵ þe fifte at Dorchestre. But Pucta lefte at Hertford, þere Sexwulfus hadde i-putte hym somtyme. *Paulus, libro 7^o*. Cunebertus, kyng of Longobardes, stood under his chamber wyndowe, and counsailled wip oon of his secretaries how he myȝte slee his knyȝt Aldo. Þanne þere was a greet flye, and þe kyng⁶ fondede⁷ to slee pis flye, and kutte⁸ of þe flize foot⁹ wip a¹⁰ knyf. In þe mene tyme Aldo was nouȝt war of þe kynges cast,¹¹ and com toward þe kynges court, and mette wip an halt man, þat ȝede¹² by¹³ a staf, and spak to Aldo in þis manere, "War þe, Aldo, for ȝif¹⁴ þou comest to "the kynges court þou schalt be i-slawe wip þe kynges " [hond]." ¹⁵ Whanne Aldo herde¹⁶ þat, he flyȝ¹⁷ to Seynt Romayn his chirche, and þe kyng axede hym why he dede¹⁸

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. whiche tyme the province of Marches, whom Sexwulphus hade allon, was divided into v. seetes for bischoppes, oon at Westechestre, an other at Worcestre, the thrydde at Lichefelde, the iiijth in Lindesey at Sydenia, the vth at Dorcestre; but Picta or Pucta, bischop, taryede at Herforde, institute by Sexwulphus. *Paulus, libro septimo*. Cunebertus the kyng of Longobardes, stondynge under a wyndowe of his chambre, and askenge cownesayle off his secretary how he myȝhte sle Aldo his knyȝhte, and anoon a grete flee come and sate by hym. The kyng willinge to slee that flee, kytte away here foote with a knyfe. Neverthelesse Aldo, understondynge not the wickede intencion of the kyng, wente towarde the kynges palice, whom a halte man mette, seyenge, "Beware Aldo, for "thow schalte dye and if thow come to the kynges cowrte." Aldo herenge that, fledde unto the church of Seynte Roman. This knyȝhte Aldo, inquired the cause of his fleynge of the

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The devel appered to this kyng in the similitude of a flye, which detecte his cownesayle.

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| ¹ reuled, γ.; rewled, Cx. | ¹⁰ a] þe, γ. |
| ² hatte, γ. (tris). | ¹¹ Aldo not knowynge of the kynges entent, Cx. |
| ³ Wirctre, β.; Wyrcteter, γ.; Worctre, Cx. | ¹² ȝude, γ. |
| ⁴ Sedenia, Cx. | ¹³ went with, Cx. |
| ⁵ Lyndeseye, β.; Lyndisey, γ. | ¹⁴ ȝif] ef, γ. |
| ⁶ þe kyng] he, Cx. | ¹⁵ From α., β., γ., and Cx. |
| ⁷ vondede, γ. | ¹⁶ hurde, γ. |
| ⁸ kitt, β.; kytte, γ. | ¹⁷ vlyȝ, γ.; fledde, Cx. |
| ⁹ vlye voot, γ. | ¹⁸ dide, β.; a dude, γ. |

respondit quendam claudum ipsum¹ de morte sua certificasse. Mox intellexit rex illum claudum fuisse spiritum malignum cujus in specie muscæ pedem truncaverat, qui sic secretum suum denudasset,² et³ forte ad necem Aldonis instigaverat. Sicque rex Aldo-

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Constantini
quarti
XIII.

nem recepit in gratiam. *De pontificibus Romanis et regibus Merciorum.*⁴ Benedictus secundus post Leonem sedit in papatu annis quasi quinque. Osricus subregulus Merciorum construxit monasterium in⁵ Golvornia,⁶ cui præfecit sororem suam Kyneburgam. Quo in anno Kentwynus rex⁷ fugavit⁸ Britones Occidentales usque ad mare, et Benedictus Biscop⁹ construxit monasterium Sancti Pauli apud Girvum in ripa Wyri¹⁰ fluminis; qui nuper in alia ripa ejusdem fluminis¹¹ aliud monasterium Sancti Petri, suffragante rege Egfrido, construxerat; cui¹² præfecit Colfridum.

Gratiæ
DCLXXXIV.
Constantini
quarti
XVI.

Hoc anno Beda puer¹³ septennis¹⁴ traditus est Benedicto Biscop¹⁵ informandus. At ille quinto Romam

¹ ipsum] om. A.

² denudaverat, B.

³ et] om. C.D.

⁴ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁵ urbe, C.D.

⁶ Glovernia, A.B.

⁷ Res, MS.

⁸ in ore gladii, add. C.D.

⁹ largiente rege Egfrido, add. C.D.

¹⁰ Wiri, A.

¹¹ qui . . . fluminis] om. B.

¹² Qui, A.

¹³ bonæ indoles, add. C.D.

¹⁴ septennis] om. B.

¹⁵ educandus et, add. C.D.

soo ; and he answerede and seide for ¹ an halt ² man hadde i-warned hym of his dep. Anoon þe kyng understood þat he þat halted ³ so was a wicked ⁴ spirit, þat he hadde kutte ⁵ of his foot in liknesse of a flye, and hadde so i-wreyed ⁶ his counseil and his privete, and on caas ⁷ hadde excited hym [to] ⁸ Aldo his deth, and so the kyng feng ⁹ Aldo to his pees. ¹⁰ [After Leo þe secunde Benet ¹¹ was pope] ⁸ as it were ¹² fyve ðere. Osricus, under þe ¹³ kyng of Mercia, bulde ¹⁴ an abbay at Gloucetre, and [made] ¹⁵ his suster Keneburgh abbesse pere. Ðat ðere kyng Kentwynus chasede þe west Bretouns anon to þe see ; and Benet bisshop ¹⁶ bulde an abbey of Seynt Poul at Girvum, on þe brynke of þe ryver Wyre ; and hadde to forehonde i-bulde anoper abbay of Seint Petir in þe ¹⁷ opir brynke of þe same ryver by helpe of kyng Egfridus, and made Colfridus abbot pere. [Ðat ðere] ⁸ Beda, a child of sevene ðere olde, was i-take to Benet bisshop his lore, ¹⁸ and he

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. kyng, answerede and seide that a halte man had certifiede hym of his dethe. Then þe kyng perceyvyde that halte man to have bene a spiritte, whose foote he kytte aweye in the similitude of a flye, whiche detecte his secrete counselle, and peraventure hade movede hym unto the dethe of Aldo, and so the kyng receyvid that knyghte Aldo into grace. Benedictus the secunde was successor after Leo the pope as v. yere. Osricus, the lytelle or underkyng of the Marches, made a monastery in Gloucestre, in whom he made Kyneburga, his sustre, presidente. In whiche yere Kentewinus kyng chasede aweye Britons of the weste partes unto the see. And Benedictus Biscop made a monastery at Girvus, on the brynke of the water of Wyre, whiche hade made an oper monastery on that oper side of that water, in the worschip of Seynte Petyr, thro helpe of Egfride kyng. In whiche place or in whiche monastery, he made Colfridus presidente. Beda havynge vij. yere in age, was taken to Benedictus Biscop to be tauht ; whiche goynge to

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gracione.¹ for] by cause, Cx.² holt, γ.³ holtede, γ.⁴ wykhede, γ.⁵ kitt, β. ; ykut, γ.⁶ wryed, β.⁷ on caas] om. Cx.⁸ From α., β., γ., and Cx.⁹ vyng, γ.¹⁰ grace, α.¹¹ Bened, γ.¹² as it were] om. Cx.¹³ þe] om. α., γ., and Cx.¹⁴ bilde, β., et infra.¹⁵ From γ.¹⁶ byschop, γ., et infra.¹⁷ þe] that, Cx.¹⁸ loore, Cx.

adiens commisit Bedam Colfrido.¹ *Beda, libro quarto, capitulo xxvii.* Hoc anno congregata est synodus sub rege Egfrido, assistente Theodoro, juxta flumen Alve,² in loco qui dicitur Twyford,³ ubi Tundeberto de episcopatu Hagustaldensi deposito, Cuthbertus⁴ subrogatus est.⁵ Verum quia ipse plus dilexit⁶ ecclesiam Lindisfarnensem, ad ipsam quoque transiit, Eata ad Hagustaldensem substituto.⁶ *Beda, libro quarto, capitulo vicesimo tertio.* Iste nempe Cuthbertus primo apud⁷ Mayrosense monasterium⁸ monachus effectus,⁹ et tandem præpositus constitutus, postremo in insula Farnæ¹⁰ anachoritice vixit.¹¹ Hoc etiam anno Egfridus rex misere vastavit gentem Scotiæ genti Anglorum semper amicissimam. At ipsi divino invocato auxilio, sequenti anno callide fugam simulantes, ipsum Egfridum amicorum precibus et¹² dissuasionibus¹³ nullatenus acquiescentem, cum magna exercitus sui parte,

¹ *sub custodia Colfridi abbatis,* C.D.

² *Alde,* B.

³ *Twifort,* A.; *Thyford,* B.

⁴ *Hagustaldensi . . . Cuthbertus]* om. C.D.

⁵ *vir sanctus ad episcopatum Hagustaldensem,* C.D.

⁶ *dilexit . . . substituto]* om. C.D.

⁷ *ad,* B.

⁸ *in ripa Twedi fluminis compositum,* add. C.D.

⁹ *monachus effectus]* bis in MS.

¹⁰ *Ferne,* A.

¹¹ C.D. add: "ubi frequenter sub tempore mortalitatis ydolatras frequentantes philacteria et incantationes ad fidei rectitudinem convertibat. *Beda, lib. iv., cap. 22.*"

¹² *precibus et]* om. A.

¹³ *et dissuasionibus]* om. B.C.D.

wente þe fift¹ tyme to Rome, and bytook² Beda to Colfridus. **TREVISA.**
Beda, libro 4^o, capitulo 12^o. Þat 3ere is gadered a synod under
 kyng Egfridus bysides þe ryver Alne,³ in a place þat hatte
 Twyford,⁴ there was Theodorus : pere Tundbertus was putte⁵
 doun of thee⁶ bisshopriche of Hagustald,⁷ and Cuthberd⁸
 was i-made bisshop in his stede ; bote for he lovede more þe
 chirche of Lyndefarn,⁹ þider¹⁰ he wente, and Eata was i-made
 bisshop at Hangustald in his stede. *Beda, libro 4^o, capitulo 23^o.*
 Þis Cuthberd was firste¹¹ i-made monk in þe abbay of Maylros,
 and þanne preost,¹² and at þe laste he lyvede anker¹³ his lyf in
 þe ilond Farn. Also þat 3ere kyng Egfridus destroyed
 wrecchedly¹⁴ þe men of Scotland, þat were alwey most
 freendes¹⁵ to Engliche men ; and þey prayed help of God,
 and feyned hem for to flee,¹⁶ and gylede¹⁷ Egfridus nou3t
 wipstondynge þe prayers of his frendes,¹⁵ for he wolde nou3t
 doo after hem,¹⁸ and tollede¹⁹ hem, and drou3t hem²⁰ into

Ab urbe. Rome in the v^{tho} tyme, committe the keypyng of that childe to **MS. HARL.**
 Colfridus. *Beda, libro quarto, capitulo xxvj^{to}.* A grete con- 2261.
 vencion of bischoppes was assembled under kyng Egfride, **A transmi-**
 with Theodorus archebisshop, nye to the water of Alne, in a gracione.
 place callede Twiforde, where Tudbertus deposede from the
 seete Hangustaldense, Cuthberte was subrogate into þat place ; **Seynte**
 whiche wente soone after that unto the chirche Lindisfarn, **Cuthberte.**
 whom he luffede moore, Eata reioycynge the seete Hangus-
 taldense. *Beda, libro iij^{to}, capitulo vicesimo sexto.* This **f. 278 a.**
 Cuthberte, made monke at the monastery of Maylros, and
 after that governoure of þat monastery, lyvede after as an
 ankre in the yle of Farne. *Beda, libro quarto, capitulo vice-*
simo quarto. Kyng Egfride destroyede a grete multitude of
 Scottes, moste envious²¹ peple to men of Ynglonde ; whiche
 arysenge ageyne hym in the yere folowyng, and drawyng hym

¹ fyveþe, β.² bytoug, γ.³ Alve, Cx.⁴ Twyfort, γ.⁵ pot, γ.⁶ Sic in MS. ; his, Cx.⁷ Hagastald, γ., et infra.⁸ Cuthbertus, γ.⁹ Lyndesfarn, Cx.¹⁰ þuder, γ.¹¹ vurst, γ.¹² pruest, γ. ; preest, Cx.¹³ an ankers lif, β. : an lif, ankers
lyf, Cx.¹⁴ destruyed wrecchidlich, β. ; de-
struyede wrechedelich, γ.¹⁵ vrendes, γ.¹⁶ vor to vle, γ.¹⁷ begyled, Cx.¹⁸ ham, γ.¹⁹ þei tolled hym, β. ; tollede, γ. ;
tolled and drough him, Cx.²⁰ hym, α. and γ.²¹ The translator seems to have
read *inimicissimam*, but none of the
Latin texts have that reading.

inter angustias montium attractum extinxerunt. Ex quo tempore spes et virtus Anglorum cœpit defluere, nam et Picti et Scoti¹ ac nonnulla pars Britonum terras suas cum libertate receperunt. *Beda, capitulo vicesimo ii*.² *De regibus West Saxonum*.³ Cedwalla⁴ strenuus juvenis de regio genere Gewysseorum,⁵ post Kentwynum mortuum regnavit super West Saxones.⁶ Qui⁷ filius fuit Kentbrithi, filii Ceddæ,⁸ filii Cuthæ,⁹ fratris Ceaulini, filii Kynrici, filii⁷ Cerdici. Qui statim¹⁰ Athelwoldum regem Southsaxonum interfecit,¹¹ provinciam ejus captivavit, Cantiam vastavit, insulam Vectam cepit. Cujus quartam partem, quæ est ccc^{rum} familiarum, sancto Wylfrido pro Dei amore dedit. Hoc¹² anno apud Northimbranos, post Egfridum extinctum,¹³ successit Alfridus frater suus nothus, qui¹⁴ regnavit octodecim annis.¹² *Paulus, libro septimo.*

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DCLXXXIV.
Constantini
quarti
XVII.

¹ *Scotici*, B.
² 23, A.; B. omits title and reference.
³ A. omits heading.
⁴ Slightly varied in C.D.
⁵ *Gewesseorum*, A.
⁶ *Willelmus de regibus*, add. B.
⁷ *Qui . . . filii*] om. C.D.
⁸ *Kenbrichti filii Ceaddæ*, A.; *Kenebricti*, B.

⁹ *fili Cuthæ*] om. B.
¹⁰ *Hic statim*, C.D.
¹¹ *et quamvis a duce regis Bernicio repulsus fuerat, ipsum tamen ducem postmodum interfecit*, add. C.D.
¹² *Hoc . . . annis*] om. B., as also the reference following.
¹³ *apud Scotiam*, add. C.D.
¹⁴ *super Northimbros*, add. C.D.

streite¹ places bytwene hilles² and mounteynes, and slow hym þere, and a greet³ deel of his oost. From þat tyme forþward⁴ þe strengþe⁵ of þe Angles bygan to falle⁶ awayward, and Pictes and Scottes and meny of þe Bretouns feng⁷ her londes wip fredom⁸ aȝen. Cedwalla, a stalworþe⁹ ȝongelyng¹⁰ of kyngene¹¹ kynde¹² of þe Gewesses, þat beþ West Saxons, [he regnede over¹³ þe West Saxons]¹⁴ after Kentwynus his deþ. *Willelmus de Regibus*. He was¹⁵ Kentbrihtis¹⁶ sone, Kentbritus was Ceadda his sone, Ceadda was Cuta¹⁷ his sone, Cutha¹⁸ was Ceaulinus his broþer, Ceaulynus was Kynricus his sone, Kynricus was Cerdicus his sone, anon he slouȝ Athelwold¹⁹ kyng of Souþsex, and made his province pral, and destroyed Kent, and took þe ile²⁰ of Wight, and ȝaf þe fourþe²¹ deel þerof to Seynt Wilfridus for þe love of God. In þat partie of þe ile were acounted þre hondred meynyes and housholdes. Þat ȝere [in]²² Northumberlond Egfridus was i-slawe, and his broþer Alfridus Notus,²³ bastard, regned after

TREVISIA.

Ab urbe. as by treason unto streite places betwene hilles, did sle hym, not sparynge for price or preyer. From whiche tyme the vertu and powere of Yngliche men began to decrease; for after that the Pictes, Scottes, and a grete parte of Britons reioysede their londes with liberte. Cedwalla, a noble yonge man of the regalle bloode of the Gewissees, reignede on the Westesaxons after the dethe of Kentwinus kyng. *Willelmus de Regibus*. Whiche was sonne of Kenbrithus, son of Ceadda, son to Cutha the broþer of Ceaulinus, son of Kynricus, son to Cerdicus, whiche did slee anoone Ethelwolde kyng of Sowthesex, and toke his province into captivite, wastynge Kente, and toke the yle of Wiȝhte, whom he ȝafe to Seynte Wilfride for the luffe of God. Alfridus succedid in the realme of Northumbrelonde after the dethe of Egfridus, whiche reignede xvij. yere. The Saracenys

MS. HARL.
2261.A transmi-
gracione.¹ *strait*, β.; *streit plas*, γ.² *hulles*, γ.³ *gred*, γ.⁴ *vorward*, γ.⁵ *stryngþe*, γ.⁶ *valle*, γ.⁷ *vyng*, γ.; *receyved*, Cx.⁸ *vredom*, γ.⁹ *stronge*, Cx.¹⁰ *ȝunglyng*, γ.¹¹ *kynges*, β.¹² *kunde*, γ.¹³ *he over regnede*, γ.¹⁴ From α., β., and γ.¹⁵ From β. and γ.¹⁶ *Kenbrihtus his*, α.; *Kenbrigh-*
tus, β. and Cx.; *Kenbryhtus*, γ.¹⁷ *Cutha*, γ.¹⁸ *Cuth*, γ.¹⁹ *Ethelwold*, γ.²⁰ *took þe yl*, γ.²¹ *wurþe*, γ.²² From β.²³ *Nothus*, β., γ., and Cx.

Hoc anno gens Saracenorum, ex Ægypto in Africam veniens,¹ Carthaginem cepit et delevit; et² Constantinus apud Constantinopolim obiit.

CAP. XX.

*De imperatoribus Romanis.*³

Gratiæ
DCLXXXVI.
Justiniani
primo.

JUSTINIANUS secundus post patrem suum Constantinum⁴ imperavit annis decem tantum.⁵ Johannes quintus post Benedictum sedit [in]⁶ papatu anno uno, post quem Zeno duobus annis. *Beda, libro quarto, capitulo xxxiii.*⁷ Lotharius rex Cantuariensis⁸ moritur ex vulnere quod receperat in pugna Australium Saxonum contra Cedwallam. Post quem Edricus filius Egberti, ejus interfector, regnavit anno uno et dimidio. Post quem regnum illud sub incertis regibus aliquamdiu vacillavit,⁹ donec Withred, legitimus filius Egberti, con-

¹ *pergens*, C.D.

² *Inter hæc*, C.D.

³ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁴ *suum Constantinum*] om. C.D.

⁵ *tantum*] om. A.B.C.D.

⁶ *in*] from A.B.

⁷ C.D. omit reference. The correct reference is cap. xxvi. Beda spells the name *Hlotharus*.

⁸ *Cantuariorum*, B.

⁹ *dispersum est*, C.D.

hym two hondred¹ zere. þat zere Sarzynes² com out of TREVISA. Egipt into Affrica, and took³ Cartage and destroyed⁴ it; — and Constantyn deyde⁵ at Constantynoble.

Capitulum vicesimum.

Iustinianus.

THE secounde Iustinianus, after his fader⁶ Constantyn, was emperoure ten zere. After Benet, þe fifte⁷ Iohn was pope oon zere. After hym Zeno was pope two zere. *Beda, libro 4^o, capitulo 23^o.* Lotharius kyng of Canturbury deyde of a wounde þat he hadde i-fonge⁸ in þe fiȝting⁹ of þe Souþ Saxons aȝenst Cedwalla. After hym, he þat slouȝ hym,¹⁰ Edricus, Egbertus his sone, [regnede oon zȝer and an half. After hym þat kyngdom was longe tyme unstedefast under certeyne¹¹ kynges forto Wyhtred, Egbertus his¹² sone,]¹³ was converted¹⁴

Ab urbe. commynge from Egipte into Affrike in this yere, toke Cartago, MS. HARL. and destroyede hit; and Constantyne diede at Constantinopole. 2261.

A transmi-
gracione.
The cite of
Cartago was
destroyed.

Capitulum vicesimum.

IUSTINIANUS the secounde was emperoure after Constantyne his fader ix. yere. Iohn the v^{tho} succedid Benedictus þe pope oon yere, whom Zeno succedid ij. yere. *Beda, libro iiij^{to}, capitulo vicesimo quarto.* Lotharius kyng of Kente died of a wounde receyvyde in batelle ageyne Cedwalla, whom Edricus, son of Egbertus, succedid oon yere and a halfe, and after that þe realme of Kente stode as in trowble by diverse kynges untylle Wihtrede, lawefulle son of Egbertus, succedid in þat realme.

¹ Sic in MS.; *eyȝtetene, γ*; *eyȝteten yere, Cx.*

² *Sarasyns, Cx.*

³ *touk, γ.*

⁴ *distrayed, β.*

⁵ *deyde*] om. Cx.

⁶ *vader, γ.*

⁷ *vyfte, γ.*

⁸ *ivonge, γ.*

⁹ *vytyng, γ.*

¹⁰ *he þat slouȝ hym*] om. β. and Cx.

¹¹ *unstedfast under uncerteyn, β.*; *uncerteyn, γ.*

¹² *lawful sone, β.*

¹³ From α., β., and γ.

¹⁴ *conforted, β., γ.*; *til Wightred lawful sone was conforted, Cx.*

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DCLXXXVII.
Justiniani
II.

fortatus in regnum succederet.¹ Mull² frater regis Cedwallæ³ cum duodecim militibus in Cantia interceptus est⁴ et combustus, unde commotus Cedwalla iterum vastavit Cantiam. Et⁵ Wylfridus,⁶ invitante

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DCLXXXVIII.
Justiniani
III.

rege Alfrido, sedem Hagustaldensem recepit; nam sanctus Johannes Beverlacensis, defuncto nuper Bosa, ad Eboracum transierat.⁷ Sergius papa post Zenonem sedit annis xiii^{cim}, qui constituit ut *Agnus Dei* ter in missa cantaretur. Et Domino revelante invenit in sacrario beati Petri magnam partem dominicæ crucis.⁸ *Giraldus, distinctione prima, capitulo xvii.*⁹ *De Francis.*¹⁰ Pipinus primus dictus Vetulus sive Brevis, filius Ansegisili filii sancti Arnulphi, major domus regis apud¹¹ Francos effectus, suscepit principatum orientalium¹² Francorum viginti septem annis. Qui¹³ primo pugnavit contra Theodoricum regem Francorum quem usque Parisium fugientem subacto regno vitæ et¹⁴ nomini reservavit. *Paulus, libro septimo.*¹⁵ Tunc temporis apud Francos¹⁶ regibus a solita fortitudine et prudentia¹⁷

¹ C.D. add: "Pluvia sanguinea descendit in Britannia."

² *Mul*, A.

³ *Ceadwalla*, B.

⁴ *est*] om. A.

⁵ *Sanctus*, add. C.D.

⁶ *post longum exilium*, add. C.D.

⁷ C.D. add: "*Beda, lib. v., cap. 7.*"

⁸ *gemmis argentoque ornatam*, add. C.D.

⁹ This reference to Giraldus, which occurs several times in this chapter, I cannot verify.

¹⁰ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

¹¹ *apud*] om. C.D.

¹² *orientalem*, B.

¹³ *Primo regni sui anno*, C.D.

¹⁴ *regio*, add. C.D.

¹⁵ Should be lib. xxii.

¹⁶ *Gallias Francorum*, C.D.

¹⁷ *scientia*, C.D.

and regnede in þat kyngdom. Mull, kyng Cedwalla his ^{TREVISA.} broþer, and twelve knyȝtes were bysette and i-brend in Kent. Þerfore Cedwalla was wroop and destroyed¹ Kent eftsones, and Wilfridus feng² þe bisshopriche of Hangustald³ at þe prayere of kyng Alfridus. For⁴ seynt Iohn of Beverly went to ȝork whanne Boso⁵ was dede. After Zeno, Sergius was pope prittene ȝere; he ordeyned þat Agnus Dei schulde be preis i-songe in þe masse, and by schewynge of God he fonge⁶ a greet deel of þe cros⁷ in Seynt Peter his sacrarie. *Giraldus, distinctione prima, capitulo 17^o*. Þe firste⁸ Pipinus, þat heet Vetulus, Brevis also, þe sone of Hansegesilus,⁹ þe sone of seint Arnulphus, was i-made þe grettest of þe kynges hous,¹⁰ and feng þe principate of þe est party of Fraunce, and was [prince]¹¹ sevene and twenty ȝere; he fauȝt first aȝenst Theodoricus kyng of Fraunce, and chasede hym anon to Parys, and whanne¹² þe kyngdom, and savede þe kinges lyf and his name. *Paulus, libro 7^o*. Þat tyme in Fraunce kynges torned from þe wit and strenþe¹³ þat kynges were i-woned to have.¹⁴

Ab urba. Mull, broþer of Cedwalla kyng, was taken with xij. knyȝtes in MS. HARL. Kente, and brente; where þe Cedwalla trowblede soore, wastede 2261. Kente ageyne; and Wilfride receyvide the seete of Hangustalde at the desyre of kyng Alfride. For Seynte Iohn of Beverlay ^{A transmi-} dedde, Bosa receyvyde the seete of Yorke. Sergius þe pope suc- ^{gracione.} f. 297 b. ceded Zeno xij. yere, whiche ordeynede that Agnus Dei scholde be songe thryes in masse; whiche founde also by revelacion, in a holy place of Seynte Petyr, a grete parte of the holy crosse. *Giraldus, distinctione prima, capitulo septimo decimo*. The firste Pipinus, callede olde or schorte, sonne of Ansegisilus, sonne of Seynte Arnulphus, made governoure of the howse of the kyng of Frenche men, receyvyde the principate of the este men of Fraunce xxvij^{ti} yere; whiche fauȝhte firste aȝeyne Theodoricus, kyng of men in Fraunce, whom he toke fleynge at Parise, reser-vynge to him lyfe. *Paulinus, libro vij^o*. Prudence and fortitude as exiled from kynges of Fraunce, in that tyme the realme

¹ *destroyed*, β.

² *vyng*, γ.

³ *Hagustald*, β. and γ.

⁴ *Vor*, γ.

⁵ *Bosa*, α., β., and Cx.

⁶ *vond*, γ.; *fonde*, Cx.

⁷ *the holy crosse*, Cx.

⁸ *vurste*, γ.

⁹ *Ansegisilus*, β., γ., and Cx.

¹⁰ *among Frenschmen*, add. β.

¹¹ From α., β., γ., and Cx.

¹² Sic in MS.

¹³ *stryngþe*, γ.

¹⁴ *habbe*, γ.

¹⁵ Sic in MS.

degenerantibus, qui majores¹ in domo regia videbantur regnum administrabant.² Nam cœlitus³ erat dispositum ad illorum⁴ sanguinem regnum devolvendum. Hoc anno sanctus Cuthbertus obiit apud insulam Farnæ, quam semper dilexerat.⁵ Cujus tamen corpus ad insulam Lyndisfarnensem delatum est, ejusque episcopatum rexit Wylfridus anno uno, quousque per regem expelleretur.⁶ *Beda, libro quinto, capitulo septimo.* Hoc anno Cedewalla rex Occidentalium Saxonum⁷ cum genti suæ tribus annis strenue præfuisset, relicto imperio Romam venit peregrinus; ubi a Sergio papa baptizatus, et Petrus vocatus, in albo⁸ adhuc positus languore correptus, non plene triginta annorum existens, obiit xii. kalendas Maii, sepultusque in ecclesia⁹ Petri¹⁰ famoso epitaphio meruit insigniri.¹¹ *Epitaphium Cedewallæ regis Occidentalium Saxonum.*

Culmen, opes, sobolem, pollentia regna, triumphos

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DCLXXXIX.
Justiniani
X.

¹ *domus regalis esse*, C.D.¹

² *administrare ceperunt*, C.D.

³ *cœlitus*] om. B.

⁴ *suorum*, B.

⁵ *quam . . . dilexerat*] om. C.D.

⁶ *quousque . . . expelleretur*] om. C.D.

⁷ *occidit Saxones*, A.

⁸ *albis*, A.C.D. ; *ab' b'*, B.

⁹ *beati*, B.

¹⁰ *hoc*, B.

¹¹ *cujus tenor talis est*, add. C.D.

And þey¹ þat semede gretteſt in þe kynges hous rulede² þe kyngdom, for God hap i-ordeyned þat þe kyngdom ſcholde torne to þe blood of hem.³ Þat ʒere deide ſeint Cuthbert in þe ilond Farn, þat he hadde i-loved alwey, but his body was i-bore into þe lond Lindefare; ⁴ his biſshopriche reulede Wilfridus oon ʒere, forto⁵ he was i-put⁶ out by þe kyng. Þat ʒere ʒedwalla,⁷ kyng of Weſt Saxons, whanne he hadde nobleliche i-ruled his peple þre ʒere, he forſook the empere, and wente in pilgrimage to Rome; þere he was i-cristned⁸ of pope Sergius, and i-cleped Peter; ʒet while he was ſette in white he was i-take⁹ with ſikenesse and deyde, not fulliche¹⁰ þrittene¹¹ ʒere olde, þrittene dayes tofore May,¹² and was i-buried in Seint Peteris chirche, and was worpy to have ſuche famous writynge on his tombe: “Lordschipe, riches, children, plente of

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. was diſpoſede after the gouernoure of the kynges palice; for hit was providede by the ordinaunce of God that the realme of Fraunce ſcholde returne to theire bloode. Seynte Cutheberte diede in this yere at the yle of Farne, whiche place he luffede moche, but his body was brouʒhte to the yle of Lindiſfarn, the ſeete of whom Wilfride gouernede after his dethe by oon yere, untylle he was expulſede by the kyng. *Beda, libro vº, capitulo vijº.* Cedwalla gouernynge his realme myʒhtely iij. yere, and levyng hit wente to Rome, and was baptizede of Sergius þe pope, and callede Petrus; where he diede ſoone after, not havyng xxx^{ti} yere in age þe xij. kalendes of Maii, and beryede in the chirche of Seynte Petre at Rome, deſeruyde this epitaphy, “Culmen opes sobolem pollentia regna triumphos.

MS. HARL.
2261.A transmi-
gracione.
Seynte
Cuthbert
dyede.Of the laſt
kyng of the
Britons.

¹ *hy, γ.*
² *reuled, β.*
³ *ham, γ.*
⁴ *ylond Lyndiſfare, β.; Lyndyſfare, γ.; Lyndesfarn, Cx.*
⁵ *til, β.*
⁶ *ypot, γ.*

⁷ *Cedwalla, β.*
⁸ *yfulled, β.; yvolled, γ.*
⁹ *i-take*] om. Cx.
¹⁰ *folliche, γ.*
¹¹ *þrittý, α. and β.*
¹² *Maii, β.*

*Eximios,¹ proceres, mœnia, castra, lares,
Quæque patrum virtus et quæ congesserat² ipse,
Cedewal³ armipotens liquit amore Dei.*

Giraldus, distinctione prima, capitulo xvii.⁴ Hic⁵
notandum est quod istum Cadwaladrum, ultimum regem
Britonum, historia Romanorum et Longobardorum et
Bedæ vocat Cedwallam, sed corrupte, cum sint Bri-
tannicæ linguæ ignari. Unde et⁶ ultimum versum in
epitaphio prædicto alicubi⁷ reperitur sic⁸ correctum.⁹
Versus.¹⁰ 11 Rex Cadwaladrus rexit¹² amore Dei. Quod
autem dicitur baptizatus a Sergio, intelligendum est con-
firmatus¹³ per sacri chrismatis¹⁴ inunctionem. Et tunc
fuit proprium nomen ejus mutatum, sicut contingit in con-
firmationibus parvulorum; et cum esset rex Britonum,

¹ *Exuvias*, C.D., which is the text of Beda.

² *concesserat*, B.

³ *Cadwal*, A.; *Cedwal*, C.D.

⁴ A. omits title; B. omits title and reference.

⁵ B. transposes this passage, the text commencing *Quod autem Cadwaladrus*.

⁶ *versum præscriptum in epitaphio in plurimis locis sic corruptum in-*

venies: Rex Cedwalladrus liquit amore Dei, C.D.

⁷ *alicubi*] om. B.

⁸ *fore*, B.

⁹ *correptum*, A.

¹⁰ *Versus*] om. A.

¹¹ *Hic*, B.

¹² *liquit*, A.; *vicit*, B.

¹³ *intelligendum est de confirmatione ejus*, C.D.

¹⁴ *crismatis*, MSS.

“ riches and of welþe, cloþes and ¹ riche aray, ² prayeres, ³ hous, TREVISA.
 “ castels, ⁴ and walled townes þat his fadre ⁵ and he hadde
 “ i-wonne by strengþe, Ceadwal þe myȝty man ⁶ of armes lefte
 “ and forsook ⁷ for love of God Almyȝti.” *Giraldus, distinc-*
tione prima, capitulo 17º. Here take hede þat þis Cadwaledrus
 þe laste kyng of Bretouns is i-cleped Cedwalla in þe storie of
 Romayns and of Longobardes, and in Beda his storie also.
 But corrupliche, ⁸ for þey ⁹ knewe nouȝt þe longage of Britouns,
 þerefore in som place in þe laste vers on his tombe it is i-write
 in þis manere: “ Kyng Cadwaldrus lefte for þe love of God.”
 For it is i-seide þat he was i-cristned ¹⁰ of Sergius, þat is to
 understondynge ¹¹ þat he was confermed by anoyntyng ¹² of
 holy crisme, and þo his propre name was i-chaunged, as it
 happeþ in confirmacioun of children. And þey ¹³ he ¹⁴ were of

Ab urbe “ Eximias preces mcenia castra lares. Quæque patrum virtus, MS. HARL.
 “ et quæ congesserat ipse, Ceadwall armipotens liquit amore 2261.
 “ Dei.” *Giraldus, distincione prima, capitulo 17º.* Hit is
 to be advertisede that the story of Romanes, of Longobardes,
 and of Bede, callethe Ceadwaladrus, the last kyng of Britons,
 Ceddwalla corruptely, not understondynge the langage of
 Britons. But the laste verse of the epitaphy aforeseide is cor-
 recte in this wyse, “ Rex Cawaladrus liquit amore Dei,” in
 mony places. And that hit is seide that he was baptizede of
 Sergius, hit is to be understonde þat he was confermede by
 hym by the noyntyng of holy creame, and then his propre
 name was chaungede, as hit happethe in the confirmacion of

¹ and] of, Cx.

² of rich aray, ß.

³ pyers, ß.

⁴ castellis, Cx.

⁵ fadres, a.; fader, Cx.

⁶ men, MS.

⁷ vorsok, γ.

⁸ corruptlich, ß.

⁹ corruptlyche vor hy, γ.

¹⁰ folled, ß.; yvolled, γ.

¹¹ understande, Cx.

¹² anuntyng, γ.

¹³ þouȝ, ß.

¹⁴ he] a, γ.

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DCLXXXII.
Justiniani
II.

tamen dictus est rex Occidentalium¹ Saxonum, quia et illis similiter principabatur, cum sint contigui Walensibus. Sed et² opinionem Walensium qua dicunt se denuo³ reges rehabere cum ossa Cadwalladri a Roma fuerint reportata, fabulosam reputo, sicut et historiam Gaufridi in fine. ⁴Cedwallæ successit Ine de stirpe regia, filius Kenredi, filii Ceolwold, filii Cuthæ, filii Cuthwyn,⁵ filii Ceaulini, etc.⁶ Et regnavit triginta septem annis. At tunc et ipse⁷ Romam petiit, pontificante Gregorio, quod et multi tunc⁸ fecerunt.⁹ Quo etiam anno Benedictus Biscop¹⁰ obiit pridie idus Januarii; cui successit in regimine utriusque monasterii sui in ripa Wyri fluminis¹¹ Colfridus. Obiit etiam Theodorus archiepiscopus anno ætatis octogesimo septimo, episcopatus vicesimo secundo; cui successit Brithwoldus abbas. Usque ad hoc tempus fuerant¹² Romani archiepiscopi, sed extunc Angli. Sanctus Wylfridus denuo accusatus ab Alfrido rege

Sanctus
Wilfridus.

¹ *Orientalis*, A.

² *et*] om. B.

³ *domo*, B.

⁴ *Huic*, add. C.D.

⁵ *Cuthwini*, A.

⁶ *etc.*] om. B.

⁷ *relicto regno temporali*, add. C.D.

⁸ *multi tunc*] altered to *inutiliter* by a very late hand, A.; *tunc*, om. C.D.

⁹ *de gente Anglorum variæ conditionis tunc certatim fecerunt. Willemus, lib. iv., Pont.*, add. C.D.

¹⁰ *incōrum (incommodorum?) victor*, add. C.D., and continue: "post infirmitatis longæ caminum, qua semper Deo gratias agere solebat, languescere incipiens, præfecit Colfridum abbatem utriusque monasterio quæ ipse in ripis Wiri fundaverat, obiit pridie

" idus Januarii. Vir iste copiam
" librorum quater peregrinatus ad-
" vexit, artifices lapidearum et vi-
" trearum fenestrarum primus om-
" nium Angliam ascivit. Amor enim
" patriæ et voluptas elegantiae aspe-
" ros in eo fallebant labores. Per Eg-
" bertum etiam regem Canticiæ abbas
" Sancti Augustini Cantuariæ con-
" stitutus venienti Adriano libenter
" cessit, non veritus in Theodoro su-
" percilium, sed veneratus magis-
" terium. Subintroductum et ab-
" batem apud Wirense monasterium
" æquanimiter tulit. Ejus corpus
" postmodum apud Thornheye
" transfertur. Theodorus, archi-
" episcopus, obiit anno ætatis 88,"
&c.

¹¹ *utriusque . . . fluminis*] om. B.

¹² *fuerunt*, B.

Bretouns he was i-cleped kyng of West Saxons, for he was kyng of hem also, for þey ioynep¹ to þe [Walshe men].² Walsche men telleþ þat þey schulde³ eft⁴ have kynges whan Cadwaldrus his boones beep i-brouȝt from Rome, but I⁵ holde þat but a fable, as I⁶ doo þe storie of Gaufridus in þe ende. After Cedwalla regnede Yne, of þe lynage of kynges, þe sone of Kynredus, þe sone of Ceolwold, þe sone [of]⁷ Cutha, þe sone of Cuthwyn, þe sone of Ceaulinus, and so forþ; and Yne regned sevene and þretty ȝere, and þo⁸ he wente to Rome in pope Gregory his tyme, and so dede⁹ meny oper þat tyme. Also þat ȝere deide Benet Bisshop,¹⁰ þe twelfþe day of Ianyver. Colfridus was abbot after hym in his either abbay in þe brynke of þe ryver Wyre. Also Theodorus the archebisshop deide, þe ȝere of his age foure score and sevene, [and]⁷ of his bisshopriche two and twenty. After hym abbot Brigtwold was archebisshop: anon to þat tyme þe archebisshoppis were of Rome, and seþpe¹¹ þat tyme þe archebisshoppes were of Engeland. Seynt Wilfridus [was]¹² eft accused of kyng Alfridus to fore

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. childer; whiche beyng kyng of Britons, was callede also kyng of Westesaxons, as contiguate to men of Wales. But y suppose that the oppinion of men of Wales to be fabulose, and as fable, seyenge that they schalle have kynges ageyne when the boones of Cadwaladrus be brouȝhte from Rome, like to the story of Gaufride in the ende. Ine succeded Cedwalla, sonne of Kenredus, son to Ceolwoldus, sonne of Cutha, son of Cuthwinus, sonne of Ceaulinus, reigntyng xxxvij^{ti} yere; whiche wente to Rome also, with many other, in the tyme of Gregorius the secunde. In whiche yere Benedictus Biscop diede, whom Colfridus succedid in the governayle of bothe þe monasterys on the brynke or side of the water of Wyre. Also Theodorus tharchebisshop of Cawnterbery diede in this tyme in the lxxxvij. yere of his age, and þe xxij^{ti} yere of his bischophode; whom Britwoldus thabbot did succede: until that tyme men of Rome were archebisshoppes of Cawnterbery and from that tyme men of Ynglonde. Seynte Wilfride accusede of Alfride the kyng afore

MS. HARL. 2261.

A transmigratione. The oppinion of men of Wales. f. 279 a.

Of Seynte Wylfride.

¹ vor huy inneþ, γ.	⁷ From α., β., γ., and Cx.
² From Cx.; Walsche men, β.; Walschemen, γ.	⁸ þanne, β.
³ schulleþ, β.; hy schulleth, γ.	⁹ dude, γ.
⁴ ageyne, Cx.	¹⁰ Bisshop, β.
⁵ ych, γ.	¹¹ soþþe, γ.
⁶ Y, β.; y, γ.	¹² From β. and Cx.

¹ coram multis episcopis ab episcopatu pulsus est. Inde ² Romam appellans, ³ ita coram Johanne papa causam suam defendit, ut litteras apostolicas de sua restitutione regibus Anglorum afferret. Juvit autem multum causam suam lectio synodi tunc recitata, cui ipse Wylfridus tempore Agathonis papæ interfuerat. Sed lectis litteris suis Alfrido regi directis, eum adhuc recipere noluit. Inde ad Etheldredum ⁴ regem Merciorum divertens, recepit ab ipso ⁵ episcopatum Legecestrensiū ⁶ apud Mercios quousque Alfridus obdormiret. ¹ *Beda, libro v^o, capitulo ix^o.* ⁷ Circa hos dies ⁸ Egbertus sacerdos et monachus, qui dudum tempore mortalitatis precibus et votis mortem evaserat, cum jam circumnavigata Britannia Germanicam gentem convertere disposuisset, superna illi oracula et opera restiterunt. Nam navis quam ad illud iter præparaverat subita tempestate quassata est. At tunc quidam de fratribus suis, per visum monitus, dixit Egberto quod vellet nollet oporteret eum ad monasteria sancti Columbæ redire, eo quod

¹ *coram . . . obdormiret*] om. C.D.

² C.D. add: "ad Etheldredum regem Merciorum divertens . . . suscepit ab eo præsulatum Mediterraneorum Merciorum. Quo in tempore Bosa episcopo propter nimiam invaliditatem ministrare nequiente, substitutus est Ostsorf monachus de monasterio Hildæ."

³ *veniens*, B.

⁴ *Althredum*, B.

⁵ *eo*, B.

⁶ *Legecestre*, B.

⁷ *tertio*, B.

⁸ *venerabilis Christi famulus et sacerdos Egbertus, qui cladem mortalitatis dudum precibus suis et votis evaserat, ac diu post in Hibernia insula propter Christum peregrinatus fuerat, cum jam, &c.,* add. C.D.

meny bisshoppes, and i-put out of his bisshopriche. Perfore he appelede to þe court of Rome, and defendede so his cause tofore þe¹ pope Iohn þat he hadde lettres of þe pope to þe kynges of Engelond to² his restitucioun. Þe redyng of þe synod þat was þoo rehersed was gret help to his cause. Þis Wilfridus hadde i-be at þat synod in pope Agatho his tyme. Þe lettres were i-rad þat were i-sent for hym to kyng Alredus,³ bote þe kyng wolde nouȝt ȝit fonge hym, þerfore he tornede to þe kyng of Mercia, and feng of hym þe bisshopriche of Legecestria, þat is Chestre, and helde⁴ it anon to Alfridus his deth. *Beda, libro 5^o, capitulo 9^o.* Aboute þat tyme Egbertus þe monk, þat we speke⁵ of to forehonde, þat scapede⁶ the moreyn by prayers and avowes, hadde i-seilled about Bretayne, and caste for to converte þe men of Germania, but dedes and warnyng of hevene hym lette.⁷ For þe schippe þat he hadde i-ordeyned for þat iornay was to-broke wip a sodeyn tempest of weder, and þere⁸ oon of his breperen was i-warned by a visioun, and spak to Egebertus, and seide þat he moste, wheper he wolde oper no, wende to Seint Columba his abbay aȝen,

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. many bischoppes, was expulsed from his seete; whiche appelynge to Rome, defendid his cause afore pope Iohn, in so moche that he hade letters from the pope to the kynges of Ynglonde for his restitution: and specially the disputacion that he hade for the feithe of Criste, afore Agatho þe pope, rehersed þer, was grete helpe to hym. But ȝitte the letters of the pope directe to kyng Alfride redde, he wolde not receyve hym. Whiche goyng to Etheldredus kyng of the Marches, was made bischop of Westechestre, kepyng that unto his deth. *Beda, libro v^o, capitulo nono.* Egerbertus⁹ the preste and monke escapyng afore the infirmite pestilente wyllede to go to Germany to converte peple to the feithe of Criste; but the wylle of God was contrarious, for the schippe that he hade ordeynede for þat iowrney was broken by a sodeyne tempeste. And then oon of his breper, monyschede by a vision in his slepe, saide to Egbertus that he scholde goe to the monastery of Columba wheper he wolde or nay, in that the

MS. HARL.
2261.A transmi-
gracione.¹ þe] om. B.² of, a., B., and Cx.³ Alredus, but, Cx.⁴ huld, γ.⁵ spake, Cx.⁶ schaped, γ.⁷ letted hym, Cx.⁸ þoo, a.; þo, B.; tho, Cx.⁹ Sic.

aratra eorum non recte incederent. Unde et ipse misit Wyllebrodum¹ cum duodecim comitibus² ad partes Germaniæ, qui ope ducis Francorum Pipini senioris, qui citeriorem³ Frisiam nuper subjugaverat, multos ad fidem convertit, et tandem auctoritatæ Sergii papæ roboratus, Trajectensi ecclesiæ episcopus est destinatus, quam xl^a ferme annis nobiliter rexit.⁴ Defuncto Osforo,⁵ Wyciorum⁶ episcopo⁷ successit Egwynus, qui cito post, annuente rege Etheldredo, monasterium de Evesham construxit.

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DCXCIII.
Justiniani
VII.

*De Francis.*⁸ Pipinus Vetulus sive Brevis, mortuo jam Theodorico rege Gallorum, quem secum pie regnare permiserat, filium ejus⁹ Clodoneum in regem erexerat.¹⁰ Eoque¹¹ anno Cantuarienses,¹² pace facta cum Ine rege Westsaxonum, tria millia librarum pro morte Mullis fratris Cedwal dederunt. Justinianus Cæsar ob culpam perfidiæ regni gloria privatus, exul in Pontum secessit;¹³

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DCXCIII.
Justiniani
VIII.

Gratiæ
DCXCV.
Justiniani
X.

<p>¹ <i>Wyllebrordum</i>, C.D. ² <i>Scotibus</i>, C.; <i>Scotis</i>, D. ³ <i>citeriorem</i>] om. B. ⁴ <i>et post ibidem sepultus est</i>, add. C.D. ⁵ <i>Offero</i>, A.; <i>Offoro</i>, C.D. ⁶ <i>Wictiorum</i>, A.B.</p>	<p>⁷ <i>Sanctus</i>, add. C.D. ⁸ A.B.C.D. omit heading. ⁹ <i>Theodorici</i>, C.D. ¹⁰ <i>erexit</i>, A.C.D. ¹¹ <i>Eo quoque</i>, A. ¹² <i>Cantuarita</i>, C.D. ¹³ <i>anno regni sui decimo</i>, add. C.D.</p>
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for here plowzes¹ zede nouzt aryzt. Perfore he sente TREVISA.
 Willebrordus wip twelve felawes into ye contrays of Germania,
 and he tornede moche² folk to þe fey by help of þe elder
 Pipinus,³ duke of Frensche men, þat hadde i-wonne þe hider⁴
 Frisia; ⁵ and at þe laste by auctorite of pope Gregory he was
 i-made bisshop of Traies,⁶ and rulede⁷ þat bisshopriche wel
 and nobelliche aboute an fourty zere. Offorus deide, bisshop
 of Wicties, þat hadde men⁸ of þe bisshopriche of Wircetre;
 and Egwinus was bisshop after hym, þat sone afterward bulde⁹
 the abbay of Evesham, by assent of kyng¹⁰ Ethelredus.
 Whanne Theodoricus kyng of Fraunce was dede, þat¹¹ Pipinus
 Vetulus hadde myldeliche i-suffred to reigne wip hym, he
 made his sone Clodonus kyng. Pipinus Vetulus heet Pipinus
 Brevis also. Þat zere þe men of Caunterbury made pees wip
 Yne, the kyng of West Saxons, and zeve þre powsand pound
 for þe dep of Mull Cedwallus his broper. Iustinianus Cesar
 was prived of þe ioie of his kyngdom for gilt of¹² mysby-
 leve, and wente exciled¹³ into Pontus. Leo Patricius refte hym

Ab urbe. plowes of theym wente not a rihte. Wherefore he sende MS. HARL.
 Willebordus to Germany with xij. felawes with hym; whiche 2261.
 converte moche peple to the feithe thro helpe of Pipinus the
 senior, whiche hade subduede to hym a grete parte off Frisia. A transmi-
 And after that Willebordus havynge auctorite of the pope was gracione.
 made bisshop of the churche Traiectense, whiche place he
 governede nobly allemoste xlth yere. Offerus bisshop of the
 Wiccions dedde, Egwynus succedid hym, whiche edifiede the
 monastery of Evesham, by licence grawntede of Etheldredus
 kyng of the Marches. Pipinus the olde or schorte, after the
 dethe of Theodoricus kyng of Fraunce, whom he suffrede to
 reigne with hym, erecte Clodoneus his son into þe kyng. Men
 of Kente, makynge peace with Ine kyng of Westesaxons, zafe f. 279 b.
 to hym iij. m^l libras for the dethe of Mull broper of Cedwalla.
 Iustinianus themperoure detecte of falsenes, and expulsede
 from thempire, wente to Pontus into exile, whom Leo patricius

¹ *plowes*, B.² *myche*, B.³ *Pupinus*, Cx., et infra.⁴ *hudder*, γ.⁵ *Fryselond*, Cx.⁶ *Utrecht*, Cx.⁷ *reulede*, γ.⁸ Sic in MS. and Cx.⁹ *bilde*, B.¹⁰ *kyng*] om. Cx.¹¹ *þat*] whome, Cx.¹² *gylt and*, Cx.¹³ *exiled*, B., et infra.

quem Leo Patricius naso et lingua privatum apud Cersonam relegavit.

CAP. XXI.

[*De Sancto Guthlaco, et de multis in Britannia et in imperio Romano rebus gestis.*]

Gratiæ
DCXCV.
Leonis II.
primo.

LEO secundus imperavit tribus annis. Cujus tempore¹ Clodoneo rege Francorum mortuo, Pipinus² fratrem ejus Childeburtum in regem levavit.³ Northimbrenses⁴ occiderunt Ostridam⁵ uxorem Etheldredi regis Merciorum,⁶ quæ fuit filia Oswy.⁷ *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro iiii.*⁸ Hoc anno Guthlacus confessor, anno ætatis⁹ vicesimo quarto, pompis abrenunciatis sæcularibus et armis, monasterium Rependonix adiiit, ibique sub abbatisa Alfrida tonsuram et habitum recepit clericalem. Deinde tertio post hoc anno ad insulam de

Gratiæ
DCXCVI.
Leonis
II.
Guthlacus.

¹ anno secundo, C.D.

² honoris privilegia retinuit, C.D.

³ C.D. insert: "Pipinus princeps fugavit ducem Frisonum Tabbod

paganum, et Frisones subjugavit.

⁴ *Beda, lib. v., c. 11.* Tunc [Unde,

"D.] rogatu ducis Pepini, sanctus

"Willebrordus, genere Anglus, a

"Sergio papa genti Frisonum est

" archipræsul destinatus. Eo quo-
" que anno Northumbrenses," &c.

⁴ *Northimbrensi et reginam, C.D.*

⁵ *Estridam, B.*

⁶ *Merciorum*] om. C.D.

⁷ *Oswi, A.*

⁸ In the section *de Episcopis Dorcestriensibus sive Lincolnensibus.*

⁹ *suæ, add. B.*

his nose and his tonge, and exciled hym, [and sente him]¹ TREVISA.
into Cersona.

Capitulum vicesimum primum.

Leo.

THE secounde Leo was emperour þre ʒere. In his tyme Clodoneus, kyng of Fraunce, was deed,² and Pipinus made his broþer, Childebertus, kyng. Þe men of Norþhumberlond slouʒ³ Ostrida,⁴ Etheldredus his wif, þat was kyng Oswy his douʒter. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro 4^o.* Þat ʒere Cuthlacius⁵ þe confessour forsook armes and þe boost⁶ and pompe of þis world,⁷ and wente to þe abbay of Rependoun, and þere, under þe abbas Alfrida, he took⁸ tonsure and habit of clerk, þe ʒere of his age foure and twenty. Þanne þe þridde ʒere after he

Ab urbe. sende to Cersona, after that he hade kytte his nose and tonge. MS. HARL.
2261.

A transmi-
gracione.

Capitulum vicesimum primum.

LEO the secounde was emperour iij. yere. In the tyme of whom Clodoneus kyng of Fraunce dedde, Pipinus erecte into the kyng Childebertus his broþer. Men of Northumbrelond did sle Ostrida the wife of Etheldredus kyng of the Marches, doʒhter to kyng Oswy. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro iij^{to}.* Seynte Guthlacus the confessor, havyngge xxiiij^{ti} yere in age, forsakede the pompe of the worlde, and wente to Repyndon, where he was schaven, and receyvyde the habite of a clerke of Alfrida thabbesse of that place. And in the thrydde yere

Of Seynte
Guthlake,
confessor.

<p>¹ From a., β., and γ. (not Cx.) ² was deca] deyde, Cx.; was ded β. ³ slowghe, Cx. ⁴ Ostrida, a., β., and γ.; Os- tryda, Cx.</p>	<p>⁵ Guthlacus, a.; Cuthlacus, β., γ., and Cx. ⁶ bost, β. ⁷ þe worl, γ. ⁸ touk, γ.</p>
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Croulond transiit, ubi anchoritice vivere cœpit, miraculis
 coruscavit,¹ potestatem magnam super immundos spiritus
 accepit, adeo quod, sicut vulgus tradit,² eos ædificia
 construere cogeret, et quendam talem spiritum in olla
 bulliente includeret. Ad cuius³ corpus ædificatur
 monasterium, inter tot bellorum turbines, inter tot⁴
 temporum volubilitates, nusquam deletum. Ibi quies-
 cit⁵ Neothus⁶ confessor, beati quondam Erkenwoldi
 Londoniensis⁷ episcopi discipulus. Et quamvis locus ipse
 de Croulond non possit nisi navigio adiri, nunquam⁸
 pœne loco desunt hospites.⁹ *Beda*.¹⁰ Hoc anno contigit
 in Britannia illud memorabile, ad excitationem viven-
 tium de statu animæ, quod quidam Brithwoldus¹¹ nomine
 aliquamdiu mortuus ad vitam surgens multis narravit.
 Unde et statim substantiam suam in tres partes divisit,

Gratiae
 DCXCVII.
 Leonis
 III.
 Miraculum.

¹ *choruscavit*, MS.

² *tradidit*, B.

³ *ejus sancti*, C.D.

⁴ *tot*] om. A.

⁵ *et quievit*, C.D.

⁶ *Neotus*, A.B.

⁷ *Londoniensis*] om. C.D.

⁸ *nunquam*] om. B.

⁹ C.D. insert : "Hoc quoque anno

" venerabilis Beda monachus gra-
 " dum diaconatus a beato Johanne
 " Eboracensi episcopo suscepit, et
 " cito post, Vitam Sancti Cuthberti
 " oratione rhetorica et dulcedine
 " metrica extulit."

¹⁰ Lib. v., cap. xii.

¹¹ *Brigwoldus*, B. The name in
 Beda is spelt Dricthelm.

wente into þe yle¹ of Crouland,² and þere he bygan to lyve an anker his lyf, and dede meny myracles,³ and hadde power over unclene spirites so greet, as þe comyn tale telleþ, þat he made hem bulde meny booldes⁴ and closede suche⁵ a spirit in a seþinge crokke.⁶ Þere his body⁷ lyp is bulde an abbay, þat was nevere destroyed⁸ among alle þe stryf and werre⁹ and chaungynge of tymes. Þere restep þe confessour Nootus,¹⁰ þat was somtyme þe disciple¹¹ of Erkenwald, bisshop of Londoun. And þeyþ no man now¹² come to þat place of Crowlond but by schippe oþer by boote, 3it þat place is nevere wel nygh wipoute gestes.¹³ *Beda.* Þat 3ere byfel¹⁴ ones¹⁵ in Bretayne þat wonder þat is worpy to be i-had in mynde to make men þynke of þe soule¹⁶ his staat,¹⁷ ffor oon þat hi 3t Bri3twoldus was ded somdel¹⁸ longe tyme, and aros a3en to lyve, and tolde meny þinges to meny men, and deled¹⁹ his catel anon a þre, and 3af

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. folowynge he wente to the yle of Crowlonde, where he lyvede lyke an ankre, schewenge mony miracles, havynge also grete power on wycked spirites, in so moche that he causede theym to edify mony thynges, after the seyenge of commune peple, and also that he includede a wicked spirite in a potte boyllynge. At the body of whom a monastery is edifiede, not destroyed for alle the trowble and incurses off peple hade in that londe; where Neotus the confessor, and somme tyme the disciple of blissede Erkenwalde, bisshop of London, dothe reste also, and that place wontethe not gestes in eny tyme, þau3he men or peple may not comme to hyt but by a bootte. *Beda.* A thyng to be imprintede in remembrance happyd in thys tyme in Briteyne, of the state of the sawle, to excite peple to vertu. A man callede Brithwolde, dedde by a certeyne tyme and restorede to lyfe, tolde mony thynges to be mervaylede. Whiche takynge his goodes divided peim into

MS. HARL.
2261.A transmi-
gracione.¹ *yl*, γ.² *Crowlond*, α.; *Croulond*, β.³ *myrakels*, γ.⁴ *bouldes*, γ.; *buylde many places*, Cx.⁵ *sich*, β.⁶ *sethyng ertken pot*, Cx.⁷ *now*, add. Cx.⁸ *distruyed*, β.⁹ *and werre*] om. Cx.¹⁰ *Neotus*, β., γ., and Cx. On the margin of MS. is "Neotus confessor."¹¹ *dyscypel*, γ.¹² *now*] om. β.¹³ *gystes*, γ.¹⁴ *byvul*, γ.¹⁵ *ones*] om. β.¹⁶ *that myracle that ought to be remembryd for thelthe of sowle*, Cx.¹⁷ *on þe soules state*, β.¹⁸ *somwhat*, Cx.¹⁹ *departed*, Cx.

quarum primam uxori, secundam liberis suis, tertiam sibi reservavit, quam et pauperibus mox distribuens in monasterio Mailrosensi¹ finivit. *De imperatoribus*

Gratiæ
DCXCVIII.
Tiberii
I.

*Romanorum.*² Tiberius tertius imperavit septem annis.

Qui contra Leonem insurgens regnum ejus invasit, et eum quamdiu regnavit in custodia tenuit. Ejus tempore Justinianus secundus, qui dudum apud Cersonam exiliatus est, publice jactavit quod imperium esset recuperatus.³ Quamobrem populus⁴ zelo Tiberii commotus ipsum⁵ Justinianum occidere molitus est; unde et ipse ad principem Turcorum⁶ confugiens sororem ejus desponsavit. Cujus tandem fretus⁷ ope adjunctis Bulgaris imperium recuperavit, Leonemque et Tiberium imperii invasores jugulavit, ac quotiens a naso suo,⁸ quondam præciso aliquam guttam rheumatis⁹ detergeret, pœne, totiens aliquem de suis adversariis occidi fecit.

Gratiæ
DCC.
Tiberii
III.

Quinta synodus universalis sub Sergio Aquileiæ celebratur. *De pontificibus Romanis.*¹⁰ Leo tertius post Sergium sedit in papatu duobus annis, qui forsan in

¹ *mox*, here in B.

² A.B. omit heading.

³ *asseruit se imperium fore re-*
sumpturum, C.D.

⁴ *populus*] om. B.

⁵ *istum*, A.

⁶ *Turkorum*, B.; *Turchorum*, MS.

⁷ *fretus*] om. B.

⁸ *suo*] om. A.

⁹ *reumatis*, MS.

¹⁰ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

his wif oon deel, and his children anoper, and kept hymself þe þridde, and deledde it to pore men, and ended his lyf in þe abbay of Maylros. Þe þridde Tiberius was emperour sevene 3ere; he aros a3erst Leo and assailedde his kyngdom, and hilde¹ hym in warde as long as he regnede. In his tyme þe secounde² Iustinianus, þat was exciled in Cersona, made openliche his boost³ þat he schulde rekevere⁴ þe empere; [þerefore þe people⁵ was y-meoved⁶ for love of Tiberius, and fondede forto slee Iustinianus].⁷ Þerfore he fli3⁸ to þe prince of Turkes, and spoused his suster,⁹ and rekevered þe empere at þe laste by help of hym and of the Bulgares, and slou3 Leo and Tyberius þat hadde assailed þe emperour,¹⁰ and as ofte as he wyped of a drope of corrupcioun of his nose, þat was somtyme i-kutte,¹¹ so ofte he made slee som of his enemyes. Þe fifte general synod was i-holde¹² in Aquila¹³ in Sergius his tyme. After Sergius his tyme¹⁴ þe þridde Leo was pope two 3ere. He is nou3t i-rekened in þe ordre of bisshoppes, on caas

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. thre partes, oon parte to his wife, an other parte to his childer, and reservede to hym the thrydde parte, whiche he distribute to povere men, and endede his lyfe in the monastery Mailrocense. Tiberius the thridde was emperoure vij. yere, whiche rysenge ageyne Leo, entrede his realme, and kepede hym in prison alle þe tyme of his reigne. Iustinianus the secunde, put to Cersona into exile, made boste openly that he scholde recure thempire; wherefore the peple of that cuntre favorynge Tiberius, intended to have sleyne hym. But Iustinianus fleynge to the prince of Turkes, mariede his sustyr, whiche havynge helpe of the prince of Turkes and of the Bulgares, recurede thempire, and did sle bothe Leo and Tiberius. And he did sle somme of his adversaries allemoste so ofte as he wipede eny corrupcion from his noose. The v^{the} universalle seeine or cownesayle was kepede this tyme, under Sergius, at Aquileia. Leo the thridde succedid Sergius the pope ij. yere, whiche is not putte in the nowmbre of oþer bischoppes off

MS. HARL.
2261.A transmi-
gracione.

f. 280 a.

¹ helde, β.² þe secounde] om. Cx.³ bost, β.⁴ recuvere, γ.⁵ pupol, γ.⁶ meved, β.⁷ From α., β., γ., and Cx.⁸ fledde, Cx.⁹ soster, γ.¹⁰ emper, α.; empire, β.; assoylled
thempire, Cx.¹¹ ykitt, β.; ykut, γ.¹² holden, β.¹³ Aquilia, β., γ., and Cx.¹⁴ his tyme] om. α. and β.

catalogo pontificum non ponitur quia per Patricium¹ intrusus fuerat.² *Beda, libro quinto, capitulo quinto-decimo.*³ Circa hæc tempora venit Britanniam Arnulphus,⁴ quidam Galliarum episcopus, qui locorum sacrorum gratia Jerosolimam venerat, et lustrata tota Terra Promissionis, Damascus, Constantinopolim, Alexandriam, multasque maris insulas adierat, patriamque navigio revertens, vi tempestatis ad occidentalia Britanniae littora appulsus est; ubi Christi famulum Adamnanum⁵ abbatem Hiiensis⁶ insulae, docuit de mirabilibus sacrorum locorum, et ipse mox audita in librum redegit, quem regi Alfrido legendum transtulit.⁷ *Ranulphus.*³ Ex illo libro videtur Beda sumpsisse quod postmodum de locis sacris tradidit. Johannes sextus post Leonem⁸ sedit in papatu annis tribus. *De pontificibus.*⁹ Quo in tempore rex Merciorum Etheldredus relicto regno temporali¹⁰ apud Bardeney est attonsus. Cui successit filius fratris sui Wolferi Kenredus quinque annis. Johannes septimus

Gratiae
DCCIII.
Tyberii
VI.

Gratiae
DCCIII.
Tyberii
VII.

¹ *Romanum violenter*, add. C.D.

² *fuerit*, B.

³ C.D. omit reference.

⁴ Beda writes the name *Arcuulphus*.

⁵ *Antianum*, C. (not D.)

⁶ *Hiensis*, C.D.

⁷ *transmisit*, A.B.

⁸ *post Leonem*] om. B.

⁹ A.B. omit title.

¹⁰ *30 regiminis anno monachus effectus est apud Bardeneye in provincia de Lindeseye, cui successit patruelis suus Kenredus*, add. C.D.

for he was wrongfullliche¹ i-putte yn by Patricius. *Beda*, TREVISIA.
libro 5^o, capitulo 15^o. Aboute þat tyme Arnulphus, bisshop
of Galles, com into Bretayne. He wente to Ierusalem for to
visite holy places,² and zede aboute into al þe lond of byheste,
and com to Damascus,³ to Constantynnoble, to Alisaundre,⁴ and
into meny ilondes of þe see, and seilled homward⁵ into his
contre aze, and was i-cast by strengþe of tempest to þe west
clyves⁶ of Bretayne. Þere he fonde⁷ God his servaunt
Adamnanus,⁸ abbot of þe ilond Hii, and tauzte hym wondres
of holy places, and he made a book þerof anon as he hadde
i-herd þe wondres and sente it to kyng Alfridus to reede. *R.*
It semeth þat Beda took⁹ of þat booke afterward what he wroot¹⁰
of holy places. After Leo, þe sixte Iohn was pope þre zere;
þat tyme Etheldredus, kyng of Mercia, forsook¹¹ þis worldliche¹²
kyngdom, and was-i-schore¹³ monk at Bardeneye.¹⁴ After hym
regnede Leuredus¹⁵ fyve¹⁶ zere, þe sone of his broþer Wulferus.
Þe sevenþe Iohn was pope as it were þre zere; þat tyme deide

Ab urbe. Rome, in that he was made pope by a patricion of Rome. MS. HARL.
Beda, libro v^{to}, capitulo quintodecimo. A bisshop of Fraunce, 2261.¹
Arnulphus by name, come abowte this tyme to Briteyne,
whiche hade bene at Ierusalem and in the londe of promission,
and at Damascus, at Constantinopole, at Alexandria, and in
mony oþer provinces. Whiche returnynge into his cuntre, was
ryvede and londe in the weste partes of Briteyne by tem-
pestes of the see, where he tauzhte Adamnanus the servaunte
of Criste, and abbot of the yle off Hii, off the mervayles of
holy places. This abbot instructe by the bisshop, redacte
thynges herde of hym into a booke, whom he sende to Alfridus
for a pleasure to rede in hit. *R.* Hit semethe that Bede toke
from that booke that he did write afterwarde of holy places.
Iohn the vj^{the}, after Leo, was pope iij. yere. In whiche tyme
Etheldredus kyng of the Marches, despisenge the worlde, toke
the habite of religion at Bradeney, whom Kenredus, son of
Wulferus his broþer, did succede v. yere. Iohn the vij^{the} was

¹ wronfolliche, *γ*.

² plas, *γ*.

³ Damask, *β*; Damaske, *Cx*.

⁴ Alexandrye, *a*; Alexandria,
β.

⁵ hamward, *β*.

⁶ cleves, *a*; clyfes, *β*.

⁷ vond, *γ*.

⁸ Adaminanus, *Cx*.

⁹ touk, *γ*.

¹⁰ suche as he wrote, *Cx*.

¹¹ vorsouk, *γ*.

¹² worlliche, *γ*; worldly, *Cx*.

¹³ yscore, *γ*.

¹⁴ Bardeny, *Cx*.

¹⁵ Lenredus, *Cx*.

¹⁶ vyf, *γ*.

sedit in papatu annis quasi tribus. Quo tempore obiit ¹Hedda ²Wentanus præsul, post quem parochia ³illa divisa est in duas, ⁴nam Brithlinus ⁵archipræsul ⁶posuit Danielelem apud Wentam, et sanctum Aldelmum, abbatem de Malteby, ⁷id est Malmesbury, posuit apud Schireburne. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro iii^{to}.* ⁸Eoque ⁹anno obiit Sexwolfus Merciorum episcopus; ¹⁰post quem Hedda tenuit Lichefeld, Wilfridus Legecestre, sed post biennium, mortuo Alfrido Northimbrano rege, rediit Wyfridus ad sedem suam Hagustaldensem, per quatuor annos pontificaturus, et tunc Hedda tenuit ambas dioceses, Lichefeld et Legecestre. ¹¹

CAP. XXII.

De imperatoribus Romanis. ¹²

Gratie
DCCV.
Justiniani
primo.

JUSTINIANUS secundus iterum regnavit cum Tyberio filio suo sex annis. Hic ¹³est ille qui supra privatus fuerat ¹⁴imperio per Leonem, sed quia hoc anno recupe-

¹ *Sanctus*, add. C.D.

² *Headda*, B.

³ *provincia Westsaxonum*, C.D.

⁴ *parochias*, add. C.D.

⁵ *Brythelmus*, A.

⁶ *Doroborensis præsul dedit sedem Wyntonæ Danieli, et sedem Schirburnæ dedit Sancto Aldelmo, qui quadraginta annis abbas Medulphi, id est Malteby, qui nunc Malmesbury dicitur, extiterat, et librum de virginitate abbatisæ Venkingensi [Kenkingensi, D.] dudum ediderat*, C.D.

⁷ *Malthby*, B.

⁸ In the section *de Episcopis Licefeldensibus et Cestrensibus*.

⁹ *Eo quoque*, A.B.

¹⁰ *quo defuncto, Hedda factus est episcopus Lichfeld. Wilfridus jam diu de Northimbro expulsus, sedit duobus annis in provincia Legecestræ, quæ nunc Cestria dicitur; post biennium vero mortuo Alfrido Northimbrano rege ad sedem suam Hagustaldensem revertitur, quam per quatuor annos rexit. Et sic Hedda præfatus recedente Wilfrido ambas parochias, Lichfeld et Legecestræ tenuit. Post quem Alwynus qui et utro sedit*, C.D.

¹¹ *Legecestrensem*, B.

¹² A.B. omit heading.

¹³ *Hic . . . peremit*] om. C.D.

¹⁴ *erat*, B.

Hedda bisshop of Wynchestre. After hym þat bisshopriche was departed atweyne, ffor Brithelmus¹ þe archebisshop dede² Daniel at Wynchestre, and³ seynt Aldelyn⁴ at Schireborne.⁵ Seint Aldelyn was to forehonde abbot of Malteby, þat is Malmesbury. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro 4^o*. Also þat ʒere deide Sexwulfus bisshop of Mercia. After hym Hedda hilde⁶ Lichefeld, and Wilfridus Legecestre, þat is Chestre; but after two ʒere Alfridus, kyng of Norphumberlond, deide, and Wilfridus turnede aʒen to þe bisshopriche of Hagustald, and was bisshop afterward foure ʒere, and þo Hedda hilde bope bisshopriches of Lichefeld and of Chestre.

TREVISA.

*Capitulum vicesimum secundum.**Iustinianus.*

THE secounde Iustinianus regned eft⁷ wip his sone Tyberius sixe ʒere; þis is he þat was prived of þe empere⁸ [by Leo, but

Ab urbe, pope as iij. yere. In wiche tyme Hedda bisshop of Wynchestre diede. After þe dethe of whom that province was divided into too seetes. For Brithelinus archebisshop of Cawnterbery made Daniel bisshop at Wynchestre, and Seynte Aldelme abbotte of Mateby, nowe callede Malmesbury, at Shirburne. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro iij^o*. Sexwulfus bischoppe of the Marches diede in that yere. After whom Hedda was bisshop at Lichefelde, Wilfride at Legescestre or Westechestre; but Alfride dedde after ij. yere y-paste, Wilfride wente to his seete of Hangustald, beyng bisshop þer by iij. yere. And Hedda occupiede then the seetes of Lichefelde and of Westechestre.

MS. HARL.
2261.
A transmi-
gracione.*Capitulum vicesimum secundum.*

IUSTINIANUS the secounde reignede ageyne with Tiberius his sonne vj. yers. This Iustinianus was expulsede afore by Leo,

¹ *Brythelynus*, Cx.² *dide*, β.; *dude*, γ.; *put*, Cx.³ *and*] at, Cx., wrongly.⁴ *Aldelm*, β. (bis), γ. (semper); *Aldelme*, Cx., et infra.⁵ *Schirburn*, β.; *Schyrburn*, γ.⁶ *helde*, β., et infra.⁷ *efte*, β.; *agein*, Cx.⁸ *empire*, β.

ravit imperium, ideo iterato repetitur. Restitutus igitur Justinianus iste fidem rectam amplectitur, papam Constantinum veneratur. Porro locum Cersonæ, ubi in exilio fuerat,¹ evertit, et omnes incolas exceptis pueris trucidavit, cumque iterato vellet infantes punire, homines provinciæ illius præfecerunt sibi quendam Philippicum exulem, qui statim Constantinopolim adiens Justinianum peremit.² Hoc anno obiit rex Alfridus apud Driffeld, cui successit Osredus filius suus, puer octo annorum, qui regnavit undecim annis. *De pontificibus Romanorum.*³ Sisinnius papa sedit viginti diebus, post quem Constantinus primus sedit septem annis, qui denunciavit Philippicum⁴ fore hæreticum, eo quod imagines sanctorum de ecclesiis deleverit.⁵ *Beda, libro quinto, capitulo nono decimo.*⁶ Hoc anno Kinredus rex Merciorum, relicto regno suo⁷ Colredo filio patris sui Etheldredi, Romam ivit, una cum Offa filio regis Est-Saxonum et Egwyno episcopo Wyetiorum.⁸ *Translatio sanctæ Werburgæ virginis.*⁹ Colredus¹⁰ rex Merciorum¹¹

Gratiæ
DCCVIII.
Justiniani
II.

¹ fuerit, B.

² prævenit, B.

³ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁴ imperatorem, add. C.D.

⁵ C.D. insert: "Reges quoque Britannorum, Colredum et Offam, monachos totondit. Venerabilis Beda, triginta ætatis anno, gradum presbyteratus a Sancto Johanne Eboracensi suscepit. A quo tempore incepit scribere libros commentarios et expositorios usque ad 29 post hoc annum, inter quos Historia Anglorum quæ ultima fuit. *Beda, lib. 5, c. i.*"

⁶ quinto decimo, B.

⁷ una cum Offa, filio regis Est-saxonum, strenuo juvene. Romam venit, ubi et monachus attonsus obiit. Cum quibus Egwinus episcopus Victiorum Romam veniens episcopale privilegium ad munimen monasterii sui de Evesham domi secum tulit, C.D.

⁸ Wictiorum, A.; Victiorum, B.

⁹ A.B. omit heading.

¹⁰ filius Etheldredi, add. C.D.

¹¹ successit Kenrico, et novem annis regnavit. *Hic, C.D.*

for he rekeverede¹ þe emper]² þis 3ere, þerfore þe storie makeþ
eft of hym mynde. Ðan Iustinianus was restored, and hilde þe
ri3t fey,³ and worschipped Constantyn the pope, and destroyed⁴
Cresona,⁵ þe place of his excilynge, and slou3 al þat wonede
þere, [out take children; ⁶ and eft whanne he wolde sle þe chil-
dren, men of þe province made hem a cheventeyn⁷ on Philipicus
þat was exciled and wonede þere]; ² and anon he wente to Con-
stantynnoble, and slou3 Iustinianus. Ðat 3ere deie⁸ Alfridus,
kyng of⁹ Dryfeld.¹⁰ After hym his sone Osredus, a child of
viii. 3ere, reynede enlevene¹¹ 3ere; Sysinnus¹² was pope twenty
dayes.¹³ After hym þe firste Constantyn was pope sevene
3ere; [he]¹⁴ denounced Philipicus an heretyk, for he hadde
[y-doo]¹⁵ ymages of holy seyntes out of chirches. *Beda, libro*
5º, capitulo 9º. Ðat 3ere Kenredus, kyng of Mercia, lefte his
kyngdom to Colredus, the soone of his eem¹⁶ Ethelredus, and
wente to Rome wip Offa, þe kyng his sone of Est Saxons, and
wip Egwynus bisshop of Wicties.¹⁷ *Trevisa.* Þe see of Wyke¹⁸

TREVISA.

Ab urbe.

rehersede ageyne in that he recurede thempere, whiche re-
storede to thempere desirede the feithe of Criste, and worschipped
moche the pope Constantyne; destroyenge Cersona, the
place of his exile, and the peple of hit, childer excepte; whiche
wyllynge to punysche the infantes, men of that province made
Philippicus a man putte into exile theire governoure, and goynge
with hym to the cite of Constantinopole did sle Iustinianus.
Alfride the kyng deide in this yere at Driffelde, whom Osredus
his son havynge viij. yere in age did succede, whiche reignede xj.
yere. Sisinnius the pope reiocyede that office xx^{ti}. dayes, whom
Constantinus þe firste succedid vij. yere, whiche denownecede
Philippicus the owtelawe an heretike in that he destroyede the
ymages of seyntes in churches. *Beda, libro vº, capitulo xixº.*
Kenredus the kyng of the Marches levynge that realme to
Colredus, sonne of his uncle, wente to Rome with Offa, sonne
of the kyng of the Estesaxons, and with Egwinus, bisshop of

MS. HARL.
2261.A transmi-
gracione.
f. 280 b.¹ *recuverede, γ.*² From a., β., γ., and Cx.³ *feip, β.*⁴ *distruyed, β.*⁵ *Cersona, Cx.*⁶ *childern, γ.*⁷ *cheveteyn, β.*⁸ *deide, a.; deyde, β. and Cx.;*⁹ *at, Cx.*¹⁰ *at Driffeld, β.; Dryffeld, γ.*¹¹ *elleven, β.*¹² *Sisinnus, β.*¹³ *dawes, γ.*¹⁴ From a., β., and γ.¹⁵ From a. and γ.; *put, Cx.*¹⁶ *eame, Cx.*¹⁷ *Wike, β.*¹⁸ *Kikcies, a.; Wiccies, β.*

Gratiæ
DCCIX.
Justiniani
V.

transtulit primo de sub terra apud Hamburgense monasterium corpus sanctæ Werbergæ virginis, quod novem annis jacuerat incorruptum, et sic duravit illibatum usque adventum Dacorum¹ apud Rependonam.² Sanctus Aldelmus præsul Schireburnensis obiit, quem sepelivit Egwynus. Hic³ regis Inæ nepos ex fratre Kenten fuit vocatus Aldelmus,⁴ quasi senex alnus, vel vetus galea, litteris Græcis et Latinis optime instructus, musicæ artis instrumenta quæ vel fidibus vel fistulis vel aliis generibus exercentur habitu et usu tenuit. Monachus quidem primum, deinde sacerdos et abbas in Meldunensi cenobio, id est Malmesbury, effectus. Hoc sibi indixit martyrium ut quando carnis sentiret incentiva virginem pulcram in suo strato⁵ tam diu secum retineret⁶ quousque psalterium ex ordine diceret. In

¹ *sicut paulo superius ostensum est, C. D.*

² C. D. insert: "Pepinus vetulus
dux Francorum magnifice de
Alemannis triumphavit. Quo

"anno aquæ vehementer inundaverunt."

³ *Hic . . . beati (p. 182)] om. C. D.*

⁴ *Adelmus, B.*

⁵ *stratu, A.*

⁶ *detineret, B.*

was i-torned to Wircestre,¹ and is pere 3it. Panne it folowep² **TREVISIA.**
 in pe storie: Colredus, kyng of Mercia, translated first pe
 body of seynt Werburgh,³ pe mayde, out of pe erpe at pe
 abbay of Hamburg, pat hadde i-lay pere ynne⁴ nyne 3ere
 hool and sounde, and durede so hool and sounde anon to
 pe comynge of pe Danes at Repentoun.⁵ Aldelm bisshop of
 Shireborne⁶ deide, hym buried Egwynus; pis Aldelm⁷ was
 kyng Ine his broþer sone Kenten, and was i-cleped Aldelm
 as it were an olde Elyn⁸ oper on olde Helyn,⁹ and was most
 konnyng in lettres of Grew and of Latyn. He hadde and
 used instrumentis of musik, pipes and strenges, and opere
 manere of¹⁰ glee.¹¹ First he was a monk, and panne he was
 i-made preost and abbot at Malmesbury. He took uppon [him]¹²
 pat¹³ martirdom pat whanne he were i-tempted of his flesche, he
 wolde holde wip hym a faire¹⁴ mayde in his bed while he seide¹⁵
 pe sawter from pe bygynnyng to pe ende. *Trevisa.* Save
 reverence¹⁶ of seynt Aldelyn,¹⁷ pis semep non holynesse noþer¹⁸
 wisdom, but pure verray¹⁹ folye, bope for hym self and for peril
 and drede of temptacioun of pe womman, as it may be i-preved
 bope by auctorite and by resoun. Panne it folowep²⁰ in pe storie:

Ab urbe. the Wictions. Colredus, the kyng of the Marches, toke from **MS. HARL.**
 the grownde the body of seynte Werburga virgyn at pe **2261.**
 monastery of Hamburga, that lay ix. yere incorrupte, and so
 hit remainyd at Repindon unto the comynge of Danes. **A transm-**
 Seynte Aldelme, bisshop of Schirburn, diede in this tyme, whom **gracione.**
 Egwyne beriede, callede Aldelmus as olde holy, instructe nobly
 in Grew and in Latyn, havynge in habite and in use instru-
 mentes of the arte off musike, as in harpes, pipes, recordres,
 and oper kyndes of musike; firste monke, then preste, and abbot
 of Malmesbury. Whiche usede this penaunce, that when he hade
 eny grete fleschely temptation he reteynde a faire maide in
 his bedde untill that he hade seide the complete sawter; prech-
 ynge oftymes in Seturdayes to peple and merchauntes com-

<p>¹ <i>Wircestre</i>, β.; <i>Worcestre</i>, Cx. ² <i>volwep</i>, γ. ³ <i>Wesburgh</i>, Cx. ⁴ <i>ynne</i>] om. α., β., and γ. ⁵ <i>Repindoun</i>, β.; <i>Rypendon</i>, Cx. ⁶ <i>Schirburn</i>, β. ⁷ <i>Aldelyn</i>, MS. ⁸ <i>Elme</i>, β.; <i>an ald elm</i>, γ.; <i>Elme</i> <i>or an olde Helme</i>, Cx. ⁹ <i>helm</i>, α. and β.; <i>elm</i>, γ. ¹⁰ <i>of</i>] om. α., β., and γ.</p>	<p>¹¹ <i>gleo</i>, β.; <i>maner gleo</i>, Cx. ¹² From Cx. ¹³ <i>pat</i>] this, Cx. ¹⁴ <i>veyr</i>, γ. ¹⁵ <i>as he was saing</i>, Cx. ¹⁶ <i>reverens</i>, γ. ¹⁷ <i>Aldelm</i>, β. ¹⁸ <i>noþer</i>] <i>ner</i>, Cx. ¹⁹ <i>verrey</i>, γ. ²⁰ <i>volweth</i>, γ.</p>
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septima sabbati accurrentibus ad urbem mercatoribus instanter fundebat verbum Dei. Ejus tamen¹ fama incitatus Sergius papa sanctus apostolicus eum ad se ascivit litteris et epistolis. Qui Romam, quam diu videre concupierat, tandem cum vestibus sacerdotalibus, quas secum semper detulit, aliquando adiens in Lateranensi ecclesia coram papa celebravit; ubi dum die quadam post missam ministris suis retro se casulam suam porrigere crederet, affuit statim bajulus solaris radius, ubi alius defuit carnalis famulus. Et diu portavit infulam quæ adhuc decorat Meldunensem ecclesiam. Quo in tempore infamato viro apostolico de procreatione² cujusdam spurie prolis, adjurat Aldelmus novem dierum puerum, ad baptizandum sibi oblatum, ut si Sergius papa eum genuerit ibi recognoscat. Respondit infans³ papam immunem fore. Tandem cum multis privilegiis domum

¹ *tandem*, B.

² *suscitatione*, B.

| ³ *puer*, B.

in¹ þe sevenþe day of þe woke, whanne chapmen² com, he preched hem besily Goddes word. At þe laste his grete fame excited³ Sergius þe holy man, pope, to sende after hym by lettres and by pistles; ⁴ þan he come to Rome, and hadde desired longe tyme to see þat citee, and hadde wiþ hym vestimentes⁵ þat he hadde⁶ alwey with hym aboute, and song his masse to fore þe pope in Seynt Iohn his chirche þe Lateran.⁷ Þere in a day after his masse he trowede⁸ have i-take his chesible⁹ bakward to his servautes; boþe¹⁰ þe servautes were awey, and þe chesible fil¹¹ on þe sonne beme, and þe sonne beem¹² bare it longe tyme, þere oþere servautes faillede;¹³ þat chesible is ʒit in þe abbay of Malmesbury. Also þat tyme þe holy pope was deffamed þat he hadde bygete a bastard childe. Whanne þe childe was nyne dayes olde it was i-brouʒt to cristenynge¹⁴ to seynt Aldelyn,¹⁵ and seint Aldelyn¹⁵ coniureþ þe childe of nyne dayes olde it was i-brouʒt to cristenynge¹⁶ þat he schulde telle ʒif Sergius þe pope hadde i-gete¹⁷ hym; þe childe answerde hym and seide þat þe pope was gilteles¹⁸ of þat dede. At þe

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Ab urbe. mynge to markethes. The fame of thys holy man spronge into ferre cuntres; Sergius the pope sende letters to hym that he scholde come to Rome þat he myʒhte see his presence. Whiche takynge with hym vestimentes and thynges necessary to the seyenge of masse as he was wonte, come to Rome, and seide masse afore the pope in the churche Lateranense, whiche supposynge hym to have porrecte the chesable after to¹⁹ masse to oon of his ministres, and he not presente, the beame of the sonne bare the chesable where eny oþer temporalle creature was not presente, the pope excepte, and bare hyt a longe season; whiche chesable is in the monastery of Malmesbury. In whiche tyme the pope diffamede of the getynge of a childe, seynte Aldelme adiured that childe, brouʒhte to be baptizede havynge ix. dayes in age, that hit scholde confesse openly and if Sergius the pope were fader to hit. Then the childe seide openly that

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¹ in] om. β.
² chepmen, β. and γ.
³ exyted, Cx.
⁴ pistels, β.; pestels, γ.
⁵ vestementes for to synge alwey messe, Cx.
⁶ ladde, a. and γ.; had, β.
⁷ Latran, Cx.
⁸ he trowide, β.
⁹ chesibel, γ.

¹⁰ but, β.
¹¹ vul, γ.
¹² sunne beeme, β.
¹³ failiden, β.
¹⁴ follyng, β.; vollyng, γ.
¹⁵ Aldelm, β. (bis).
¹⁶ it . . . cristenynge] om. a. and β.
¹⁷ bygote, Cx.
¹⁸ gultles, γ.
¹⁹ Sic in MS.

rediens,¹ scripsit egregios libellos, videlicet, De virginitate, De termino paschali, De veteris ac novi testamenti floribus, De caritate, De insensibilium rerum natura, De regulis pedum metricorum, De metaplasmo,² De metrico dialogo. Mansit autem abbas in Meldunensi cœnobio xl. annis. Postea³ per quatuor annos stetit episcopus. Quo in tempore alium abbatem nequaquam sibi erexerant fratres sui. Sed ipsum mortuum sepelivit superveniens præsul Egwynus divino ut⁴ creditur admonitus oraculo. Cujus locum et thecam multum coluit postmodum et ornavit beatus præsul Dunstanus,⁵ conferens organa, tintinabula, reliquias, et ornamenta, quæ ne de loco perperam tollerentur, adjecit anathema sic inscribens. *Versus Dunstani de donis suis sancto Aldelmo.*⁶

*Organa do sancto Dunstanus præsul Aldelmo,
Perdat hic æternum qui vult hæc tollere regnum.*

Item in hydria aquatica sic inscripsit:—

*Hydriolam⁷ hanc fundi Dunstan mandaverat archi-
Præsul ut in templo sancto serviret Aldelmo.*

Item in campanula refectorii sic inscripsit:—

*Elysiam⁸ cœli nunquam conscendat ad⁹ aulam,
Qui furat hanc nolam Aldelmi sede beati.¹⁰*

¹ *veniens*, A.

² *methaplasmo*, A.B.; *mathaphasmo*, MS.

³ *Postmodum*, A.B.

⁴ *ut*] om. A.

⁵ *et*, add. B.

⁶ A. omits title.

⁷ *Idriolam*, MS.

⁸ *Eliseam*, MS.

⁹ *ad*] om. B.

¹⁰ See note 3, page 178.

laste Aldelme wip many priveleges wente hoom aȝe to his abbay, and wroot noble bookes, de virginitate, de termino Paschali, de veteris ac novi testamenti floribus, de caritate, de sensibilibus rerum natura, de regulis pedum metricorum, de mathaplasmo,¹ de metrico dialogo. He was abbot of Malmesbury fourty ȝere, and was bisshop foure ȝere, and þat tyme his breperen made hem a noþer abbot; but þey buried hym whanne he was dede, and Egwynus þe bisshop come to his burienge, as me troweþ, by warnynge of God Almyȝti. Afterward þe holy bisshop Dunston² worschipped hugeliche³ and hiȝte⁴ his place and his schryne, and ȝaf þerto organs and belles, holy relikes and ornamentes; and for me schulde nouȝt take hem away unskilfulliche he corsede þefore, and wroot in þis manere, "Bisshop Dunstan ȝeveþ seint Aldelyn⁵ organs. Who þat takeþ hem away, leese⁶ [he]⁷ þe kyng- dom of hevene." Also in a waterstene it is i-write in þis manere, "Archebisshop Dunstan het ȝit⁸ þis stene for it schulde in þe holy temple serve seint Aldelyn." Also in the belle of þe fraytour⁹ hit is i-write¹⁰ in þis manere, "In hiȝe

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Ab urbe. the pope was not guilty; wherefore after this doen seynte Aldelme returnyde to Briteyne with grete privileges, makenge mony noble bookes after that tyme, as of virginite, of the terme of Ester, of the flowres of the olde and newe testamente, of charite, of the nature of thynges insensible, of the rewles of feete metricalle, of metaplasmus, of dialog metricalle. Whiche was abbote of Malmesbury xl. yere, and bisshop by iiij. yere after, in whiche tyme the breper of that monastery wolde not make eny other governoure, but beryede hym afore. Whiche place seynte Dunstan onornede and luffede moche, bryngynge to that churche organs, belles, relikes, and diverse ornamentes, ȝiffenge his curse to hym or theym that take eny of theym from that place, and wrytynge in this wise: "Organa de sancto Dunstanus presul " Aldelmo perdat hic eternum qui vult hoc tollere regnum." And in the cruettes of water in this wise: "Idriolam hanc " fundi Dunstan mandaverat Archipresul, ut in templo sancto " serviret Aldelmo." Also he did write in the belle in the frater or refrectore, " Eliseum cœli nunquam ascendat ad aulam Qui

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gracione.¹ methaplasmo, γ. and Cx.² Dunstan, β.³ hugeliche, γ.⁴ gretely his place and highted,

Cx.

⁵ Aldelm, β., et infra.⁶ leese, β.⁷ From α., β., γ., and Cx.⁸ ȝute, β.; hyȝt ȝute, γ.; heete

ȝute, Cx.

⁹ freytour, γ.¹⁰ writen, β.

Circa hæc tempora¹ obiit sanctus² Wylfridus, in cuius Wylfridus.
tumulo tales versus sunt inscripti. *Super*³ *tumulum*
sancti Wylfridi.⁴

Wylfridus sanctus, meritis et nomine dignus,
Mactatus multis per sæcula longa periculis
Quindecies ternos⁵ postquam egit episcopus annos,
Transiit et gaudens cœlestia regna petivit.⁶

Beda, libro quinto, capitulo xix. Hic puer acris ingenii
quartodecimo ætatis anno monasterium Lindisfarnense
petiit,⁷ ubi post nonnulla regularis et ecclesiasticæ
doctrinæ rudimenta comprehensa, cum deprehenderet
quædam non recte a Scotis observari, Romam tetendit,⁸
ut perfectius doceretur. Ibi nempe didicit a Bonefacio

¹ *Circa hunc annum*, A.B.

² *beatus*, A.

³ A.B. omit title; B. has merely
Versus.

⁴ *in . . . Wylfridi*] om. C.D.

⁵ *trinas*, B.; *ternas*, MS.

⁶ *Wilfridus eximius præsul Ha-*
gustaldensem obiit quindecim anno
sui episcopatus, add. C.D.

⁷ *et ut proficeret, consilio Ensteda*
reginæ Romam tendit, primo tamen

apud regem Canciæ, fratrem scili-
cet Ensteda, aliquantulum moratus.
Demum apud Alfinum Lugdunen-
sem episcopum, qui ei filiam fratris
sui optulit, moram fecit. Tandem
Romam veniens didicit a Bonefacio
archidiacono quatuor evangelia et
compotum Paschæ. Deinde rediens
apud Alfinum prædictum tribus an-
nis mansit, add. C.D.

⁸ *tendit*, B.C.D.

“ halle of hevene com he nevere þat stelip þis belle out of seynt **TREVISIA.**
 “ Aldelyn his seete.” *Trevisa*.¹ Þis writyng myȝte be trans-
 lated somdel in metre in þis manere : “ Organs of holy Dunstan
 “ bisshop holy Aldelyn ;² he schal lese³ hevene þat wil⁴ hem
 “ take⁵ away.” In þe pycher⁶ þus, “ þis picher het ȝit⁷ Dunstan
 “ riȝt þe archebisshop,⁸ ffor it schulde serve seynt Aldelyn⁹ in
 “ þe¹⁰ temple.” In þe belle þus, “ Hiȝ¹¹ in þat halle schal he
 “ com nevere of hevene þat stele wole þat belle of seynt Alde-
 “ lyn from þis place.”¹² Aboute þis ȝere deyde seynt Wil-
 fredus ; in his tombe beep suche vers i-write :¹³ “ Wilfridus
 “ holy by mynde, worþy be þy¹⁴ name. Greved wiþ perilles
 “ here wel many longe¹⁵ tyme ; þre tyme¹⁶ fiftene¹⁷ ȝere
 “ bisshop he was here on lyve, and passeþ wiþ ioye to þe blisse
 “ þat is in hevene.” *Beda, libro 5^o, capitulo 19^o*. Þis child
 was of scharp wit, and wente in þe fourteþe¹⁸ ȝere of his age
 to þe abbay of Lyndefare,¹⁹ and lernede þere meny þinges of þe
 lore of religioun, and knewe þanne þat som þinges²⁰ were nouȝt
 riȝtfulliche i-holde of þe Scottes, and wente to Rome for to
 lerne²¹ more perfite²² lore.²³ Þere he lernede [þe]²⁴ foure

Ab urbe. “ furat hanc nolam Aldelmi sede beati.” Seynte Wilfride diede **MS. HARL.**
 abowte this tyme, on the towmbe of whom these versus be **2261.**
 insculpe or graven : “ Wilfridus sanctus meritis et nomine
 “ dignus Mactatus multis per sæcula longa periclis Quindecies
 “ ternos egit hic episcopus annos Transiit et gaudens cœlestia
 “ regna petivit.” *Beda, libro quinto capitulo decimo nono.*
 This Wilfride, excellent in witte, wente to the monastery of
 Lindisfarne in the xiiij. yere of his age ; whiche instructe þer in
 diverse thynges, and perceyvynge diverse thynges to be observede
 of the Scottes not by ryȝhte, wente to Rome that he myȝte be
 instructe moore perfectly ; where he lernede of Bonifacius the

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¹ *Trevisa* . . . place] om. Cx.
² *Aldelme*, β.
³ *luse*, γ.
⁴ *wole*, β.
⁵ *taken*, α. and β.
⁶ *picher*, β.
⁷ *ȝute*, β. ; *hit ȝute*, γ.
⁸ *arch þe bisshop*, α. and β.
⁹ *Aldelm*, β., et infra.
¹⁰ [þe] om. α. and β.
¹¹ *Heiȝ*, β.
¹² [þe place], β. See note 1 above.
¹³ *versus writen*, β. ; *ben wretton*
suche versus, Cx.

¹⁴ *be þy*] by, β., γ., and Cx.
¹⁵ *longene*, β. and γ.
¹⁶ *sipe*, α., β., and Cx.
¹⁷ *þre siþe vyftene*, γ.
¹⁸ *fourtente*, Cx.
¹⁹ *Lyndisfare*, β.
²⁰ *þingis*, β., et infra.
²¹ *lerny*, γ.
²² *perfite*, β.
²³ *parfyght loore*, Cx.
²⁴ From α., β., γ., and Cx.

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archidiacono quatuor evangelia, computum Paschæ, et alia usui ecclesiæ necessaria. In redeundo mansit cum Alfino Lugdunensi episcopo per tres annos,¹ donec² per³ Batildem reginam² necaretur.⁴ Inde⁵ Britanniam rediens terram ad construendum monasterium in Rypun⁶ a rege Oswyo⁷ recepit, ubi⁸ et sacerdos ab Agilberto⁹ ordinatus est. Post hoc¹⁰ finita controversia de paschali termino, Eboracensis episcopus¹¹ electus est, etc. ut supra.¹² Ei¹³ tamen defuncto successit¹⁴ Acca presbyter suus apud Hagustaldensem ecclesiam.¹⁵ *Beda, libro v.* Hoc anno obiit Adrianus abbas¹⁶ Sancti Petri et co-operator Theodori archiepiscopi; cujus discipulus et successor fuit Albinus,¹⁷ de quo infra scribitur. *Item,*¹⁸ *capitulo cxi. De observatione Paschæ.*¹⁹ Eo tempore Naytanus²⁰ rex Pictorum misit legationem ad Colfridum abbatem monasterii Bedæ, id est²¹ Gyrwyensis,²² ut

¹ See note 7, page 184.
² *usque dum Batilde regina jubente ut, C.D.*
³ *per]* om. B.
⁴ *vetaretur, B.*
⁵ *Wilfridus, A.B.*
⁶ *Ripun, A.; Ripon, B.*
⁷ *Oswio, A.; Egfrido, C.D.*
⁸ *unde, A.*
⁹ *a Gilberto, B.; occidentis episcopo, add. C.D.*
¹⁰ *ut episcopus Eboracensis efficeretur ad Gallias mittitur, et cætera quæ vitam suam contingunt, sicut in præcedentibus sparsim continetur, C.D.*

¹¹ *ecclesiæ, add. B.*
¹² *etc. ut supra]* om. B.
¹³ *Eo, B.*
¹⁴ *ei, add. B.*
¹⁵ *apud . . . ecclesiam]* cantor peritus, C.D.
¹⁶ *monasterii, add. C.D.*
¹⁷ *tam Græca quam Latina lingua eruditus æque ut propria, add. C.D.*
¹⁸ *Item]* om. B.
¹⁹ A.B. omit heading.
²⁰ *Nactanus, A.; Nicanus, B.; Narcanus, C.D.*
²¹ *Bedæ id est]* om. B.
²² *Girwiensis, A.*

Gospell¹ of Bonefas² þe archeþecon, and þe compot of Esterne,³ and oþer nedeful⁴ þinges to þe use of holy chirche. In his comynge aȝe he dwellede wip Alfynus, bisshop of Lugdunens, þre ȝere, for⁵ he was i-slawe by þe queene Batilde.⁶ Þanne Wilfridus wente aȝen into Bretayne, and feng⁷ lond of kyng Oswynus⁸ for to make an abbay at Rypoun;⁹ þere he was i-made preost¹⁰ of Agelbertus; after þat, whan þe stryf was i-ended of þe Ester terme, he was i-chose bisshop of ȝork, as it is i-seide to forehonde. Whan he was dede his preost Acca¹¹ was bisshop after hym at Hagustald cherche. *Beda, libro 5^o, capitulo 20^o.*¹² Þat ȝere deide Adrianus, abbot of Seynt Peter, and helper of Theodorus þe archebisshop; his disciple and successour was Albynus, of hym it is i-wrete innere¹³ more.¹⁴ *Item, capitulo 21^o.*¹⁵ Þat tyme Nactanus, kyng of Pictes, sente messangers to Colfridus, abbot of Beda his abbay, þat is in¹⁶ þe abbay Girwie,¹⁷ to be enformed of þe verray holdynge of þe Ester tyde, and of þe manere of tonsure of holy cherche.

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Ab urbe. archidiacon the iiij. gospels, the compte of Ester, and mony oþer thynges necessary to the use of the chirche. And in returnynge to Ynglonde he taryede with Alfinus the bischoppe Lugdunense by thre yere, tulle he was sleyne by Batilda the qwene. Then Wilfridus comynge into Briteyne desyrede of kyng Oswynus grownde in Ripen to edifye a monastery; where he was made preste of Agilbertus, and after the contraversy hade of the observaunce of the feste of Ester, he was electe to be tharchebisshop of Yorke. And after the dethe of seynte Wilfride, Atta his preste was successour at the chirche of Hangustald. *Beda, libro v^o, cap. xx^o.* Adrianus, abbot of Seynte Petre, and cooperator of Theodorus the archebisshop, f. 281 b. diede in this yere; whose successor was Albuinus, of whom hit is schewide afterwarde. *Item, capitulo secundo.* Nactanus the kyng of Pictes, sende to Colfridus, abbot of the monastery Girwiense, for the tru observacion of Ester. To whom Col-

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gracione.¹ *gospelles, a.; gospels, β.*² *Boneface, β.*³ *Ester, β.; the Eester, Cx.*⁴ *nedfol, γ.*⁵ *for] til, β. and Cx.*⁶ *Batyld, β.*⁷ *vyng, γ.*⁸ *Oswynus, a., β., and Cx.; Os-
wyme, γ.*⁹ *Rypun, β.; Ripun, γ.*¹⁰ *prust, γ.*¹¹ *Acta, β. and Cx.*¹² *cap. secundo, Cx.*¹³ *ynnere, a. and β.; inner, γ.*¹⁴ *innermore, Cx.*¹⁵ *cap. duodecimo, Cx.*¹⁶ *in] om. β. and Cx.*¹⁷ *Girwic, β.; Gerwyk, Cx.*

instrueretur de vera Paschæ¹ observatione et de modo ecclesiasticæ tonsuræ. Cui rescripsit inter cætera quod in observatione [Paschæ]² tres regulæ sunt observandæ. E³ quibus duæ in lege Moysy, tertia in evangelio per institutionem apostolicam continentur, videlicet ut⁴ primo mense anni et tertia ejusdem mensis hebdomada, id est, a quintadecima die usque ad⁵ vicesimam primam fieri debeat Pascha. Et etiam quod in ipsa tertia hebdomada dies Dominica debeat expectari. Ita computando quod non quartadecima dies sed vespera ejus, id est, quartadecima luna quæ est initium tertiæ hebdomadæ, et nox quintadecimæ lunæ debeat expectari, secundum illud Numerorum.⁶ Profecti igitur de Ramesse quintadecima die mensis primi, altera die fecerunt Pasche⁷ Domino. Et ita protendi debet⁸ usque ad vesperam vicesimæ primæ diei. Quod si fieri posset⁹ ut¹⁰ semper in quintadecima die primi mensis dies Dominica occurreret, uno semper eodemque tempore cum antiquo populo Dei, licet diverso sacramentorum genere, Pascha possemus celebrare. Per equinoctium autem

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tione Pas-
chæ.

¹ *paschata*, A.

² *Paschæ*] from A.B.C.D.

³ *Ex*, A.

⁴ *in*, A.

⁵ *ad*] om. B.

⁶ *numerum*, B.

⁷ *Pasche*] from A.; Phase, MS.

⁸ *debent*, B.

⁹ *possit*, B.

¹⁰ *nec*, C.D.

Among oper pinges he wroot¹ to hym pat for to holde ariȝt þe Ester tyme² þre rules beþ nedeful to knowe; tweyne þerof beþ conteyned in Moyses lawe, and þe þridde³ in þe gospel by ordenaunce of þe apostles: so⁴ pat in þe firste monþe, in þe þridde woke of þe same monþe, from þe fifteþe day of þe mone to þe oon and twenteþe day of [the mone],⁵ þe Estertyde schal be i-holde; in þe same þridde woke me schal abyde þe Soneday. So for to acounte þat nouȝt þe fourteþe day, but þe eve þerof, þat is þe fourteþe day of þe mone, þat is þe by-gynnyng of þe þridde woke and þe nyȝt of þe fifteþe day of þe mone me mote nedes abyde. By [þat]⁶ auctorite of þe book Numerorum, þanne þey wente out of Ramesse,⁷ þe fifteþe day of þe firste monþe fil⁸ on a Soneday,⁹ [þanne we myȝte alwey holde þe Ester tyde,]¹⁰ and þe oper day þey made pasch¹¹ to oure Lord, þat is to meninge þey hilde þe Ester day, and so it schal dure to þe eve of þe oon and twenteþe day. And ȝif it myȝte be þat alwey the fifteþe day of þe firste monþe fil in a Soneday, þan we myȝte alwey holde þe Estertyde in oon and

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Ab urbe. fridus did write, seyenge that thre rules ar to be observede in the tru keyng of Ester, tweyne of whom be contenede in the lawe of Moyses, and the thridde is of the gosselle by the institucion of thapostles. That is to wete, Ester awe to be kepede in the firste monethe of þe yere, in the thrydde weke of the same monethe, that is from the xvthe day unto the xxj. day, and also that the Sonne day awe to be tarryede in the thridde weke, comptyng in this wyse, not that the xiiijthe day, but the eve of hit, awe to be taryede, that is to say, þe xiiijthe moone, whiche is þe begynnyng of the thrydde weke, and the nyȝhte of the xvthe moone awe to be taryede after the bible. The childer Israel goen from Ramesse in the xvthe day of the firste monethe, kepede Ester in that oper day, and soe hit awe to be protended unto þe eve of the xxjth day. Also hit may be founde by the equinocciale of ver whiche monethe of the yere is firste, and whiche is laste. For the equinocciale

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gracione.¹ *a wrot, γ.*² *terme, Cx.*³ *þrid, β.*⁴ *so þat . . . Esterday*] om. Cx., and puts in the place of this long passage the words: "And so he sente to hym the very true maner and reulis to holde the Eesterday like as we now holde."⁵ From β. and γ.⁶ From α., β., and γ.⁷ *Rames, β.*⁸ *vul, γ.*⁹ *fil on a Soneday*] expuncted in α., which adds the words in brackets, also expuncted; they are neither of them in β.¹⁰ From α. and γ.¹¹ *phase, α. and γ.; phasc, β.*

vernale inveniri potest quis mensis anni primus aut¹ ultimus fuerit. Solet autem equinoctium vernale secundum orientales et secundum Ægyptios xii. kalendas Aprilis pervenire,² quod et nos horologica inspectione probavimus. Quæcumque igitur luna sive quarta-decima³ sive quintadecima ante equinoctium plena est ad præcedentis anni novissimum pertinet mensem, ideoque Paschæ celebrando habilis non est. Quæ vero in ipso equinoctio vel post equinoctium suum habet plenilunium, quemadmodum in principio mundi factum est, in ea luna ubi Dominica dies primo occurrerit⁴ Pascha celebrandum est. Justinianus secundus dum exercitum mitteret ad comprehendendum Philippicum, quem apud Pontum Cersonæ⁵ reliquerat, conversus exercitus ad partem Philippici⁶ Justinianum interfecit. *De imperatoribus Romanis.*⁷ Philippicus secundus,⁸ qui et Dardanicus, imperavit anno uno mensibus sex. Qui fugit in Siciliam propter exercitum Romanorum, et cum esset hæreticus omnes picturas ecclesiarum jussit abradi.

¹ *vel*, A.B.

² *accidere*, B.

³ *xij*^o, A.

⁴ *advenerit*, C.D.

⁵ *Crisonæ*, C.D.

⁶ *ipsum*, C.D.

⁷ A.B. omit heading.

⁸ *secundus . . . insignitum*] om. C.D.

pe same tyme pat oure fadres hilde¹ it in Moyses his law, þey we have² oper manere sacrament þan þey³ hadde. By þe evenes⁴ of þe day and nyȝt in springynge tyme it may be i-founde⁵ which is þe firste oper þe laste monþe of þe ȝere; by men of [þe]⁶ Est londes, [and]⁶ by þe Egipcians, þe evenesse of [þe]⁷ day and nyȝt in springynge tyme is i-woned⁸ for to come elevene dayes to fore Averel, þat we haveþ⁹ i-sayed¹⁰ and i-preved by an orlege.¹¹ Þanne what mone is fourtene dayes olde oper fiftene to fore þe evenes of þe day and nyȝt, þat mone parteyneþ to þe laste monþe of þe ȝere þat is agoo; þefore it is nouȝt able¹² for to holde þe Ester day. Whanne þe¹³ mone is at the fulle¹⁴ in þe evenes of þe day and nyȝt, oper after, riȝt as it was in þe bygynnyng of þe worlde,¹⁵ in þat ful¹⁴ mone þe firste Sonday is Ester day.¹⁶ Þe secunde Iustinianus sente his oost¹⁷ for to take Philippicus, þat he hadde i-left at Pontus in Cersona. Bote þe oost tornede [to Philippicus his side, and slouȝ Iustinianus. Þe secunde]⁶ Philippicus, þat heet Dardanicus also, was emperour oon ȝere and sixe monþes. He fliȝ¹⁸ into Sicilia for þe oost of Rome, and for he was an heretik he heet scrape of al þe peynture of cherches; þefore

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Ab urbe. of ver is wonte to falle, after men of the este and of Egipte, in the xij. kalendes of Aprile, whiche we have provede to be so by inspeccion horologicalle. Wherefore what moone hit be that is fulle, wheþer the xiiijth or xvth afore the equinocciale, hit perteyneth to the laste parte of the yere precedent, and þefore hit is not able to kepe Ester þer. But what moone hath the plenitude or fullnesse in that equinocciale or after, as hit was in the begynnyng of the worlde, then Ester awe to be kepede in the Sonneday nexte foloyng. Iustinianus the secunde, sendynge an hoste to take Philippicus, whom he hade lefted at Cersona, the hoste turnede to the parte of Philippicus, and did slee Iustinianus. Philippicus the secunde, other Dardanicus, was emperoure oon yere and vj. monethes, whiche fledde into Sicille for the hoste of the Romanes; whiche causede pictures

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gracione.

¹ helde, β.
² habbe, γ.
³ hy, γ.
⁴ evenesse, β.
⁵ yvounde, γ.
⁶ From α., β., and γ.
 From β.
⁸ wont, β.
⁹ habbeþ, γ.

¹⁰ assayed, α. and β.
¹¹ horlage, β.
¹² habel, γ.
¹³ Whanne þe] What, β.
¹⁴ volle, γ.
¹⁵ worl, γ.
¹⁶ See note 4, page 189.
¹⁷ hoost, Cx.
¹⁸ vlyȝ, γ.; fled, Cx.

Gratiae
DCCXII.
Anastasio
primo.

Gratiae
DCCXIII.
Anastasio
II.

Quamobrem Romani abjecerunt omne numisma quod ejus imagine erat insignitum. *De imperatoribus Romanorum.*¹ Anastasius secundus, postquam occiderat Philippicum, imperavit annis tribus,² cujus diebus Dagobertus successit Childeberto patri suo ad regnum Francorum, permittente Pipino Vetulo qui adhuc gubernabat domum regiam, et regnavit undecim annis. *De pontificibus Romanis.*³ Gregorius secundus post Constantinum sedit in papatu annis sexdecim. Quo anno sanctus Guthlacus anachorita apud Croulond obiit, et Ine rex Westsaxonum Colredusque rex Merciorum pugnaverunt apud Wodennesburgh⁴ ita acriter, et utrique infeliciter, ut nesciretur cui clades detestabilior perveniret, quia extraque⁵ parte multi perierunt.⁶ *De imperatoribus Romanorum.*¹ Theodosius tertius imperavit anno uno, qui benignus fuit. Et devicit Anastasium prædecessorem suum, quem fecit presbyterum. Verumtamen iste Theodosius post⁷ annum depositus est per potentem Leonem tertium successorem⁸ suum, et clericus per eum effectus est.⁹ Cujus¹⁰ diebus Saraceni

¹ A.B. omit heading.

² C.D. insert: "Hiis diebus Childebertus rex Francorum obiit. " *Giraldus d. p.* Gubernante ad huc rempublicam Pipino Vetulo, cui successit in regnum ope Pipini Dagobertus secundus filius suus, qui regnavit undecim annis, cujus anno quarto Pipinus moritur. Constantinus papa obiit, cui successit Gregorius secundus, et sedit annis sexdecim. Sanctus Cuthlacus anachorita apud Croulond obiit. Ine rex Westsaxonum et Colredus rex Merciorum pugnaverunt apud Wodennesburgh."

³ A.B. omit title.

⁴ *Wedennisburgh, A.*; *Wodnesbeorgh, D.*

⁵ Sic in MS.; apparently an error for *ex utraque*, but these words are not in the other MSS.

⁶ *quia . . . perierunt*] om. A.B. C.D.

⁷ *per, A.*

⁸ *potentem . . . successorem*] om. C.D.

⁹ *per . . . est*] om. C.D.

¹⁰ *Cujus . . . obsederunt*] om. C.D.

þe Romayns þrewe away al manere money þat his ymage was i-grave ynne. Þe secounde Anastacius¹ was emperour þre 3ere after þat he hadde i-slawe Philipicus. In his tyme Dagobertus was kyng of² Fraunce after his fader Childebertus, and regnede enlevene 3ere by suffraunce³ of Pipinus Vetulus, þat 3it⁴ rulede⁵ þe kynges hous. After Constantinus þe secounde Gregory was pope sixtene [3ere].⁶ Þat 3ere seint Guthlacus, þe anker, deide in Crowlond; and Ine, kyng of West Saxons, and Colredus, kyng of Mercia, fau3te⁷ at Wodenesburgh so sharpliche, [and eiper of hem hadde⁸ hymself so ungraciousliche,]⁹ þat me woste¹⁰ nevere wheþer of hem hadde worse spede.¹¹ Þe þridde Theodocius was emperour oon 3ere, and was goodliche and benigne, and overcome his predecessour Anastacius, and made hym a preost.¹² But after oon 3ere Theodocius was i-putte doun and i-made a clerk by his sucessour, þe þridde Leo þe stronge. In his tyme come many Sara3yns¹³ and by-

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. to be scrapede aweye owte of churches; wherefore the Romanes refusede every thyng printede after hys ymage. Anastacius þe secounde was emperoure iij. yere after that he hadde sleyne Philippicus. In the tyme of whom Dagobertus succedid Childebertus his fader in the realme of Fraunce, by sufferaunce of Pipinus the olde, whiche governede that tyme the kynges howse, and reignede xj. yere. Gregorius the secounde succedid Constantinus the pope xvj. yere. In whiche¹⁴ Guthlacus the confessor diede at Crowelonde. Also Ine kyng of the Westsaxons and Colredus kyng of þe Marches fau3hte at Wooddenisburghe, soe unhappely to either parte that men cowthe not telle whiche of theym hade þe bettyr parte. Theodosius the thrydde was emperoure oon yere, whiche was of grete mekenesse, and hade victory ageyne Anastacius his predecesor, whom he made a preste. Also this Theodosius was deposid by Leo the thrydde, a my3hty prynce, and made a clerke by hym. In the tymes of whom the Saracenys segede

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gracione.
f. 282 a.

¹ Anastacius, B.
² of] in, B.
³ suffrans, γ.
⁴ 3et, a.; 3itt, B.
⁵ 3ut reulede, γ.
⁶ From β.
⁷ foughten, Cx.
⁸ bare, Cx.

⁹ From a., β., γ., and Cx.
¹⁰ wist, β.
¹¹ spedde, B. and Cx.; spyde, γ.
¹² prust, γ.
¹³ Sarsyns, B.
¹⁴ Sic in MS.; yere has slipped out.

multum inundaverunt, et Constantinopolim per triennium obsederunt.¹ Quo² in tempore videtur Johannes Damascenus floruisse, et in Persidam translatus fuisse; ubi cum³ a quibusdam æmulis suis litteræ in publicum projicerentur, quibus conspiratio ejus contra principem contineretur, abscisa est ei manus dextra ne ulterius quicquam scriberet. At illi post instantes preces beatae Virgini factas, cui sedulo deservierat, manus est restituta. *Ranulphus.* Nec est opinandum quod iste Johannes sit ille Johannes heremita qui in libro patrum post Hilarionem prope ponitur,⁴ et aliquas victorias Theodosio imperatori prædixit; sed est alius, qui nimirum tempore istius Theodosii tertii⁵ in Græcia, et postmodum in Persida floruit, et multa egregia opera in utraque philosophia⁶ edidit. Nempe Johannes ille⁷ heremita Gregorium magnum per multa tempora præcessit, et iste Johannes Damascenus [per multa tempora Gregorium magnum subsecutus est, quod patet ex hoc quod iste Johannes Damascenus]⁸ in libris suis theologicis circa suffragia pro defunctis facta, allegat illud

¹ *Sub isto Theodosio videtur Johannis Damascenus floruisse, præsertim cum tunc contra partes Constantinopoli, ubi ipse floruit, facta sit maxima irruptio per Saracenos, qui ipsum Johannem duxerunt in Persidam, add. C.D.*

² Quo . . . capitulo xvii.] om. C.D.

³ cum] om. A.B.

⁴ postponitur, A.

⁵ tertii] om. A.

⁶ provincia, B.

⁷ ille] om. A.

⁸ From B.; per multa tempora subsequutus est, quod patet ex hoc quod iste Johannes Damascenus, A.

segede¹ Constantynnoble þre ȝere; hit semep þat Iohn Damascenus was þat tyme in his floures, and was i-broȝt in to Pers.² Þere were lettres i-wrete of his enemyes, and i-prowe forþ and i-founde³ and openliche i-rad. In þe whiche lettres was conceyved⁴ his conspiracie aȝenst the prince, þat⁵ þe⁶ riȝt hond was i-smyte of, for he schulde nevere afterward write. But he prayed faste⁷ to oure lady þat he seruede besiliche, and his hond was restored to hym aȝen. It is nouȝt to trowynge⁸ þat þis Iohn is Iohn the Ermyte⁹ þat is i-sette in þe book of fadres, sone afterward¹⁰ Hyllarioun, and warnede Theodocius þe emperour of oper victories. He¹¹ is anoþer Iohn þat was in þis pridde Theodocius his tyme in Gres, and afterward in Pers, and made many noble bookes in boþe of¹² filosofie. Þat Iohn þe Ermyte was longe tyme to fore þe grete Gregorie, [and this Iohan Damascenus was long tyme after the grete Gregorie,]¹³ þat is i-knowe [by that, that¹⁴]¹⁵ þis Iohn Damascenus

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the cite of Constantinopole by thre yere. In whiche tyme also hit semethe Iohn Damascene to have bene and to have be brouȝte into Persida. Where a letter caste afore the prince by enemes to Iohn Damascene in whom conspiracion was contenede ageyne the prince, his ryȝhte honde was kytte away, that he scholde not write after that. But his honde was restorede to hym by helpe of oure blissede lady, to whom he hade grete devocion. R. And hit is not to kepe oppinion that this Iohn was Iohn the heremite, put nye to Hillario in Vitis patrum, and schewede to Theodosius that he scholde have certeyne victoryes. But hit is anoþer Iohn whiche was in the londe of Grece in the tyme of Theodosius the thrydde, and after that in Persida, and made mony noble processes in either philosophy. Iohn the heremite aforeseide was afore grete Gregory by mony yeres, and this Iohn Damascene succedid hym mony yeres, whiche thyng is schewide in that Iohn Damascene in his bookes of divinite dothe allegate for suffragyes

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gracione.¹ *bisegide*, β.² *Perce*, Cx.³ *vorþ and yvounde*, γ.⁴ *conteyned*, β.⁵ *þanne*, β.⁶ *þat þe* Thenne his, Cx.⁷ *vaste*, γ.⁸ *to suppose*, Cx.⁹ *Hermyte*, β.¹⁰ *after*, α., β., and Cx.¹¹ *hit*, α.; *It*, .; *Hyt*, γ.¹² *of*] om. α., β., and Cx.¹³ From Cx.; and þis Ioon Damascenus was longe tyme after þe grete Gregory, β.; and þes Iohn Damascenus was longe tyme after þe grete Gregory, γ.¹⁴ *that*] and, MS.¹⁵ From Cx.

laudabile Gregorii magni¹ miraculum de liberatione Trajani factum, quod² nullo modo de Gregorio Nazianzeno intelligendum est, cum ipse circa Constantinopolim et circa Pontum conversatus sit, et vix unquam Romam venerit. Sed illud miraculum de liberatione Trajani ad sepulcra apostolorum in urbe Roma per papam Gregorium magnum, sicut annuatim commemorat ecclesia, celebratum³ est. *Giraldus, distinctione prima, capitulo xvii.*⁴

CAP. XXIII.

*De imperatoribus Romanorum.*⁴

Gratiae
DCCXV.
Leonis
iiiⁱⁱⁱ.

LEO tertius cum Constantino filio suo imperavit annis⁵ viginti quinque. Cujus anno primo Pipinus Vetulus, postquam domum regiam viginti octo annis rexerat, obiit. Cui successit viginti septem annis filius suus Karolus, ex concubina genitus, qui dictus Tutides

¹ magni] om. B.

² factum quod] om. B.

³ celebrata, B.

⁴ A.B. omit both title and reference.

⁵ novem et postea annis quindecim usque ad Pipinum Francorum primum imperatorem. *Giraldus,*

dist. prima, cap. 17. Pipinus senior, Vetulus sive Brevis, filius Ansegisili postquam domum regiam Franciæ viginti octo annis strenue gubernasset, obiit, cui successit in regimine domus regiæ filius, &c., C. D. insert here.

in his bookes of divinite alleȝeþ¹ þe grete Gregorye his noble and grete myracle of þe delyverance of Traianus, þat may not be understonde of Gregory Nazazenus,² for he was aboute Constantynnoble and aboute Pontus, and unneþe com nevere³ at Rome; bote⁴ mynde⁵ of þat myracle of þe deliveraunce of Traianus at þe sepulcre of þe apostles in þe citee of Rome, by þe grete Gregorie pope, is i-holde, as everich ȝere holy chirche makeþ⁶ mynde.⁵ In trefyng of dedes þat helpeþ hem þat beþ dede, Iohn Damascenus alleȝeþ⁷ þat myracle.

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*Capitulum vicesimum tertium.*⁸*Leo.*

THE þridde Leo, with his sone Constantyn, was emperour fyve and twenty ȝere. In his first ȝere deide Pipinus Vetulus, after þat he hadde i-governed þe kynges hous eiȝte and twenty ȝere. After hym com Charles, þat was i-gete⁹ on a concubyne, and heet Tutides and Marcellus also, and hadde

Ab urbe. doen for dedde men that laudable miracle of grete Gregory MS. HARL. 2261. doen of the liberacion of Trajan themperoure. Whiche miracle is not to be understonde of Gregory Nazanzene, sithe that he was conversaunte abowte Pontus and Constantinopole, and come to Rome unnethe in alle his lyfe. But that miracle of þe liberacion of the sawle of Trajan was doen by Gregory the noble pope at the sepulcre of thapostles Petur and Paule in the cite of Rome, as the churche remembrethe yerely. ^{A transmi- gracione.}

Capitulum vicesimum tertium.

LEO the thrydde, with Constantyne his sonne, was emperoure xxv^{ti} yere. In the firste yere of whom diede Pipinus þe olde, after f. 282 b. that he hade governede the kynges howse xxvij. yere, whom Karolus or Charles, his sonne geten by a concubyne, succedid xxvij^{ti} yere, callede Martellus or Tutides, of grete homers by

<p>alleȝeþ, β. ² Nazazenus, Cx. ³ nevere] ever, β. and Cx.; ever, γ. ⁴ but, β. ⁵ munde, γ.</p>	<p>⁶ makþ, β. ⁷ alleȝeþ, β.; alledȝeth, Cx. ⁸ There is no division of chapter here in γ. ⁹ geten, β.; byȝoten, Cx.</p>
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sive Martellus,¹ a majoribus malleis fabrorum, quibus tundi et extenuari solet major ferri materia.² Hic contra Saracenos ex Africa venientes strenue pugnavit, cogens³ eos in uno bello apud Pictaviam, et in altero apud Narbonam, retrocedere usque ad Hispaniam. In quibus bellis quadringenta sexaginta quinque millia⁴ Saracenorum sunt occisa. Pugnavit,⁵ etiam contra Saxones et Bavarros item⁵ contra Hendonem⁶ Aquitannicum⁷ et Ranfredum⁸ Andegavensem. Hic etiam propter assiduitatem bellorum⁹ ingruentium tradit¹⁰ laicis res ecclesiae. Quam ob causam sanctus Eucherius Aurelianensis episcopus in oratione positus vidit ipsum Karolum in anima et corpore apud infernum torqueri. Angelus autem qui ista¹¹ ostendit episcopo asseruit hoc fore iudicium omnium illorum qui res pauperum vel

¹ *Marcellus*, MSS.

² *et gubernavit domum regiam Franciae viginti quinque annis*, add. C.D.

³ *cogens . . . Pugnavit*] om. B.

⁴ 465,000, C.D.

⁵ *cum, &c.*, C.D.

⁶ *Eudonem*, B.

⁷ *ducem*, B.

⁸ *Aufredum*, B.

⁹ *bellorum*] om. A.

¹⁰ *tradidit*, A.B.C.D.

¹¹ *ductor fuerat ipsi ad ista videnda*, C.D.

suche names of slegges¹ and hameres, wip þe whiche² smythes smytep³ and temprep⁴ grete gaddes of iren; tudes oper malleus in⁵ Latyn is a slegge, oper an hamer, in⁶ Englissh. Þis Charles fauzt nobleliche aʒenst þe Sarasyns⁷ þat com out of Affrica, and made hem flee⁸ in oon⁹ batayle at Peytow, and in anoper batayle at Narbon, and chasede hem into Spayne; in þe whiche batailles were i-slawe foure hondred þowsand and fyve and sixty þowsand of Sarasyns.¹⁰ Also he fauzt¹¹ aʒenst þe Saxons and aʒenst the Bavarres, and¹² also aʒenst Hudo,¹³ a duke of Gyen,¹⁴ and aʒenst Raufredus¹⁵ duke¹⁶ of Anyo.¹⁷ Also this Charles, for besynesse of werres and batailles þat fil¹⁸ uppon hym, bytook þe goodes¹⁹ of holy chirche to lewed men; þefore Eucherius, bisshop of Aurelians,²⁰ while he lay in his beedes, sigh þis Charles in body and in soule i-tormented in helle. Þe aungel þat schewed²¹ þat sight to þe bisshop seide²² þat þat is þe dome of men þat bynemeþ²³ þe goodes of holy chirche

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Ab urbe.

whom yren is wonte to be bete. This Charles fauzhte nobly ageyne the Saracenys commyn from Affrike, constreynynge theym in oon batelle to Pictavia and to backe in the secunde batelle to Narbona and to Speyne. In whiche batelles he did slee of the Saracenys cccc.m^r. and lxxv. m^r. Also he ʒafe batelle ageyne the Saxons and ageyne to men of Bavarria. Also ageyne Hendo the governore of Acquitanny, and ageyne Ranfredus duke of Andegavy. Whiche havynge mony batelles ʒafe the goodes of the churche to lewyde men; for whiche thyng Eutherius, bisshop Aurelianense, beyng in preyer, see this Charles tormented in helle bothe in body and sawle. And the angelle schewynge that to þe bisshop seide that iuggemente to be of alle theym whiche take by rape the goodes of the churche

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gracione.¹ sledges, Cx.² whoche, γ.³ betep, β.⁴ beten and temperen, Cx.⁵ in] a, β. and γ.⁶ an, α. and γ.⁷ Sarsyns, β.⁸ ham vle, γ.⁹ oon] o, γ.¹⁰ Sarsyns, β.¹¹ voʒt, γ.¹² and] o mβ.¹³ Heudo, α. and β.; Hendo, γ. and Cx.¹⁴ Gian, β.; Guyen, Cx.¹⁵ Ranfredus, β.¹⁶ duyk, γ.¹⁷ Avio, α.; Anio, β. and γ.; An-
geo, Cx.¹⁸ fillen, β.; vulle, γ.¹⁹ goodnesse, α.²⁰ Orleyans, Cx.²¹ schewide, β.²² sayde that it was bycause he
toke the goodes, Cx.²³ bynymeþ, β.

ecclesiæ rapiunt.¹ Unde ad denunciationem episcopi abbas Sancti Dionysii² et capellanus Pipini ad sepulcrum Karoli accesserunt, et revoluto sarcophago draconem exire viderunt, nullo corpore comparente.³ *Paulus, libro septimo.*⁴ Hoc anno apud Romam fluvius Tiberis ita excrevit ut a porta Sancti Petri usque ad pontem Milvium⁵ aquæ descendentes se conjungerent, et sic manserunt septem diebus, donec⁶ civibus letaniæ fierent. *De regibus Merciorum.*⁷ Hoc anno rex⁸ Etheldredus, postquam triginta annis super Mercios regnasset, et tresdecim annis apud Bardeney monachus fuisset,⁹ obiit. Et Colredus filius¹⁰ ejus, rex Merciorum, obiit; apud¹¹ Lichefeld sepelitur. Post quem Ethelbaldus¹² consobrinus suus, id est, pronepos Pendæ ex parte fratris Alwii,¹³ successit, ac sicut Guthlacus confessor prædixerat¹⁴ quadraginta annis regnavit.¹⁵ Hic¹⁶ nempe xviii. anno regni sui villam de Somertona

¹ quorum res rex iste rapuit, add. C.D.

² Dionysii, MS.

³ cooparente, A.

⁴ Should be lib. vi. cap. xii.

⁵ Milveum, A.

⁶ a, A.

⁷ A.B. omit heading; C.D. add:

“Conredus, rex Northimbrensi-
um, cœpit regnare Osredo occiso.”

⁸ rexit, A.; sanctus, quondam rex Merciorum, obiit, in monasterio suo quod ipse construxerat apud Bardeneye sepelitur, C.D.

⁹ fuit, A.

¹⁰ filius] om. C.D.

¹¹ apudque, A.B.

¹² Ethelwaldus, A.

¹³ id . . . Alwii] et nepos Pendæ, C.D.

¹⁴ C.D. invert.

¹⁵ regnavit] om. C.D.

¹⁶ Vir quidem divinus Egbertus de gente Anglorum, sacerdos et monachus, qui dudum cladem mortalitatis, sicut præactum est, suis precibus evaserat, plures Scotiæ gentis provincias, et præsertim Hienses monachos, ad legitimam Paschæ observantiam et ad ecclesiasticam tonsuram pia devocione convertit. Quo et anno, teste Beda, multi Anglorum Romam peregre petierunt, inter quos venerabilis Colfridus, abbas monasterii Girwensium, apud Lingonas Burgundiæ obiit, anno ætatis suæ septuaginta septem. Qui inter alia donaria ecclesiæ beati Petri, cui præfuit, misit Pandecten de translatione Sancti Jeronimi ex Hebræo in Latinam linguam versum. Will., libro iv., Pontif, C.D.

oper of pore men. Þanne by [þe]¹ warnynge of þe bisshop þe abbot of Seint Denys and Pipinus his² preost³ wente to Charles his grave, and tornede þe stoon, and sight⁴ a grete dragoun fle⁵ out of þe grave, but þere was no body i-founde. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro 4^o.*⁶ Þat 3ere at Rome, at⁷ þe ryver Tyber was⁸ so grete and so huge⁹ þat þe watres þat fille¹⁰ mette hem¹¹ and ioynede¹² to gidres¹³ from port Seint Peter to pont Millvium,¹⁴ and durede so sevene dayes, for to¹⁵ þe citi3eyns made a letany. Þat 3ere deide kyng Ethelredus, after þat he hadde i-be kyng of Mercia þritty 3ere, and monk of Bardeneye¹⁶ þrittene 3ere, and he was i-buried at Lichefeld. After hym his cosyn Ethelbaldus regnede, þat was Penda his newew sone in his broþer side, and so he was þe sone of þe sone of Alwy¹⁷ Penda his broþer. And Ethelbaldus regnede fourty 3ere, as Guthlacus¹⁸ þe confessour hadde i-seide. Þis Ethelbaldus in þe ei3tene¹⁹ 3ere of his kyngdom byseged²⁰ Somertoun, and wan it, and spoylede North-

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Ab urbe.

or ells of pover men. Wherefore at the denunciacion of this bischop thabbotte of Seynte Dionise and the chapeleyne of Pipinus wente to the berialle of this Charls, whiche openynge hit see a dragon comme furthe and the body goen. *Paulus, libro septimo.* The water of Tiber encreasede so moche at Rome in this yere that the waters mette to gedre from the 3ate of Seynte Petyr unto the 3ate Millyne, contynuyng so by vij. dayes, tyl that letanyes were ordeynede of the citesynnes. Kyng Ethelredus diede in this yere, after that he hadde reignede over the Marches xxx^{ti} yere, and after xiiij. yere in whom he was a monke at Bradeney; and Colredus his son and kyng of the Marches, diede and was beryede at Lichefelde. Whom Ethelbaldus, son of his suster, did succede, and reigned by xl^{ti} yere as seynte Guthlacus the confessor seide afore. This kyng segede Somerton in the xviiij^{the} yere of his reigne, and subdued hit to hym, and

MS. HARL. 2261.

A transmigratione.

Of the encrease of the water of Tyber.

¹ From β .
² *his*] om. β .
³ *prest*, γ .
⁴ *sy3*, β .
⁵ *vle*, γ .
⁶ *Paulus, lib. 7^o* is the reference in β . and Cx.
⁷ *at*] om. α , β , γ , and Cx.
⁸ *wax*, α . and γ .; *wex*, β .
⁹ *hoge*, γ .
¹⁰ *vulle*, γ .

¹¹ *hem*] om. Cx.
¹² *innede*, α . and γ .
¹³ *togedders*, γ .
¹⁴ *Milvium*, β . and γ .; *Iuulinum*, Cx.
¹⁵ *for to*] til, β .
¹⁶ *Bardony*, β . and Cx.
¹⁷ *Alwi*, γ .
¹⁸ *Cuthlacus*, β .
¹⁹ *ei3teteþe*, α .; *xviii.*, β .
²⁰ *bisegide*, β .

obsedit et subjugavit, Northumbriam deprædavit, Walsenses devicit, sed anno regni sui tricesimo septimo devictus est a Cuthredo rege Westsaxonum, et ultimo anno regni sui occisus est a gente propria apud Secandoun. Quo etiam [anno]¹ Colfridus abbas Girwyensis apud Lingoun peregre obiit. *Willelmus de Pontificibus*,²

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II.

*libro iv.*³ Hoc anno obiit sanctus Egwynus, tertius

Wyctiorum episcopus, qui aliquando peccatorum juvenilium conscius pedes suos vinculavit, claves compedum in flumine quod dicitur Avena projecit, palamque dixit tunc demum⁴ de peccatis se fore securum quando

Miraculum
de Egwyno.

compedes sui aut divina virtute aut illis clavibus forent reserati. Sic quoque vinculatus Romam profectus est. Campanæ urbis, ut fertur, in ejus adventu per se sonuerunt. Cum immunimentis et privilegiis ecclesiæ⁵ revertitur, ac dum in mari Britannico navigaret, piscis pergrandis in puppim præsulis salit,⁶ in

¹ anno] from A.B.

² In the section, *de episcopis Wigornensibus*.

³ See note 16, page 200.

⁴ demum] om. A.

⁵ suæ, add. A.B.

⁶ salit, B.

umberlond, and overcome þe Walsche men; but in þe sevene and þritty 3ere of his kyngdom he was overcome of Cuthredus, kyng of West Saxons. Þe laste 3ere of his kyngdom his owne men slow3 hym at Secandoun. Also þat 3ere Colfridus, abbot of Girwie,¹ deyde at Lyngoun² in pilgrimage. *Beda, libro 5º, capitulo 6º.*³ Þat [3ere]⁴ deide [seint]⁴ Egwynus þe þridde bisshop of Wicties;⁵ þat bisshopriche is now i-cleped þe bisshopriche of Wircestre.⁶ In a tyme Egwynus bypou3te hym of þe synnes of his 3oupe,⁷ and gyvede hym self,⁸ and þrew þe keyes of þe gyves into þe ryver Avene, and wente i-gyved openliche⁹ to Rome, and seide þat he schulde be skeer¹⁰ of his synnes whenne his gyves were unloke¹¹ by virtue of God, oper elles by þe same keyes. And he wente so i-gyved to Rome, and me seiþ þat þe belles of þe citee gonne¹² to rynge by hem self in his comynge. He com a3e wip priveleges¹³ for his chirche; while he seilled¹⁴ in þe see of Britayne a greet fische leep¹⁵ into þe¹⁶ schip,

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Ab urbe. destressed Northumbrelonde, and hade victory off men in Wales. MS. HARL. 2261.
But he was devicte in the xxvijth yere of his reigne of Kuthredus kyng of the Westesaxons, and was sleyne of his awne men in the laste yere of his reigne at Secandoun. In whiche yere also Colfridus thabbotte off the monastery Girwyense diede in pilgrimage at Lingoun. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro quarto.* Seynte Egwyne diede in this yere, whiche remembrege in a f. 283 a. tyme his offenses and synnes doen in yowthe, fetrede his feete and caste the keyes in a watere callede Avene, seyenge openly his synnes to be for3iffe when the fetters on his feete scholde be openede with the keyes or loosed by the vertu of God. And so he wente to Rome, and hit is seide that the belles of the cite did rynge by theym selfe at the entrence of hym into the cite. Whiche returnenge from Rome with mony privilegys to his church, and sayleng in the see off Briteyne, a grete fische

A transmigracione.

¹ Girwey, Cx.	⁹ oponliche, γ.
² Lyngon, β.	¹⁰ be siker, β.; be syker, γ.; shol
³ The reference in β. and Cx. is <i>Willelmus de Pont., lib. quarto.</i>	be syker, Cx.
⁴ From α., β., γ., and Cx.	¹¹ unshyt, Cx.
⁵ Wykcies, α.; Wiccies, β.; Wyc-	¹² bigunne, β.
cyes, γ.	¹³ privylege, β.
⁶ Wircetere, β.; Wyrcteter, γ.	¹⁴ seyled, β.
⁷ yongthe, Cx.	¹⁵ vysch lupe, γ.
⁸ silf, β.	¹⁶ þe] his, β.

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VII.

cujus jecore clavis reperta est quam compedes illius reseravit. *Beda, libro quinto, capitulo sexto.*¹ *De Johanne Eboracensi episcopo.*² ³ Sanctus Johannes Eboracensis episcopus tricesimo tertio episcopatus sui anno obiit⁴ apud Silvam Derorum id est Beverlacum, sepultus in porticu monasterii.⁵ Qui in primis annis, potissime in xl^a, conversatus est in oratorio Sancti Michaelis apud Hagustaldensem ecclesiam non longe a flumine Tyne,⁶ in monte septentrionali ejusdem loci, qui Anglice vocatur Hernishowe,⁷ Latine mons Aquilæ.⁸ Deinde apud Beverlacum obiit, qui locus distat ab Eboraco ad orientem viginti quatuor milliaria, quasi locus vel lacus castorum,⁹ sic dictus¹⁰ a castoribus qui olim¹¹ de Hulle ibi vicina¹² confluere solebant; ubi beatus Johannes construxit unam ecclesiam in honorem beati Nicholai, et aliam in honore sancti Johannis Baptistæ in colle ad refectorium¹³ fratrum. Cujus loci immunitas¹⁴ ad magnam prærogativam excrevit, ita ut non admittat duellum ali-

¹ octavo, B.

² C.D. omit reference and heading; A.B. omit heading only.

³ *Conredus, rex Northimbrorum, moritur, Osricus successit*, add. C.D.

⁴ C.D. invert.

⁵ C.D. insert: "Ingils, frater Inæ regis Westsaxonum, obiit, quorum sorores fuerunt sancta Wereburga [Quenburga, D.] et sancta Cuthburga quæ monasterium virginum apud Winburnam construxit. Hanc sane Alfridus rex Northimbrorum in conjugem

"habuit, sed ante finem vitæ ambo carnali copulationi pro Dei amore renunciaverunt. Moritur Ingils, Osricus successit."

⁶ *Tyn*, A.

⁷ *Hernishaw*, A.; *Erneshowe*, B.

⁸ *construxit demum*, C.D.

⁹ *castorum*, from B.; *castrorum*, MS.

¹⁰ *dicta*, B.

¹¹ *ad aquam*, add. C.D.

¹² *vicinam*, MS.

¹³ *refectionem*, C.D.

¹⁴ *munimentum*, C.D.

and in þe gutte of þe ¹ fische ² was i-founde a keye þat unleek ³ TREVISIA.
his ⁴ gyves. *Beda, libro 5^o, capitulo 6^o.* Seint Iohn, bisshop
of ʒork, deide at Deyrewode, þat is Beverlay, þe ʒere of his
bisshopriche fyve ⁵ and pretty, and was i-buried in þe porche
of þe mynstre. ⁶ In his first ʒeres, and specialliche in Leynte,
he dwellede in Seint Michel his ⁷ chapel at Hagustald chirche,
nouʒt fer from þe ryver Tyne, in þe norþ hille of þe same
place, þat hatte Hernischow ⁸ an Englesshe, [bote in Engliche] ⁹
þat is now i-used it hatte Ern his hulle; ¹⁰ and he deide at þe
laste at Beverlay, þat is foure and twenty myle out of ʒork
estward. And þat place hatte Beverlay, and ¹¹ heet Brook ¹² his
lay, ¹³ for many brokkes were somtyme i-woned to come þider ¹⁴
out of þe hilles þat beep þere nyh. Þere seynt Iohn bulde a
cherche of Seynt Nicholas, and anoper of Seynt Iohn Baptiste
in þe hille, for refresshyng ¹⁵ [and fedynge] ¹⁶ of breperen. Þe
fredom and þe privileges of þat place is encreased ¹⁷ to grete
profit and worschippe, so þat þere is i-fonge no bataille and

Ab urbe. did lepe into his schippe, in the wombe off whom a keye was MS. HARL.
founde that unlokede his feturs. *Beda, libro v^{to}, capitulo* 2261.
sexto. Seynte Iohn, bisshop of Yorke, deide at Beverlay, in
the xxxiiij^{ti} yere of his bischophode, and ¹⁸ beryede in the porche
off the monastery; whiche usede in his firste yeres, and
specially in Lente, the chirche of Seynte Michael at Hangustald,
not ferre from the water of Tyne, in the northe parte of a place
called Hernischowe; and after that diede at Beverlay, whiche
place is at the este from Yorke by xxiiij^{ti} myles, as the place
or lake of bevers or of grayes, namede soe by those bestes,
whiche were wonte to comme from Hulle to hyt. Where
seynte Iohn made oon chirche into the honore of seynte
Nicholas, and an oper into the honore of seynte Iohn Bap-
tiste at the altitude nye to the refectory of the breper þer.
The privilege or immunitie of whiche place encreasede to
grete prerogancy, in so moche that hit receyvethe not a batelle

A transmi-
gracione.

¹ þe] þat, β.

² gut of þat vysch, γ.

³ unleke, β.; unlokked, Cx.

⁴ his] þe, β.

⁵ þre, α.; iii., β.

⁶ monoster, α.; menester, γ.

⁷ Mighels, β.

⁸ Hernishow, β.

⁹ From α., β., and γ.

¹⁰ hit hatt Ernes hille, β.

¹¹ and] as, γ.

¹² brok, γ.

¹³ and het Brokkesley, β.; Brok-
kesly, Cx.

¹⁴ þuder, γ.

¹⁵ refreyschyng, γ.

¹⁶ From α., β., γ., and Cx.

¹⁷ oncesed, β.

¹⁸ Sic in MS.

quorum. Sed qui accusatus fuerit sola se manu purget.¹ *Item Beda, ubi supra.* Huic Johanni successit sacerdos suus Wilfridus, præsiciens pœne xxx. annis. *Ranulphus.*² Iste vocatur Wylfridus junior,³ et transcendit tempora Bedæ. Nam tres fuerunt Wylfridi famosi, scilicet, Wilfridus primus et major,⁴ qui⁵ ter Romam adiit, de quo supra dictum est. Alius Wylfridus junior,³ qui⁶ Johanni in Eboracensi sede⁷ successit. Tertius Wyctiorum episcopus qui Egwyno⁸ successit.⁹ *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro ii^o.*¹⁰ Rex Ine, sicut Aldelmus aliquando¹¹ ei consulerat, construxit¹² monasterium apud Glastoniam, quod splendide duravit usque ad tempora Dacorum.¹³ Sed postmodum ope Dunstani sub regibus Edmundo¹⁴ et Edgardo egregie¹⁵ est reparatum et ornatum¹⁶ usque [ad]¹⁷ adventum Normannorum, cæterum extunc, nescio quo infortunio, semper pessimis est infracta laboribus. Quin etiam¹⁸ abbates

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IX.

Nota quod
tres fuerunt
Wilfridi
famosi.

¹ C.D. add : " Et etiam usque ad certum precinetum, contra cuius- cumque impetitionem, loci privilegii immunitatem præstat con- fugientibus. *Beda, lib. v. cap. 6.*"

² C.D. omit reference.

³ minor, B.

⁴ et major] om. A.

⁵ vicissim a regibus Northimbrorum fuit expulsus, add. C.D.

⁶ successor Johannis Beverlacensis, C.D.

⁷ ecclesia, B.

⁸ Gwino, B.

⁹ et pœne eodem anno cum Wilfrido juniore obiit, C.D.

¹⁰ Should be *de Gest. Reg. Angl., lib. i.*

¹¹ aliquando] om. A.

¹² construxerat, A.

¹³ diebus Aluredi regis, quod tandem sub patre Dunstano ope regum, &c., C.D.

¹⁴ Edwardo, B.

¹⁵ splendide, B.

¹⁶ in libris ornamentis, add. C.D.

¹⁷ ad] from B.

¹⁸ Cum autem, B.

stryf bytwene tweyne, but who þat is accused schal purge hymself wip his owne hond. *Iter*,¹ *Beda, ubi supra*. After þis Iohn, his preost Wilfridus was bisshop aboute a pritty zere. *B.* Þis hatte þe zonge² Wilfridus, and overpasseþ *Beda* his tyme; ffor þere were þre famous Wilfridus.³ Þe firste was þe more Wilfridus, þat wente þries to Rome, of hym we haveþ⁴ i-spoke to forehonde; þe oþer was the zonger⁵ Wilfridus, þat was bisshop [of zork after seynte Iohn of Beverle;⁶ þe þridde was bisshop]⁷ of Wicties after Egwinus. [*Trevisa*].⁸ As it is i-seide toforehonde, þe bisshopriche of Wicties hatte now þe bisshopriche of Worcestre.⁹ *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro 2^o*. Kyng Ine bulde an abbay at Glas-tyngbury,¹⁰ as Aldelyn¹¹ hadde i-counseilled somtyme. Þat tyme¹² þat abbay durede nobeliche anon to þe tyme of Danes; but afterward by help of Donston,¹³ under kyng Edmond and kyng Edgare, þat abbay was nobilleche¹⁴ amended and i-hiȝt anon to þe comynge of Normans; but after þat tyme, I¹⁵ not¹⁶ by what myshappes, it is alwey asset¹⁷ with ful wicked¹⁸ travailles.

TREVISA.

Ab urbe." of ij. men, but the man accusede schalle purge hym selfe oonly by honde. *Beda, ubi supra*. Wilfridus, preste to seynte Iohn, was his successor alle moste by xxx^{ti} yere. *B.* This Wilfride is callede the yonger, ffor there were iij. famose men of that name. The firste Wilfride wente thryes to Rome, of whom hit is schewide afore. The secunde Wilfride was arche-bishop of Yorke, and successor to seynte Iohn of Beverlay. The thrydde Wilfride was bisshop of Wictions, and successor to Egwyne. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro ij.* Ine the kyng made a monastery at Glassynbury, as seynte Aldelme zafe to hym counselle somme tyme, whiche contynuede nobly unto the comynge of Danes into Ynglonde, and hit was repairede thro the labore of seynte Dunstan by the kyng Edmund and Edgar, contynuyng so unto the commynge of Normannes. Whiche monastery was confracte in mony labors, y wote not by what

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A transmi-
gracione.

¹ *Iter*] om. γ . (not β .); Item, Cx.

² *zonger*, α .; *zunger*, β .

³ *Wilfrides*, β .; *Wilfrydes*, Cx.

⁴ *habbeþ*, γ .

⁵ *zunger*, β .

⁶ *Beverley*, β .

⁷ From α ., β ., γ ., and Cx.

⁸ From α .

⁹ *Trevisa* . . . *Worcestre*] om. β . and Cx.; *Wynceter*, γ .

¹⁰ *Glastenbury*, β . and Cx.

¹¹ *Aldelm*, β .

¹² *þat tyme*] om. Cx.

¹³ *Dunstan*, Cx.

¹⁴ *noblich*, β .

¹⁵ *Y*, β .

¹⁶ *Y note*, γ .

¹⁷ *sette*, Cx.

¹⁸ *fol wickede*, γ .

loci, rerum gloria elati, tyrannos se exhibent, foris¹ tumidi sed invalidi, intus crudeles et incommodi, quod potissime liquebat² tempore abbatis Thurstini. Illuc translata sunt ossa sanctorum Hyldæ abbatissæ,³ Colfridi abbatis Girwyensis, aliqua ossa Aydani episcopi, quæ advexit⁴ rex Edmundus dum esset in expeditione contra Scottos.⁵ Quiescit etiam ibidem sanctus Patricius secundus,⁶ Hiberniæ⁷ abbas et confessor, qui, teste martilogio quod die sancti Bartholomei legitur, dum⁸ Hibernicos convertere non potuit, Hiberniam⁹ deserens Glastoniam adiit, ubi et obiit in festo apostoli Bartholomei. *Martinus.*

Patricius
Glastoniæ
obiit et
tumulatus.

CAP. XXIII.

*Item de imperatoribus Romanorum.*¹⁰

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Leonis
tertil
XI.

LEO imperator, prætermisiss hostibus rei publicæ, solis iconiis et imaginibus sanctorum bellum indixit.

¹ *fori*, B.

² *liquet ex facto abbatis Thirstani tempore regis Willelmi, sicut infra patebit*, C.D.

³ *Girwiensis et aliqua ossa*, add. C.D.

⁴ *adduxit*, B.

⁵ *aquilonari*, add. C.D.

⁶ *secundus*] om. C.D.

⁷ *Hibernensium*, B.

⁸ *quod . . . dum*] om. C.D.

⁹ *Hiberniam*] om. C.D.

¹⁰ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

Also þe abbotes of þat place for grete riches¹ beþ proude,² and bycomeþ tyraunt³, and swelleþ³ in pryde outward, and beþ nouzt worþ,⁴ and beþ cruel⁵ inward and nouzt profitable, and þat was specialliche i-knowe⁶ in abbot Thursinus⁷ his tyme. [R.]⁸ Dider⁹ were translated þe bones of saint Hilda þe abbas, of Colfridus þe abbot of Girwie, and som bones of bisshop Aydan, þe whiche¹⁰ bones kyng Edmond brouzte wiþ hym whan he was in þe contray¹¹ aʒenst þe Scottes; þere restep þe secunde saint Patrik¹² of Irlond, abbot and confessor. Þe martiloge¹³ þat is i-rad of¹⁴ saint Bartholomew his¹⁵ day, seiþ þat he wolde conuerte þe Irische men, and myzte nouzt; þerfore he forsook Irlond and com to Glastyngbury,¹⁶ and deide þere in a saint Bartholomew his day.

TREVISA.

*Capitulum vicesimum quartum.*¹⁷

LEO þe emperour lete be¹⁸ þe enemyes of þe empere, and werrede aʒenst figures and ymages of holy seyntes. Pope

Ab urbe infortuny; and also thabbottes of that place, inflate with pride, MS. HARL. 2261. schewe them with ynne the monastery as tyrauntes and with owte cowardes and unprofitable, whiche thyng apperede in tyme of Thurstinus thabbot. R. Edmunde the kyng, in A transmi- gracione. f. 283 b. makynge a journey ageyne the Scottes, brouzhte to that monastery þe boonys of Hilda thabbesse, and of Colfridus thabbotte, and somme boonys of Aidanus the bischoppe. Also seynte Patryk the secunde, abbot and confessor, whiche after the martiloge, not havynge myzhte to conuerte men of Yrlonde, levynge Yrlonde come to Glassynbery, where he diede in the feste of seynte Bartholomewe thapostle.

Capitulum vicesimum quartum.

LEO themperoure, levynge batelle to his enemyes, ʒafe batelle to the ymages of seyntes; whom Gregory the pope, and Germanus

¹ riches, B.
² proute, γ.
³ swellen, Cx.
⁴ wroth, Cx.
⁵ cruwel, B.; crwel, γ.
⁶ knowen, B.
⁷ Thurstinus, Cx.
⁸ From a.
⁹ puder, γ.
¹⁰ whoche, γ.

¹¹ journey, B.; jorney, γ.
¹² second patriarch of, Cx.
¹³ martilogy, B.
¹⁴ radde on, B.
¹⁵ Bartilemus day, Cx., et infra.
¹⁶ Glastonbury, B.
¹⁷ There is no division of chapters here in γ.
¹⁸ lete be] left, Cx.

Cui papa Gregorius et Germanus Constantinopolitanus, juxta morem antiquum¹ et approbatam ecclesiae consuetudinem, viriliter restiterunt dicentes pium venerationis affectum illis impendi debere, quippe cum nihil in eis nisi Deum et propter Deum, et propter sanctos quos nobis² representant, veneremur. Soli enim Creatori latrariam, creaturae post Deum³ duliam debemus. *Beda, libro quinto, capitulo xxviii.*

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Leonis
XII.

Withredus⁴ rex Cantuariensis obiit,⁵ et Thobias⁶ Roffensis praesul, qui ita Graecam et Latinam linguam noverat ut⁷ propriam. *Paulus, libro vii.*⁸ Hoc anno Saraceni obsederunt Constantinopolim per triennium, et inde multa abstulerunt. Quod audiens Writhbrandus⁹ rex Longobardorum, dato pretio redemit reliquias sancti¹⁰ Augustini doctoris, quae propter irruptionem barbaricam apud Sardiniam¹¹ dudum translatae fuerant, easque ferri fecit usque ad¹² Januensem¹³ urbem, et inde ad Papiam,¹⁴ quod¹⁵ aliquando Ticinum vocabatur. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.*¹⁶ Rex [Ine]¹⁷

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XIII.

¹ *antiquorum*, C.D.

² *nobis*] om. A.

³ *postmodum*, A.

⁴ *Wigtredus*, B.; *Wythredus*, C.D.

⁵ *tres filios, Edilbertum, Edbertum, Alricum, relinquens haeredes*, add. C.D.

⁶ *Tobias*, B.

⁷ *Anglicam linguam notas habebat, obiit*, C.D.

⁸ *lib. vi. cap. xiv.*

⁹ *Withbrandus*, A. *Liuthprandus* is the spelling of *Paulus*.

¹⁰ *beati*, A.B.

¹¹ *Gardiniam*, B.

¹² *ad*] om. B.

¹³ *Ticinensem* in *Paulus*.

¹⁴ *ubi nunc requiescit. Ranulphus*, add. C.D.

¹⁵ *quæ*, A.

¹⁶ C.D. omit heading; to complete the reference, add *cap. ii.*

¹⁷ *Ine*, from A.B.C.D.

Gregory and Germanius¹ of Constantynoble wipstood hym nameliche,² as þe olde usage and custome³ wolde þat is allowed and apreeved by holy cherche, and seide þat it is worpy and medeful to do hem þe affecioun of worschippe. For we worschippe in hem but God, [and]⁴ in worschippe of God and of holyseyntes, þat man haveþ⁵ in mynde efte by suche⁶ ymages,⁴ God allone schal be princepalliche worschipped, [and after hym creatures schal be i-worschipped]⁷ in worschippe of hym. *Beda, libro 5^o, capitulo 24^o.* Þat 3ere deide Withredus⁸ kyng of Caunterbury, and Thobias bisshop of Rouchestre, þat coupe Latyn and Grew⁹ as wel as his owne longage. *Paulus, libro 7^o.* Þat 3ere Sarasyns com to Constantynoble and by-seged¹⁰ it þre 3ere, and took¹¹ þennes moche¹² good and¹³ catel. Withbrandes¹⁴ kyng of Longobardes herde þerof, and raunsoned¹⁵ þe relikes of seint Austyn [þe doctor],¹⁶ þe whiche relikes¹⁷ were somtyme translated to Sardinia for reses¹⁸ of straunge enemyes, and he made hem i-bore to þe citee of Geene,¹⁹ and þennes to Papie, þat heet Tinum²⁰ somtyme. *Willelmus de Regibus,*

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. the bisshop of Constantynopole, resiste hym manly after the maner and consuetude approbate of the churche, seyenge that men awe to do and 3iffe to theyme meke honoure, sithe peple honoure noo thyng in theyme but God, or for God and for seyntes, whiche they represente to us. *Beda, libro quinto, capitulo vicesimo quarto.* Withredus, the kyng of Kente, diede in this yere, and Thobias bisshop of Rowchestre, whiche understode the langage of Grekes as his awne langage. *Paulus, libro vij^o.* Saracenys segede Constantinopole by the space of thre yere, and toke grete goodes away with theyme. Withbrandus, kyng of the Longobardes, herynge that, brouh3te the relykes off Seynte Austyn, caryede to the yle of Sardinia for the peple off Barbre, and causede theyme to be brouh3te to the cite Januense, and after that to the cite Papy. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.* Kyng

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gracione.

¹ *Germanus*, β. and Cx.
² *manliche*, α. and γ.; *manlich*, β.; *manly*, Cx.
³ *costom*, γ.
⁴ From α.; and . . . *ymages*] And oft by the syght of such ymages men worshippe God and holy saintes, Cx.
⁵ *habbeþ*, γ.
⁶ *sich*, β.
⁷ From α., β., and Cx.
⁸ *Wihredus*, β.; *Wyhtredus*, Cx.
⁹ *Gruw*, γ.

¹⁰ *bisegide*, β.
¹¹ *touh*, γ.
¹² *myche*, β.
¹³ *and*] om. β. and Cx.
¹⁴ *Wihbrandus*, β. and γ.
Wyghtbrandus, Cx.
¹⁵ *raunsede*, γ.
¹⁶ From β.
¹⁷ *relyques*, Cx.
¹⁸ *ferre*, Cx.
¹⁹ *Gene*, β. and γ.
²⁰ *Tinum*, α., β., γ., and Cx.

commendato regno suo Westsaxonum Ethelardo cognato suo,¹ Romam profectus est.² Qui primus omnium regum denarium ex singulis domibus regni³ beato Petro fertur concessisse, quod diu ab Anglis Romescot,⁴ Latine vero denarius [Petri]⁵ vocatur.⁶ Cui⁷ peregrinationi uxor regis Ethelburga occasionem præbuit in hunc modum. Dum enim ipsa crebro⁸ suasisset viro suo ut saltem in extremis vitæ annis valefaceret rebus mundanis, nec proficeret, astu tamen vincere temptavit. Cum enim aliquando apud urbem regiam ambo regales luxus explicuissent, post triduanum⁹ eorum recessum villicus urbis ex reginæ suasu et conscientia palatium quanta potuit deformitate, fimo pedudum, et aggere ruderum fœdavit, et in lecto¹⁰ ubi rex cubaverat porcã noviter enixam collocavit. Regina tunc¹¹ uxoriis deliramentis virum exoravit ut illuc unde abierant pedem referant. Quo impetrato rex

Rex Ine primo concessit ex singulis domibus denarium sancto Petro.

¹ *de prosapia Cerdici oriundo*, add. C.D.

² *cum regina sua Ethelburga*, add. C.D.

³ *sui*, add. A.B.

⁴ *stok*, C.

⁵ From A.

⁶ *denarius Petri vocitabatur, et usque nunc solvitur*, add. C.D.

⁷ *Cui...Northinbranis* (p. 214)] om. C.D.

⁸ *crebro*] om. A.

⁹ *triduanum eorum*, A.; *triduum eorum*, B.

¹⁰ *loco*, B.

¹¹ *tunc*] om. B.

libro primo. Kyng Ine betook his kyngdom of West Saxons to his cosyn Ethelardus, and went to Rome. Me seip þat he was þe firste of kynges þat grauntede to seynt Peter of everiche hous of his kyngdom a peny, þat longe tyme of Englysshe men was i-cleped Rome scot, but in¹ Latyn it is i-cleped Peter his peny. Þe kyng his wyf Ethelburga ʒaf hym occasioun to take þat pilgrimage, and þat in þis manere: she² hadde ofte i-counsailed her³ housbonde to forsake þe riches of þe⁴ world,⁵ and specialliche in þe laste ʒeres of his lyf, but sche⁶ spedde nouʒt. Þerfore at þe laste sche⁶ fondede to overcome hym wip gile, and in a tyme whanne þey hadde i-leide to gidres⁷ in þe real⁸ citee, and were agoo,⁹ þanne after þre dayes þe governour of þe citee defouled þe paleys wip al þe filþe¹⁰ þat he myʒte, wip tunge¹¹ and dritt¹² of bestes, wip gaderynge of dunge and of filþe of mukhilles;¹³ and þere þe kyng had i-leye and i-slepe, he leide a sowe wip here¹⁴ pigges þat hadde late i-favored.¹⁵ Al þis he dede by assent and heste of þe queene. Þanne þe queene byʒede¹⁶ here housbonde wip benygne¹⁷ flaterynge, and prayed hym for¹⁸ to come to þat place þere he hadde i-be; þe kyng graunted and come þider, and sigh

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. Ine, levynge the realme of Westesaxons to Ethelardus his cosyn, wente to Rome; of whom hit is rehersed that he grawntede firste to seynte Petyr a j^d of every howse of his realme, callede longe of Ynglische men Romescotte. Ethelburga, wyfe to hym, induced that pilgrimage in this wise: this woman movenge hym ofte to forsake worldly thynges in his olde age, and profitynge not, thouʒhte to attempte by a wyle. Whiche beyng at the kynges cite in grete pleasure and delice, and returnede from hit, the keper of that place defiled hit with alle deformite after the commaundamente of the qwene, with dungge of bestes and other þinges unhoneste, puttenge a sowe that hade farowede newly in the bedstede of the kyng. The qwene knowynge that afore, preide the kyng to beholde the place where they were usede to reste. That doen the kyng mervayled moche that f. 284 a.

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gracione.

¹ in] a, β. and γ.
² heo, β.
³ hure, γ.
⁴ þe] þis, β.
⁵ worl, γ.
⁶ heo, β.; hue, γ.
⁷ togadders, γ.
⁸ rial, β.
⁹ and departed thens, Cx.
¹⁰ vylþe, γ. (bis).
¹¹ dunge, a., β., and Cx.; duynge,
 γ (bis).

¹² drit, β.; dryt, γ.; fylth, Cx.
¹³ mokhulles, γ.
¹⁴ lūr, β.
¹⁵ i-farwed, a. and β.; yvarwed,
 γ.; farwed, Cx.
¹⁶ byʒude, γ; prayed, Cx.
¹⁷ wyvene, a. and γ.; wyven, β.;
 om. Cx.
¹⁸ for] om. β.

vidit locum Sardanapalicis deliciis nuper parem foeda decoloratione tunc deformem. Tunc illa occasione aucupata ait, "Ubi,¹ quæso, mi domine, sunt modo illa¹ " aulæa Sidonicis fucis ebria, ubi nunc parasitorum dis- " currens petulantia, ubi modo illa exquisita gulæ leno- " cinia? nonne omnia² transierunt? Sic, domine, defluent " carnes nostræ,³ quæ modo nutriuntur in croceis." His inflexus maritus post triumphales bellorum manubias, tradito nepoti regno Romam adiit ubi non publicis vultibus expositus crinem deposuit, sed plebeio cultu amictus inter mendicos consenuit. Regina vero Ethelburga ad Berkyngum⁴ monasterium secessit, ubi soror ejus abbatissa fuerat. Sed et ipsa⁵ postmodum virginibus illis prælata beato fine quievit. *De regibus Northimbranis.*⁶ Osricus rex Northimbrorum post undecimum annum⁷ regni sui obiit, cui successit Colwulfus,⁸ novem⁹ annis regnavit;¹⁰ ad quem¹¹ Beda

¹ *illa*] om. B.

² *omnia*] om. B.

³ *nostræ*] om. A.

⁴ *Berkingum*, A. ; *Bergin*, B.

⁵ *illa*, B.

⁶ A. omits heading ; B. has here

instead of the heading, *Beda, libro quinto, capitulo 25.*

⁷ *annis* (sic), A.

⁸ *frater Conredi*, add. C.D.

⁹ *xj.*, A.

¹⁰ *regnans*, A.B.

¹¹ *Cui*, B.

pat place pat was somtyme poore¹ to Sardanapallus his likynge
 po² so desrayed³ and defouled; whan sche⁴ hadde þis occasioun
 sche spak to þe kyng and seide: "I pray þow, my lord, where
 " beþ now þe cortyns⁵ and al þe riche array of halles and
 " chambres? Where is now þe pleysynge⁶ service of hem þat
 " were i-woned to flatere⁷ wip þow? Where is þe likynge and
 " plesynge of glotonye⁸ and of leccherie, beþ þey not al
 " apassed?⁹ So, my lord, schal my¹⁰ flesche¹¹ passe and fal¹²
 " away, pat is now i-norsched in gold and in riche array."
 Herwith here housbonde was overcome, and after his noble
 batailles and victories and grete prayes þat he hadde i-take, he
 bytook¹³ þe kyngdom to his neveu, and wente to Rome. Þere
 he come nouȝt openliche in siȝte,¹⁴ but he schare his heed, and
 cloped hym as a pore man, and wax¹⁵ olde among beggers; bote
 þe queene Ethelburga wente to þe abbay of Berkyngge; þere
 here suster¹⁶ hadde i-be abbas. And sche¹⁷ was afterward
 i-made abbas of þe same maydens, and made a blessed ende,
 and passed to reste. *Beda, libro 5º, capitulo 29º*. Osricus
 kyng of Norphumberlond deide after þe nynþe ȝere [of his
 kyngdom. After hym Colwulfus regnede nyne ȝere];¹⁸ to

TREVISIA.

Ab urbe. place to be of suche deformite, lyke sometyme to the delices
 of Sardanapallus. The qwene seide: "O my lorde, where be
 " youre clothes of silke and of clothe of Arras nowe; where is
 " youre pleasure nowe; alle is goen, and so schalle oure bodies
 " in lyke wyse whom we norysche nowe in grete delices." Ine
 the kyngge movede in this wise by his qwene wente to Rome,
 sittenge not þere amonge grete states, but amonge pover men.
 And Ethelburga his qwene wente to the monastery of Berk-
 yngum where here sustyr was abbesse, whiche after that made
 abbesse endede here life in grete vertu. *Beda, libro v., capi-
 tulo xxixº*. Osricus kyngge of Northumbrelonde diede after
 the xjthe yere of his reigne, whom Colwulphus did succede ix.

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gracione.

¹ peer, a.; pere, β. and γ.; lyke
to Sardanapalus plesure and lust,
Cx.

² þanne, β.

³ desarayed, a.; disarayed, β. and
Cx.; dysarayed, γ.

⁴ heo, β.; hue, γ.

⁵ corteyns, γ.; curteyns, Cx.

⁶ plesing, β.; plesaunt, Cx.

⁷ flatre, β.; flatre you, Cx.

⁸ gloteny, β.

⁹ passyd, Cx.

¹⁰ oure, a., β., and Cx.

¹¹ oure vleysch, γ.

¹² valle, γ.

¹³ bytoug, γ.

¹⁴ in syghte as a kyng, Cx.

¹⁵ wax, β.

¹⁶ soster, γ.

¹⁷ heo, β.

¹⁸ From a., β., γ., and Cx.

scripsit historiam Anglorum. *Beda, libro v., capitulo xxxix.*¹ Quo anno duæ stellæ cometæ horribiles circa Cometa. solem apparuerunt per duas² plene³ hebdomadas, quarum una mane præcedebat, altera vespere solem⁴ sequebatur, protendentes quasi ardentis faculas⁵ versus Aquilonem, diræ cladis præsignæ. Nam tunc⁶ gravis Saracenorum lues Galliam premebat.⁷ *Beda, libro quinto, capitulo vicesimo quinto.*⁸ Hoc anno obiit Brithwoldus⁹ archiepiscopus Doroberniæ, cui successit Tadvynus, consecrantibus eum episcopis Londoniensi, Wentanensi, et Roffensi. Hoc etiam anno provinciæ australes¹⁰ usque ad confinium Humbræ fluminis¹¹ regi Merciorum Ethelbaldo¹² erant subjectæ;¹³ Picti et Scotti cum Anglis pacem¹⁴ habebant;¹⁵ Britones partim sui juris partim servitio Anglorum¹⁶ mancipati. *De pontificibus Romanorum.*¹⁷ Gregorius tertius post Gregorium secundum successit in papatu annis un-

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Leonis
XVII.

Gratias
DCCXXXII.
Leonis
XVIII.

¹ *Beda, ut supra, B. ; cap. 24, C.D.*

² *duabus ferme septimanis, C.D.*

³ *pene, B.*

⁴ *solem, A.*

⁵ *faculas] om. B.*

⁶ *eo tempore, C.D.*

⁷ *vastabat, quos tandem Karolus contrivit, add. C.D.*

⁸ *cap. 15, A.C.D.*

⁹ *Brighwoldus, B.*

¹⁰ *Anglorum, C.D.*

¹¹ *cum suis quibusque regibus, C.D.*

¹² *Ethelwaldo, A.*

¹³ *subjecti, A.*

¹⁴ *pacem] om. B.*

¹⁵ *habent, C.D.*

¹⁶ *sunt, C.D.*

¹⁷ *A.B.C.D. omit heading.*

hym Beda wroot þe storie Historiarum Angliæ.¹ *Beda, ubi* TREVISIA.
supra. Þat 3ere were i-seie twey grislich² sterres wip blasynge
 crestes aboute þe sonne, þat durede³ tweye wokes. Þat oon
 of hem passede erliche tofore the sonne, and þe oþer com
 after þe sonne at eve; and þese sterres blasede and caste as
 it were brennyng brondest toward þe norþside, and bodede
 greet deth and manslau3ter; ffor þanne com a grevous mescheef
 of Sarsyns,⁴ and bete⁵ down Gallia, þat is Fraunce. *Beda,*
libro 5^o, capitulo 25^o. Þat 3ere deyde Bri3twoldus arche-
 bisshop of Dorobernya, þat is Canturbury. After hym Tad-
 wynus was archebisshop, and was i-sacred of þe bisshoppes
 of Londoun, of Wynchestre, and of Rouchestre. Also⁶ þat
 3ere þe souþ provinces anon to þe marche of þe ryver Humber
 were suget⁷ to Ethelbaldus king of Mercia; þe Pictes and
 þe Scottes hadde⁸ pees⁹ wip þe Angles; som Bretons were
 at here¹⁰ owne lawe, and som servede þe Angles. After þe
 secounde Gregorye [þe þridde Gregory]¹¹ was pope enlevene
 3ere; he confermed þe worschippyng of holy ymages in a

Ab urbe. yere, to whom Beda did write the story of Ynglonde. *Beda,* MS. HARL.
ubi supra. In whiche yere ij. horrible blasynge sterres apperede; 2261.
 oon of theyme did precede the sonne in the morowe, and that
 other folowede the sonne at even, protendenge grete flammes
 from theym into the northe, as a prenosticatyve of grete de-
 struccion, for soone after that a grete multitude of Saracenys
 depressede Fraunce. *Beda, libro v., capitulo xxv^{to}.* Bri3ht-
 woldus, archebisshop of Cawnterbury, diede in this tyme; whom
 Chadwinus succedid, the bischoppes of London, of Wynchestre,
 and of Rowchestre, doynge the labor of þe consecracion. The
 sowthe provinces were subiecte to Ethelbaldus the kyng of the
 Marches, unto the coste of the water of Humbre. Pictes and
 Scottes hade pease with Ynglische men, and Britons were as
 mixte, somme of liberte, and mony subiecte to the servyce of
 Ynglische men. Gregorius the thridde succedid Gregorius
 the secounde xi. yere, which confermede the veneracion of
A transmi-
gracione.

¹ *Historia Anglorum, a.; Historiam Anglorum, ß. and γ.; Historia Anglicana, Cx.*

² *grislich, ß.*

³ *duyrede, γ.*

⁴ *meschyef of Sarasyns, Cx.*

⁵ *but, γ.*

⁶ *Also] om. ß.*

⁷ *soget, ß.*

⁸ *hadden, ß.*

⁹ *pes, γ.*

¹⁰ *her, ß.*

¹¹ *From a., ß., γ., and Cx.*

decim; qui in consilio mille pœne episcoporum Romæ celebrato confirmavit venerationem sanctarum imaginum, violatores hujus statuti terribiliter excommunicando. Hoc etiam anno¹ quidam, Petronax nomine, Brixianus hortatu Gregorii papæ montem Cassinum adiit, et locum rebus ac monachis competenter instauravit. *De pontificibus Anglorum.*² Tadwynus Dorobernensis archipræsul obiit, cui successit Nothelinus³ Londoniensis præsul. Eoque⁴ anno Alwynus, qui et Wor dicebatur,⁵ Lichfeldensis episcopus obiit. Quo defuncto Wytta ordinatus est apud Lichefeld, et⁶ Totta apud Legecestrensem,⁷ Eata adhuc apud Dorcestram perdurante.⁸ *De venerabili Beda. Willelmus de Regibus, libro quinto.*⁹ Hoc anno venerabilis Beda presbyter obiit,¹⁰ qui septimo ætatis¹¹ anno traditus est Benedicto Biscop, abbati Gyrwiensis monasterii, educandus et instruendus, ac deinde post mortem [ejus]¹² Colfrido abbati et ejus successori. Nonodecimo ætatis¹³ anno ordinatus est a Johanne Eboracensi episcopo in diaconum et tricesimo¹⁴ in sacerdotem. Quo quidem anno

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Leonis
XX.

¹ *etiam anno*] om. A.

² A.B. omit heading.

³ *Nothelinus*] om. A.

⁴ *Eo quoque*, B.

⁵ *dicebatur*] om. C.D.

⁶ *et . . . perdurante*] om. B.

⁷ *Legecestriam*, A.

⁸ *Ranulphus*, A.B.C.D., and omit *De*, &c.

⁹ B. omits heading; should be *libro primo*.

¹⁰ *obiit*] om. A.

¹¹ C.D. add: "ætatis suæ 62, qui
"monachus cænobii quod est ad

"Weremutham, id est ad ostium
"Wiri fluminis, in loco qui vocatur
"Girvum, quod modo Jarviæ di-
"citur, educatus est et instructus
"per abbatem Benedictum cogno-
"mento Biscop. Hunc locum
"postmodum destruxit et combus-
"sit Malcolmus, rex Scotorum
"ubi et nunc sunt fratres prædica-
"tores," and omit down to *semper
amore*, p. 226.

¹² *ejus*] from A.B.

¹³ *ætatis*] om. B.

¹⁴ *anno*, add. B.

counsaile pat was i-made at Rome of aboute a powsand¹ **TREVISIA.**
 bisshoppes, and cursed² dredfulliche al pat dop³ azenst pat
 statute of worschippyng of holy ymages. Also pat zere oon
 Petronax Brixianus wente to þe hille mont Casin,⁴ and re-
 stored þe place covenableliche⁵ of goodes and catel and of
 monkes by heste and comfort of pope Gregorie. Tadwynus
 archebisshop of Caunterbury deide, and Nothelmus⁶ bisshop of
 Londoun was archebisshop after hym. Also pat zere deyde
 Alwynus pat was⁷ bisshop of Lichfeld; and Wicta⁸ was
 bisshop of Lichefeld whan he was dede. And Coita⁹ was
 bisshop of Legecestria, pat is Chestre, and Eada¹⁰ durede zit at¹¹
 Dorchestre. Pat zere deide pat worthy man Beda þe preost.¹²
Willelmus de Regibus, libro 5^o. Þe sevenþe zere of his age
 he was i-take to norschyng¹³ and to lore to Benet Bisshop,
 abbot of¹⁴ Girwy, and after his dep to Colfridus, abbot of þe
 same place. In his nynþe¹⁵ zere he was i-made decon¹⁶ of Iohn
 bisshop of zork, and preost in his prittenþe¹⁷ zere. Pat zere

Ab urbe. seyntes in a cownesayle at Rome, allemoste of a m^r bischoppes, **MS. HARL.**
 and cursyng terrible the contemptors of that statute. A man **2261.**
 callede Petronax Brixianus, thro the exhortacion of Gregory
 the pope, wente to the mownte Cassyne, and instorede that
 place competently with goodes and monkes. Chadwynus,
 archebisshop of Cawnterbery, diede in this yere, whom Nothe-
 linus, bisshop off London, did succede. In whiche yere Alwinus
 other Woi, bischoppe of Lichefelde, diede; after the dethe of
 whom Witta was made bischoppe of Lichefelde, and Totta at
 Westechestre, Eata contynuynge styлле at Dorchestre. R. In
 whiche yere venerable Beda diede. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro*
quinto. Whiche was taken to Benedicte Biscop to be tauzhte in
 the vijth yere of his age, abbot of the monastery Girwyense,
 and taken after his dethe to Colfridus thabbot and his sucesor; f. 284 b.
 made diacon of Iohn bischoppe of Yorke in the xixth yere of
 his age, and preste in the xxx^{ti} yere. In whiche yere he began

¹ Some later hand has here in-
 serted the word *lewed*; a reforming
 comment.

² *corsed*, β.

³ *alle them that done*, Cx.

⁴ *Cassyn*, β.

⁵ *covenabellyche*, γ; *covenably*,
 Cx.

⁶ *Nothelinus*, γ. and Cx.

⁷ [pat was] wor, α., β., and Cx.

⁸ *Wyttā*, Cx.

⁹ *Totta*, α., β., and Cx.; *Tocca*,

γ.
¹⁰ *Eata*, α., β., γ., and Cx.

¹¹ *at*] a, Cx.

¹² *prust*, γ., et infra.

¹³ *norischinge*, β.

¹⁴ *abbot of*] om. Cx.

¹⁵ *nyntenþe*, β.; *nynteþe*, γ.

¹⁶ *dehene*, β.; *deken*, Cx.

¹⁷ *brittipe*, α.; *xxx^{ti}*, β.

inceptit scribere. Sicque cunctum vitæ¹ tempus in eodem monasterio peragens meditandis scripturis et exponendis operam dedit, atque inter observantiam disciplinæ regularis² et quotidianam in ecclesia³ cantandi curam aut discere aut docere⁴ aut scribere dulce duxit. Septuaginta octo libros edidit, quos in fine historiæ⁵ Anglicanæ enumerat. Hic succumbit ingenium deficit eloquium sufficienter admirari hominem a scholastico exercitio tam semotum sub tantillo vitæ spatio tam sobrio sermone tanta elaborasse volumina. Ex quibus⁶ convictio quod nunquam Romæ fuerit, quamvis aliqui contendant eum Romam ivisse, ut⁷ libros suos ecclesiasticæ convenire doctrinæ præsens assereret, vel⁸ si resultarent apostolico nutu corripere. Sed quod cæcus ad prædicandum obambulare, quod ad prædicandum lapidibus tanquam hominibus per famulum suum fraudulenter sit adductus, quod vocem lapidum respondentium Amen audierit, quod Romam ter ierit, et tria R ac tria F scripta invenerit et exposuerit, in nullis authenticis libris invenitur exaratum. Fuit autem se-

¹ *suæ*, add. B.

² *regulare*, A.

³ *ecclesiis*, B.

⁴ *aut docere*] om. B.

⁵ *suæ*, add. A.B.

⁶ *quo*, B.

⁷ *aut*, A.

⁸ *ut*, A.

he bygan to write, and so he spende al his lyf tyme in þe same abbay, and made hym besy¹ to studie and expowne holy writt, and among þe besynesse þat he ne² hadde [everiche day in þe service of religioun and in syngynge in chirche, he hadde]³ greet swetnesse and likynge to lerne, to teche, and to write. He wroot prescore bookes and eyztene; þe bookes he rekenep in his storie Anglicana.⁴ Here lakkep and faillep wit and speche to wondre⁵ at þe fulle þat a man þat was so wip oute use of scole made so many noble volumes in so sober wordes in so litel space of his lyf tyme. Of al þis I conclude þat he com nevere at Rome; þey som men wil⁶ mene þat he went to Rome to be pere present, and to schewe þat his bookes were accordynge to þe loore of holy chirche, and þat if þey were nouzt accordynge for to amende hym at þe pope his heste. But þat he wente blynd aboute for to preche, þat he was i-ladde by fraude of his man for to preche to stones as it were to men, þat he herde⁷ þe voys of stones⁸ þat answerede and seide Amen, þat he wente preis to Rome, þat he fonde pre R and pre F i-write,⁹ and expowned what it was to mene, I fynde¹⁰ it nouzt i-write¹¹ in bookes of auctorite. Som men tellep

TREVISA.

Ab urbe.

to write, and lyvede in that monastery by alle the tyme of his lyfe in meditacions and exposicions of holy scripture, thenkyng a pleasure to learne or to teche other to write betwene the tymes of reguler observaunce and quotidian service in the church. Whiche made lxxviij. bookes, whom he dothe nowmbre in thende of his story of Ynglonde. But hit is to be hade in mervayle, a man beyng so ferre from excercise of scole, in so schorte space of lyfe, with so sobre sermon to have laborede so many volumes: by whiche y coniecture he was not at Rome, thauzhe somme men kepe oppinion, seyenge that he wente to cause his werkes to be approbate, that and if eny man obiecte ageyne theym he myzhte be þer presente to answer, and to amende theyme if eny thyng were to be correcte. But hit is not founde in eny writynge of auctorite that Bede beyng blynde, and brouzhte to preche to stones, by disseyte and gyle of his servaunte, and that the stones scholde say Amen; wente

MS. HARL.
2261.A transmi-
gracione.¹ busy, β.² ne] om. a., β., and Cx.³ From a., β., and Cx.⁴ historia Anglicana, Cx.⁵ wondrye, γ.⁶ wole, β.⁷ hurde, γ.⁸ as it . . . stones] om. β.⁹ writen, β.; wryten, Cx.¹⁰ Y vynde, γ.¹¹ writen, β.; wretton, Cx.

cundum quosdam talis superscriptio R R R F F F,
et talis expositio: *Regna Ruent*¹ *Romæ ferro flam-*
*maque fameque.*² *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.*

Constat tamen Bedam per epistolam Sergii³ Colfrido
abbati transmissam invitatum fuisse ut Romam ve-
niret ad enodandum aliquas nuper emersas quæstiones.

Ubi advertendum est⁴ quanti pensus sit ille⁵ a curia
quo Romana sublimitas ad elucidandas quæstiones indi-
geret, quanti etiam pendendus sit a nobis ex modo
vivendi et docendi. Non enim poterat⁶ servire vitiis
qui mentem suam sic consumeret in scripturarum ex-
positionibus. Ejus tamen puritas multum patuit in
ejus extrema dissolutione; si quidem septem continuis
hebdomadis indignatione stomachi cibos nauseans,⁷
angustoque suspirio halitum⁸ trahens, non tamen litte-
ralium studiorum operam rejecit; sed quotidie inter

Commenda-
tio Bedæ
presbyteri.

¹ *Ruenet*, MS.

² This sentence is slightly trans-
posed in B.

³ *Papæ*, add. A.

⁴ *quod*, A.

⁵ *ille*] from B.; om. A.; *illi*,
MS.

⁶ *poterit*, A.B.

⁷ *nausians*, A.B.

⁸ *alium*, MS.

pat suche [a wrytynge¹ was founden,² R. R. R. F. F. F., and ³such]⁴ an exposicioun : regna ruent Romæ ferro flammaque fameque ; pat is to menyngge, kyngdoms of Rome schal falle⁵ by fuyre and iren,⁶ also by honger. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.* But by pope Sergius his pistel pat was i-sent to abbot Colfridus it is i-knowe pat Beda was i-sent after and i-prayed for to come to Rome for to assoyle⁷ questiouns pat were pere i-mevede.⁸ Here take hede how worpy þe court of Rome [hylde⁹ hym, pat þe court of Rome]¹⁰ hadde nede¹¹ to have hym to declare and to assoille þe questiouns pat pere were i-meved. And also how worpy we schal holde hym by manere of his leuyngge and of his techyngge. He myz̄te not be vicious pat spende so his witte and pouz̄t in expouninge of holy writte. But his clenness was moche i-sene¹² at his laste ende, for sevene wookes¹³ contynualliche his stomak hadde indignacioun of mete and drynke, so pat unneþe he myz̄te eny mete holde,¹⁴ and was streiz̄t¹⁵ and schort breped. But for al þat he sparede not þe travayle of letrure¹⁶ and of bookes, bote everiche day, among þe

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. thryes to Rome, and see þer thre R R R and thre f f f wryten, MS. HARL. 2261. A transmi-gracione.

whom he expownde in this wise: "The realmes of Rome schal suffre ruine thro fernence of yrne, with flammes and brennyngge and with hungre." *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.* But hit is schewede Bede to have bene desirede to have commyn to Rome by an epistole of pope Gregory the thrydde, sende to Colfridus thabbotte, to discusse certeyne questions. Where hit is to be advertisede that the courte of Rome had nede to sende for Bede to discusse certeyne maters, and also the maner of his vertuouus lyfe ; for utterly he myz̄hte not be vicious, whiche fixede his mynde so hyely in the exposicions of divine scripture. The vertu of whom apperede moche in the tyme of his dethe, whiche oppressede with infirmite, and vexede so sore in the stomake that he myz̄hte not retene thynges receyvede, refusede not to study, laborengge by vij. wekes in grete infirmite as aforeseide ; but he tauz̄hte dayly

¹ *writing*, β. ; *wrytyngge*, γ.² *yvounde*, γ.³ *sich*, β. ; *soche*, γ.⁴ From β., γ., and Cx.⁵ *valle*, γ.⁶ *yre*, β. and γ.⁷ *asoyl*, γ.⁸ *meoved*, β., et infra.⁹ *huld*, γ.¹⁰ From α., β., γ., and Cx.¹¹ *neode*, β. and γ.¹² *seen myche*, β.¹³ *wekes*, Cx.¹⁴ *reteyne ony mete*, Cx.¹⁵ *strait*, β. ; *streyt*, γ. ; *strayt*, Cx.¹⁶ *letrure*, γ.

debitum psalmodiæ pensum discipulos in lectionibus et quaestionibus edocuit, Evangelium Johannis lingua Anglica interpretatus est, sic inquit: *Discite, filioli, dummodo vobiscum sum. Nescio enim quamdiu subsistam.* Vicissim illud Ambrosianum subintulit: "Non ita inter vos vixi ut pudeat me¹ vivere; nec mori timeo quia bonum dominum habemus." Noctibus vero cum² deessent qui docerentur, lucubrabat³ ipse sibi pernox in gratiarum actione. Feria tertia ante Ascensionem Domini⁴ appropriante morte pedes intumuit, inunctus et communicatus, osculo fratribus libato, futuram sui memoriam a⁵ singulis implorans nonnullis familiarioribus suis xeniola⁶ quæ in secretis habebat largitus est. Die autem Ascensionis subtracto cilicio decumbens Spiritus Sancti invitabat gratiam, dicens: *O Rex gloriæ,⁷ Domine virtutum,⁸ hodie, etc.,*

¹ *me*] om. B.

² *dum*, B.

³ *lucrabatus*, B.

⁴ *Domini*] om. B.

⁵ *a*] om. A.

⁶ *xeniola*, A.; *meniola*, B.; *zeni-ola*, MS.

⁷ *Christe*, add. A.

⁸ *qui triumphator*, add. B.

detty¹ travayle of service and of psalmes, he tauzte his disciples in lessouns and in questiouns, and he tornede Seynt Iohn his gospel into Englysshe, and seide, "Lerneþ, my² smale children, " while I³ am wip þou,⁴ I⁵ wot nouzt how longe I⁵ schal " wip þow abyde;" and evere among he seide þat sawe of Ambrose, " I have nouzt so i-leved among þow þat me schameþ " to lyve ; noþer me dredeþ to deye, for me⁶ haveþ⁷ a good " Lord." By nyzte, whanne he hadde no man to teche, he travailled besiliche in bedes-byddyng, and ponked⁸ God of alle. Þe Tewesday⁹ tofore þe Ascencioun his deep neighede,¹⁰ and his feet gonne¹¹ to swelle ; he was i-led¹² and anoynt¹³ and i-housed,¹⁴ and kessed¹⁵ his breþeren, and prayed hem alle to have¹⁶ of hym mynde,¹⁷ and he þaf to meny of his servauntes þinges þat he hadde i-kept in private.¹⁸ In þe Ascencioun day þe clope of here¹⁹ was i-sprad, and he leyde hym doun and prayed þe grace of þe Holy Goost, and seide : " Oo²⁰ Kyng of bliss, Lord of vertues, þat hast þe pris, and art

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. his disciples betwene tymes of reguler observaunce in lesons MS. HARL. 2261. and in questions, seyenge to þeim, " O my childer, lerne while " y am with yow ; y wote not howe longe I schalle tary ; " in-ferreng the sayenge of seynte Ambrose : " I have not lyvede " so amonge you that y have schame to lyve, ne y drede not " to dye, for we have goode Lorde ; " whiche sorowede moche f. 285 a. in the nyzhtes if eny of his disciples did absente theyme from doctrine and study, wakyng as alle nyzhte in preier. In the thridde fery afore the day of the Assencion of oure Lorde, knowyng the ende of his lyfe to be nye, kyssenge his breþer, the sacramentes of the churche receyvede,²¹ toke to the disciples, whom he luffede moche, secrete thynges that he hade in keypyng, and preynge them to pray for hym. And in the Assencion day afore his dethe he desirede the grace of the Holy Goste, seyenge : " O Rex gloriæ, Domine virtutum," an

A transmi-
gracione.¹ dytty, γ.² myn, α.³ Ich, β ; ych, γ.⁴ alive and with you, Cx.⁵ Y, β. tris and γ. bis.⁶ me] we, β.⁷ we habbeþ, γ.⁸ þonkyng, α. and β.⁹ Tuseday, β. ; Tywesday, γ.¹⁰ neyhed, Cx.¹¹ bygonne, β. ; bygonne, Cx.¹² I ded, α. ; aneled, β. ; yeeded, γ. ; om. Cx.¹³ anoynt, γ.¹⁴ yhosled, γ.¹⁵ kisside, β. ; kyssede, γ.¹⁶ habbe, γ.¹⁷ munde, γ.¹⁸ privyte, β.¹⁹ heer, Cx.²⁰ O, γ.²¹ Sic in MS.

sicut in¹ ecclesia canitur. Qua finita ultimum efflavit spiritum cum ineffabili odoris suavitate; humatus tunc ibidem, sed modo effert fama ipsum Dunelmiae cum Cuthberto collocatum; sepultaque est cum eo² omnis pœne usque ad conquestum Angliæ gestorum notitia, omnis fere litterarum peritia, ut cum post ejus tempora pigro pigrior succederet, magnum dent ignaviæ testimonium pudendi versus epitaphii sui, tanti viri mausoleo indigni. *Versus super tumbam venerabilis Bedæ.*³

Presbyter hic Beda requiescit carne sepultus;

Epitaphium.

Dona, Christe, animam in cœlis gaudere per ævum,

Daque eum sophiæ debriari fonte, cui jam

*Suspiravit ovans intento semper amore.*⁴

Gratie
DCCXXV.
Leonis
XXI.

Circa hæc tempora Ricoldus dux Frisonum ad prædicationem beati⁵ Wolfranni⁶ episcopi allectus ut baptizaretur, dum unum pedem lavacro imposuisset,

¹ in] om. A.

² cum eo] om. B.

³ A.B. omit title.

⁴ amare, A.

⁵ sancti, B.

⁶ Wulfranni, A.

“ pis day i-steie¹ up above alle hevenes, leve pou us not
 “ faderles, but sende pou into us pat byheste of pe Fader pe
 “ Goost for² sopnesse.” Whanne pat was i-ended he zalde³
 up pe laste breep wip a wel greet swetnesse of smyl,⁴ and so⁵
 he was i-buried pere; but pe comyn fame tellep pat he is⁶
 at Durham nowpe,⁷ wip Seynt Cuthbert; and wip hym was
 i-buried wel nygh,⁸ al pe knowleche anon to pe conquest of
 dedes of Engelond, and nygh⁸ al pe connyng of lettres;
 for after his⁹ tyme after lewed¹⁰ come more lewed,¹⁰ as pe
 shameliche vers¹¹ pat were i-wrete on his tombe berep greet
 witenesse of unkonnyng; pat vers¹² were unworpy to be i-
 wrete on so worpy a manis tombe; pese beep¹³ pe vers: “ Beda
 “ pe preost¹⁴ restep here i-buried in pe flesch;¹⁵ Crist graunte his
 “ soule to be glad in hevene for evere; Graunt hym to drinke
 “ pe wel of wisdom pat he hap nowpe¹⁶ Desired besiliche¹⁷
 “ alwey riȝt wip love gret.” Aboute pat tyme Ricoldus duke
 of Frisons was i-tornede by the prechyng of Seynt Wilfranus¹⁸
 pe bisshop, and wolde i-cristned be;¹⁹ and putte his owne²⁰

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. antemme whiche is songe in the churche as that day; whiche
 endede, the sawle departede from the body with a merveyulous
 swetenes, beryede there at that tyme. But he is seide to be
 beryede now with seynte Cuthberte at Direm, with whom alle
 the knowlege of gestes of Ynglonde unto the conqueste is
 beryede, in a token of slawthe of labor, for connyng scholde
 succede. The versus of the epitaphy, of whom unworthy to
 so noble a clerke, be a testimonialle whiche do folowe: “ Pres-
 “ biter hic Beda requiescit carne sepultus; Dona, Christe, ani-
 “ mam in cœlis gaudere perennem, Daque eum sophiæ fonte
 “ debriari, Cui jam suspiravit intento ouans amare.” Ricoldus
 the duke of Friselonde movede that he scholde be baptisede at
 the predicacion of blissede Wulfraunus the bisshop abowte
 this tyme, putte oon foote yn the fonte and kepede that oper

MS. HARL.
2261.
A transmi-
gracione.¹ *steyed*, β.; *ystowe*, γ.² *of*, α. and β.³ *zeelde*, β.; *yelded*, Cx.⁴ *smel*, β.⁵ *so*] *panne*, β.⁶ *now*, add. β. and γ.⁷ *nowpe*] om. α., β., and γ.; *now*,

Cx.

⁸ *neiȝ*, β., bis.⁹ *pat*, β.¹⁰ *lewide*, β., bis.¹¹ *versus*, β. *tris*; *verses*, Cx.¹² *tho verses*, Cx.¹³ *bup*, γ.¹⁴ *prust*, γ.¹⁵ *vleysch*, γ.¹⁶ *pat he moupe*, γ.; *now*, Cx.¹⁷ *desyreth bysylych*, γ.¹⁸ *Wulfranus*, β.¹⁹ *be i-cristened*, α.; *y-folled*, β.;
be yvolled, γ.²⁰ *oon*, β.; *one*, Cx.

alterum retraxit, quærens a circumstantibus utrum plures prædecessorum suorum essent in inferno an¹ in paradiso. Audiens autem quod plures essent in inferno,² intinctum pedem retraxit: "Levius est," inquit, "ut plures sequar quam pauciores." Et ita ludificatus a dæmone tertio post hoc die obiit.

*Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro quarto.*³ Circa hos Frideswyda.

dies obiit beata virgo Frideswyda, in pago Oxoniæ oriunda, filia ducis Aydani,⁴ quam dum quidam regulus nomine Algarus,⁵ carne lubricus, usque ad urbem Oxoniæ insequeretur, virgine ingressa urbem portæ se clauserunt. Et rex insequens cæcitatem incurrit; visum tamen, virgine pro eo orante, suscepit.⁶ Ex hinc deinceps formidant reges Angliæ urbem illam ingredi ne infortunium incurrant. *De Northimbranis.*⁷

⁸ Colwolfus rex Northimbrorum post octavam regni

Gratiæ
DCCXXXVIII.
Leonis
XXIII.

¹ *aut*, A.

² *an . . . inferno*] om. B.

³ In the section "*De episcopis*
"*Dorcestrensibus.*"

⁴ *Didami*, A.B.C.D.

⁵ *Algaris*, A.

⁶ *recepit*, A.B.

⁷ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁸ C.D. add: "Kenwulfus, rex
"Merciorum, construxit apud Win-
"checoumbe monasterium 300
"monachorum."

foot¹ into² þe fontstoon,³ and wipdrouþ þat oper, and axede of hem þat stood aboute wheþer þere were mo of his predeces-
sours in paradys oper in helle, and he was answerd þat þere were mo in helle; he herd⁴ þat and drough his foot⁵ out of þe water, and seide: "It is esiere⁶ þat I folwe⁷ þe more þan þe "lasse."⁸ And so he was bygiled of þe fende,⁹ and deide after¹⁰ þe pridde day. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro 4º.* Aboute þat tyme deyde Seint Frideswyde¹¹ þe mayde, i-bore at Oxenforde, þe douþter of duke Didianus.¹² Kyng Algarus, a lecherous man, folowede¹³ here anon to þe citee of Oxenford, and whanne þe mayde was i-entred into þe citee þe ȝates closede¹⁴ and were i-schette¹⁵ al by hymself, and the kyng werþ blynde þat pursewede¹⁶ here. But by prayeng of þe mayde he hadde his siþht aþe. Seþþe after þat tyme kynges of Englonde dredeþ for to come wip ynne þat citee for drede of mishappes þat myþte hym befalle. Colwulfus, kyng of Norþomberlond,

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. with owte, and inquirede of men stondynge abowte wheþer moo of his predecessors were in paradise or in helle. Whiche herynge that moo men of his predecessors were in helle, toke his foote owte of the fonte, seyng, "I wylle raper folowe the "moore nowmbre than the lesse;" and so he deceyvyd by a spiritte diede in the thrydde day nexte folowyng." *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro 4º.* The blissede virgyn seynte Frideswide, borne in Oxenforde, and doþhter to Didanus the duke, diede this tyme. Whom Algarus the kyng foloyng for pleasure of the flesche unto the cite Oxenforde, that virgyn entrede into the cite, the ȝates were closed by miracle, and the kyng was made blynde. Neverthelesse, his siþhte was restorede at the preyere of that blissede virgyn. From whiche tyme kynges of Ynglonde drede and fere to entre into that cite leste that they have eney infortuny. Colwulfus kyng of

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gracione.

¹ *hys o vote, γ.*
² *into] in, β.*
³ *vantstone, γ.*
⁴ *hurð, γ.*
⁵ *voot, γ.*
⁶ *esyur, γ.*
⁷ *Y folowe, β.*
⁸ *leese, β.*
⁹ *vend, γ.*
¹⁰ *afterward, β.*

¹¹ *Frydeswyd, γ.; Frydeswyde, Cx.*
¹² *Didanius, α.; Didamus, β. and γ.; duc Dydamus, Cx.*
¹³ *solewide, β.; volwede, γ.*
¹⁴ *closiden, β.*
¹⁵ *tynde, β.; ytund, γ.; closeden and shytt, Cx.*
¹⁶ *pursued, β.*

sui annum, relicto regno Egberto¹ patrueli suo, effectus est monachus in cenobio² Bedæ. Et Egbertus³ regnavit xix.⁴ annis. *Ranulphus*.⁵ Sed secundum Willelmum de Regibus, libro primo,⁶ attonsus est in Lindisfarnensi ecclesia, et tandem juxta Cuthbertum sepultus.⁵ Nothelino archiepiscopo Dorobernensi defuncto successit Cuthbertus Herefordensis.⁷

CAP. XXV.

*De imperatoribus Romanorum.*⁸

[*De regibus Francorum; de pontificibus Romanorum; et de rebus Britannicis.*]

Gratia
DCXL.
Constantini
primo.

CONSTANTINUS quintus post patrem Leonem⁹ imperavit annis triginta tribus. Hic more patris imagines¹⁰ de ecclesia ubique deposuit et combussit. Ethelardus¹¹ rex Westsaxonum obiit¹² quartodecimo anno regni sui, Cui successit propinquus suus Cuthredus, qui regem Merciorum, Ethelbaldum,¹³ bello sæpius¹⁴ laccessivit, et¹⁵ regnavit sexdecim annis. Cui successit Sygebertus¹⁶ ejus cognatus duobus annis. Qui¹⁷ ex prædecessoris sui

¹ *Edbritho*, C.; *Edbrieto*, D.

² *monasterio*, B.

³ *Ethelbrithus*, C.; *Edbrietus*, D.

⁴ *ix*, B.

⁵ *Ranulphus . . . sepultus*] om. C.D.

⁶ *libro primo*] om. A.

⁷ *episcopus*, add. C.D.

⁸ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁹ *post patrem Leonem*] Leonis filius, qui cum patre aliquamdiu regnaverat, mortuo patre, C.D.

¹⁰ *sanctorum ubique deposuit et combussit, monachos occidit, hæreticis consensit*, add. C.D.

¹¹ *Etheldredus*, B., *Ethelbaldus*, C.D.

¹² *obiit*] om. B.

¹³ *Ethelwaldum*, B.

¹⁴ *sæpius*] om. B.

¹⁵ *et regnavit . . . Francis* (p. 232)] om. C.D.

¹⁶ *Sigbertus*, A.B.

¹⁷ *nam*, A.

after eiȝte ȝere of his kyngdom, lefte his kyngdom to his cosyn Egbertus, þe sone of his fader broþer, and bycam a monk at Beda his abbay; and Egbertus [regnede]¹ nyntene ȝere. **Þ.** Bote William² de Regibus seiþ þat he was i-schore at Lyndefare³ cherche, and at þe laste i-buryed byside Seynt Cuthbert. Notelmus⁴ archebisshop of Caunterbury deide, and Cuthberd, bisshop of Herford, was archebisshop after hym.

TREVISA.

Capitulum vicesimum quintum.

THE fifte Constantinus, after his fader Leo, was emperour þre and þritty ȝere; þis, as his fader used, took⁵ ymages out of chirche in everiche place and sette hem a fuyre.⁶ Etheldredus, kyng of West Saxons, deide þe fourtenþe ȝere of his kyngdom. His cosyn Cuthbert was kyng after hym, and wered⁷ ofte tyme aȝenst Ethelbaldus⁸ kyng of Mercia, and regnede [sixtene ȝer. His cosyn Sigebertus regnede]⁹ after hym two ȝere. He was

Ab urbe. Northumbrelond, after the viijthe yere of his reigne, levyng MS. HARL. the realme to Egbertus his cosynne, was made a monke in the 2261. monastery of Beda, and the seide Egbertus reignede xix. yere. **Þ.** But Willelmus, libro primo de Regibus, seythe that he was A transmi- made monke at the churche of Lindisfarne, and afterwarde f. 285 b. beryede nye to seynte Cuthberte. Cuthberte Hertford succedid Notholinus tharchebisshop of Cawnterbery.

Capitulum vicesimum quintum.

CONSTANTYNE the vthe was emperoure after his fader xxxiiijthe yere. This emperoure putte aweye ymages owte of churches, after the consuete of his fader, and brente þeim. Etheldredus, kynge of Weste Saxons, diede in the xiiij. yere of his reigne; whom Cuthredus, cosyn to hym, did succede, whiche trowblede soore in batelles Ethelbald kynge of the Marches, and reignede xvj. yere. Whom Segeberte, his cosyn, succedid ij. yere;

¹ From Cx.

² Wiliam, γ.

³ Lyndisfare, β.; Lyndyfare, γ.

⁴ Nothelinus, β., γ., and Cx.

⁵ touk, γ.

⁶ vuyr, γ.

⁷ werred, β.; werryd, Cx.

⁸ Ethelwaldus, Cx.

⁹ From α., β., γ., and Cx.

eventibus elatus subditos suos male tractavit, leges ad libitum deflexit; Cumbranam consulem nobilem, quia hæc sibi intimaverat, nequiter occidit; tandem cum incorrigibilis esset, a regno est pulsus; qui inde in¹ silvam quandam secedens abscondit se; sed porcarius consulis interfecti ipsum reperiens occidit. *De Francis.*² Circa hos dies Karolus Martellus³ obiit. Cui duo filii sui, Pipinus secundus et Karolomannus, ad principatum domus regiæ successerunt.⁴ Karolomannus⁵ autem post quartum annum suscepti principatus, de fratris sui consilio administratione relicta, Romam adiit et sub papa Zacharia tonsoratus, constructo monasterio in monte Serapti cum fratribus⁶ aliquamdiu vixit. Denuo ob insolentiam Francorum ibidem adventantium,⁷ et⁸ ipsum ut quondam dominum suum visitantium, inde recessit et montem Cassinum petiit. Qui postmodum cum

¹ *in]* om. A.

² A.B. omit heading.

³ *Marcellus*, MSS.; *rex Francorum*, add. C.D.

⁴ *accesserunt*, B.

⁵ *Karomannis*, B.

⁶ *hac de causa venientibus*, add. C.D.

⁷ *venientium*, C.D.

⁸ *et populum ut*, A.

proude¹ of þe happes of his predecessour, and by-ladde² his sugettes harde and evel, and tornede þe lawes at his owne wille, and slouȝ þe noble erle Cumbranus evel and wrecchedliche,³ for he hadde i-spoke to hym of his evel berynge and dedes; but at þe laste, for he wolde nouȝt be amended,⁴ he was i-put out of þe kyngdom. Þanne he wente into a woode and hidde⁵ hym self, and þe eorle his⁶ swynherde þat was i-slawe fonde⁷ hym and slowȝ hym. Aboute þat tyme deyde Charles Martellus;⁸ after hym his tweie sones, þe secunde Pipinus and Charloman,⁹ come to þe principate of þe kynges hous; but Charloman,¹⁰ after þe fourþe¹¹ ȝere of his principate, [left of þe principate]¹² of þe kynges hous¹³ by counseile of his broþer, and took þe wey to Rome, and was i-schore monk in pope Zakarias his tyme, and made an abbay in þe hille mont Serapte,¹⁴ and lyvede pere somdel longe tyme; but at þe laste, for Frenche men come þider to ofte to hym as to hire¹⁵ lord, as þey dede somtyme, he wente þennes to mont Cassyn. Þe pope

TREVISIA.

Ab urbe. whiche made prowde thro the gestes of his predecessor, entredede his subiectes unonestely, and made lawes at his pleasure; whiche did sle þe noble governour of Cumbrelonde, rebukynge hym for his offense. Whiche beyng as incorrigible, was expulsede from that realme, and goynge from thens into a woode, was sleyne of the hoggeherde of the duke or governoure sleyn afore by hym. Karolus Martellus diede abowte this tyme, the sonnes of whom, Pipinus the secunde and Karolomannus, wente to the principate of the kyng palice of Fraunce. But Karolomannus after the iiiijth yere of that principate y-taken, levynge the administracion of hit after the cownsaile of his broþer, wente to Rome, and made monke by Zachary the pope, made a monastery in the mownte Serapte, where he contynuede a certeyne space and yere with other breþer. But after that he wente to the mownte Cassyne, for the insolence of men of Fraunce commynge to hym and visitynge hym as their lord. Whiche commynge to Zachary the pope with mony

MS. HARI.
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gracione.

¹ prout, γ.
² bylad, β.; bylade, γ.
³ wickedliche, α.; wickidlich, β.;
 wykkedlyche, γ.
⁴ amendet, γ.
⁵ hudde, γ.
⁶ erles, β.
⁷ vond, γ.

⁸ Marcellus, β.
⁹ Charlemayne, Cx., et infra.
¹⁰ Charlomayn, β.
¹¹ vurde, γ.
¹² From α., β., and γ.
¹³ of . . . hous] om. β.
¹⁴ Sarapt, β.; Sarapte, Cx.
¹⁵ hure, γ.

multis fratribus Cassinensibus ad papam Zachariam veniens, rogavit ut litteras regi Francorum dirigeret pro restauratione corporis sancti Benedicti. Quod dum fieret, et rex Franciæ id mandaret monachis Floriacensibus¹ ubi corpus² Benedicti quiescebat,³ monachi fleverunt et jejunaverunt rogaveruntque Deum⁴ pro retentione corporis⁵ Benedicti. Quorum preces Deus exaudiens percussit nuncios directos cæcitate, ita ut voto suo frustrati Italiam redierunt. *Item de regibus Francorum.*⁶ Pipinus⁷ secundus tunc temporis præfectus palatii domum regiam Francorum gubernabat sub Hilderico rege, filio Theodorici. De quo, cum esset vir⁸ inutilis et remissus nihilque de regno⁹ præter regium nomen et victum perciperet, inquisivit Pipinus a papa¹⁰ Zacharia utrum ille deberet esse rex qui solo regis nomine contentus otio deditus erat. Cui papa rescripsit illum debere regem appellari et esse qui bene rem-

¹ *flentibus et jejunantibus nuncii illuc directi cæcitate sunt percussi,* C.D.

² *beati,* add. A.; *sancti,* B.

³ *requiescat,* B.

⁴ *Deumque rogaverunt,* A.B.

⁵ *sancti,* add. B.

⁶ A.B. omit heading.

⁷ *vero præfectus,* add. C.D.

⁸ *vir]* om. B.

⁹ *regio,* C.D.

¹⁰ *papa]* om. A.

dede¹ as he was² i-prayed hym,³ pat he wolde sende lettres to þe kyng of Fraunce for to restore aȝen Seynt Benet his body to mont Cassyn. Þe pope dede as he was i-prayed,³ and þe kyng of Fraunce heet þe monkes of Floriacer⁴ delyvere Seynt Benet his body. Þanne þe monkes gonne⁵ to wepe⁶ and to faste,⁷ and prayed God besilich⁸ pat þe body moste⁹ wiþ hem abyde. God herde¹⁰ here prayers, and smot þe messangers¹¹ pat were i-sent, and made hem start¹² blynde; and so þey¹³ faillede of her purpos, and wente into Italy aȝe. Þo the secounde Pipinus, prefecte of þe paleys,¹⁴ governed þe kynges hous of Fraunce under kyng Hildericus, þe sone of Theodoricus, for he was an unprofitable¹⁵ man and to esy, and feng¹⁶ nouȝt of þe kyngdom bote þe name of kyng and his lyfode.¹⁷ Pipinus axede¹⁸ of þe pope Zacharias, ȝif he schulde be kyng pat hilde hym apayde onliche wiþ þe name of kyng, and ȝaf hym to sleuþe,¹⁹ and dede²⁰ non oþer good. Þe poepe wroot aȝen and seide pat he schulde have²¹

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. breper of mownte Cassyne, desirede that the body of seynte MS. HARL. 2261.
Benedicte myȝhte be restorede to the mownte Cassyne by his letters sende to the kyng of Fraunce. The kyng of Fraunce commaundid the monkes of the monastery Floriacense, where the body of seynte Benedicte was, that hit scholde be restorede to the monkes of the monastery in the mownte Cassyne. The monkes understondynge that, and wepyngge soore, preide to allemyȝhty God that the blissede and holy body of seynte Benedicte myȝhte tary þer, and theire preyer was herde. For God made the messyngers blynde, that thei were feyne to returne to Ytaly with owte the body of seynte Benedicte. Pipinus the secunde, governoure that tyme of the kynges howse of Fraunce, under Hildericus kyng, sonne of Theodoricus, havynge but oonly the name of a kyng. Wherefore Pipinus the secunde inquirede of Zachary the pope, wheper that man awe to be a kyng that is ȝiffen to ydelnesse, and contente with the name of a kyng. To whom the pope did wryte ageyne in this wyse, seyenge that man worthy to be

A transmi-
gracione.

f. 286 b.

¹ *dide*, β., et infra; *huy dude*, γ.
² *þe pope deede as he was*] and
þei, β.; And they, Cx.
³ *hym . . . i-prayed*] om. γ.
⁴ *to*, add. β.; *Floriacio*, Cx.
⁵ *bigunne*, β.
⁶ *wuepe*, γ.
⁷ *vaste*, γ.
⁸ *bysylyche*, γ.
⁹ *must*, Cx.
¹⁰ *hurde*, γ.

¹¹ *messagers*, Cx.
¹² *starke*, Cx.
¹³ *huy*, γ.
¹⁴ *palys*, β.
¹⁵ *unprofythabel*, γ.
¹⁶ *vynq*, γ.; *resseyved*, Cx.
¹⁷ *livelode*, Cx.
¹⁸ *axide*, β.
¹⁹ *slouthe*, Cx.
²⁰ *dude*, γ.
²¹ *habbe*, γ.

publicam regeret. Qua responsione Franci hilarati¹ Hildericum in monasterio detruserunt, et Pipinum regem constituerunt. Qui tandem post octavum regni sui annum,² decreto Zachariæ papæ, imperator consecratur. Qui tunc coegit regem Italiæ Astulphum,³ Romana jura impugnantem, ablata restituere et obsides dare.

Gratiæ
DCCXLI.
Constantini
II.

Zacharias papa post Gregorium successit xii. annis. Hic aliquando medio mense Junii versus Ravennam pergens, nube divinitus data per totam diem ne calore ureretur tegebatur, quæ et tota nocte juxta tentoria⁴ ejus residebat, et iterum mane surgebat.⁵ Igneæ quoque acies eundem sanctum in nubibus præcedebant.⁶

Gratiæ
DCCXLIII.
Constantini
V.

⁷ Ordo paschalis turbabatur. ⁸ Wilfridus junior,⁹ episcopus Eboracensis, obiit. Cui successit Egbertus frater regis Egberti xxxvi.¹⁰ annis. *Willclmus de Regibus, libro primo. Et de Pontificibus, libro quarto.*¹¹ Qui

¹ animati, C.D.

² postquam in Francia novem regisset annis, C.D.

³ qui Romam et Romana jura impugnabat, ut beato Petro sanctoque Stephano omnia oblata restitueret et obsides de futura pace dare, C.D.

⁴ tentorium, B.

⁵ et . . . surgebat] om. C.D.

⁶ præsidebant, B.

⁷ Hoc quoque anno signa miranda apparuerunt in sole et luna et stellis, et ordo paschalis turbatus est. Wilfridus Victorum episcopus obiit, cui successit Meldredus. *Willclm. de Pontif., lib. iv.*, add. C.D.

⁸ Sanctus, add. C.D.

⁹ minor, B.

¹⁰ xxxvi. . . reparavit] om. C.D.

¹¹ B. omits the second reference.

þe name and be kyng þat ruleþ wel þe comynte. Þe Frensche men were glad of þis answe're, and closede Hildericus in an abbay, and made Pipinus kyng, and after þe eyzteþe¹ zere he was made emperour by decree of Zacharias þe pope. Þanne he compellede Astulphus, kyng of Italy, þat impugne² þe riȝt of Rome, for to restore þat he hadde i-take, and made hym delyvere and zeve plegges. After Gregory Zacharias was pope twelve zere. Þis wente³ toward Ravenna ryȝt in þe mydel of Iuyn,⁴ and was i-heled⁵ alday⁶ with a cloude þat God hadde i-sente for he schulde nouȝt be i-brent wiþ þe grete hete of the sonne, and al nyȝt þat cloude abood by sides his tente, and roos eft amorwe. Also fury⁷ osten wente to fore þat holy man in þe cloudes. Þe order of Esterne⁸ was destourbed;⁹ ze¹⁰ zonger¹¹ Wilfridus, bisshop of zork, deyde, and after hym Egbertus, kyng Egbertus his broþer, was bisshop sex and pritty [zere].¹² *Willelmus de Regibus, libro [primo],¹³ et de Pontificibus, libro 4^o.* By his witt and sleȝþe¹⁴ and his broþer

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. a kyng þat governethe and ruleth welle his realme. Men of Fraunce made glade toke Hildericus the kyng, and putte hym in a monastery, and made Pipinus the secunde theire kyng, and was made emperoure by the decrete of Zachary the pope, after the viijth yere of hys reigne; whiche constreynede Astulphus, kyng of Ytaly, impugnyng the ryȝhtes of the church of Rome, and empyre, to make restitution and to ziffe plegges perof. Zacharias þe pope did succede Gregory the thridde xij. yere. This pope goynge in a tyme toward Ravenna, in the monethe of Iunius, was coverede with a clowde by the powere of God, þat he scholde not be hurte with heete of þe sonne throu alle the day, and tariede nye to his tentes in the nyȝhte, and did aryse ageyne in the morowe. The ordre Paschalle was trowblede, and the zonger Wilfride, bisshop of Yorke, diede in this tyme, whom Egberte, broþer to kyng Egbert, did succede xxxvjth yere. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo, et de Pontificibus, libro quarto.* Whiche recurede that seete into dowble

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gracione.¹ *eiȝtenþe, B.*² *impugned, Cx.*³ *in a time, add. B.; on a time, add. Cx.*⁴ *June, B.*⁵ *coverd, Cx.*⁶ *al a day, B.*⁷ *fury, B.; vury, γ.; fyry, Cx.*⁸ *Ester, α. and γ.; Estre, B.; the Eester, Cx.*⁹ *dysturbet, γ.; distourbled, Cx.*¹⁰ *þe, B.*¹¹ *zunger, γ.*¹² *From Cx.; zere, B.*¹³ *From Cx. The number of the book is also omitted here in B.*¹⁴ *sleȝþe, B.*

sua industria et fratris sui regis pecunia sedem illam¹ in genuinum² statum reparavit. Vir namque animosioris ingenii³ strenue animo revolvit quod, sicut superbum est indebita appetere, ita ignavum est debita negligere. Unde et pallium⁴ archiepiscopale,⁵ quod Paulinus primus vi hostilitatis pulsus apud Roffam reliquerat et per multos successores neglectum fuerat, ipse multa apostolicæ sedis 'appellatione⁶ recuperavit, ac nobilissimam librorum bibliothecam Eboraco⁷ instituit. De quo⁸ Alcuinus,⁹ nobilis Anglorum doctor, apud regem Karolum pro pace Anglorum missus, in sua epistola Anglorum ecclesiæ missa facit laudabilem mentionem. Item regi Karolo scribit in hunc modum: "Date mihi eruditionis libellos quales in patria mea Anglia per industriam magistri mei Egberti habui, et remittam vobis aliquos ex pueris nostris ut excipiant

¹ *suam*, B.

² *ingenuū*, A.; *gēum*, B.

³ *sedem suam in pristinum statum reformatus*, C.D.

⁴ C.D. add: "ab illa sede diu intermissum appellatione apostolica revocavit. Qui et tanquam omnium artium armarium nobilissimam bibliothecam Eboraco con-

stituit, triginta sex annis sedem

"ibi tenens."

⁵ *archiepiscopale . . . paradisi*] om. C.D.

⁶ *interpellatione*, A.

⁷ *Eboracum*, B.

⁸ *quo*] om. B.

⁹ *Alcuinus*, B.

þe kynges money he apparailed¹ þe² see and amended it in tweye places,³ for he was a man of greet herte and of grete witt, and took⁴ strongliche heede⁵ þat, as it is greet pryde to coveyte and desire ouzt þat is nozt riȝtful, so it is greet lewednesse and wrecchednesse⁶ to forgendre⁷ what is detty and riȝtful. Perfore þe archebisshop his pal, þat þe firste Paulinus þat was i-putte out by strenþe⁸ of enemyes hadde i-lefte at Rouchestre, and menye⁹ of his predecessours hadde forgendred¹⁰ it pere, he gat it aȝen by grete instance and menye¹¹ þat he made at þe court of Rome. Also he ordeyned at ȝork a noble librerye.¹² Þe nobel doctour of Englisshe men Alcuinus, þat was i-sent to kyng Charles for pees¹³ of Englisshe men, in his pistel þat he sente to holy chirche into Engelond, of þat library makeþ noble mynde ;¹⁴ also he writeþ to kyng Charles in pis manere : “ ȝeveþ¹⁵ me bookes of loore, suche as I¹⁶ hadde in my contray in Engelond, by þe wit of my maister Egbertus, and I schal sende to ȝow some of oure children, þat schal take þerof what is nedefulle,¹⁷ and brynge into

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. dignite, whiche thro his labor and money that he hade of the kyng, his brother, a man of grete audacite, thenkyng in mynde that, lyke as hit is a signe of pride to covette thynges that be not dewe, so hit scholde appere a signe of slawthe to despise thynges that were dewe. Wherefore he recured the use of a palle to that seete, þat Paulinus hade lefte at Rowchestre, and mony of his predecessours laborede not þerfore, and brouȝhte to Yorke also a noble siȝhte of bookes. Of whom the clerke Alcuinus of Ynglonde, sende to kyng Charls for the pease to be hade, makethe laudable mencion in his epistole sende to the churches of Ynglonde. Also he did write to kyng Charls in this wise : “ ȝiffe to me bookes of erudicion as “ be in my cuntre, like as y hade by the labores of Egberte my “ maister, and y schalle sende ageyne to you somme of oure “ childer, to take somme necessary thynges and brynge ageyne

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gracione.

¹ *reparailed*, β. ; *reparaylde*, γ. ;
reparayled, Cx.

² *þat*, α. and γ.

³ *states*, α., β., γ., and Cx.

⁴ *touk*, γ.

⁵ *hyde*, γ.

⁶ *wrechedines*, Cx.

⁷ *vorgendre*, γ.

⁸ *strengþe*, β.

⁹ *many*, Cx.

¹⁰ *forgendride*, β. ; *vorgendred*, γ.

¹¹ *money*, Cx.

¹² *lyberarye*, Cx., et infra.

¹³ *peas*, Cx.

¹⁴ *munde*, γ.

¹⁵ *Yeve*, Cx.

¹⁶ *soche as Ich*, γ.

¹⁷ *nedfol*, γ.

“ inde¹ necessaria et revehant in Franciam flores Britan-
 “ niæ. Et non sic tantum in Eboraco hortus conclusus, sed
 “ etiam in Turonica emissiones paradisi.”² Hoc anno
 obiit Sanctus Daniel Wentanus præsul; cui successit
 Hunfridus. *De pontificibus Romanorum.*³ Stephanus
 papa post Zachariam⁴ præsedet in papatu annis quinque.
 Hic unxit⁵ duos filios Pipini⁶ in imperatores,⁷
 Karolomannum scilicet et Karolum magnum. Et⁸
 extunc Romanum imperium transiit a Græcis ad Fran-
 cos, et inde ad Germanos. *De regibus Westsaxonum.*⁹

Gratiæ
 DCCLII.
 Constantini
 XIII.

Kenulphus de prosapia Cerdici quinto¹⁰ gradu, nepos
 Pendæ ex patre Kenwalco, vir magnus et virtutibus¹¹
 famam supergrediens,¹⁰ auxilio Westsaxonorum,¹² re-
 gem eorum Sigebertum ob immanitatem scelerum suo-
 rum regno expulit, et pro illo regnavit triginta annis.
 Verumtamen Hamptonensem¹³ provinciam ei concessit
 usque dum Cumbranum ducem occidisset; tunc enim
 omnino dejectus in nemore latitans a subulco¹⁴ ducis
 confossus est. *De regibus Merciorum.*⁹ Ethelbaldus¹⁵
 rex Merciorum apud Sigeswold¹⁶ occiditur a Beornredo¹⁷

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 DCCLIII.
 Constantini
 XV.

Gratiæ
 DCCLV.
 Constantini
 XVI.

¹ inde] om. B.

² See note 5, page 238.

³ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁴ *Zachariam*, MS.

⁵ *vixit*, B.

⁶ *Pipini imperatoris*, B.
reges, C.D.

⁸ *in Germanos vel ad Germanos
 in persona magnifici Karoli in
 puerili adhuc ætate constituti*, C.D.

⁹ A.B. omit heading.

¹⁰ *quinto . . . supergrediens*] om.
 C.D.

¹¹ *virtute et fama*, B.

¹² *West Saxonum*, C.D.

¹³ *Hamptonensem*, C.D.

¹⁴ *lancea perfoditur*, C.D.

¹⁵ *Ethelwaldus*, B.

¹⁶ *Sigiswolde*, A.

¹⁷ *Bronredo*, C.D.

“ Fraunce þe floures of Bretayne; for allone¹ oon² orchard
 “ i-closed schal be at ȝork, and at Turon³ þe springynge
 “ of Paradyse.” Þat ȝere diede Seint Danyel, bisshop of
 Wynchestre; after hym com Hunfridus.⁴ After Zacharias,⁵
 Stevene was pope fyve ȝere; þis anoynted⁶ Pipinus his tweie
 sones, and made hem emperours, Charloman and the grete
 Charles. Seþþe þat tyme þe empere of Rome passede⁷ from þe
 Grees⁸ to Frensche men, and þanne to Germans. Kenulphus
 of Serdicus⁹ his kynde in þe fifte degre,¹⁰ Penda his newew
 i-geþe¹¹ of Kenwalchus, was a grete man; his vertues passede
 his fame. By help of þe West Saxons, he putte here kyng
 Sigebertus out of þat kyngdom for þe gretnes of his evel dedes,
 and regnede in his stede þretty ȝere; but he graunted hym þe
 province of Hamptoun for he hadde i-slawe duk¹² Cumbranus.
 Þo he was i-putte al¹³ away,¹⁴ and hidde¹⁵ hym in a wode, and was
 i-slawe of þe kynges¹⁶ swynherd. Ethelbaldus, kyng of Mercia,
 was i-slawe at Sigeswolde¹⁷ of Beornredus¹⁸ þe tyraunt, and was

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. “ to Fraunce the floures of Briteyne, and the gardyn concluded
 “ schalle be oonly in Yorke, and the floures or emissions of
 “ Paradise in Turonica.” Seynte Daniel, bisshop of Wyn-
 chestre, diede this yere, whom Humfride did succede. Stephanus
 the pope succedid Zacharias v. yere, which noyntede ij. sonnes
 of Pipinus into emperoures, Karolomannus and grete Charls,
 and after thempire of Rome wente from men of Grece to men
 of Fraunce, and after that to men of Germany. Kenulphus, a
 myȝhty man of fame and vertu, of the kynde of Cerdicus,
 thro the helpe of Westesaxons, expulsede Segeberte theire
 kyng, for his grevous offense, and regnede for hym xxxⁱⁱ yere.
 Neverthelesse he ȝafe to hym the province of Hampton,
 untylle that he did sle Cumbranus the duke aforeseide. That
 doen, and utterly deiecte, and goynge to a woode, was sleyne of
 the swyneherde, longynge sommetyme to the seide duke sleyne
 by hym cowardely afore. Ethelbald, kyng of the Marches,
 was sleyne at Sigiswolde, of Beornredus the tyraunte, and

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gracione.
f. 286 a.¹ *al on an orchard, γ.*² *oon] an, β. and Cx.*³ *Turoyn, β. and Cx.*⁴ *Humfridus, Cx.*⁵ *Sacarius, α.*⁶ *anoynte, γ.*⁷ *passide, β., et infra.*⁸ *Grekes, β.*⁹ *Cerdicus, β.*¹⁰ *gree, α. and β.; gre, γ.*¹¹ *goten, Cx.*¹² *slayn duke, β.; duc, γ.*¹³ *al] om. Cx.*¹⁴ *alwey, β.*¹⁵ *hude, γ.*¹⁶ *dukes, β. and Cx.; duyk his, γ.*¹⁷ *Sigiswolde, β.*¹⁸ *Beornredes, β.*

tyranno, et apud Rependoun tumulatur. Sed non multo¹ post Offa² nepos Ethelbaldi occidit Beornredum, offa. et regnavit pro eo super Mercios triginta novem annis. Hic vicit prælio Northymbros, Westsaxones,³ Kentenses, adeo ut metropolitanam sedem Cantuariensem ad provinciam Merciorum apud Lichefeld transferret. Trans-

Offa rex transtulit sedem Cantuariensem apud Lichefeld.

Translatio sancti Albani martyris.

tulit quoque ossa Sancti Albani protomartyris⁴ Anglorum⁵ ad majus monasterium quod ipse construxerat. Deditque domino papæ, vicario⁶ Petri, annum redditum de singulis domibus regni sui. Fecit etiam fossam insignem perpetuo patentem, qua distingueret Walliam a regno Merciorum, quæ usque hodie vocatur Offediche.⁷ De⁸ qua vide supra, libro primo, capitulo de placeis regalibus. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.*⁹ Iste Offa amicitiam regum aucupans,¹⁰ copulavit filiam suam Ethelburgam Brithrico, regi Westsaxonum; Alcuinum sive Albinum, doctorem Anglorum, pro pace procuranda ad Karolum regem Francorum miserat, quia tam grandis discordia¹¹ tunc erat¹² inter regna, ut negotiantium

¹ multum, B.

² *Et cito post Offa filius Tunberti, nepos Ethelbaldi prædicti, C.D.*

³ et, C.D.

⁴ *prothomartyris, MS.*

⁵ *protomartyris Anglorum] om. B.C.D.*

⁶ *beati, add. B.C.D.*

⁷ *Offydyke, B.*

⁸ *De . . . prohiberentur] om. C.D.*

⁹ Cap. ii.

¹⁰ *occupans, A.*

¹¹ *discordiam, MS.*

¹² *erat] om. A.*

i-buried at Rependoun.¹ But now² longe afterward Offa, Ethebaldus his nevw, slouȝ Beornredus þe tyraunt, and regnede in his stede nyne and pritty ȝere in Mercia. Þis overcom in³ batayle þe Northumbres, þe West Saxons, and Kentisse men, so þat he tornede⁴ þe archebisshop his see⁵ out of Caunterbury to Lichefeld in þe province of Mercia. Also he translated Seynt Albon his bones to þe more abbay þat he hadde i-bulde. He ȝaf to þe pope, Peter his vicary, a rente by þe ȝere of everich hous of þe⁶ kyngdom. He made also a greet dyche þat is evere i-sene to departe bytwene⁷ Wales and þe kyngdom of Mercia, þe whiche diche⁸ ȝit hatte Offediche: loke⁹ more herof in þe firste book, capitulo de plateys¹⁰ regalibus. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 1^o*. Þis Offa fondede to gete frendschipe¹¹ of kynges, and married his douȝter Ethelburga to Brithiricus,¹² kyng of West Saxons. He sente Alcuinus Abinus,¹³ doctor of Englysshe men, to Charles kyng of Fraunce, for to procure¹⁴ pees.¹⁵ For þere was so greet discord and stryf bytwene þe

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berede at Repyndon. But Offa, cosyn to Ethelbalde, did sle Beornredus sone after, and reignede for hym xxxix^{ti} yere. This kyng Offa hade victory ageyne men of Northumbrelonde, men of Kente, and Westesaxons, in so moche that he brouȝhte the metropolitan seete of Cawnterbery unto Lichefelde by the tyme of his lyfe. Also he translate the boones of seynte Alban unto the grete monastery that he made, and ȝafe to the pope, vicare of seynte Petre, a yerely rente as of every howse in his realme. Also he made a noble diche dividynge Wales from the realme of the Marches, callede as unto thys tyme Offediche. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro j^o*. This Offa, wyllenge the favor of kynges, maryede Ethelburga his doȝhter to Brithricus kyng of Westsaxons, and sende Alcuinus or Albinus the noble doctor of Ynglonde unto kyng Charls for pease; for there was so grete discorde betwene þe realmes of

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A transmigratione.

¹ *Ripindoun*, β; *Rypindon*, Cx.² *now*] *nouȝt*, β.³ *a*, add. β.⁴ *tourned*, Cx.⁵ *se*, γ.⁶ *his*, α, β., and γ.⁷ *bitwe*, β.⁸ *woche dych*, γ.⁹ *loke*] *thou shalt fynde*, Cx.¹⁰ *plateis*, β. and γ.¹¹ *vrendschyp*, γ.¹² *Briȝtricus*, β.; *Bryhtricus*, γ.; *Bryghtrycus*, Cx.¹³ *Albinus*, α. and β.; om. Cx.¹⁴ *procre*, β.¹⁵ *procre pes*, γ.

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commeatus hinc et inde prohiberentur.¹ Organum primo venit in Franciam, transmissum a Constantino imperatore,² rege Græcorum, ad Pipinum, regem Francorum. Egberto rege Northimbrorum tonsorato, Oswulfus filius suus succedens, in fine sui primi anni occisus est a Northimbrensibus. Post quem Moll,³ qui et Ethelwold,⁴ regnavit septem annis. *De pontificibus*

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*Romanorum, Martinus.*⁵ Paulus papa post Stephanum sedit annis decem, vir mitis per omnia. Cujus tempore floruit Sanctus Gengulphus in Burgundia, qui aliquando in Francia fontem emit et in Burgundia exire a Deo impetravit. Hic dum uxorem⁶ propter adulterium dimitteret, ab adultero clerico occisus est. Quo mortuo multa per eum fecit Deus⁷ miracula, quibus Miraculum. uxor sua plurimum detraxit, dicens: "Si Gengulphus
" vir meus miracula facit, anus meus cantabit;" et ita Cantus an
mulieris. factum est, nam quotiens postmodum loquebatur anus

¹ See note 8, page 242.

² *imperatore*] om. B.

³ *Moll*, B.

⁴ *regnum suscepit et*, C.D.

⁵ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁶ *suam*, add. A.B.

⁷ *Deus*] om. B.

kyngdoms þat passage of marchandyse¹ was forbode² in eyper side. Organs com first into Fraunce, i-send of Constantyn þe emperour [kyng]³ of Grees, to Pipinus, kyng of Fraunce. Egbertus, kyng of Northumberlond, was i-schore monk, and his sone Oswulfus regnede after hym, and was i-slawe in þe ende of his firste 3ere of [þe]³ Norphumbres. After hym Moll, þat heet Ethelwold also, regnede sevene 3ere. *Marianus.* After Stevene, Paul was pope ten 3ere, a mylde man in alle pinges. In his tyme Gengulphus was in his floures in Burgoyne.⁴ In his⁵ tyme he bou3te a welle in Fraunce, and prayed of God, and hadde it graunted, þat þat⁶ welle moste springe out in Burgoyne.⁴ Þis lefte his wif, for sche⁷ hadde i-broke spousebreche,⁸ and was i-slawe of þe clerk þat lay⁹ by his wyf. Whanne he was dede, God dede¹⁰ meny miracles¹¹ for hym; but his wif spak yvel of þe myracles, and seide: “3if¹² Gengulphus, myn housbonde, doþ¹³ myracles myn ers¹⁴ schal “ synge;” and so it was i-doo, ffor as ofte as sche¹⁵ spak after-

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Ab urbe. Ynglonde and of Fraunce, that merchandise was prohibite. MS. HARL. 2261
Organes come firste into Fraunce in this tyme, sende from Constantyne themperoure and kyng of Grece to Pipinus kyng of Fraunce. Egberte, kyng of Northumbrelonde, made a monke, Oswulphus his sonne succedyng hym, was sleyne in thende of the firste yere of his reigne, by men of Northumbrelonde, after whom Moll or Ethelwolde reignede vij. yere. *Martinus.* Paulus the pope succedid Stephanus x. yere, a man of grete humilite and pacience. In the tyme of whom an hooly man was in Burguyne, Gengulphus by name, whiche byenge a welle in Fraunce, purchasede of allemy3hty God that hit scholde renne in Burguyne. Whiche forsakenge his wife for adowtery, was sleyne by the clerke whiche synnede with hys wife; after the dethe of whom Gode schewide mony miracles by hym. Whom he¹⁶ wife detractyng seide, “ If Gengulphus my howsebonde do miracles, myn erse schalle synge,” and so hit was that here erse made a sownde

A transmi-
gracione.

f. 287 a.

¹ *marchaundes*, a., ß., and γ.;
marchauntes, Cx.
² *vorbode*, γ.
³ From a., ß., and Cx.
⁴ *Burguyn*, γ.
⁵ a., a., ß., γ., and Cx.
⁶ *that thylke*, Cx.
⁷ *heo*, ß.; *hue*, γ.
⁸ *spousehod*, a., and γ.; *spouse-*
ode, ß.; *spouseed*, Cx.

⁹ *lay*] had *lay*, Cx.
¹⁰ *dide*, ß.
¹¹ *myrakels*, γ., tris.
¹² *3if*] *whan*, Cx.
¹³ *duþ*, γ.
¹⁴ *arse*, Cx., et infra.
¹⁵ *hue*, γ.
¹⁶ Sic in MS.

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ejus sonabat. Moll,¹ rex Northimbrensis,² regnum dimisit;³ successit Alredus⁴ novem annis. Et habuit iste Alredus duos filios, scilicet Osredum, qui tertio post eum loco regnavit, et sanctum Alkmundum,⁵ qui postmodum in opem Mercensium contra Westsaxones⁶ cismus est. Paulus papa obiit;⁷ successit Constantinus, ex laico papa⁷ factus invasive sedens anno uno magnum scandalum ecclesiae ingerens; sed zelo fidelium ab ecclesia pulsus oculis privatus est. Quo anno⁸ Pipinus moritur [morbo intercutaneo]⁹ post xxviii. annum regni.¹⁰

CAP. XXVI.

[De Carolo Magno, ejusque rebus gestis.]

MORTUO Pipino Franci diviserunt regnum inter duos ^{Karoli Magni.} ejus filios [Karolum scilicet et]¹¹ Karolomannum; sed

¹ *Moll*, B.; *qui et Ethelwoldus*, add. C.D.

² *Northanimbrensis*, MS.

³ *cui*, add. B.

⁴ *Alredus*, A.C.D.

⁵ *Alcmundum*, A.B.

⁶ *a duce Wilcomensium*, add. C.D.

⁷ *presbiter papatum tum nradens et sedit*, C.D.

⁸ *anno*] om. B.

⁹ Omitted in MS., but must have been there originally. See versions.

¹⁰ *Quo anno rex Pipinus, rex Francorum, morbo intercutaneo obiit postquam regnaverat 28 annis, A.; morbo intercutaneo, postquam regnaverat apud Francos viginti octo ferme annis. Giraldus, dist. pri., cap. 7, C.D.; B. the same, but omits ferme and the reference.*

¹¹ From A.

ward, afterward¹ her ers wolde synge wip a foule² noyse. Molle,³ kyng of Norphumberlond, lefte þe kyngdom, and Alrudus⁴ regnede after hym nyne ȝere. Þis Alrudus⁴ hadde tweie⁵ sones, Osredus, þat was þe þridde þat regnede in his stede⁶ after hym; also⁷ Seynt Almundus, þat was i-slawe aftirward whan he halp þe men of Mercia aȝenst þe West Saxons. Paul, þe pope, deide, and Constantyn, a lewed man, was i-made pope by maistrie and by strengþe, and was pope oon ȝere, and dede⁸ sclandre⁹ to all holy chirche, [but by cherte¹⁰ of Cristen men he was y-put out of cherche,¹¹]¹² and his eyȝen¹³ [were]¹² i-put out. Þat ȝere deyde Pipinus, kyng of Fraunce, in an evel þat was bytwene vel¹⁴ and flesche,¹⁵ after þat he hadde i-regned eiȝte and twenty ȝere.

TREVISA.

*Capitulum vicesimum sextum.**Carolus.*

WHANNE Pipinus was dede the Frenche men delede¹⁶ þe kyngdom bytwene his tweie sones, Charles and Charleman;¹⁷

Ab urbe. ever after, so ofte as sche did speke. Moll, the kyng of North-umbrelonde, lefte his realme, whom Alredus¹⁸ succedid ix. yere. This Alredus hade ij. sonnes, Offredus, whiche was the thridde successor to hym, and¹⁹ Almundus, whiche was sleyne afterwarde in helpenge the Marches ageyne the Westesaxons. Paulus the pope diede, whom Constantinus succedid, beyng an lay man, by oon yere, inducyngre grete sclander to the churche; but he was expulsede by the tru peple of Criste, and made blynde. In whiche yere Pipinus, kyng of Fraunce, diede of the dropesy, after that he hade reignede xxviiij^u yere.

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A transmigratione.*Capitulum vicesimum sextum.*

PIPINUS the kyng of Fraunce dedde, men of Fraunce divided that realm betwene his ij. sonnes Charls and Karolomannus.

<p>¹ afterward] bis in MS. ² voul, γ.; fowle, Cx. ³ Mull, Cx. ⁴ Alredus, α., β. et infra, γ., and Cx. ⁵ twy, γ. ⁶ in his stede] transposed in β. ⁷ and, α., β., γ., and Cx. ⁸ dide, β. ⁹ sklander, Cx. ¹⁰ chierte, Cx.</p>	<p>¹¹ chirche, β. ¹² From α., β., γ., and Cx. ¹³ yene, γ. ¹⁴ fel, β.; fell, Cx. ¹⁵ vleysch, γ. ¹⁶ departed, Cx. ¹⁷ Charloman, β. (et infra), γ. (semper). ¹⁸ Sic in MS. ¹⁹ and] bis in MS.</p>
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Karolomanno post biennium defuncto, Karolus totum regnum suscepit, quod extunc¹ per quadraginta sex annis² strenue gubernavit. Uxor autem et filii Karolomanni jam defuncti ad Desiderium, regem Longobardorum, nulla vi compulsi fugerunt, ejus auxilium expetentes; sed Karolus, expugnato primitus duce Hunaldo, Aquitaniam sibi subjugavit. Ad rogatum Adriani papæ, Desiderium regem Italiæ, contra Romanam ecclesiam more Astulphi³ fratris⁴ sui rebellantem, in urbe Papiæ⁵ obsedit, cepit,⁶ exilio dedit, filiumque suum proprium Pipinum, regno⁷ Italiæ subrogavit. In quo bello Amicus et Amelius, strenui Christi milites et cordiales amici,⁸ occubuerunt, de quibus miri actus leguntur. Tandem Karolus Saxones et Slavos ita perdomuit, ut pluribus eorum captis et per Galliam distributis, populus Saxonicus, idololatria⁹ abjecta, unus cum gente Francorum efficeretur populus. Post hoc Hispaniam ingressus, saltu¹⁰ Pyrenæo¹¹

¹ *scilicet post mortem patris et fratris sui*, add. C.D.

² *usque ad obitum suum*, add. C.D.

³ *Aldulphi*, B.

⁴ *patris*, C.D.

⁵ *Papia*, A.B.

⁶ *et relegavit, filioque Desiderii effugato filium proprium*, C.D.

⁷ *regem*, B.

⁸ *et . . . amici*] om. C.D.

⁹ *ydolatria*, MS.

¹⁰ *saltemque*, C.D.

¹¹ *Pireneo*, MS.

but Charleman deide after two ȝere, and þanne Charles hadde al þe kyngdom, and governed it nobeliche¹ after þat tyme sixe and fourty ȝere. Þanne Charleman his wif [and his children]² fliȝ³ to Deserius,⁴ kyng of Longobardes, and prayed hym of help and socour wip oute eny nede, for no man compelledde hem⁵ þerto. But Charles firste overcome duke Hanald,⁶ and wan Gyen and made it suget. At þe prayer of pope Adrian he bysegede⁷ Desiderius, kyng of Italy, in þe citee of Papie, for he was rebel aȝenst þe cherche of Rome, as his broper Astulphus hadde i-be. Charles took⁸ hym in þe citee of Papie, and exciled hym, and made his owne sone Pipinus kyng of Italy in his stede. In þat batayle deide Amicus and Amelius, Crist his knyȝtes, and his herty frendes ;⁹ of hem beep i-rad¹⁰ wonderful dedes. At þe laste he¹¹ chastede þe Saxons and þe Sclaves, and took meny of hem and sente hem into dyvers places of Fraunce ; so þat þe Saxons forsook¹² here mametrie, and were i-made oon peple¹³ Saxons and Frenche men. Per-

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Ab urbe. But Karolomannus dedde after the secunde yere of his reigne, MS. HARL. 2261.
Charls toke alle the realme, whiche governede hit nobly xlvii^d yere. And then the wife of Karolomannus, and here childer, fledde to Desiderius kyng of Longobardes, not constreynede soe to do by eny body, besekynge hym of helpe. But this noble prince Charls expugnynge afore Hunaldus duke of Aquitanny, subduede hym to hys governayle, and at the desire of Adrianus the pope segede Desiderius kyng of Ytaly at the cite Papy, rebellynge ageyne the church of Rome after the maner of Astulphus his broper. Whiche takynge hym in that cite, putte hym to exile, and subrogate Pipinus his sonne in the realme of Ytaly. In whiche batelle Amicus and Amelion, ij. noble knyȝtes of Criste, and tru luffers togedre, were sleyne, of whom mervellous dedes be redde. After that kyng Charls made tame men of Sclavia and the Saxons, in so moche that mony of theym taken and brouȝhte to Fraunce, they refusenge ydolatry reioicede as men off Fraunce. After that tyme kyng

A transmi-
gracione.¹ nobly, Cx.² From a., β., γ., and Cx.³ vlyȝe, γ.⁴ Desiderius, a., β., γ., and Cx.⁵ hym, γ.⁶ Hunald, a., β., γ., and Cx.⁷ bisegide, β.⁸ touk, γ.⁹ vrendes, γ.¹⁰ ben red, Cx.¹¹ he] Charles, β. and γ. ;
Charles chastysed, Cx.¹² vorsok, γ.¹³ on pupel, γ.

superato,¹ in itinerando Guasconum insidias est per-
 pessus, ita ut extrema pars agminis sui ab illis con-
 tereretur; ubi et² regiae mensae praepositus Oliverus, ac
 comes palatii Rolandus, cum caeteris paribus Franciae
 occubuerunt. *De libro Pipini.*³ Die quadam Aygo-
 landus,⁴ fortis princeps Hispaniae, concessis mutuo
 treugis, ad Karolum, baptismi causa venit. Cumque
 videret commensales Karoli pretiosis indutos,⁵ delicatis
 vesci, et [e]⁶ regione tresdecim pauperes dejectos⁷ ad
 terram cum vili victu et sine mensa sedere, quaesivit
 quinam essent illi. Cui dictum est; “Hi tresdecim Dei
 “ sunt nuncii, et⁸ pro nobis orant, numerumque Christi
 “ et discipulorum ejus repraesentant.” Cui Aygolandus:
 “ Ut video, lex vestra non est aequa,⁹ quae nuncios domini

¹ *postquam cuncta ibidem ad li-
 bitum disposuisset*, add. C.D.

² *in*, B.

³ A.C.D. omit heading; but A.
 inserts, a few lines below, *De libro
 Turpini*, no doubt referring to the
 passage which follows shortly from
 that writer.

⁴ *Aigolandus*, A.

⁵ *splendideque conviventes*, C.D.

⁶ *e]* from A.B.

⁷ *rejectos*, C.D.

⁸ *et]* om. B.

⁹ *nec bona*, add. C.D.

fore¹ Charles wente to Spayne, and wan þe idales, laundes,² and contrayes aboute þe hilles montes Pireney.³ But he was assailed⁴ in þe way wip bussumentes⁵ of Gaskyns,⁶ so þat þey⁷ slouþ þe utter deel⁸ of his oost; þere Olyver, cheef sewere of þe kynges bord, and Rouland, eorl of þe paleys,⁹ were i-slawe, and meny [opere]¹⁰ of þe peeres of Fraunce. *De libro Turpini.* In a day whan trewes¹¹ was i-graunted [in]¹² eiper side, Aigolandum, a strong prince of Spayne, com to Charles to be i-cristned,¹³ and sigh al þat were at þe bord realliche i-cloped and likyngliche¹⁴ i-fedde,¹⁵ and sigh afer þrittene pore men sitte on þe grounde and have¹⁶ foule¹⁷ mete and symple wip oute eny bord, and he axede what þey⁷ were. Me answerde hym and seide: "Þese þrittene beþ Goddes messengers,¹⁸ and prayeþ for us, and bringeþ to us¹⁹ mynde²⁰ of²¹ þe nombre of Cristes disciples." "As I see," quod²² Aigolandum, "þoure lawe is nouþt riþtful" þat suffreþ Goddes messengers be þus evel bylad;²³ he

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Ab urbe. Charls goynge to Speyne suffrede grete hurte of his hoste doen by treason, after that he hade passede þe mowntes Pirene, in so moche that the extreme parte of his hoste was hurte soore where ij. noble princes, Rolland and Olyvere, were sleyne. *De libro Turpini.* Aigalandum, the myþhty prince of Speyne, come to kyng Charls, truse taken afore, to be baptisede; whiche seenge the men longynge to kyng Charls induede with precious clothes, and seruede with delicious meyte, and xiiij. pover men sittenge on the grownde with grosse meytes and with owte a table, inquirede of kyng Charls what men thei scholde be. To whom kyng Charls seide that thei were the messyngers of Criste, and preyde for us to allemyþhty God, representynge þe nowmbre of Criste and of his disciples. Then Aigolandum the prince of Speyne seide: "Youre lawe is not goode, that suffrethe" the messyngers of his lorde to be entretede in that wyse, for

MS. HARL. 2261. A transmigratione. f. 287 b.

¹ *perafter*, β.
² *londes*, Cx.
³ *Pireni*, Cx.
⁴ *assoylled*, Cx.
⁵ *buschmentes*, β.; *boschementes*, γ.
⁶ *Gaskoynes*, β.; *Gascoyns*, Cx.
⁷ *huy*, γ.
⁸ *otterdel*, γ.
⁹ *palys*, β.
¹⁰ From α., β., and γ.
¹¹ *truwes*, β.; *trwes*, γ.

¹² From α., β., and γ.; *were graunted on*, Cx.
¹³ *to be folled*, β.; *yvolled*, γ.
¹⁴ *delyciously*, Cx.
¹⁵ *yved*, γ.
¹⁶ *habbe*, γ.
¹⁷ *voul*, γ.; *broken*, Cx.
¹⁸ *messagers*, Cx., et infra.
¹⁹ *us*] om. β.
²⁰ *mund*, γ.
²¹ *of*] om. γ.
²² *quap*, γ.
²³ *evyl servyd*, Cx.

“ sic permittit tractari; et male domino servit qui ejus
 “ ministros sic recipit.” Et sic scandalizatus contempto
 baptismo ¹ ad suos recessit. Sed Karolus ex hoc emen-
 datus magis pauperes honoravit. *Giraldus, distinctio
 prima,*² *capitulo xvii.* Post hoc ³ Karolus subjugata
 Narbonensi Gallia, Capuanos ⁴ et Beneventanos subegit;
 Danos,⁵ Suevos, sibi foederatos, unica ⁶ expeditione
⁷ perdomuit, ut deinceps mallent subesse quam rebellare.

Reges Britonum, Anglorum, Scottorum, Persarum, et
 Græcorum eum muneribus honorarunt. Et, sicut refert
 Turpinus archiepiscopus, erat corpore decorus, vultu
 ferus, statura corporis octo pedum, facies ejus palmum
 et dimidium continebat, barbam ad pedis longitudinem
 ferens, militem armatum uno ⁸ ictu cum spata sua
 proscindebat, quatuor equi ferramenta simul manibus
 facile ⁹ complicaret, militem armatum stantem una manu

De gestis
 Karoli
 magni.

¹ *Christiano*, add. C.D.

² This is the same reference as
 before, which I have not found.
 See p. 154, note 9.

³ *hac*, B.

⁴ *Germanos*, C.D.

⁵ *Sclavos*, add. C.D.

⁶ *tamen*, add. C.D.

⁷ *ita*, add. C.D.

⁸ *unico*, B.

⁹ *facile*] om. B.

“ serveþ evel his lord pat so fongep¹ his servauntes ;” and so he was lewedliche offended, and despised cristenynge,² and wente hoom aʒen ; but Charles worschipped afterward³ pore men þe more. *Trevisa*. Aigolandus was a lewed goost,⁴ and lewedliche i-meved⁵ as þe devel hym tauʒte, and blende⁶ hym pat he koupe nouʒt i-knowe pat men schulde be i-served as here astaat⁷ axeþ. *Giraldus*,⁸ *prima, capitulo 17^o*. Here after Charles wan Gallia Narbonensis, and made suget þe Capuanes and þe Beneventanes, þe Danes and þe Sweves, pat were i-confepereð⁹ to hem ; and he dede¹⁰ al pat [at]¹¹ on iornay. Kynges of Bretouns, of Angles, of Scottes, of Peers,¹² [and]¹³ of Grees, worschipped¹⁴ hym wip ʒiftes ; and, as Turpyn þe archebissshop telleþ, Charles was faire, and a¹⁵ wel farynge¹⁶ man¹⁷ of body but¹⁸ sturne¹⁹ of face. His body was eyte²⁰ foot²¹ of lengþe, his face²³ a span and an half, and his berd was [of]²⁴ a foot longe. He cleef²⁵ a two wip his swerd a knyʒt i-armed

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Ab urbe. “ he servethe ylle pat receyvethe his ministres in that wise ;” and so he returnede to his cuntre unbaptisede : but kyng Charls, correcte by that seyenge, ʒafe moore honoure to poore men after that tyme. *Giraldus, distinctione prima, capitulo decimosextimo*. At that tyme kyng Charls subduede to hym Fraunce Narbonense, men callede Capuans and Beneventans, and men of Swevia, that thei hade lever be subiecte to hym then to rebelle afterwarde. The kynges of Britons, of Ynglische men, of Scottes, of men of Persida, and of Grece, honourede hym with ʒiftes. And, as Turpynus archebischop rehersethe, he was a feire man of body, ferefulle of countenaunce, havynge viij. foote in hiʒhte ; his face conteynede a palme or a spanne and a halfe, havynge a berde unto his feete of grete broodenesse. Whiche wolde cleve an knyʒhte in goode armoure at oon stroke with his swerde,

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Charls.

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| <p>¹ <i>vongep</i>, γ. ; <i>resseyved</i>, Cx.
 ² <i>fullouʒt</i>, β. ; <i>vollouʒt</i>, γ. ; <i>Crystendom</i>, Cx.
 ³ <i>afturward</i>, γ.
 ⁴ <i>gost</i>, Cx.
 ⁵ <i>ymeoved</i>, β.
 ⁶ <i>blend</i>, β. ; <i>blynded</i>, Cx.
 ⁷ <i>staat</i>, β. ; <i>state</i>, Cx.
 ⁸ <i>distinctio</i>, add. β.
 ⁹ <i>confedered</i>, β.
 ¹⁰ <i>dide</i>, β. ; <i>dude</i>, γ.
 ¹¹ From α., β., γ., and Cx.
 ¹² <i>Pers</i>, β. and γ. ; <i>Perce</i>, Cx.
 ¹³ From α., β., and γ.</p> | <p>¹⁴ <i>worschipiden</i>, β. ; <i>worshipeden</i>, Cx.
 ¹⁵ <i>a</i>] om. α., β., γ., and Cx.
 ¹⁶ <i>welvaryng</i>, γ.
 ¹⁷ <i>man</i>] om. β. and Cx.
 ¹⁸ <i>but</i>] and, γ.
 ¹⁹ <i>sterne</i>, β.
 ²⁰ <i>eyʒte</i>, α. and γ. ; <i>eiʒte</i>, β.
 ²¹ <i>voit</i>, γ., bis.
 ²² <i>on</i>, α., β., γ., and Cx.
 ²³ <i>fase</i>, γ.
 ²⁴ From α. and β.
 ²⁵ <i>clef</i>, β. and γ.</p> |
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de terra levaret ; leporem integrum aut duas gallinas¹ vel certe aucam² unam unica refectione edebat, modicum vinum³ lymphatum bibebat, tam parcus in potu ut raro supra cenam ultra ter⁴ biberet.⁵ Hic quoque pius in pauperes et ecclesias, trans Rhenum apud⁶ Magonciam⁷ pontem quingentorum passuum construxit. Filios suos quamcito⁸ ætas pateretur more Francorum equitare, armis, venationibus,⁹ et liberalibus artibus intendere¹⁰ docuit; filias suas lanificio, colo, et fuso, ne per otium torperent, assuescere instituit. Nec patria¹¹ lingua contentus, Græcam linguam melius novit intelligere quam pronunciare. In discenda grammatica Petrum habuit Pisanum, in cæteris disciplinis Alcuinum sive Karolus magnus Albinum

¹ *gallinas*] om. B.

² It is difficult to decide whether the MSS. have *aucam* or *ancam*. *Du Cange* gives both forms of the word, but it seems that the former is of most frequent occurrence.

³ *et*, add. C.D.

⁴ *semel*, add. C.D.

⁵ *bibebat*, B.

⁶ *ultra*, C.D.

⁷ *Mogonciam*, A.

⁸ *cum primum*, C.D.

⁹ *intendere docuit*, here in C.D.¶

¹⁰ *intendere* before *et liberalibus*,

B.

¹¹ *patris*, B.

at oon strook. He wolde esiliche¹ wip his hondes folde² and bende³ foure hors schoon⁴ at ones. He wolde heve⁵ a stondynge knyzt i-armed from the grounde wip his oon hond. He wolde ete an hare⁶ al hool, oper tweye hennes, oper a goos, at oon mele; and he wolde drynke a litel wyne i-watred.⁷ He was so scars of drynke pat seelde he wolde drynke preis passyng⁸ in⁹ his soper. Dis¹⁰ was gracious and mylde to pore men and to cherches. Over þe Ryne, at Magons, he made a brigge¹¹ of fyve¹² hondred paas.¹³ As Frensche men doop, he tauzhte his sones as sone as þey myzhte for zoupe to ride and honte,¹⁴ and to doo¹⁵ dedes of armes, and lerne science¹⁶ of scole. He ordeyned his douztes to worche wolwerk wip spyndel¹⁷ and with distaf, and ordeyned hem to use suche werkes for þey¹⁸ schulde nouzt wexe slouz¹⁹ by idelnesse. He hylde hym nouzt apayde wip his contray speche. He coupe better understonde þe longage of Grew²⁰ pan speke it. In loore of gramer, Peter of Pise was

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. and wolde take iij. horse schone and bowe theym to gedre in his hondes, and wolde lyfte up an armede man stondynge on his honde lyzhtely with oon honde. Also he was wonte to eyte an holle hare at oon refeccion, other ij. hennes or a goose, usenge to drynke wyne mixte with water, whiche was so lytelle a drynker that he wolde not drynke over iij. times after soper. This kynge Charls was meke to pover men, makenge mony churches and a brygge at Magoncia over the water of Rhenus of v.^c passes; techynge his sonnes to ryde, hunte, to use armes, and to²¹ liberalle studies as soone as age wolde suffre, after the consuetude of men of Fraunce. Also he causede his dozhters to be tauzhte to make clothe and to spyne, that thei scholde not be ydelle. Whiche not contente with the langage of Fraunce was instructe in the langage of Grece, in whiche langage he f. 288 a. hade better use to understonde hit then to pronownce hit. Whiche hade Petrus Pisanus to teche hym gramer, and Alcui-

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¹ *eslyche*, γ.
² *volde*, γ.
³ *beende*, β.
⁴ *horse shone*, Cx.
⁵ *hebbe*, γ.
⁶ *haare*, β.
⁷ *a lyte wyn ywatert*, γ.
⁸ *passyng in*] at, Cx.
⁹ *in*] over, β.
¹⁰ *Charles*, add. Cx.
¹¹ *brugge*, γ.

¹² *vyf*, γ.
¹³ *paces*, β.; *pas*, γ.
¹⁴ *honty*, α., β., and γ.
¹⁵ *doo*] om. β.
¹⁶ *sciences*, β., et infra.
¹⁷ *spendyl*, γ.
¹⁸ *þey*] α, γ.
¹⁹ *slowe*, β.
²⁰ *Gruwe*, β.
²¹ Sic in MS.

Albinum Anglicum habuit præceptorem. ¹ *Temptabat* Anglicum habuit præceptorem. litteras scribere, idcirco pro litteris effigiandis tabellas ferebat sed parum profuit labor præposterus et sero ² inchoatus; ecclesiam mane, vespere, nocturnis horis frequentabat. Pauperibus et longe positis in Ægypto et Africa eleemosynas³ assignabat. Inter prandendum lectorem aliquem audiebat, libris tamen Augustini et potissime de Civitate Dei delectabatur. Æstate post cibum meridianum aliquid pomorum sumens, semelque bibens, depositis vestibus tanquam de noctibus⁴ duabus horis dormiebat; noctibus vero sic dormitabat⁴ ut somnum quater vel quinques non solum expergiscendo sed et surgendo interrompebat.⁵ Romam ter veniendo ad miliare citra urbem de equo descendit, pedes eundo

¹ *Temptabat*] om. A.

² *cero*, B.

³ *elemosinas*, MS.

⁴ *noctibus . . . dormitabat*] om. A.

⁵ *flios et filias liberalibus fecit imbui artibus*, C.D.

his maister ; and in oper science of clergy, Alcuinus Albinus, an Engliche man, was his maister. Charles fondede¹ to write lettres ; perfore he bare a peyre of tables² for to write ynne, but it profited riȝt nouȝt,³ for þat travaille was bygonne to late. He wolde be at chirche erliche and late, and at houres þat was⁴ i-seide by nyȝte. He ordeyned⁵ and assigned gret almes⁶ to pore⁷ men þat were in fer⁸ londes, in Egipt, and in Affrica. He hadde a lyster⁹ at mete, and hadde greet likynge¹⁰ in Austyn his bookes ; and nameliche¹¹ in his bookes de Civitate Dei. In somer-tyme after mete, in þe undermele¹² tyde, he wolde take somewhat of apples, and drynke ones þerto, and doo of his cloþes and goo to bedde as it were by nyȝte, and slepe tweie¹³ houres. By nyȝte he wolde ofte¹⁴ slepe in þis manere ; now¹⁵ onliche awake, and eft slepe ; but he wolde¹⁴ foure¹⁶ sipes oper fyve¹⁷ sipes awake and aryse, and ligge¹⁸ down and slepe. Preis he com to Rome, and liȝt down of his hors a myle of þis half Rome,¹⁹ and ȝede on²⁰ fote²¹ into al þe citee,

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. nus or Albinus, the noble doctor of Ynglonde, to informe hym in other science ; havynge grete affeccion to writynge, wherefore he hade contynually with hym a peire of tables that he myȝhte wryte, but that labore begunne late profite but lytelle ; usenge churches in the morowe, at eve, and other tymes assignynge almes to pover churches and ferre from hym, as in Egipte, in Affrike, and in other cuntrees. At dynerse and sopers usenge to have a reder, delytenge specially in the bookes of seynte Austyn de Civitate Dei. In the somer, after meyte takenge a lytelle of an apple, drynkyng þerto, and doynge of his clothes as in the nyȝhte, wolde slepe ij. howres ; whiche slepede soe in the nyȝhtes that he wolde aryse thryes or iiij. tymes. Whiche goynge to Rome wolde lyȝhte on foote or he come to the cite by oon

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¹ vondede, γ.
² a payr tables, Cx.
³ litel, β.
⁴ were, β.
⁵ ordeygned, Cx.
⁶ almus, γ.
⁷ pour, γ.
⁸ ver, γ.
⁹ redar, Cx.
¹⁰ dehte, Cx.
¹¹ specially, Cx.

¹² underntide, a. ; undertyde, β.,
 γ., and Cx.
¹³ twy, γ.
¹⁴ ofte . . . wolde] om. Cx.
¹⁵ nouȝt, a. and β.
¹⁶ voure, γ.
¹⁷ vyve, γ.
¹⁸ lye, β. ; lygge adoun, γ.
¹⁹ þe citee, a. and β.
²⁰ a, a., β., γ., and Cx.
²¹ ȝude a vote, γ.

per urbem omnes ecclesiarum postes deosculabatur. Terram Sanctam liberavit, ac Constantinopolim rediens preciosa quæque per Constantinum imperatorem sibi oblata exceptis reliquiis recusabat. Sumpsit tamen¹ partem de cruce dominica et² partem de corona spinea, quæ tunc coram ipso floruit. Unum³ de clavis Christi, camisiam⁴ beatæ Mariæ, et brachium Sancti Symeonis secum retulit usque⁵ ad ecclesiam beatæ Mariæ apud Aquisgrani, quam ipse construxit, ubi et⁶ requiescit.⁷ Ad numerum autem elementorum, id est litterarum in alphabeto cœnobita fundavit; in quorum quolibet per ordinem juxta tempus suæ foundationis unam litteram auream centum libras Turonensium ponderantem in-

¹ *secum*, B.

² *et*] om. B.

³ *Unam*, A.

⁴ *camisium*, B.

⁵ *usque*] om. B.

⁶ *ipse*, add. B.

⁷ *et requiescit*, A.; *ubi* is inserted before *requiescit*, but with the sign of erasure.

and cussed¹ al þe pylers of chirches. He delyvered þe Holy Lond, and com aʒen to Constantynoble; and forsook² al þe precious and greet ʒiftes þat Constantyn þe emperour profred hym, outake³ relikes⁴ of holy seyntes. He fenge⁵ a⁶ party of oure Lordes crosse, and a party of þe crowne of pornes, þat pere in his sight gan to blowe⁷ and bare floures. And [on]⁸ of Cristes nayles, oure lady smok, and Seynt Symeon his arme, and brouʒte þese⁹ relikes with hym to Seynt Mary Chirche at Acquisgrani¹⁰ þat he hadde i-founded, and lyth i-buried pere. He founded as meny abbayes as bep¹¹ lettres in þe A B C. In everich of þilke¹² abbayes, by þe ordre of þe fundacioun þerof, he sette and pighte a lettre of gold of þe wight of an hondred pound of Turoneys.¹³ *Trevisa*.¹⁴ God woot¹⁵ what wight þat schulde be; but, by a statute of the universite of Oxenford, whan eny man is i-congyed¹⁶ pere to commence in eny faculte, he schal swere þat he schal not spende at¹⁷ his comencement passynge þre þowsand of grootes turonens.¹⁸ Þe groot turoney is somewhat lasse worþy¹⁹ þan an Englishe groote, ffor at Brisak uppon [þe]²⁰ Ryne²¹ I have i-fonge in chaunge enlevene grotes turoneys for a duket,²² þat is worþy half an Englishe noble.

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Ab urbe. myle, and so goynge thro the cite kyssede the postes of churches, and delyverede the Holy Londe, and so comynge to Constantinopole, refusede thynges ʒiffen to hym by themperoure, relikes excepte. Neverthelesse he toke to Fraunce with him parte of the holy crosse, and parte of the crowne of thorne of oure Lorde, whiche flourede in his presence þat same tyme, oon of the nayles of Criste, the smocke of oure Lady, and the arme of seynte Symeon; whiche relikes he brouʒte to the churche of oure Lady at Aquisgrani, whom he edifiede, where he is beryede. Also he made monasterys so many in nowmbre as be letters, in everyche of whom after the tyme of their fundacion he putte a letter weyenge a c. pownde of Turonense, and causede hit to

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gracione.¹ *hissed*, β.; *kussede*, γ.² *vorsouk*, γ.³ *reserved*, Cx.⁴ *outake reliques*, β.⁵ *vyng*, γ.⁶ *grete*, add. Cx.⁷ *blosme*, Cx.⁸ From *a.* and *γ.*; *oon*, β.⁹ *pues*, γ.¹⁰ *Aquisgrani*, β.¹¹ *bub*, γ.¹² *þelke*, γ.¹³ *Turoneyes*, β.; *Turoneies*, γ.¹⁴ *Trevisa's* comment does not appear in β.¹⁵ *wot*, γ.¹⁶ *ycongeyed*, γ.¹⁷ *in*, *a.*¹⁸ *turoneies*, *a.* and *γ.*¹⁹ *las worþ*, γ.²⁰ From *a.* and *γ.*²¹ *Ryver*, γ.²² *ducate*, γ.

figi fecit. De hoc tamen viro mirabile fuit quod vix aliquam filiarum suarum quamdiu viveret cuiquam maritavit, excepta primogenita, quam Constantino regi Græcorum copulavit. Dixerat enim se non posse illarum¹ contubernio carere. Unde licet in aliis felix fuerat, in hoc tamen adversæ fortunæ fuerat obnoxius. At² quamvis ob hoc multus in vulgo sermo fieret, ipse talia ita dissimulavit ac si nulla suspicio exinde haberetur. Inde putant quidam hoc peccatum Karoli fuisse quod nunquam oretenus sed tandem vix per scriptum Sancto Egidio confiteri voluit. Hic quoque antequam moreretur omnia sua in tres partes divisit, quarum unam pauperibus, alteram ecclesiis assignavit, tertiam vero partem adhuc in quatuor divisit, quarum unam partem reservavit ad obitum suum excolendum, alteram ad usum quotidianum, tertiam filiis et nepotibus, quartam servientibus suis in familia con-

¹ *earum*, B.

² *Obnoxius fuit*. At, B. This | scribe has confused all this passage. The whole is clear in A.

But pere is double manere of money of turoneis,¹ more and lasse; þe more hatte grossus turonensis in² Latyn, and þe lasse hatte parvis³ turonensis. But it may wel be þat þe pound of Turoneys is i-take by tale of money of Turon, oþer by certeyn weyȝtes þat was pere i-used. Þanne it folowep⁴ in þe storie: of þis man Charles it is wonder þat he wolde unneþe marye eny of his douȝtres while he was on lyve,⁵ outake⁶ his eldest douȝter, þe whiche⁷ he mariede to þe kyng of Grece⁸ þat heet Constantyn. Charles seide þat he myȝte nouȝt be wip oute companye of his douȝters; þerfore þey⁹ he were gracious in oþer dedes, in þat poynt aȝenst fortune he was to blame: and þeyȝ pere were grete speche þerof among þe peple,¹⁰ he made it as þey he knewe it nouȝt, and as non supeccioun were of þat foly dede. Þerfore som men wenep¹¹ þat þat was þe synne of Charles þat he wolde nevere of¹² schryve hym wip his mouþe; but unneþe at þe laste by writyng of¹³ Seint Gyles. Also þis Charles or he¹⁴ deyde deled his catel in þre parties: oon partie he assignede to pore men, anoþer to chirches, and ȝitte þe þridde partie he deled in foure parties, oon þerof he kepte for to holde his mynde¹⁵ day, þat oþer to everich dayes use; þe þridde to his sonnes and newewes, and þe fourþe to his ser-

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Ab urbe. be made faste in the churche. But oon thyng was to be hade MS. HARL. 2261. in mervayle in hym, that unnethe he wolde take eny of his doȝhters to mariages in alle his life, the eldeste doȝhter excepte, A transmigratione. whom he maryede to Constantyne kyng of the londe of Grece, seyng that he myȝhte not wonte the felowschippe of theyme; wherefore mony men suppose that synne to have causede kyng Charls that he wolde not knowlege by mowthe his synnes to seynte Gyle, and unnethe by writyng. This kyng Charls dividede his goodes afore his dethe into thre partes, oon parte of whom he ȝafe to pover men, an other to f. 288 b. churches; the thrydde parte he dividede into iiij. partes, kep- yng oon parte to his obite, an other parte to his daily use, the thrydde parte to his childer and frendes, the iiijthe parte to his

¹ turoneies, γ.² a, a.³ Sic.⁴ volweth, γ.⁵ alyve, β.⁶ outtake, β.⁷ whoche, γ.⁸ Grece, β.⁹ þouȝ, β.¹⁰ pupel, γ.¹¹ wyneb, γ.¹² of] om. β.¹³ of] to, β. and Cx.¹⁴ or he] ar a, γ.¹⁵ munde, γ.

stitutis. *Quæstio*.¹ Princeps ipse ad mensam semel *Quæstio*.
 sedens quæsivit² a magistro suo Alcuino ex opposito
 consedente³ quanta esset differentia inter Scottum et
 sottum.⁴ Cui Alcuinus, "Sola unius mensæ latitudo."
Ranulphus.⁵ Ut igitur historici ad concordiam redu-
 catur qui⁶ circa regnum et imperium Karoli multum
 discrepare videntur, sciendum est quod Karolus iste ad-
 huc juvenis in regem unctus est per papam Stephanum
 secundum sub anno Domini septingentesimo quinquæ-
 gesimo quarto⁷ vivente adhuc patre⁸ suo Pipino, sub
 quo et cum quo regnavit quindecim annis usque ad
 obitum patris; deinde post patrem defunctum sub anno
 Domini septingentesimo sexagesimo octavo Karolus
 iste cum Karolomanno fratre suo regnavit duobus
 annis. Ipso⁹ tandem mortuo sub anno Domini sep-
 tingentesimo septuagesimo, Karolus totum regnum
 quatuordecim annis tenuit, usque ad annum gratiæ
 septingentesimum octogesimum quartum,¹⁰ quo primum
 Romam ingressus est, ut ab Adriano papa in impera-

¹ *Quæstio*] om. A.B.C.D.

² *semel* after *quæsivit*, B.

³ *sedente*, B.

⁴ *Scottum et scottum* (sic), A.

⁵ B.C.D. omit reference.

⁶ *quæ*, A.

⁷ 754, A.

⁸ *fratre suo Karolomanno regnavit duobus annis, sicque regnum*

tenuit usque ad annum Domini 784, quo primum Romam ingressus est, et ab Adriano primo in imperatorem consecratus, post hoc imperavit quatuordecim annis et obiit anno ætatis suæ septuaginta duo, qui fuit anno gratiæ 814, C.D.

⁹ *Ipsa . . . decimus*] om. C.D.

¹⁰ *tertium*, B.

vauntes þat were of his meyny.¹ He² sat ones at mete, and his maister Alcuinus sat to fore³ hym; þanne he axede of his master: "How grete difference⁴ and space was bytwene " a sot and a Scot."⁵ "But þe brede of a metebord," quod his maister. [R.] For to speke and⁶ bring stories to acord þat semeþ out of acorde, spekyng of þe empere and of þe kyngdom of Charles. Take hede þat þis Charles while he was ʒong was anoynt⁷ kyng of the secounde pope Stevene, þe ʒere of oure Lord seven hondred and foure and fifty,⁸ while his fader⁹ Pipinus was onlyve,¹⁰ and regned wip his fader and under hym fiftene ʒere anon to his fadir deth. Þanne, after his fadres¹¹ deþ, þat deide þe ʒere oure Lord seven hondred þre score and eiʒte, he regned wip his broþer Charleman¹² two ʒere. After his broþer, þat deide þe ʒere of oure Lord seven hondred [and lxx.],¹³ Charles helde¹⁴ þe kyngdom al hool fourtene ʒere, to¹⁵ þe ʒere of oure Lord seven hondred foure score and foure. Þat ʒere he wente first to Rome to be i-crowned emperour of Adrian þe pope; and þerafter he was

TREVISIA.

Ab urbe. servauntes. This prince, sittenge at the table, inquirede of his informer Alcuinus, sittynge anendes hym, "What dyfference ys " betwene a Scotte and a Scotte¹⁶?" To whom Alcuinus seide, "The brodenes of oon table." R. That wryters of storyes may be reducede to concorde, whiche seme to discorde abowte the reigne of kyng Charls, hit is to be advertisede that this Charls, yonge in age, was anoyntede into kyng by Steven the pope, yn the yere of oure Lorde God vij^c. liiiij., his fader beyng in lyfe, under whom and with whom he reignede xv. yere unto the dethe of his fader. And after the dethe of his¹⁶ in the yere of oure Lorde God vij^c. lxxvij., this Charls reignede ij. yere with Karolomannus his broþer, and after his dethe kyng Charls occupiede that realme xiiij. yere, unto the yere of oure Lorde vij^c. lxxxiiij. In whiche yere he wente firste to Rome, that he myʒhte consecrate¹⁶ to the emperoure by Adrian the

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gracione.¹ *houshold*, Cx.² *He*] þes prins, γ.³ *tovore*, γ.⁴ *diffrence*, β.⁵ The words *Scot* and *sot* change places in β. and γ.⁶ *speke and*] om. β.⁷ *anoynted*, β.⁸ *voure and vyfty*, γ.⁹ *vader* (*semper*), γ.¹⁰ *alyve*, β.¹¹ *fader*, α.¹² *Charloman*, β.¹³ From Cx.; *þre score and ten*, α., β., and γ.; *four score and four* is written here in a mistake in MS.¹⁴ *heelde*, β.; *huld*, γ.¹⁵ *to*] and *deide*, MS.¹⁶ Sic in MS.

torem coronaretur. Extunc quoque sexdecim annis imperavit usque ad annum gratiæ octingentesimum, quando papa Leo quartus ipsum Karolum¹ denuo imperatorem confirmavit. Post hoc imperavit quatuordecim annis,² et obiit anno ætatis septuagesimo ii^o, qui fuit annus gratiæ octingentesimus quartus decimus.³ Quod ergo⁴ nonnulli historici dicunt ipsum⁵ in toto regnasse quadraginta sex annis, intelligendum est post mortem patris usque ad obitum suum.⁶ Cæterum qui amplius de vita Karoli videre desiderat ad Alcuini⁷ magistri sui scripta recurrat, sive Turpini archiepiscopi dicta recenseat, qui eo die quo Karolus obiit apud Vienniam Galliæ, in oratione positus vidit tetram cohortem militum versus Aquisgranum⁸ tendere, ut animam Karoli tollerent; e quibus novissimum adjuravit ut peracto negotio ad ipsum rediret fideliter quæ facta forent relaturus. Cui denuo redeunti ait Turpinus, "Quid egistis?" Et ille: "Libravimus facta Karoli, sed Hispanicus ille Jacobus decapitatus, cui Jacobus Hispanicus.

¹ Karolum] om. B.

² xiiij. annis repeated here in MS.

³ Sic itaque quod plures historici, add. C.D.

⁴ autem, B.

⁵ ipsum in totum xlvj. annis regnisse, hoc intelligendum, &c., B.

⁶ cum constet eum vivente patre quatuordecim annis regnasse, C.D.

⁷ Alcuini, A.B. and MS.

⁸ Aquisgrani, A.B.

emperour fourtene¹ zere, to þe zere of oure Lord cyzte hundred,² whanne þe fourþe pope Leo confermed Charles eft emperour: þerafter he was emperour fourtene zere, and deide þe zere of his age þre score and twelve; þat was þe zere of oure Lord eiȝte hundred and fourtene. Þanne after þat somme men telleþ in þe stories, þat he³ regnede in al sixe and fourty zere; þat schal be understonde from his fadir deþ to his owne deth. But who so wil se more of Charles his lyf, mote loke þe bookes of his maister Alcuinus, oper Turpyn þe archebisshop his bookes. Þat day þat Charles deide at Viean in Fraunce, Turpyn was in his bedes, and sigh a companye of blak knyȝtes wende toward Aquisgrani⁴ for to take Charles soule; and he coniurede þe laste of hem þat he schulde com aȝen whanne þey hadde i-doo, and telle hym truliche⁵ what þey dede⁶ and how hem spedde. Þanne þe fend⁷ wente and com aȝe, and Turpyn axede⁸ of hym, and seide: "What have⁹ ze i-doo?" "We haveþ,"¹⁰ quod þe fende, "i-weie¹¹ Charles his soule; but " pilke¹² Iame¹³ of Spayne, þat was byheded, leyde so meny

TREVISIA.

Ab urbe. pope, and crownyde also; and after that xvj. yere, unto the yere of grace viij^c., when the pope Leo þe iiijthe confermed ageyne Charls into themperoure. And after that he reignede xiiij. yere, and diede in the lxxij. yere of his age, whiche was the viij^c. yere of Grace and xiiij. And that mony men saye kyng Charls reignede xlvj. yere, that is to be understonde after the dethe of his fader unto his obite. And if eny man desire to see moore of the story of kyng Charls, y cownsayle that he take recourse to the wrytenges of Alcuinus his maister, or elles to the wrytenges of Turpinus, whiche laborynge in preier the day of the obite of kyng Charls at Vienna in Fraunce, see a grete multitude of fowle spirittes goynge to Aquisgrani to take the sawle of kyng Charls. The laste of whom he adiured that he schulde come to hym ageyne after that he hade bene per, and to telle to hym the trawthe how that thei hade spedde. The spiritte returnede, Turpinus tharchebisshop seide to hym: "What have ye doen þere?" The spiritte seide: "We have weiȝede his dedes, but the hedles Iames of Speyne, to whom

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gracione.

¹ *xvi.*, β.
² *and fourtene*, wrongly added here in MS.
³ *he*] om. γ.
⁴ *Aquisgrani*] Akon, Cx.
⁵ *treulyche*, γ.
⁶ *dide*, β.; *huy dude*, γ.

⁷ *vend*, γ., bis.
⁸ *axide*, β.
⁹ *habbe*, γ.
¹⁰ *habbeþ*, γ., et infra.
¹¹ *weyed*, β. and Cx.
¹² *þelke*, γ.
¹³ *James*, Cx.

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DCCLXIX.
Karoli
magni
I.

“ Karolus tot ecclesias ædificare consueverat, tot lapides
“ et ligna ad stateram apposuit, quod benefacta Ka-
“ roli¹ malefactis præpondaverunt, et sic nihil inde re-
“ tulimus.” *De pontificibus Romanorum.*² Stephanus
papa post Constantinum invasorem ejectum præsedit
annis quatuor. Qui statim congregata synodo revocavit
quæcumque per prædecessorem suum facta fuerant,
exceptis baptisate, crismate, et quæ ad salutem mo-
rientium ordinantur.

CAP. XXVII.

*Item de pontificibus*² [et plurima de Regibus Anglicis.]

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DCCLXXII.
Karoli
magni
quarto.

ADRIANUS primus post³ Stephanum præsedit papa
viginti quatuor annis. Hic primus celebravit secundum⁴
consilium Constantinopolitanum trescentorum quinquaginta patrum. Aliud consilium celebravit in urbe Roma cum centum quinquaginta patribus, præsentem rege⁵ Karolo. Cui concessum tunc fuit jus in electione summi pontificis⁶ et ordinandi sedem apostolicam. *De rege Nor-*

¹ beneficia ejus, C.D.

² A.B.C.D. omit heading.

³ post] om. B.

⁴ secundum] om. C.D.

⁵ rege] om. A.

⁶ eligendi pontificem, C.D.

“ stones and trees¹ in þe weie² and balaunce, þat þat³ Charles TREVISA.
 “ his goode dedes hadde þe maistrie, and weie⁴ more þan his
 “ evel dedes ; and so we haveþ riȝt not i-brouȝt aȝen wiþ us.
 “ Charles,” quod þe fend, “ used to bulde⁵ meny chirches in
 “ worschippe of Seynt Iame.” After þat Constantyn, þat
 hadde assaied⁶ þe poperiche, and i-take it wiþ his⁷ strengþe,
 was i-putte out, pope Stevene was pope foure ȝere. Anon
 he gadrede a synod, and wiþcleped⁸ al þat was i-doo by his
 predecessour, outake bapteme⁹ and crisme [and]¹⁰ what is¹¹
 ordeyned to savacioun of hem þat dyep.

Capitulum vicesimum septimum.

AFTER Stevene¹² þe firste Adrian was pope foure and twenty
 ȝere. First þis gadrede þe secounde counsaile¹³ at Constantyn-
 noble of þre hondred fadres and fifty ; he made anoper counsaile
 in þe citee of Rome with þre hondred fadres and fifty ; kyng
 Charles was present þere. Þo hym was i-graunted riȝt in þe
 electioun of þe pope, and of þe ordeynynge of þe popes see.¹⁴

Ab urbe. “ he hase made so mony churches, hathe causede his goode MS. HARL.
 “ dedys to be more hevy then his ylle dedes, and so we have 2261.
 “ brouȝhte noo thynges þens.” Stephanus the pope succedide
 Constantyne, expulsede and eicte, iiij. yere ; whiche gedrenge A transmi-
 a counselle revokede alle thynges doen by hys predecessor, gracione.
 baptyme and creame excepte, and thynges whiche were f. 289 a.
 ordeynede to the sawle healethe of peple dyenge.

Capitulum vicesimum septimum.

ADRIANUS the firste succedid Steven the pope xxiiijth yere.
 This pope kepede a counsaile of bischoppes at Constantinopole,
 of ccc. and lth hooly faders, and an oper counsaile at Rome, of
 clth bischoppes, kyng Charles beyng present. To whom
 powere was graunte that tyme in the eleccion of the pope, and

¹ *tren*, β.; *þrew*, γ.; *teres*, Cx.
² *weight*, Cx.
³ *þat*] om. β.
⁴ *weyede*, β.; *weyȝe*, γ.; *weyed*,
 Cx.
⁵ *buylde*, β.
⁶ *assayled*, β.; *assoyled*, Cx.
⁷ *his*] om. γ.
⁸ *revoked*, Cx.
⁹ *outtake fullouȝt*, β.; *vollouȝt*,
 γ.
¹⁰ From β.
¹¹ *and what that was*, Cx.
¹² *Stephyn*, γ.
¹³ *counceyl*, Cx.
¹⁴ *se*, γ.

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Karoli
magni
VI.

thymbrorum.¹ Northimbrenses regem suum Aluredum expulerunt, et filium² Molli³ Ethelbertum seu⁴ Etheldredum regem statuerunt, qui regnavit super eos quinque

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DCCLXXV.
Karoli
magni
VII.

annis. Leo quartus, filius Constantini quinti, regnavit apud Græcos⁵ quatuor annis. Qui cum ardentissima sitiret⁶ cupiditate cepit cujusdam ecclesiæ coronam carbunculis ornatam quam⁷ in capite gestaret, subita

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magni
IX.

febre correptus obiit. Hoc anno Offa rex Merciorum⁸ Lambertum archiepiscopum Dorobernensem primatus sui dignitate spoliavit,⁹ quem¹⁰ apud Lichefeld quoad viveret annuente papa Adriano posuit. Constantinus sextus, Leonis quarti filius¹¹ cum matre sua Yrene¹² regnavit apud Græcos decem annis. Cujus anno ultimo¹³ orta discordia inter matrem et filium,¹⁴ mater filium cepit et incarceravit, et sic¹⁵ quinque annis regnavit sola. Deinde¹⁶ filius fretus Armeniorum ope et consilio exivit,

⁸ Lambertus archiepiscopus spoliatus est dignitate sua.

¹ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

² *consilium* (sic), B.

³ *Molki*, B.

⁴ *sive Etheldredum*, B.; *qui et Etheldredus*, C.D.

⁵ *post patrem*, add. C.D.

⁶ *insaniret*, C.D.

⁷ *cum*, A.B.

⁸ *contractis erga Cantuarienses inimicitis*, add. C.D.

⁹ *et missis literis Adriano prop-*

ter translationem sedis metropolitanae usque Lichfeld quoad vixit impetravit, add. C.D.

¹⁰ *quam*, A.B.

¹¹ *post obitum patris regnavit*, add. C.D.

¹² *Irene*, A.; *Yrene*, B.

¹³ *quarto*, C.D.

¹⁴ *inter . . . filium*] om. C.D.

¹⁵ *ipsa per se*, C.D.

¹⁶ *quibus expletis*, C.D.

Ʒe Norphombres put out here kyng Aluredus, and took Ethelbertus,¹ Ʒat heet Ethelredus² also, Ʒe sone of Mollus, and made hym here kyng. He regned over hem fyve Ʒere. Ʒe fourƷe³ Leo, Ʒe sone of Ʒe fifte Constantyn regned in Grees⁴ foure Ʒere; he brende for first⁵ in greet covetise; he took of a cherche a crowne Ʒat was realliche i-hiƷte with charbunkel⁶ stones, and sette it on his heed, and was i-take wip a sodeyn fevere and deide. Ʒat Ʒere Offa kyng of Mercia spoylede Lambert archebisshop of Caunterbury of his dignite of primate, and brouƷte Ʒat dignite at⁷ Lichefeld, and hilde⁸ it pere while he was onlyve⁹ by assent of pope Adrian. Ʒe sixte Constantyn, Ʒe sone of Ʒe fourƷe³ Leo, regned in Grees wip his moder Iren¹⁰ ten Ʒere. In his laste Ʒere fil discord and stryf bytwene Ʒe sone and moder, and Ʒe moder took Ʒe sone and putte¹¹ hym in prison, and so sche¹² regned allone fyve Ʒere. At Ʒe laste the sone hadde help and counsaile of Ʒe Armonyes,¹³ and cam out of prison, and

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Ab urbe. to ordeyne the seete apostolicalle. Men of Northumbrelonde MS. HARL. 2261. A transmi-
 expulsede Alurede their kyng, and made Ethelberte or Ethel-
 drede, sonne of Moll, kyng, whiche reignede Ʒer v. yere. Leo the iiiijth, son of Constantyne the vth, reignede in Grece iiiij.
 yere, whiche infecte with avarice, and commynge into a churche,
 see a ryalle crowne of golde onornede with carbuncles, whiche
 takenge and settinge hit on his hedde, was vexede anoon with
 the axes, and diede. Offa, the kyng of Marches, spoylede
 Lambert, tharchebisshop of Cawnterbery, of his dignite this
 yere; whiche dignite he kepede at Lichefelde, by auctorite of
 Adrian the pope, unto his dethe. Constantyne the vjth, son of
 Leo the iiiijth, with Yrenes his moder, reignede amonge men of
 Grece x. yere. In the laste yere of whom a discorde movede
 betwene the moder and the sonne, the moder toke and imprisonede
 hym, and so sche reignede allon v. yere. But after that
 Constantyne here sonne, havynge supportacion of men of
 Armeny, gate from prison thro their helpe and cownsaile, and

¹ *Ethelertus*, γ .
² *Etheldredus*, β . and γ .
³ *ferƷe*, β .
⁴ *Grees*, β ., et infra.
⁵ *Ʒirste*, β .; *vor vurst*, γ .; *brente*
in thurste, Cx.
⁶ *ryally sette with carbuncle*, Cx.
⁷ *at*] to, Cx.

⁸ *huld*, γ .
⁹ *alyve*, β .
¹⁰ *Yrene*, α .; *Yren*, β .; *Irene*, γ .;
Iren, Cx., semper.
¹¹ *potte*, γ .
¹² *heo*, β .; *hue*, γ .
¹³ *Armenyes*, β ., γ ., and Cx.

et atrociter in matrem ejusque fautores desævit. Porro non longe postmodum, propter nimiam filii sævitiam, matris instinctu comprehensus et exoculatus¹ est tam nequiter ut mors cito sequeretur; sic iterum per se Yrene regnavit quinque annis. Verum Nichoforus Patricius, qui multum ab Yrene² honorabatur, contra eam surrexit, et populo invito³ coronam assumpsit, et attractis ab ea thesauris imperialibus, cum juramento de indemnitate facto eam relegavit, ubi⁴ obiit. Anno primo istius Con-
stantini in sepulcro cujusdam defuncti apud Constantino-
polim inventa est⁵ lamina aurea sic inscripta: "*Christus*
"*nascetur ex virgine Maria,*⁶ *in eum credo, sub Con-*
"*stantino et Yrene sol iterum me videbis.*" *Marianus,*
*libro ii.*⁷ Hoc⁸ anno Kenulphus rex Westsaxonum et
Offa rex Merciorum pugnaverunt acriter propter⁹ urbem
de Bensingtoun,¹⁰ sed Offa prævaluit et possedit. Hoc
anno Northymbrenses expulerunt regem suum Ethel-

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¹ *ex osculatus*, B.

² *prius*, C.D.

³ *invitato*, C.D.

⁴ *cum inedia*, add. C.D.

⁵ *est*] om. A.

⁶ *et*, C. (not D.)

⁷ B.C.D. omit reference, and all

these MSS. transpose this and the next three sentences. I have not found the passage in *Marianus*.

⁸ *Hoc . . . procedere*] om. C.D.

⁹ *p̄p̄*, A.; *prope*, B.

¹⁰ *Densington*, A.

pursewed cruelliche his moder and here fautoures.¹ Þanne TREVISA.
 aftirward þe sone for his [greet]² cruelnes³ was i-take by
 heste and strengþe of þe moder, and his yʒen⁴ were i-putte out
 in so evel manere þat he deide sone aftirward; and [so]⁵
 Yrene⁶ regnede eft⁷ allone⁸ fyve ʒere. But Nichoforus Patricius,
 þat had i-had greet worschippe of Yrene, roos aʒenst hir, and
 took þe crowne aʒenst þe peples⁹ wille. And took of here þe
 tresoure of þe empere wijþ an oth i-made to be harmeles, and
 exciled¹⁰ here, and so exciled sche deyde. Þe firste ʒere of þis
 Constantyn, in a dede man his grave at Constantynnoble was i-
 founde¹¹ a plate of gold, in þe whiche plate it was i-write¹² in þis
 manere: "Crist schal be bore of a¹³ mayde Marye. In hym
 " I¹⁴ beleve. Under Constantyn and Yrene soone¹⁵ after¹⁶
 " me þu schalt i-see." *Marianus, libro 2^o*. Þat ʒere Kenul-
 phus kyng of West Saxone, and Offa kyng of Mercia, fauʒt
 strongliche¹⁷ for þe citee of Bensyngtoun,¹⁸ but Offa hadde þe
 victorie and þe citee. Þat ʒere þe Norphumbres put out
 here kyng Ethelbertus, þat heet Etheldredus also, and made

Ab urb schewede grete hurte to his moder and to his¹⁹ supporters. MS. HARL.
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 Whiche was taken soone after and made blynde, that dethe
 folowede, and so Yrene reignede allon other v. yere. And
 after that, Nichoforus the patricion, honorede and luffede
 moche of the seide Yrene, did ryse ageyne here, and toke the
 crowne ageyne the wyll of the peple, and put Yrene to exile,
 where sche diede. In the firste yere of this Constantyne, a
 plate of golde was founde in the beryalle of a dedde man,
 contenyng this writyng in hit: "Criste schalle be borne of
 " Mary virgyne; y beleve in hym; under Constantyne and
 " Yrene his moder, sonne, thow schalle see me ageyne."
Marianus, libro ij^{do}. Kenulphus, kyng of Westesaxons, and
 Offa, kyng of the Marches, fauʒhte soore for the cite of f. 289 b.
 Besyngton, but Offa prevaylede and hade hit. Men of North-
 umbrelonde expulsed Ethelberte their kyng, and erecte

¹ *helpers*, Cx.² From a., β. (not γ.), and Cx.
cruwelnesse, β.⁴ *yen*, γ.⁵ From a., β., γ., and Cx.⁶ *Yren*, β., et infra.⁷ *eft*] after, γ.⁸ *allone*] om. Cx.⁹ *pupel*, γ.¹⁰ *exiled*, β., bis.¹¹ *founden*, β.¹² *wreton*, Cx.¹³ a] om. a., β., and γ.¹⁴ *Ych*, γ.¹⁵ *Sone*, Cx.¹⁶ *eft*, a. and Cx.; *efte*, β.¹⁷ *vouʒte stronlyche*, γ.¹⁸ *Besyngton*, β. and Cx.; *Ven-*
syngton, γ.¹⁹ Sic in MS.

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bertum, et Alfwoldum statuerunt undecim annis. *De synodo Nicena*.¹ Hoc anno secunda synodus Nicena trescentorum quinquaginta episcoporum sub Adriano celebratur, in qua asseritur, contra opinionem Græcorum, Spiritum Sanctum de² Patre et Filio procedere. *Wilhelmus*³ *de pontificibus, libro iii^{to}*.⁴ *De Westsaxonibus*.⁵ Rex Westsaxonum Kenulphus Clitonem Kynehardum,⁶ regis Sigeberti prædecessoris sui⁷ germanum, de regno suo expellere molens, domum cujusdam mulieris amasiæ suæ apud Mertonam de nocte adiit, ubi Clito cum octoginta sociis⁸ regem circumvallavit. Rex tamen expergefactus viriliter ad tempus⁹ se defendit, in fine tamen occubuit.¹⁰ At milites regis ad clamorem mulieris¹¹ impetum facientes, et blanda Clitonis promissa spernentes, cum pauci essent omnes simul¹² occubuerunt. Mane vero regis morte vulgata, Osricus¹³ dux regis cum suis locum adiens, Clitonem cum sociis omnibus¹⁴ interemit, corpus¹⁵ regis Wyntoniam sepelivit. Post Kenulphum successit in regnum Westsaxonum¹⁶ Brithricus, de genere Cerdici,¹⁷ quindecim annis. Qui¹⁸ statim

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¹ A. omits heading.
² a, B.
³ *Malmesburiensis*, A.
⁴ The correct reference is *De Gestis Reg. Angl.*, i. 3.
⁵ B.C.D. omit heading.
⁶ *Kinehard*, A.
⁷ *prædecessoris sui*] om. C.D.
⁸ *cum . . . sociis*] om. C.D.
⁹ *ad tempus*] om. B.
¹⁰ *sed tandem viro Clitone in eum*
irruit plagisque mutuo datis rex occubuit, C.D.
¹¹ *ad clamorem mulieris*] om. B.
¹² *omnes simul*] om. B.
¹³ *Offricus*, B.
¹⁴ *octoginta quatuor*, C.D.
¹⁵ *vero*, B.
¹⁶ *Westsaxonum*] om. C.D.
¹⁷ *Credici*, A.
¹⁸ *Qui . . . descendente[m]*] om. C.D.

Alwold¹ kyng, þat regnede enlevene 3ere. Þat 3ere þe se-
counde synod was i-made at Nicene of þre hondred bisshoppes
and fifty in Adrian his tyme. In þat synod a3erst þe opinioun
of þe Grees² it is i-seide þat þe Holy Goost comeþ of þe Fader
and of þe Sone. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro 4^o*. Kenul-
phus kyng of West Saxons caste for to putte Kynehard out
of his kyngdom, þe broþer of his predecessour³ Sigebertus,
and cam by ny3te to a wommans hous at Mertoun þat was
his lemman. Þere Clito cam wip foure score felawes, and
bysette þe kyng al aboute. But whan þe kyng was awaked
he defended manliche hym self, but he was i-slawe at þe laste.
And⁴ þe kynges kny3tes resede and forsook⁵ Clito his faire⁶
byhestes;⁷ but for þey were [fewe, þei were]⁸ dede alle at þe
laste.⁴ Erliche amorwe it was koupe⁹ þar þe kyng was deed;
and Osricus þe kynges ledere come wip his felowes to þe place,
and slow3 Clito and his felowes everich one, and took þe
kyng his body, and buried it at Wynchestre. After Kenulphus
Brithricus,¹⁰ of Cerdicus his blood, was kyng of West Saxons

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. Alfwolde, whiche reignede xj. yere. The secunde cownsayle
or seeyne of Nicene, of ccc. lⁱ. bischoppes, was halowede
under Adrianus the pope, in whom hit was seide the Holy
Goste to procede from the Fader and the Sonne, ageyne the
oppinion of men of Grece. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro
quarto*. Kenulphus, kyng of Westesaxons, intendynge to
expelle from his realme Clito Kinehardus, broþer german of
Sigeberte his predecessor, come to Merton in a ny3hte to the
hows of his specialle, where Clito compassede the kyng with
lxxx. men. The kyng awakede, defendid hym manly, never-
thelesse he was sleyne at the laste; and also the kny3htes
of the kyng despisenge the promisse of Clito, were sleyne
also. The dethe of the kyng expressede, Osricus, a duke
longynge to hym, and goynge to Merton, did sle Clito with alle
hys men, and beryede the kyng at Wynchestre; whom Brith-
ricus succedid, of the bloode of Cerdicus, and reignede xv.

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gracione.

¹ Alfwold, a. β., and γ.; Aswolf,
Cx.

² Grekes, β. and Cx.

³ predecessours, a.; predecessors,
β.

⁴ And . . . laste] om. Cx.

⁵ vorsouke, γ.

⁶ veyr, γ.

⁷ feyr byhestes, β.

⁸ From β.; bote vor huy were
veve huy were, γ.

⁹ knowen, Cx.

¹⁰ Brihtricus, β.; Brihtric, γ.

ope regis Offæ, cujus filiam desponsaverat, expulsiit Egbertum filium Alkmundi¹ subreguli filii Offæ, de genere Kyngisli et Inæ descendentem.² Qui statim sic³ expulsus Gallias adiit, scholam militarem exercuit,⁴ Brithrico mortuo rediit et regnavit. Ac quod de re militari apud Gallias didicerat⁵ edocuit.⁶ *Willelmus*

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*de Pontificibus, libro quarto.*⁷ Defuncto Lulle⁸ archiepiscopo Dorobernensi successit Richulphus viginti octo⁹ annis. Qui magnam basilicam Sancti Albani a fundamentis inchoans, mirabili opere de cocto latere

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strenue consummavit. Hoc anno rex¹⁰ Offa copulavit filiam suam Ethelburgam Brithrico¹¹ regi Westsaxonum, de qua relatum¹² est quod omnes familiares mariti sui¹³ aut potestate aut veneno extinguere¹⁴ satagebat. Cum ergo aliquando uni¹⁵ de regis familiaribus venenum porrigeret, ipsum¹⁶ regem cum adolescente extinxit.

¹ *Elcmundi*, A.

² See note 18, page 272.

³ *sic*] om. C.D.

⁴ *post hoc*, C.D.

⁵ *didicaverat*, B.

⁶ *aliis infudit*, C.D.

⁷ C.D. omit reference; A.B. transpose it to the beginning of the next passage. The passage occurs *De gestis Reg. Angl.* i. 4.

⁸ *Lull*, B.

⁹ *septem*, C.D.

¹⁰ *Merciorum*, add. C.D.

¹¹ *Brighrico*, B.

¹² *narratum*, B.

¹³ *sui*] om. A.

¹⁴ *vita privare*, C.D.

¹⁵ *semel cuidam*, C.D.

¹⁶ *ipsam*, B.

fiftene ȝere. Anon by help of kyng Offa, whos douȝter he hadde i-wedded, he put out Egbertus þe sone of Alemondus þe underkyng, þat was þe sone of Offa, þat cam of þe blood [of]¹ Kyngilphus² and of Ine. Anon as he was so i-putte out³ he wente into Fraunce, and usede þe scole of chivalrie; and whanne Brithricus⁴ was dede he come aȝe, and regned, and tauȝte þe scole of chivalrye as he hadde i-lerned in Fraunce. Lull archebisshop of Caunterbury deyde, and Ruchilfus⁵ was archebisshop after [hym]⁶ eyȝte and twenty ȝere. He bygan to bulde Seynt Albons⁷ his grete chirche, from the foundement⁸ of a wonder werk of brend⁹ tyle, and brouȝt [hit]¹⁰ nobleliche to a good¹¹ ende. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro primo.*¹² Þis ȝere kyng Offa mariede his douȝter Ethelburga to Briȝtricus¹³ kyng of West Saxons; of here¹⁴ it is i-seide þat sche fondede¹⁵ besiliche by myȝt oþer by venym for to slee alle þe meynyals¹⁶ of here housbonde. Þanne in a tyme sche¹⁷ ȝaf venym for to slee ȝongelynges¹⁸ þat was homeliche wiþ þe kyng, and slouȝ boþe

TREVISIA.

Ab urbe.

yere. Whiche expulsed Egberte, son of Alquimundus, underkyng, of the son of Offa, of the bloode of Kyngisly and of Ine; whiche soe expulsede, wente to Fraunce, exercysynge the study of chevallery, and returnede to Ynglonde after the dethe of Brithricus, and reignede after, techynge his peple of the actes chevallery þat he hade lernede in Fraunce. Richulphus succedid Lull archebisshop of Cawnterbery, whiche made the grete churche of Seynte Alban, of a mervellous werke, and finischede hit. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro quarto.* Offa the kyng mariede Ethelburga his doȝhter in this yere, to Brithricus kyng of Westesaxons, of whom hit is seide that sche laborede to extincte alle men familier with here kyng, other thro powere or by poyson. Whiche ȝiffenge drynke to a yonge man familier to the kyng, and the kyng drynkyng perof, was poysonede also; wherefore sche, takynge grete trea-

MS. HARL.
2261.A transmi-
gracione.¹ From Cx.² *Kyngilsus*, β.; *Kyngisly*, γ.; *Gengulsus*, Cx.³ out] doune, Cx.⁴ *Briȝtricus*, β.; *Brihtricus*, γ.⁵ *Rychulfus*, α., β., and Cx.;*Richulfus*, γ.⁶ From β.⁷ *Albon*, α.⁸ *fundement*, β.⁹ *brand*, β.¹⁰ From α., β., and γ.¹¹ a good] an, α. and β.¹² *quarto*, α. and β.¹³ *Brihtricus*, β.; *Brythricus*, γ.¹⁴ *hure*, γ.¹⁵ *laboured*, Cx.¹⁶ *houshold men*, Cx.¹⁷ *heo*, β.¹⁸ for . . . ȝongelynges] to a ȝongelynge, α., β., and Cx.

Unde et ipsa cum immensis thesauris regem¹ Francorum adiit. Cui cum rex semel in solario cum filio suo astans optionem daret quem e duobus, patrem aut filium, in virum habere² vellet, ipsa regis filium praelegit. Ad quam rex ait: "Si me elegisses, filium meum obtinuisses; " verum quia me recusasti, nec me nec³ filium meum habebis; quin etiam saeculari pompa deposita monasterium " te adire oportebit."⁴ Ubi dum a quodam [laico]⁵ stuprata fuisset ejecta est et pauper⁶ obiit. Ab eo tempore inolevit apud Anglos uxorem regis neque reginam vocari neque in⁷ regia sede juxta regem collocari. *Henricus, libro quarto.*⁸ Hoc anno apparuit in vestibus Anglorum signum crucis mirabile, et sanguis de caelo in terram profluxit. Quod utrum advenerit in signum motionis⁹ Jerosolimitanae post trescentos annos, tempore scilicet Willelmi Rufi futurae,¹⁰ an potius ad correctionem gentis

Mirabile.
Signum mirabile Anglis ostensum de caelo.

¹ *regem . . . regem*] om. B.

² *matrimonialiter copulari*, C.D.

³ *verum . . . nec*] om. C.D.;

⁴ C.D. add: "In quo paucis diebus abbatissae fungebatur vice."

"Nam a quodam laico ibidem."

⁵ *laico*] from A.B.

⁶ *pauper*] om. B.

⁷ *in*] om. B.

⁸ A. transposes the reference before the passage immediately preceding.

⁹ *captionis*, C.D.

¹⁰ *futuro*, A. and MS.

þe kyng and þe ʒongelyng. Þanne sche¹ wente to þe kyng of Fraunce, and hadde wip here greet tresoure and riches. Þanne in a tyme þe kynges² sone stood in a solere,³ and þe kyng ʒaf here⁴ choys wheþer sche⁵ wolde have to housbonde of þe fader or⁶ of þe sone; and sche chees⁷ þe sone. "Haddest [þu]⁸ " i-chose⁹ me," quop þe kyng, "þou scholdest have¹⁰ [had]⁸ my sone. But for þu hast forsake me, þu schalt not have me " noþer¹¹ my sone; þu moste leve þe pride of þe world¹² and " goo into an abbay." Þere a lewed man lay by here, and sche was i-putte out, and deide in povert. After þat time pereof it com to be used among [the]¹³ Angles þat þe knyʒtes¹⁴ wif schulde not be i-cleped queene noþer sitte by þe kyng in þe kynges sete. *Henricus, libro 4^o.* Þat ʒere was i-seie a wonder signe of þe cros on Englisshe men cloþes, and blood fil¹⁵ down from hevene to þe erþe.¹⁶ We ʒeveþ none unwise doom¹⁷ wethir¹⁸ þis byfel in token of þe mocion of Ierusalem þat fel¹⁹ pre hondred ʒere afterward in William þe Reede his

TREVISIA.

Ab urbe. sure with here, wente unto kyng Charls, into Fraunce. Whiche MS. HARL. 2261. havyng his sonne with hym, and talkyng with Ethelburga, ʒafe here choise of hym and of his sonne, and sche chosed the sonne. Then kyng Charls seide to here, "And if thou hade chosen me, thou scholdest have had my sonne; and in that thow refused me, thou schalle have neiþer me ne my son; and also, seculer pride deposide, thou schalle goe to a monastery." Whiche beyng in a monastery a²⁰ takyng the pleasure of þe flesche with a seculer man, was expulsed from the monastery, and diede in grete misery and povert. From whiche tyme hit was used in Ynglonde the wife of the kyng neiþer to be callede a qwene, neither to be sette in a regalle seete nye to the kyng. *Henricus, libro quarto.* A mervellous signe of the crosse apperede thys yere in the clothes of men of Ynglonde, and bloode did descende from hevyn into the erthe; we wylle not diffyne wheþer hit come into the signe of the mocion of Ierusalem after ccc. yere folowyng, in the tyme of William

A transmi-
gracione.

f. 290 a.

¹ heo, β.	¹¹ ner, Cx.
² þe kyng and his, a., β., γ., and Cx.	¹² worle, γ.
³ soler, β.	¹³ From Cx.
⁴ hure, γ	¹⁴ kynges, a., β., and Cx.
⁵ heo, β., et infra.	¹⁵ blod vul, γ.
⁶ oþer, a. and β.	¹⁶ eorþe, γ.
⁷ hue ches, γ.	¹⁷ We . . . doom] It is not known, Cx.
⁸ From β.	¹⁸ wheþer, β.
⁹ Haddest thou chose, Cx.	¹⁹ fil, β.; vul, γ.
¹⁰ hadde, γ.	²⁰ Sic in MS.

Angligenæ,¹ ut plagam Dacorum venturam² formidarent, nos nihil temere definimus,³ sed Deo sua decreta⁴ committimus. *De adventu Danorum in Angliam.*⁵

Gratiæ
DCCLXXXIX.
Karoli
magni
XXI.

Hoc anno Dani primo⁶ Angliam venerunt, a quibus præpositus regis Westsaxonum cum paucis improvide occurrens interfectus est. Sanctus Alfwoldus rex Northumbriæ a gente sua occiditur, cui nepos suus Osredus, filius Aluredi⁷ et frater Alkmundi,⁸ succedens, cito post expellitur, et tandem occiditur. Post quem Etheldredus⁹ nuper expulsus iterum succedens, cito post¹⁰ occiditur. [Quamobrem Colwulphus Lindisfarnensis præsul sedem et regnum deseruit.]¹¹ Post hoc Oswaldus paucis diebus regnavit, et post eum Ardulphus uno anno successit. Deinde per annos septuaginta sex aliqui regnaverunt, quorum ultimi fuerunt Osbrithus¹² et Elle. Qui anno gratiæ octingentesimo sexagesimo septimo¹³ in Eboraco¹⁴ civitate cum flore gentis¹⁵ suæ perempti sunt a Danis. Qui Dani extunc¹⁶ per quinquaginta duos

¹ *Anglica*, A.
² *futuram*, B.; *proximo*, add. C.; *futuro*, MSS. from the close proximity of *tempore*.
³ *diffinibus*, MS.
⁴ *secreta*, A.B.
⁵ A.B.C.D. omit heading.
⁶ *primum*, A.
⁷ *regis*, add. C.D.
⁸ *Alcmundi*, A.
⁹ *germanus suus*, add. C.D.

¹⁰ *ab eisdem*, C.D.
¹¹ From A.; *Oswolfus Lindisfarnensis episcopus sedem et regnum deseruit*, C.D.; B. has the same, prefixing *Quamobrem*.
¹² *Osbright*, B.
¹³ 887, C.D.
¹⁴ *Eboraca*, MS.
¹⁵ *Northimbrensis*, C.D.
¹⁶ *Anglis cessantibus regnare*, add. C.D.

tyme, oþer elles to amende Engliche men for þey schulde drede þe wreche þat was i-come¹ uppon hem by þe Danes ; bote² we letēþ God i-worþe wiþ his owne private.² Þat ʒere þe Danes come first into Engelond ; þe kynges steward³ of West Saxons wente aʒenst hem unwisliche⁴ wiþ fewe⁵ men, and was of hem i-slawe. Seynt Oswold⁶ kyng of Norphumberlond is i-slawe of his owne men ; his newew Osredus, þe sone of Aluredus and broþer of Alcmundus, regnede after hym, and was sone after i-putte out and i-slawe. After hym Etheldredus, þat was somtyme i-put out of his kyngdom, regned eft, and was sone after⁷ i-slawe. Þerfore Colwulfus bisshop of Lyndifare⁸ forsook⁹ boþe, and lefte þe see and þe kyngdom. Here after Oswaldus¹⁰ regnede aftir fewe⁵ dayes. After hym Ardulphus¹¹ regnede oon ʒere. Þere after þre score¹² ʒere and sixtene kynges regnede þere, þe laste of hem were Osbrith¹³ and Elle. Þe Danes slouʒ hem at þe citee of ʒork, and al þe floure of here men þe ʒere of oure Lorde eyʒte hondred þre score and seventene. After þat

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. Rufus, other elles for the correccion of men in Ynglonde, that thei scholde drede the plage of Danes to come, but we committe to God his secrete pinges. Danes come firste into Ynglonde in this yere, and the governoure of the kynges howse of Westesaxons, ʒiffenge metynge to theym with fewe peple, was sleyne. Seynte Alfwold, kyng of Northumbrelonde, was sloyne of his peple ; whom Osredus, son of Aluredus and broþer of Alquimundus, succedid, whiche was expulsede soone and sleyne afterwarde ; after whom Etheldredus expulsede was restorede, and sleyne soone after. Wherefore Colwulphus, bisshop of Lindisfarn, lefte his seete and forsakede the realme, Osbaldus reignede after that fewe dayes, and Ardulphus after hym oon yere, and so certeyne kynges reignede by lxxvj^{ti} yere. The laste of whom were Osbright and Elle, whiche were sleyne in the cite of Yorke, with the noble men of their cuntre, by the Danes, in the yere of oure Lorde God viii^o. lxxij. Whiche

MS. HARL.
2261.A transmi-
gracione.

¹ *i-come*] to come, β.
² *bote . . . private*] but as God wil soo mote it be, Cx.
³ *steward*, β. ; *styward*, Cx.
⁴ *unwiseliche*, β. ; *uncwyslych*, γ.
⁵ *veaw*, γ.
⁶ *Alswold*, β. ; *Alfwold*, γ.
⁷ *afterward slayn*, β.
⁸ *Lyndisfare*, β. ; *Lyndesfar*, Cx.

⁹ *vorsouk*, γ.
¹⁰ *Osbaldus*, α. and β.
¹¹ *Adulphus*, Cx.
¹² *lxxvi. yere kynges regneden there*, Cx. The word *ʒere* has got misplaced in MS., and should come after *sixtene*.
¹³ *Osbriht*, β. and γ.

Gratiæ
DCCXCIII.
Karoli
magni
XXV.

annos regnaverunt in Northimbria usque ad tempora Ethelstani.¹ Pipinus filius Karoli² conjuravit contra patrem, sed consilio detecto tonsoratus est et in³ monasterium detrusus, ejusque socii alii⁴ decollantur aut suspenduntur. *De sancto Ethelberto.*⁵ Sanctus Ethelbertus rex Estanglorum jussu regis Offæ, per suasionem⁶ uxoris suæ⁷ Kyneswithæ, regno et vita privatur.

CAP. XXVIII.

*De regibus Merciorum.*⁵ [*De rebus Anglicis, de pontificibus Romanorum, et de morte Caroli Magni.*]

Gratiæ
DCCXCIII.
Karoli
magni
XXVI.

OFFA rex Merciorum obiit, cui filius suus Egfertus uno anno successit. Cui vir pius⁸ Kenulphus, filius Cuthberti,⁹ successit, qui ex regina sua Alfritha, genuit Quendridam,¹⁰ Burgenildam, et sanctum Kenelmum.¹¹ *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo, in fine.*¹² Iste¹³ Kenulphus quinto gradu nepos Pendæ, vir magnus et virtutibus famam supergrediens, domi religiosus, bello

¹ quousque rex Angliæ Ethelstanus totam Angliam una clauderet monarchia, C.D.

² magni, add. C.D.

³ in] om. B.

⁴ aut, B.

⁵ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁶ et persuasione, A.

⁷ uxoris suæ] om. B.

⁸ pacificus et justus, add. C.D.

⁹ et nepos Wibbæ, add. C.D.

¹⁰ Quendrodam, B.

¹¹ Canciam vastavit, regem eorum Edbertum ligatum secum in Mercia adduxit. Templum beatæ Ma-

riæ in Winhecumbia construxit. Patriarchalem honorem Athelardo, Cantuariensi archiepiscopo, restituit; ac postquam viginti quatuor annis strenue præfisset obiit, apud Winhecumbiam tumultus. Hiis diebus apud Constantinopolim sol septem diebus obscuratus est et non apparuit, ita ut multi propter ex-cæcationem pii imperatoris Constantini hoc contigisse crederent, add. C.D.

¹² In fine] om. B.

¹³ Iste . . . compulsi] om. C.D.

tyme þe Danes regnede in Norphumberlond two and fifty ȝere **TREVISIA.**
anon to Ethelstan his tyme. Pipinus þe sone of Charles conspired aȝenst his fader, but his counsaile was i-wried,¹ and he was i-schore monk and i-closed in an abbay, and his felowes were som byheded and some anhonged² by þe prote. Seynt Ethelbertus, kyng of Est Angles, was i-privid bope of his kyngdom and of his [lyf]³ by heste of kyng Offa, and by excitynge and counsail of his owne wif Kyneswyda.⁴

Capitulum vicesimum octavum.

OFFA deide, kyng of Mercia, his son Eserkus⁵ regnede after hym oon ȝere, and after hym a mylde man, Kenulphus, Cuthbert his sone, was kyng; he gat on his wif queene Alfritha Quendrida, Burgenilda, and Seynt Kenelyn.⁶ *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 1^o in fine.* Þis Kenulphus was Penda his newew in þe fift degree,⁷ and was a greet man; his virtues passed⁸ his fame; at

Ab urbe. Danes did reigne in Northumbrelonde from that tyme unto the tymes of kyng Ethelstan, as by lij^u yere. Pipinus sonne of Charls coniurede ageyne his fader, wherefore, the cownsaile detecte, he was putte into a monastery, and some of his felowes were sleyne and somme hongede. Seynte Ethelberte, kyng of Este Ynglische men, loste his realme and lyfe by the commaundemente of kyng Offa and persuasion of Kyneswitha his wife. **MS. HARL. 2261.**
A transmigratione.

Capitulum vicesimum octavum.

OFFA kyng of the Marches diede, whom Egberte his son succedid oon yere; whom Kenulphus the meke man did succede, son to Cuthbert, whiche gate, of Alfritha his qwene, Quendreda, Burgenilda, and Seynte Keneline. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.* This Kenulphus, a myȝhty man and vertuous, religious in his place, victorious in batelle, hav- **f. 290 b.**

¹ *i-wreyed, a.; wryȝed, β.; ywryed, γ.*

² *anhanged, β.*

³ *From Cx.; lif, β.*

⁴ *Kyneswyda, β.; Kineswilda, γ.*

⁵ *Egsercus, a., β., γ., and Cx.*

⁶ *Kenelm, β. and γ. (semper); Kenelme, Cx.*

⁷ *gree, a.; gre, γ.*

⁸ *passide, β.*

victoriosus contra Cantuaritas successivum ab Offa suscipiens odium, regionem illorum¹ valide afflixit, regem eorum nomine Egbertum, cognomine Pren, vinctum duxit secum in Merciam; sed cito post humana miseratione emollitus,² in ædificatione ecclesiæ Wynhecumbiæ,³ quam ipse erexit, captivum regem ad altare manumisit, assistentibus xiii. episcopis, decem ducibus. Ex quo facto basilica personabat laudibus, platea fremebat discursibus. Hic etiam honorem patriarchalem Athelardo Cantuariensi restituit. Tandem post vicesimum Kenulphus rex sedem patriarchæ Cantuariensis restituit. quartum annum regni sui obiit; tumulatur in Wynhecumbia; Kenelmum hæredem reliquit. His diebus apud Constantinopolim sol xvii. diebus obscuratus est et non apparuit, ita ut multi hoc putarent contingisse propter exceccationem regis Constantini. *Alfridus.* Hoc etiam anno, scilicet decimo Brithrici,⁴ visi sunt flammei dra-

¹ *eorum*, B.

² *emollitus*] om. B.

³ *Winhecumbiæ*, B.

⁴ *Brithrici*, A.; *Brightrici*, B.

home he was devoute and mylde; in batayle he was stalworþ,¹ and ofte hadde þe victorie. After Offa he took² wreþe³ aʒenst Kentische men, and werrede strongliche in here lond, and took here kyng Egbert, þat heet Pern⁴ by his surname, and lad hym wiþ hym i-bounde into Mercia. But sone after he was i-mylded by mercy of manhede in þe buldyng in⁵ þe cherche of Wynchecombe þat he bulde. At þe auʒter he ʒaf þe kyng fredom⁶ þat was prisoner. Þere were present þrittene bisshoppes and ten dukes; for þat dede al þe cherche sownede for joye, and þe street grucched,⁷ cryde, and made noyse, stertyng⁸ aboute. Also þis restored aʒe þe dignite of primat to Athelardus bisshop of Canturbury, and deyde at þe laste after þe ʒere of his kyngdom foure and twenty, and was i-buried at Wynchecombe, and lefte Kenelme after hym to be his eyre.⁹ Þat tyme at Constantynnoble þe sonne wiþdrow¹⁰ his light seventene dayes, and was nouʒt i-seie,¹¹ so þat meny men trowede þat þat was byfalle for þe blyndyng¹² and puttyng out of kyng Constantyn his eiʒen.¹³ *Alfridus*. Also þat ʒere, þat was þe tenþe ʒere of Brithricus,¹⁴ were fury¹⁵ dragoune i-seie¹⁶ in

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. ynge successyve hate of Offa his predecessor ageyne men of Kente, ʒafe soore batelle ageyne men of that region, and brouʒhte in bondes Egeberte Pren¹⁷ their kyng, into the Marches. But this Kenulphus, after the edificacion of the monastery of Wynchcumbe, manumitte this kyng at the hie awter in the seide church, xiiij. bischoppes beyng presente and x. dukes. Also he restorede the dignite of the metropolitan seete to Athelardus archebisshop of Cawnterbury, and diede after the xxiiijth yere of his reignede,¹⁷ and was beryede at Wynchecumbe, levyng Kenelmus to be his successor. The sonne did not schyne by xvij. daies abowte this tyme at Constantinopole, neither apperede, in so moche that men supposede that to have falle for the blyndyng and dethe of Constantyne. *Alfridus*. In this xth yere of Brithricus dragons of fire were seene to flye in the aiere in Ynglonde,

MS. HARL.
2261.A transmi-
gracione.¹ *stronge*, Cx.² *touk*, γ.³ *wrath*, Cx.⁴ *Pren*, α., β., and γ.⁵ *in*] of, Cx.⁶ *vredom*, γ.⁷ *stret grochede*, γ.; *grutched*, Cx.⁸ *startyng*, β.⁹ *heyr*, γ. and Cx.¹⁰ *withdrewe*, Cx.¹¹ *seen*, β.¹² *blendyng*, β.; *blendyng*, Cx.¹³ *yen*, γ.¹⁴ *Brihtricus*, β.¹⁵ *vury*, γ.; *firy*, Cx.¹⁶ *fuyry dragons seen*, β.¹⁷ Sic in MS.

cones in Anglia volitare per aera, quod signum duæ pestes sequebantur, scilicet fames prævalida et infestatio Danica, quæ primo Northimbriam invasit. Deinde Lyndeseyam, sed ea vice Dani¹ devicti sunt² et ad³ naves fugere compulsi.⁴ *De pontificibus Romanorum.*⁵

Gratias
DCCXCVI.
Karoli
magni
XXVIII.

Leo⁶ quartus post Adrianum præsedit⁷ papa annis viginti. Hic dum semel pergeret cum letaniis ad beatum Petrum die Sancti Marci captus et excœcatus est,⁸ lingua amputata; sed Deus miraculose restituit sibi visum et loquelam, ita ut sine lingua loqueretur. Postmodum vadens ad Karolum in Franciam rediit cum eodem Romæ. Et facta est vindicta de æmulis papæ, purificante⁹ se papa de¹⁰ sibi objectis. Et tunc denuo coronavit Karolum, et dudum coronatum confirmavit.

Gratias
DCCXCVI.
Karoli
magni
XXIX.

*De imperatoribus Romanis.*⁵ Nichoforus vir patricius apud Græcos, relegata Yrene imperatrice, callide invasit imperium et regnavit octo annis.¹¹ Cujus tempore¹²

¹ *Dani*] om. B.

² *sunt*] om. B.

³ *in*, A.

⁴ See note 13, page 280.

⁵ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁶ *papa*, add. B.

⁷ *sedit*, B.

⁸ *et*, B.

⁹ *purgante*, C.D.

¹⁰ *quibusdam*, add. C.D.

¹¹ *vir per omnia crudelis et avarus*, add. C.D.

¹² *temporibus*, C.D.

Engelond fleynge¹ by the ayer;² after þat signe com tweie pestilens,³ strong honger, and þe werre of þe⁴ Danes þat assailede⁵ first Norphumberlond and þanne Lyndeseie. But at þat tyme þe Danes were overcome, and fliȝ⁶ to here schippes. After Adrianus þe fourþe⁷ Leo was pope twenty ȝere. In a tyme þis wente to Seynt Peter in a Seint Markes⁸ day, wip þe letayne, and was i-take in, [and]⁹ his eyȝen¹⁰ i-put¹¹ out, and his tonge i-kut¹² of. But God by myracle restored [hym]¹³ his sight and his speche, so þat he spak wip oute lettynge.¹⁴ Afterward he wente to Charles into Fraunce, and com wip hym aȝen to Rome; [þanne]¹⁵ wreche was i-take of þe pope his enemyes, and þe pope purged¹⁶ hym of þat me bare hym on honde; and þo eft he crowned Charles, and confermed hym þat was raper¹⁷ i-crowned. Nichoforus Patricius exciled¹⁸ Yrene þe emperesse¹⁹ of Grece,²⁰ and assailede and took þe empere with wyles and wip strengþe, and regned eiȝte ȝere.

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. whiche signe ij. pestilence folowede, a grete hungre, and persecucion or trowble of the Danes. Whiche entrede firste into Northumbrelonde, and after that into Lindesey; but the Danes were overcommen in that tyme, and constreynede to take their schippes. Leo the iiijth succedid Adrianus the pope xxth yere, whiche goynge in a tyme with letanyes to the church of Seynte Petre, in the feste of Seynte Marc, he was made blynde and hade his tunge kytte away by wikkede men. But God restorede to hym his syȝhte and the use of speche, in so moche that he spake withowte eny tunge. Whiche goynge to Fraunce to kyng Charls, brouȝhte hym to Rome; which toke vengeance on the adversaryes to þe pope, the pope makynge a purgacion of pinges obiecte to hym; and then he crownede Charls, and confermede hym crownede but late afore. Nichoforus afore rehersed, sendynge Yrene emperesse of Grece unto exile entrede in to thempire, and reignede viij. yere. In whiche tyme

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gracione.¹ vleyng, γ.² eyr, β.³ pestilences, β.⁴ þe] om. β.⁵ assoylede, γ.⁶ vlye, γ.⁷ ferþe, β.⁸ Marcus, β. and Cx.⁹ From β.¹⁰ yen, α.¹¹ yene ypot, γ.¹² kitt, β.¹³ From β. and Cx.¹⁴ tonge, α, β., and Cx.¹⁵ From β.; Thenne, Cx.¹⁶ purgide, β.¹⁷ tofore, Cx.¹⁸ exiled, β.¹⁹ emperice, β.; emperys, γ.²⁰ Grece, β.

orientale imperium omnino defecit.¹ Corpus Sanctæ

Gratiæ
DCCXCVIII
Karoli
magni
XXX.

Withburgæ² virginis, filiae regis Annæ, sororisque Sexburgæ, post annos quinquaginta quinque apud villam de Dirham, ubi tumulabatur, repertum est incorruptum.

Gratiæ
DCCC.
Karoli
magni
XXXII.

Hoc anno coronatus est Karolus in imperatorem per Leonem papam, a quo tempore translatum est imperium a Græcis ad Francos et Germanos. *Giraldus, distinctione prima, capitulo septimodecimo.*³ Propter hanc imperii translationem⁴ Græci semper, quamquam in se defectivi, magis venenis quam viribus, arte quam marte contendunt, Latinis adeo invident quod ab ecclesiæ Romanæ subjectione⁵ et obedientia se subtraxerunt. Proinde cum per Romanos pontifices ad obediendum⁶ sæpius fuerunt moniti ut redirent ad ecclesiæ unitatem, rescribere solent, "Vos a nobis subtraxistis, et non subtraximus nos a vobis." *Willelmus de Regibus, libro ii.,⁷ et de Pontificibus, libro tertio.*⁸ Rex Westsaxonum Brithricus⁹ obiit, veneno uxoris extinctus. Post quem

¹ præsertim Carolo demum coronato, add. C.D.

² *Werbungæ*, B.

³ Reference not found.

⁴ *mutationem*, C.D.

⁵ *pariter*, C.D.

⁶ *parendum et*, B.

⁷ Should be *lib. i.*

⁸ B. omits the second reference.

⁹ *Brighricus*, B.; *de prosapia Cerdici*, C.D.

In his tyme þe Est empere faillede al oute. Þe body of Seynt TREVISA.
 Withburg þe mayde was i-founde¹ hool and sounde in þe
 town of Derham,² þere it was i-buried, after fyve and fifty þere:
 Withburg was þe douȝter of kyng Anna and þe suster of Sex-
 burga. Þat þere Charles was i-crowned emperour of Leo þe
 pope; seþþe þat tyme þe empere passede³ from þe Grees⁴ to
 þe Frenschemen and to þe Germans, þat beep Almayns. *Giral-
 dus, distinctio prima, capitulo 7º.* For þis passynge of þe
 empere þe Grees, [þeyȝ]⁵ þey faillede in hemsself, and stryve
 more wip venym þan⁶ wip vertue, more with craft þan wip
 strengþe of bataille, and of Mars þat is i-cleped god of
 batayle; ȝit þey haveþ⁷ so grete envie to þe Latyns þat þey
 haveþ⁸ wip drawe hem out of [þe]⁹ subieccioun and obedience
 of þe chirche of Rome. And þerfore whanne þe popes of Rome
 charged hem ofte to be obedient, and to come aȝe to þe unite
 of holy chirche, þey usede for to write aȝen in þis manere: “ȝe
 “ haveþ wip drawe¹⁰ ȝow from us, and we wipdraweþ¹¹ us from
 “ ȝow.” *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 2º, et de Pontificibus,
 libro 3º.* Briȝtricus¹² kyng of West Saxons deyde, i-poysoned¹³

Ab urbe. thempyr of the este faylede utterly. The body of Seynte MS. HARL.
 Withburga, virgyn and doȝhter of Anna kynge of Este Yng- 2261.
 lische, suster to Sexburga, was founde incorrupte at Dirham, A transmi-
 where sche was beryede, by lvj^d yere folowynge here dethe. gracione.
 Kynge Charls was crownede this yere into themperour by Leo
 the pope, from whiche tyme thempire was translate from men
 of Grece to men off Fraunce, and after that to men of Alemayne.
Giraldus, distinctione prima, capitulo xvij. For that trans- f. 291 a.
 lacion of thempire thauȝhe men of Grece were in defawte, thei
 have so grete envye to men of Latyne that thei withdrawede
 theym from the subieccion and obedience of the church off Rome.
 Whiche monyschede by bishoppes of Rome that thei scholde
 returne to the unyte of the feithe, were wonte to wryte ageyne
 in this maner: “Ye withdrawede yow from us; þerfore we
 “ withdrawe us from yow.” *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo,
 et de Pontificibus, libro tertio.* Brithricus, kynge of Weste-

¹ founden, β.² Durham, Cx.³ passide, β.⁴ Grekes, β. (et infra) and Cx.⁵ From α., β., and γ.⁶ þan] þat, MS.⁷ ȝut hy habbeþ, γ.⁸ hy habbeþ, γ.⁹ From α., β., γ., and Cx.¹⁰ withdrawen, Cx.¹¹ withdrawe, Cx.¹² Briȝtricus, β., et infra.¹³ ȝpuysned, γ.

Egbertus filius Alkmundi¹ subreguli filii Offæ de **Egbertus**. stirpe Inæ successit,² et regnavit triginta septem³ annis. Hic quondam per Brithricum⁴ fugatus Galliam adiit, rediensque quod de re militari didicerat suis subditis tam plebanis quam liberis infudit, fortes et agiles ordinavit milites, ac tempore pacis arma portari⁵ fecit. Cujus studia rex Merciorum Bernulphus aliquando deridens, irritat exercitatum⁶ feriat⁷ ad prælium, et rigide imperat ut sibi homagium faciat. Pugnatur igitur in æstate apud Elyndoun⁸ in Hamtunensi⁹ provincia dispari militum numero et cultu. Nam contra centum milites Egberti pallidos, macilentos,¹⁰ veniunt mille rubicundi et pingues, prius sudore quam sanguine suffocandi: sed illo prælio consummato univit Egbertus regno suo

¹ *Alemundi*, A.

² *in regnum*, A.

³ 73 (sic), B.

⁴ *Brichtricum*, A. ; *Brightricum*, B.

⁵ *portare*, A.

⁶ *exercitum*, B.

⁷ *ferratus*, C.D.

⁸ *Elindon*, A.

⁹ *Elyngdoun in Hamptonensi*, B. ; *Ellaldoun juxta Wynton*, C.D.

¹⁰ *macilentos*, MS.

by þe venym of his wyf. After hym Egbertus þe sone of Alcmundus þe underkyng, þat was þe sone of Offa, of Ine his blood and kynde,¹ regnede seven and pritty ȝere. Somtyme þis was i-chased of Brithricus, and fliȝ into Fraunce, and come aȝe, and tauȝte what he hadde i-learned of chevalrie to his sugettis, to al þe peple þat were² free.³ He ordeynede knyȝtes delyvere men, strong and swyȝer,⁴ and made wepoun⁵ i-bore⁶ in tyme of pees. In a tyme Bernulphus kyng of Mercia scornede his doynge, and he þat was idel⁷ and ful⁸ of reste meoveþ hym to batayle þat is i-used in dedes of armes, and heet hym sturnliche⁹ þat þey¹⁰ schulde doo hym homage. Þanne þe bataille was i-doo¹¹ in somertyme at Elyndoun in þe province of Hamptoun; þere was unleche¹² noumbre of¹³ array of knyȝtes, for aȝenst an hondred of Egbert his knyȝtes, þat were pale¹⁴ men and lene, come a þowsand þat were rody and fat,¹⁵ and were raper¹⁶ i-stuffed¹⁷ wip swoot þan with blood; bote whan þe bataille was i-doo Egbertus onede¹⁸ the kyngdoms of Mercia, of Kent, and of

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. Saxons, diede in this tyme by poysenyng thro his wyfe, whom Egberte, son of Alquimunde, and of the stoke of Ine, did succede xxxvij^a yere. This Egberte expulsede from his realme by Brithricus, wente to Fraunce, and, returnede to Ynglonde, tauȝhte the peple of his realme the actes of chevallery that he hade lernede in Fraunce, ordeynynge myȝhty and wiȝhte knyȝhtes, causenge his peple to use armes in the tymes of pease. Bernulphus, kyng of the Marches, havynge derision of his doctrine, sende to Egberte, kyng of Westesaxons, commaundyng that he scholde do homage to hym. Neverthelesse, the hostes mette in somer at a place callede Claydon, in Hapteschire or province, not lyke in nowmbre of men, for a m^t fatte men, overcommen raper with swetyng then with batelle, come ageyne a c. lene knyȝhtes and men of Egberte. But Egberte prevaylynge in that batelle, unyte to his realme the realmes of

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gracione.

¹ *kuynde*, γ.
² *þat were*] þewe and, a.; boond and, β.
³ *pupel þewe and vre*, γ.; *peple bonde and fre*, Cx.
⁴ *swipere*, β.; *swyȝer*, Cx.
⁵ *wepen*, γ.
⁶ *to be born*, Cx.
⁷ *idel*] om. γ.
⁸ *fōl*, γ.
⁹ *sternliche*, β.

¹⁰ *he*, β. and Cx.
¹¹ *there was bytwene hem a bataille*, Cx.
¹² *unliche*, β.; *unlych*, γ.; *unlike*, Cx.
¹³ *of*] and, β. and Cx.
¹⁴ *paal*, Cx.
¹⁵ *vat*, γ.
¹⁶ *soner*, Cx.
¹⁷ *staffed*, γ.
¹⁸ *onmede*, β.

regnum¹ Merciorum, Cantuariorum, Northimbrorum, cepitque Legecestriam² super Britones, usque tunc a Britonibus possessam. Deinde convocatis proceribus apud Wyntoniam³ coronatus est rex totius Britanniae; ubi edictum fecit ut ab illo die⁴ omnes Saxones et Juti⁵ vocarentur Angli, et Britannia⁶ Anglia. His⁷ Anglia nominatur diebus Ethelmundus subregulus Merciorum, sub⁸ fines suos usque ad vadum⁹ de Chymerfort¹⁰ egressus, pugnavit contra ducem Wyltoniensium Weostanum.¹¹ In quo bello ducibus hinc inde corruentibus, Wyltonienses victoria potiuntur. Sed et Sanctus Alkmundus¹² martyr, filius Aluredi regis Northimbrorum, qui in parte Ethelmundi venerat, occubuit. Cujus corpus apud Album Monasterium,¹³ deinde apud Derbeyam urbem in ecclesia aquilonali suo nomine constructa reconditur, ubi signis variis clarescens a Northimbrensis peregre

¹ *regna*, B.

² *quæ est urbs Legionum*, C.D.

³ *Wentoniam*, A.

⁴ *die*] om. A.

⁵ *et Juti*] om. A.; et Picti, B.

⁶ *insula*, add. C.D.; *vocaretur*, add. B.

⁷ *Ranulphus. His diebus et eodem anno quo obiit rex Brighricus*

secundum Marianum Ethelmundus, B.

⁸ *sub*] om. A.B.

⁹ *vades*, A.

¹⁰ *Chimeresforde*, A.; *Echmersford*, B.

¹¹ *Weofftanum*, A.; *Wohstanus*, C.D.

¹² *Alemundus*, A.

¹³ *primo*, A.B.

Norþhumberlond to his kyngdom, and took Chestre uppon¹ þe Britouns, for þe Britouns hilde² Chestre anon to þat tyme. Þanne he cleped þe lordes to gidres at Wynchestre, and was i-crowned kyng of al Britayne. Þere he ordeyned and heet³ þat al þe Saxouns and Iutes schulde be i-cleped Angles from þat day forþward,⁴ and þat Bretayne schulde be i-cleped Anglia. Bretayne conteyneþ Engelond and Wales and Scotlond. [R.]⁵ Þat 3ere þat kyng Briþtricus⁶ deyde, and⁷ Marianus seiþ, Ethelmundus kyng of Mercia went out of his owne lond anon to the forde⁸ of Chemerforde,⁹ and fau3te a3enst Weofstan¹⁰ duke of Wiltoun. In þat bataille þe dukes were i-slawe in eiper side, and þe Wiltoun men hadde þe victorie; but Seynt Alcmundus þe martir, þe sone of kyng Alrudus¹¹ of Northumberlond, come to¹² Ethelmundus his side, and was i-slawe þere. His body was first i-buried at þe white abbay, and aftirward at Derby in þe norþ chirche þat is i-bulde¹³ in his name. Þere he doop¹⁴ meny tokenes and myracles,¹⁵ and þe Norþhumbres

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Aburbe. the marches of Kente and of Northumbrelonde, and toke Westchestre of the Britons, kepede by theym unto that tyme. After that, alle the noble men of the realme callede to Wynchestre, he was crownede kyng of alle Briteyne, where he commaundede that from that day alle Saxons and Iutes scholde be callede Ynglische men, and that Briteyne scholde be callede Ynglonde. R. In this tyme, that is to say in that yere in whom Briþtricus diede, after Marianus, Ethelmundus, under kyng of the marches, passynge his costes and commynge to Chimereforde, 3afe batelle to Weofstanus, duke of Wilteschire, in whiche conflicte, a grete multitude of peple sleyne, men of Wilteschire hade the victory. But Seynte Alquimundus, martir, and son of Aluredus kyng of Northumbrelonde, commynge into the helpe of Ethelmund kyng of the Marches, was sleyne þer. The body of whom was brou3hte firste to the White Monastery, and after that to Derby, into the northe church of hit, edifiede in his name, where he is visitte moche of men of Northumbrelonde, by whom God schewethe mony

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gracione.¹ *oppon*, γ.² *helde*, β.³ *bade*, β.⁴ *vorþward*, γ.⁵ From β.⁶ *Briþtricus*, β.⁷ *and*] as, β., γ., and Cx.⁸ *vorde*, γ.⁹ *Chimereforde*, β. and γ.; *Chymerforde*, Cx.¹⁰ *Weofftan*, β.; *Weofstan*, γ.¹¹ *Aluredus*, β. and Cx.¹² *to*] in, β. and γ.¹³ *bylde*, β.¹⁴ *There God sheweth for hym*, Cx.¹⁵ *myrakels*, γ.

venientibus sedulo visitatur, *Willelmus*¹ *de Regibus*, Albinus doctor Anglorum.
*libro primo.*² Hoc anno Albinus Anglus, qui et Alcuinus, scientia clarus, mare transiit, Franciam adiit; quam sua doctrina³ illustravit, orationes, missales⁴ et officia⁵ per ferias ordinavit, studium quod a Græcis olim⁶ translatum fuerat Parisium⁷ advexit.⁸ Hic vir omnium Anglorum quos legerim post Aldelimum et Bedam doctissimus, apud Karolum regem potissime, sive terræ amœnitate seu regis humanitate captus, resedit; quem docuit dialecticam, rhetoricam, astronomiam.⁵ Cui⁹ rex commisit monasterium Sancti Martini Turonensis, abbatis jure regendum, quia monachi ibidem ad lasciviam nimis defluerant.¹⁰ Qua de causa, uno monacho Monaehi incontinentes extincti sunt.
 id aspiciente, duo angeli dormitorium illorum ingressi omnes monachos loci, excepto illo qui hoc viderat, extinxerunt. Demum¹¹ Alcuinus apud Sanctum Paulum

¹ *Malmesburiensis*, A.

² C.D. omit reference; to complete the reference, add *cap. 3.*

³ *totam*, add. C.D.

⁴ *composuit, feria prima de Trinitate, secunda de sapientia, tertia de Spiritu Sancto, quarta de caritate, quinta de apostolis, sexta de cruce, sabbato de Sancta Maria celebrare instituit. Hic scientia et ingenio durus, morum honestate conspicuus. Studium quod a Græcis*

Romæ translatum olim fuerat, Parisius advexit. Cui et Karolus rex, &c., add. C.D.

⁵ *et officia . . . astronomiam*] om. C.D.

⁶ *Romæ*, A.B.

⁷ *Parisius*, B.

⁸ *advexit*, B.

⁹ *et Karolus*, add. C.D.

¹⁰ *sericis vestibus induti*, add. C.D.

¹¹ *Demum . . . eleemosynæ*] om. C.D.

comeþ to hym ofte a¹ pilgrimage. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.* Þat ȝere Albinus an² Engliſsheman, þat heet Alcuinus also, a connyng³ man of clergy, passede over [þe]⁴ see into Fraunce, and byschoon⁵ þat lond wip liȝt of his lore; and ordeyned here⁶ orisouns and office of masse for⁷ ferial dayes; and he brouȝte to Parys studie þat þe Grees⁸ hadde somtyme i-chaunged⁹ to Rome. After Beda and Aldelyn¹⁰ þis was þe wisest man of al Engliſshe men þat [I¹¹ have]¹² i-redde¹³ of. And he was i-take and lefte [specialich]¹⁴ wip þe kyng Charles, wheþer it were for clenness of þe lond oper for manhed of þe kyng, and tauȝte hym logike and sophistrie, rethorike and astronomye. And þe kyng bytook hym Seynt Martyn his abbay at Turoun¹⁵ to governe by þe abbottes ryȝt. For þe monkes pere were a falle into a¹⁶ greet outragie; ¹⁷ þefore among¹⁸ hem he¹⁹ sygh tweye aungels come into here dortour²⁰ and slee²¹ alle þe monkes of þat place, outake²² hym þat sigh þat siȝt. At þe laste Alcuinus²³ rested at Seynt Poule of Cor-

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. miracles. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.* Albinus, the noble doctor of Ynglonde, passede the see in this yere, whiche comynge to Fraunce made hit bryȝhte thro his doctryne, and brouȝhte the study to Parise that was translate somme tyme to Rome from men of Grece. This clerke Albinus, after Aldelme and Bede of Yngliſche men moste excellente, departede from kyng Charls withowte eny possession of londes, other withowte eny grete rewarde, to whom he hade redde logike, rethorike, and astronomye. Neverthelesse the kyng committe to hym the governaile of the monastery of Seynte Martyne at Turon, for the monkes of that monastery usede moche ryette. Oon monke perceyvynge the disposicion of his breþer, ij. angells entrede into there dormitory, and extincte alle monkes of that monastery, the monke excepte that perceyvede theyme. And at the laste this Alcuinus diede at Seynte Paule de Cormoryke,

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gracione.
f. 291 b.¹ a] on, β.² an] om. Cx.³ kunnyng, β. and γ.⁴ From β.⁵ entumyned, Cx.⁶ þere, β.⁷ mas vor, γ.⁸ Grekes, β.⁹ chaungide, β.¹⁰ Aldelm, β. and Cx.¹¹ Ich, γ.¹² From a., β., γ., and Cx.¹³ yrad, γ.¹⁴ From β.; specially, Cx.¹⁵ Turone, Cx.¹⁶ a] om. a., β., and γ.¹⁷ outrage, a., β., and γ.¹⁸ among hem he] a monk, β. and γ.¹⁹ he] om. a.²⁰ dorter, β.²¹ slew, Cx.²² outtake, β.²³ At the laste Alcuinus] his in MS.

de Cormarico quiescit, ubi quotidie quatuor monachorum victus pro anima illius inferuntur eleemosynæ. *De Sancto Egidio, abbate*.¹ Circa hæc tempora floruit beatus Egidius, abbas² natione Græcus, qui divino [monitu]³ apud superiorem Galliam⁴ veniens juxta Rhodanum fluvium primo⁵ anachoritice vixit. Claruit et hoc tempore Paulus Romanus diaconus,⁶ Longobardorum descriptor,⁷ qui de monasterio Montis Cassini Gallias usque amore Karoli attractus est. Apud Græcos Michael, vir pius, creatur imperator. Cujus in anno tertio sol in ortu suo defecit, et cito post imperator ipse monachus attonsus est.⁸ Maxima mortalitas boum totam pœne vastavit Europam, sed⁹ maxime Britanniam. *De morte Karoli magni*.¹⁰ Karolus magnus per quadriennium febre vexatus obiit v^o. kalendas Februarii apud¹¹ Aquisgrani, ubi et sepultus est.⁸ *Marianus, libro ii.*¹² In cuius anno ultimo pons ligneus quingentorum passuum, quem apud Magonciam¹³ supra Rhenum

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DCCCIII.
Karoli
magni
XXXVI.

Gratiæ
DCCCX.
Karoli
magni
XLII.

Gratiæ
DCCCXIII.
Karoli
magni
XLV.

¹ A.B. omit heading.

² abbas] om. B.

³ monitu] from B.; nutu, A.

⁴ confessor Christi et abbas eximius, natione Græcus, qui Dei nutu apud Gallias, add. C.D.

⁵ post, A.

⁶ historia, B.

⁷ Longobardorum historiographus, C.D.

⁸ est] om. B.

⁹ sed] om. B.

¹⁰ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

¹¹ apud . . . est] om. C.D.

¹² Add anno 814.

¹³ Moganiam, A.; Meganciam, B.

marik, þere is every day almesse i-deled for his soule foure TREVISA.
 monken¹ mete. Aboute þis tyme Seint Giles² þe abbot, of þe
 nacioun of Grees,³ was in his floures. He com into þe over
 Fraunce by warnynge of God, and lyved first anker his lyf
 faste⁴ by þe ryver of Rone.⁵ Also þat tyme Paule þe decone⁶
 of Rome was in his floures, þat descreeved⁷ þe Longobardes;
 he com out of þe abbay of Mont Cassyn⁸ into Fraunce for love
 of kyng Charles. Among þe Grees Michel, a mylde man, is
 y-made emperour. In his þridde ʒere þe sone faillede in þe
 sonne resynge,⁹ and sone þerafter þe emperour was i-schore¹⁰
 monk. And a greet pestilence of reþeren¹¹ destroyed wel
 nygh al Europa, and namliche Britayne. Þe grete Charles was
 seek¹² foure ʒere in þe feveres, and deide þe fourþe day of¹³
 fevere at Aquisgrani,¹⁴ and was i-buried þere. *Marianus,*
libro 2^o. In his laste ʒere þe treen brigge¹⁵ of fyve hondred
 paas,¹⁶ þat he hadde made wip cost and travaille in ten ʒere
 over þe Ryne at Magoncia, was so i-brend in þre houres þat

Ab urbe.

and restethe þer, where the fyndynge of iiij. monkes is ʒiffen MS. HARL.
 dayly for his sawle. Blissede Giles thabbotte was abowte this 2261.
 tyme, whiche comynge to þe superior Fraunce by the monys-
 chynge of God, nye to the water callede Rodanus, where he
 lyvede firste lyke an ankre. Also Paulus the diacon of Rome,
 and writere of the storyes of the Longobardes, was in this tyme,
 whiche was attracte from the mownte Cassyne unto France at
 the desire of kyng Charls. Michael, a man of grete meke-
 nesse, was made emperoure amonge men of Grece, in the thrydde
 yere of whom the sonne faylede in his rysenge, and soone after
 that the emperoure was made a monke. A grete mortalite of
 oxen occupiede this tyme alle Europe, and specially Briteyne.
 Grete Charls, vexede with the fevers for the space of iiij. yere,
 diede at Aquisgrani the v^{tho} kalendes of February, where he
 was beryede also. *Marianus, libro tertio.* In the laste yere of
 whom the brigge made at Magoncia, over the water of Rhenus,
 by the labore off x. yere, was so destroyed with ynne thre

A transmi-
gracione.¹ monkes, β. and Cx.; monkene, γ.² Gylys, Cx.³ Grekes, β., et infra.⁴ vast, γ.⁵ Roone, β. and Cx.; Rome, MS.⁶ deken, Cx.⁷ descryvede, γ.; discrived, Cx.⁸ Cassyn, β. and γ.⁹ rysynge, γ.¹⁰ shorne, Cx.¹¹ roþeren, α.; ruþeren, β. and Cx.; roþern, γ.¹² syke, α.; seke, β.; syk, γ.¹³ to ffore Fevever, α., γ., and Cx.; tofore Februaire, β.¹⁴ at Acon, Cx.¹⁵ brugge, γ., et infra.; brydge, Cx., et infra.¹⁶ pas, γ.

fluvium decennali labore construxerat, ita infra tres horas¹ conflagravit ut ne una quidem astula supra aquam appareret. Quem eventum multi dixerunt episcopum Riculphum² procurasse propter crebra homicidia et rapinas³ ibidem de nocte facta; alii autem casui fortuito id ascripserunt.

CAP. XXIX.

*De imperatoribus Romanorum.*⁴

LODOWYCUS pius, primogenitus Karoli, imperavit post patrem⁵ viginti sex annis xi. mensibus. In cujus tempore⁶ deponerentur ab episcopis et clericis baltei⁷ gemmati,⁸ vestes exquisitæ.⁹ *Giraldus, distinctione prima, capitulo septimo [decimo].*¹⁰ ¹¹ Iste Lodowycus ex prima uxore¹² Hirmengarda genuit tres liberos;¹³ scilicet Lotharium, quem Romæ a papa Paschali die Paschæ coronatum, pater regem Italiæ et socium imperii fecerat.

Lodowycus
rex filius
Karoli.

¹ *trium horarum spatium*, A.

² *Richulphum*, B.

³ *crebras rapinas et homicidia*, B.

⁴ A.B. omit heading.

⁵ *suum*, B.

⁶ *floruit pietas et justitia*, C.D.

⁷ *balthei*, MS.

⁸ *et*, A.B.

⁹ *cingula comperta*, C.D., which omit reference.

¹⁰ *decimo*] from A.B. It is the same reference as before, which I cannot verify.

¹¹ *Hic habuit duos fratres, unum qui Teutonium et alium qui Hispaniam regebat*, C.D.

¹² *sua*, A.; *sua Hermenburga*, B.

¹³ *filios*, B.

pere was nouȝt oon¹ spone² perof i-seie flete³ uppon þe TREVISIA.
water. Meny men wole mene þat þat happe fille⁴ at þe prayer
of Riculphus⁵ þe bisshop⁶ for manslauȝter and robberye þat
was ofte by nyȝte i-doo uppon þat brigge; but oþer men wil
mene þat it fil by som happe⁷ and non oþer wise.

Capitulum vicesimum nonum.

Lodowicus.

Lowys þe mylde, Charles his eldeste sone, was emperour
after his fader sixe and twenty ȝere and enlevene⁸ monȝes. In
his tyme bisshoppes and clerks⁹ dede¹⁰ away barred gurdelles¹¹
and gay blasynges clopes. *Giraldus*, [*distinctio*]¹² *prima*,
capitulo 17^o. Þis Lowys unto¹³ his firste wyf Hirmengard¹⁴
gat pre sones, Lotharius was oon of hem; he was crowned of
pope Paschal in an Esterday, and his fader maad¹⁵ [hym]¹⁶

Ab urbe. howres that oon chippe of hit remaynede not above the water. MS. HARL.
2261.
Whiche thyng men seide Riculphus the bischoppe to have
causede and procured for rape and manslaȝhter usede þer in
the nyȝhtes. And somme men ascribe that cause to a sodeyne
chaunce. A transmi-
gracione.

Capitulum vicesimum nonum.

LUDOWICUS pius, firste sonne of kynge Charles, was em-
peroure after the dethe of his fader xxj¹¹ yere and xj. monethes.
In the tyme of whom girdells of golde and onornede with
gemmes and inordinate vesture were depesede from bischoppes
and clerkes. *Giraldus*, *distinctione prima*, *capitulo* xvij^o.
This Lodowycus gate of Hirmengarda his firste wyfe thre f. 292 a.
sonnes; Lotharius, whom Lodowicus the kynge causede to be
crowned in to kynge of Paschalis the pope at Rome, on Estre

¹ oon] o, γ.

² o spoone, β.; a spoon, Cx.

³ vlete, γ.

⁴ vul, γ., et infra.

⁵ Ryculfus, Cx.

⁶ byschip, a.

⁷ so by hap, γ.; aventure, Cx.

⁸ ellevene, β.

⁹ clerkys, Cx.

¹⁰ dide, β.

¹¹ girdles, β.; gurdel, γ.; gyrdels,
Cx.

¹² From a. and β.

¹³ on, a., β., and Cx.

¹⁴ Hirmengarda, γ.

¹⁵ made, β.

¹⁶ From β. and Cx.

Lodowycum secundum in Germania, Pipinum tertium in Aquitania et ¹ Vasconia regnare fecit. Ex secunda vero uxore Juditha, filia Welfi ducis Bavarriæ, genuit Karolum Calvum, cui Franciam et Burgundiam regendam commiserat.² *Willelmus de Regibus, libro ii.*³ Hunc⁴ Karolum Calvum quia pater⁵ amplius dilexerat et artius in conspectu fratrum suorum exosculatus fuerat, indignatus Lotharius patrem plurimum vexavit et incarceravit. *Giraldus, ubi supra.* Hic quoque⁶ Lodowycus ob immensam pietatem ⁷ a suis et ab alienis sæpe perpressus est difficultates, donec consultius et acutius⁸ regnum moderaretur. Hoc⁹ sibi contigisse ferebant pro eo quod uxor sua Juditha nimis sibi fuerat propinqua. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro primo.* Unde rex iste dum quendam Fredericum¹⁰ ad Trajectensem in Frisia sedem promovisset, rex ipse primo ordinationis die ad dexteram episcopi assedit in prandio,

¹ et] om. C.D.

² commisit, B.

³ C.D. omit reference.

⁴ Hunc . . . incarceravit] om. C.D.

⁵ eum, ins. B.

⁶ Hic quoque] om. B.⁷

⁷ nonnullas quamquam, tam a liberis suis quam a regni tyrannis

patiebatur difficultates donec postmodum, C.D.

⁸ arcus, B.

⁹ Hæc autem molestates ferunt quidam ei contigisse eo quod Juditham prædictam sibi consanguineam illegitime copulaverat. *Will., lib. i.* C.D.

¹⁰ quondam, add. C.D.

kyng of Italy and felowe of þe empere; and [he]¹ made Lowys TREVISA.
 þe secounde regne in Germania, and Pipinus þe pridde in
 Gyeane² and in Gasquyne.³ On his [secounde]⁴ wif Iuditha,
 þe douȝter of þe duk of Bavarria,⁵ he gat Charles þe balled,
 and ȝaf hym Burgoyne⁶ to governe and to rule. *Willelmus*
de Regibus, libro 2º. For þe fader loved most þis balled
 Charles, and kissed⁷ hym ofte in sight of his breperen, Lo-
 tharius was wroop, and hadde indignacioun þerof; þerfore he
 pursewed⁸ ofte his fader, and put⁹ hym in prisoun.¹⁰ Also
 þis Lowys, for he was so mylde, was ofte disesed¹¹ boþe of his
 owne men and of opere, for to he dede¹² more wiseliche, and
 rulede þe reme¹³ more sturneliche.¹⁴ Me seip þat þat happed
 hym for his wif Iuditha was to nygh of his kyn. *Willelmus de*
Pontificibus, libro primo. Þerfore whan þis kyng hadde avaunced
 oon Fredericus to þe bisshopriche of Trajette and¹⁵ Frisia,¹⁶ and
 sat by hym at þe mete þe firste day of his ordenaunce in¹⁷ his

Ab urbe. day, and governoure of Ytaly, and felowe of thempyre. Also MS. HARL.
 he made Lodowicus, his secounde sonne, governoure in Germania, 2261.
 and the thridde sonne governoure of Aquitanny and Vascony. —
 Also he gate of Iuditha, his secounde wife, doȝhter of Welfus A transmi-
 duke of Bavarria, Charls the Ballede, to whom he ȝafe the gracione.
 governance of Fraunce and Burguyn. *Willelmus de Regibus,*
libro secundo. For cause that Lodowicus luffede this Charls
 and kyssede hym moore than his brether, Lotharius hade grete
 indignacion, and vexenge his fader moche, put hym in prison.
Giraldus ubi supra. This Lodowicus, for his grete mekenesse,
 suffrede grete tribulacion, what of his awne peple and what of
 straunge peple, untill that he governede the peple moore dis-
 cretely and with scharpenesse of correccion: mony men say
 that trowble to have happede to hym for cause Iuditha his
 wife was to hym within the degre of mariage. *Willelmus de*
Pontificibus, libro primo. Wherefore this kyng exaltinge a
 clerke to be bischop Trajectense in Frisia, Fredericus by
 name, sate at dyner in the day of the consecracion of this

¹ From β.

² Gyan, β.; Guyan, Cx.

³ Gaskoyn, β. and Cx.

⁴ From a., β., γ., and Cx.

⁵ Bavarria, γ.; Bavaria, Cx.

⁶ Burguyn, γ.

⁷ kuste, a. and γ.

⁸ pursued, β.

⁹ potte, γ.

¹⁰ β. here has the reference *Giraldus ubi supra.*

¹¹ diseased, Cx.

¹² til he dide, β.; vor to a dude, γ.

¹³ rewme, β.; royame, Cx.

¹⁴ sternlich, β.; strongliche, γ.

¹⁵ in, a., β., and γ.

¹⁶ Utrecht in Fryselonde, Cx.

¹⁷ in] on, Cx.

monuitque præsulem inter cætera ut recentis professionis memor, antecessorum suorum constantiam sequens, sine acceptione personarum vera proponeret, ac contemptoribus pœnam infligeret. Cui episcopus : “ Recte Questio per assimilè.
 “ mecum agis, domine¹ qui professionis meæ teneritudinem sanctis animas hortatibus ; sed ne gravetur,
 “ quæso, majestas tua solvere quod animus meus diu
 “ volutavit,² utrum piscem hic appositum³ honestius
 “ sit a capite aggredi an a cauda.” Rex autem præproperus, et⁴ quantum se innodasse⁵ nescius, “ A
 “ capite,” inquit,⁶ “ aggrediendus est.”⁷ At ille :
 “ Sic eat, domine Auguste, ut⁸ fides Christiana te
 “ primo ex⁹ tuis erratibus compescat, ne subditi au-
 “ deant spernere quod te viderint tolerasse.¹⁰ Renun-
 “ cia ergo incesto matrimonio quod cum illa Judith

¹ *rex*, add. C.D.

² *volitavit*, A.

³ *positum*, B.

⁴ *in*, A.

⁵ *injustasse*, A.B.

⁶ *inquit prius*, A.B.

⁷ *inquit . . . est*] om. C.D.

⁸ *convenit*, C.D.

⁹ *de*, A.B.

¹⁰ *viderunt tolerare*, B.

riȝt hond, he chargede¹ þe bisshop, among oper pinges, þat he schulde have mynde þat he was² a ȝong bisshop, and fowede³ þe stabilnesse of his antecessours, and þat he schulde purpose þe soþe wiþ oute accepcioun⁴ of persouns, and punsche⁵ mysdoers. Þe bisshop answerde hym and seide: "Sire,⁶ þou doost riȝt-fulliche by me þat confortest þe tendernesse of my profession wiþ holy counsaile and lore; but I praye þat it greve ȝow nouȝt, and⁷ ȝoure⁸ majeste þeyȝ I⁹ telle ȝow openliche what haþ longe tyme i-halowed¹⁰ in myn herte. Wheþer is it more honest to tame¹¹ þis flesche¹² þat is here i-set first at þe heed oper at þe tayle?" Þe kyng wiste¹³ nouȝt how faste he hadde i-glewed¹⁴ hym self; but answerde hastiliche and seide: "At þe heed of¹⁵ þe fische schal be first atamed." "So it is, lord emperour," quop þe bishop, "þat Cristene fey¹⁶ mow firste¹⁷ make þe cese¹⁸ of thyn errorrs, þat þy sugettes be nouȝt hardy to forsake what þey seep þey¹⁹ suffre and fonge: þanne forsake þow þe unlawful wedlok²⁰ þat þu hast i-made

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. bischop on his ryȝhte honde, movynge the bischoppe to attende to his profession, and to remembre the constaunce of his predecessors, and to purpose tru thynges with owte accepcion of persons, and to punysche gylty men. To whom the bischoppe seide, "O my lorde, ye do welle to me that ye expresse my profession in hooly wordes. But y beseche youre maieste be not trowblede and grevede to solve oon question þat y have revolvede longe in my mynde, wheþer hit be moore honeste to begynne to dresse or towche this fische sette afore yow at the hedde or at þe tayle?" The kyng answerede schortely, and seide, "At the hedde." The bischop seide, "So, my lorde themperoure, correcte youre person firste of youre awne synne, that the feithe of Criste may increase, leste that youre subiectes have audacite to despise that they see yow to have suffrede. Þefore refuse inceste that thow dose

MS. HARL.
2261.A transmi-
gracione.¹ *chargide*, β.² *munde þat a was*, γ.³ *folwe*, α.; *folowe*, β. and Cx.; *volwe*, γ.⁴ *acceptation*, β.; *accepacioun*,γ.
⁵ *punysche*, β.; *punysse*, Cx.⁶ *Sere*, γ.⁷ *and*] om. γ.⁸ *þy*, α.; *þi*, β.; *þey*, γ.⁹ *iche*, α.; *Y*, β.¹⁰ *walwed*, β.; *ywalwed*, γ.; *walwed*, Cx.¹¹ *atame*, β.¹² *fische*, α. and β.; *vysch*, γ.; *fysse*, Cx.¹³ *wuste*, γ.¹⁴ *gluwed*, β.; *ygluwed*, γ.; *greved*, Cx.¹⁵ *of*] om. β., γ., and Cx.¹⁶ *feip*, β.¹⁷ *vurste*, γ.¹⁸ *þee cese*, β.; *seece*, Cx.¹⁹ *þe*, α., γ., and Cx.; *þee*, β.²⁰ *wedlak*, β., et infra.; *unlawefol wedloc*, γ., et infra.

“contraxisti.” Quod¹ quidem dictum rex quamvis mæstus toleravit. Sermo in latum volans aures ecclesiasticorum in tantum exulceravit² ut, consilio super hoc³ acto, rex ipse soluto connubio seipsum deponeret,⁴ foemina vero⁵ monasterio est detrusa; sed postremo, mediante apostolicæ sedis potestate, molliori consilio decretum est ut indicta⁶ pœnitentia legitimo deinceps⁷ uterentur⁸ connubio. Et imperator libens remissis injuriis cessit sententiæ; mulier vero per duos satellites ad hoc conductos episcopum præfatum sacerdotalibus indutum post missam celebratam occidi fecit. *Giraldus, distinctione prima, capitulo xvii.* Tandem Lodowycus iste dedit filio suo Karolo Calvo, ex Judith suscepto, terram Alemannicam et Rhæticam;⁹ unde reliqui tres fratres ex hoc indignati, auxiliantibus Gallis, Lodowycum reliquerunt, et Lotharium primogenitum erexerunt, qui annuente papa Gregorio quarto patrem suum Lodowycum incarceravit, uxorem ejus Judith exilio¹⁰ relegavit,

¹ Quod . . . toleravit] om. C.D.

² exulcaverat, B.

³ hoc] om. A.B.

⁴ et ergastulo contunderet, add. C.D.

⁵ vero] om. A.

⁶ induta, B.

⁷ de cetero, add. C.D.

⁸ verteretur, A.⁷

⁹ Teticam, B.; Rethicam, MS.

¹⁰ exilio] om. A.

“ with pilke¹ Iuditha.” Þis word was hevy to þe kyng, but TREVISA.
 ʒit he² took it aworp.³ Þis word was hevy, and⁴ sprang wel
 wyde, and gladed men of holy chirche þat herde⁵ þerof, so
 þat a counsaile was i-mad þerof for þat dede and [the]⁶ wed-
 lok was undo, and þe kyng putte down hym self, and þe
 womman was i-closed in an abbey. Bote at þe laste, by myld-
 nesse of þe court of Rome, it was i-ordeyned by better counsaile
 and dome þat penaunce schulde be i-sette, and þey schulde
 after þat tyme use laweful wedlok. Þe emperour forʒaf⁷ glad-
 liche al wronges, and lete þe sentence passe. Bote þe womman
 hired⁸ tweye knyʒtes þat slouʒ þe forseide bisshop in his
 vestimentes, after þat he hadde i-songe his masse. *Giraldus,*
distinctio prima, capitulo 17^o. At þe laste þis Lowys ʒaf to
 his sone Charles þe ballede þat he hadde i-gete on Iuditha⁹
 Almayne and Rethica; þerfore þe opere þre breperen hadde
 indignacioun, and were wroop, and forsook¹⁰ Lowys by help
 of þe Galles, and made þe eldest sone Lotharius kyng. He
 prisoned his fader Lowys by assent of the fourþe¹¹ pope Gre-
 gory, and exciled¹² his fader wif Iuditha, and putte here sone

Ab urbe. “ use with Iuditha.” Neverthelesse the kyng suffrede that MS. HARL.
 seyenge, whiche was published soone after amonge men of the 2261.
 church, in so moche that the kyng callynge a cownesayle was A transmi-
 departede from his wife; and Iuditha was putte to a monas- gracione.
 tery. But a moore mercifulle remedy was founde by the pope,
 and that woman Iuditha was restorede to here howsebonde
 after that. Whiche hyrynge ij. men, causede theyme to sle the f. 292 b.
 seide bischoppe commynge from havynge his vestimentes on
 hym. *Giraldus, distinctione prima, capitulo decimo 7^o.* At
 the laste this Lodowycus ʒafe to Balled Charls, his sonne geten
 of Iuditha, the londe of Alemayne and the cuntre of Rethica,
 wherefore the other breperen havynge indignacion þerof, and
 men of Fraunce helpynge theym, they lefte Lodowicus and
 erecte to their kyng Lotharius, whiche imprisonede Ludo-
 wicus his fader, by auctorite of pope Gregory the iiiij^{the}, and put
 Iuditha his wife unto exile, and tokè Balled Charls unto the

¹ pilke, γ.

² þey, α.

³ hy touk hyt a vorp, γ.

⁴ was hevy and] om α., β., γ., and

Cx.

⁵ hurde, γ.

⁶ From Cx.; þe, β.

⁷ vorʒaf, γ.

⁸ huyred, β.; hyrede, γ.

⁹ Jutha, α. and γ.

¹⁰ vorsouk, γ.

¹¹ ferþe, β.

¹² exciled, β.

et filium ejus¹ Karolum Calvum castro privignæ commendavit. Cito² post hoc³ principes Franciæ regem liberaverunt, et filium patri reconciliaverunt; sed et quidam perfidi consilio Pipini imposito falso⁴ crimine ipsi Judith reginæ velaverunt eam;⁵ sed rex eodem anno ope domini papæ reginam recepit. Nam Bernardus de prædicto stupro sibi⁶ imposito legitime se purgavit, quin etiam⁷ nullus incusantium ausus fuit cum⁸ eo decertare. *De pontificibus Romanorum.*⁹ Stephanus quartus post Leonem præsedidit papa annis tribus. Post quem Paschalis annis septem,¹⁰ qui coronavit Lotharium,¹¹ et instituit congregationem Græcorum monachorum apud Romam in ecclesia Praxedis. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo,*¹² et *de Pontificibus, libro iii^o.*¹³ Kenulphus rex Merciorum obiit; cui successit¹⁴ filius suus, puer septem annorum, Kenelmus, qui post paucos menses, instigante germana sua Quendreda,¹⁵ ab Heskeberto¹⁶ in silva condensa occisus est; quem lucis columna de corpore ad cælum erecta¹⁷ prodidit;

Gratiæ
DCCCXVI.
Lodowici.
III.

¹ *eorum*, A.B.
² *tamen*, A.B.
³ *hoc*] om. A.B.
⁴ *stupri*, add. C.D.
⁵ *eam*] om. B.
⁶ *sibi*] om. C.D.
⁷ *et*, A.
⁸ *singulatim cum Bernardo decertare*, C.D.
⁹ A.B.C.D. omit heading.
¹⁰ *octo*, B.; slightly varied in C.D.
¹¹ *filium Ludovici*, C.D.
¹² *lib. secundo, cap. xiii.*
¹³ C.D. omit reference; B. omits only the second reference.
¹⁴ *Kenelmus*, B.
¹⁵ *ad regnandum avida*, C.D.
¹⁶ *nutritore suo*, C.D.
¹⁷ *ad . . . erecta*] om. C.D.

Charles þe ballede in þe castel of Privingue.¹ But soone after² þe princes of Fraunce delivered³ þe kyng, and acorded hym and his sone; but by counsaile of Pipinus false men accused falsliche⁴ þe queene Iuditha, and made here a mynchoun;⁵ but þe same zere þe kyng hadde þe queene azen by help of þe pope. For Bernard purged⁶ hym lawefulliche of þe spouse breche⁷ þat hym was i-bore an honde, so þat noon of hem þat hadde⁸ accused hym was hardy azent⁹ hym forto stryve. After Leo þe fourþe¹⁰ Stevenen¹¹ was pope þre zere; after hym Paschal was pope sevene zere; he crowned Lotharius, and made a gadrynge of monkes of Grees¹² at Rome in þe chirche of Seint¹³ Praxeden.¹⁴ *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo, et de Pontificibus, libro 4^o.* Kenulphus kyng of Mercia deide, and his sone Kenelyn,¹⁵ a childe of sevene zere olde, regnede after hym. After fewe monthes, by entisyng of his suster¹⁶ Quendreda, Kenelyn was i-slawe of oon Heskebertus in a pikke wode, and he was i-founde¹⁷ by a piler of lizt þat stood up from¹⁸ his body into

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. castelle of his stappemoder. But the princes of Fraunce dellyverede soone the kyng from prison, and reconsiled the sonne to the fader; and diverse fals men puttenge a cryme on Iuditha the qwene, causede that sche was made a myncheon; but the kyng receyvede his qwene ageyne that yere thro helpe of Gregory the pope. For the noble man Bernarde accusede with that lady made his purgacion, and also there was not oon man of his accusers that durste fihte with hym in that querelle. Stephanus the iiijth succedid Leo the pope iij. yere, whom Paschalis did succede vij. yere, whiche crownyde Lotharius, and ordeynede a congregacion of monkes of the londe of Grece in the churche of Praxedis. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo, et de Pontificibus, libro quarto.* Kenulphus the kyng of the Marches diede in this yere, whom Kenelinus his sonne did succede, havynge vij. yere in age; whiche was sleyne soone after in a thycke woode of Heskebertus, by the instigacion of Quendreda his sustyr; whom a piller of lyzhte did schewe

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A transmi-
gracione.

¹ *Privinge*, a., ß., and γ.;
Prynge, Cx.

² *afterward*, ß.

³ *deliveredden*, ß.; *delyverden*, Cx.

⁴ *valslyche*, γ.

⁵ *monchon*, ß.; *meynchen*, γ.;
menchon, Cx.

⁶ *purgide*, ß.

⁷ *spousbruch*, γ.

⁸ *hadde*] om. Cx.

⁹ *ayenst*, Cx.

¹⁰ *ferthe*, ß.

¹¹ *Stephyn*, γ.

¹² *Grece*, ß.

¹³ *Seint*] om. Cx.

¹⁴ *Praxed*, ß. and γ.

¹⁵ *Kenelm* (and so afterwards), a., ß., and γ.; *Kenelme*, Cx., et infra.

¹⁶ *soster*, γ.

¹⁷ *founden*, ß.

¹⁸ *op vram*, γ.

sed et per chartam aureis litteris Anglice conscriptam columbaque ferente¹ super altare² Petri coram papa demissam, atque a quodam Anglico tunc præsente perlectam, mors Kenelmi et mortis locus Romæ innotuit.³ *Ranulphus.*⁴ Fuit autem scriptura talis: “ At⁵ Clenc “ *in Coubache Kenelme kyneberne lith under thorn* “ *hevyd bywevet.*” Quod sonat⁶ Latine sic. *Ver-* Versus.
*sus:*⁷

“ *In Clenc sub spina jacet in convalle bovina,*

“ *Vertice privatus Kenelmus fraude necatus.*”

Igitur corpore Kenelmi ad tumulandum delato, necis auctrix ad vocem canentium e fenestra⁸ caput extulit, et ut lætitiā cantantium⁹ infirmaret psalmum illum, *Deus laudem*, nescio quo præstigio nequitiae, retrograde dixit, sed oculos amisit cum sanguine profluente. Ex-

¹ *columba ferente*, B.

² *beati*, add. B. ; *Sancti*, add. C.D.

³ *quam dominus papa denuo Anglis manifestavit*, add. C.D.

⁴ B.C.D. omit reference.

⁵ *At Clent in Coubache, Kenelini kynebern lith under thorne, hevid by weuid*, A. ; *At Clenk in Coubache Kenelm kyngesbarn ligges undir thron hed by weued*, B.

⁶ *sonat*] om. B.

⁷ *Versus*] om. B.

⁸ *corrui dum versum illum dicerent Hoc opus eorum qui detrahunt mihi apud Dominum. Exstant adhuc cruoris signa Dei ultionem spirantia*, C.D.

⁹ *canentium*, A.

hevene. But by a scrowe þat was i-wrete in Englisshe wip goldene lettres, þat a colvere¹ brouzte and leyde and left to fore þe pope² uppon³ Seynt Peter his auzter, þat was i-rad⁴ of an Englisshe man þat was pere present, Kenelyn his deth,⁵ and þe place of his deth, was i-knowe⁶ at Rome. [R.] In þat scrowe it was i-wrete in þis manere: "At Clent⁷ in Cow-
" bache⁸ Kenelin⁹ kynebern lith under þorn heved byweved." In Englisshe þat now is used þat is to menyng in þis manere: "In¹⁰ Clent at Convale¹¹ under a thorne Kenelin lyeth heedles " i-slawe¹² by fraude." Þanne whanne Kenelin his body was i-bore to his graveward from þe place þat he deyede inne, sche¹³ þat was gilty of his deth herde men synge, and putte¹⁴ out here heede at a¹⁵ wyndow, and for to cese¹⁶ þe gladnesse of þe syngers sche seide þat¹⁷ psalm,¹⁸ "Deus laudem," bakward; but I not what wichecraft, and what schrewednesse sche¹⁹ wolde mene. Nopeles sche²⁰ loste boþe here eyzen²¹ with rennyng dropses of

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. erecte from his body to hevyn. But the dethe of Kenelmus MS. HARL. 2261.
and the place also was schewede to the pope of Rome by a doves havynge an epistolle in here mowthe, wryten in Ynglische with letters of gold, and putte by the doves afore the pope, and redde by a man of Ynglonde presente there in that tyme. R. This was the wrytynge: "At Clente Conbache " Kenelm kynbern lip under a þorne, heved bewevyd;" sowndynge in Latyn: "In Clent sub spina jacet in convalle " bovina Vertice privatus Kenelmus fraude necatus." Wherefore the body of Kenelme fownde and brouzhte to be beryede, Quendreda, the auctrix and cause of his dethe, herynge men to synge, lokede furthe of a wyndowe. Whiche wyllynge to lette the melody of men synge, seide "Deus laudem" bakwarde, y wotte not by what wycche crafte, loste sodenly here sihte with bloode commynge from theyme. And the signes off

A transmi-
gracione.

¹ *culver*, Cx.
² *and . . . pope*] om. Cx.
³ *oppon*, γ.
⁴ *redde*, Cx.
⁵ *ded*, γ.
⁶ *knowen*, β.
⁷ *Clente*, Cx.
⁸ *Coubache*, β. and γ.
⁹ *Kenelm*, γ.
¹⁰ *At*, α., β., and γ.
¹¹ *in Con vale*, γ.

¹² *slayn*, β.
¹³ *heo*, β., et infra.
¹⁴ *pot*, γ.
¹⁵ *a*] om. Cx.
¹⁶ *seece*, Cx.
¹⁷ *þe*, α., β., and γ.
¹⁸ *salm*, β.
¹⁹ *schrewednes hue*, γ.
²⁰ *hue*, γ.
²¹ *yene*, γ.

tant adhuc cruoris signa Dei ultionem¹ spirantia in psalterio illo quem tunc manu tenebat.²

CAP. XXX.

[*De rebus Anglicis, a morte Kenelmi ad tempora Bernulphi, regis Merciorum.*]

Gratiæ
DCCCXX.
Lodowici
VII.

POST Kenelmum successit in regnum Merciorum Colwulfus patruus³ suus,⁴ quem post biennium Beornulphus tyrannus expulit, et pro eo regnavit duobus annis. Qui⁵ aliquando a rege Westsaxonum Egberto apud Elyndoun⁶ devictus, contra⁷ Est-Anglos, qui⁸ Egbertum juverant, expeditionem movit, a quibus et occiditur. Cujus mortem successor suus et propinquus Ludecanus⁹ vindicare [volens]¹⁰ in Estanglos¹⁰ etiam ab eisdem est occisus cum quinque ducibus suis. Cui,¹¹ successit Wylglanus¹² propinquus suus, tresdecim annis postmodum regnaturus.¹³ *De pontificibus Romanorum.*¹⁴

¹ ultione, A.

² A. adds: "quod et vidimus."

³ patruus] om. C.D.

⁴ suus] om. B.C.D.

⁵ Qui . . . Estanglos] om. A.

⁶ Elindoun, B.

⁷ prout supra dictum est contra, B.

⁸ eo quod regi reddidissent, C.D.

⁹ Ludekan, B.

¹⁰ volens] from B.C.D.

¹¹ in regnum, add. C.D.

¹² Wiglanus, A.; Wyglanus, B.

¹³ sed et illum Egbertus diu disturbavit, add. B

¹⁴ A.B.C.D. omitt heading.

blood. [The bloode]¹ is 3it i-seie,² in mynde³ of Goddes TREVISIA.
wreche, in þe f'sauter⁴ þat þo sche⁵ hilde⁶ in here⁷ honde.

Capitulum tricesimum.

AFFTER Kenelin,⁸ his eeme⁹ in his fader side Colwulfus regnede in Mercia, bote after two 3ere Beornulphus þe tiraunt put¹⁰ hym out, and regnede in his stede two 3ere. He was in a tyme overcome at Elyngdoun,¹¹ of Egbertus kyng of West Saxons, as it is i-seide to forehonde.¹² He meoved¹³ [to]¹⁴ a jornay¹⁵ a3enst þe Est Angles þat hadde i-holpe Egbertus, and was i-slawe of hem; ¹⁶ his sucessour and his nygh¹⁷ kynnesman¹⁸ Ludican wolde awreke¹⁹ his deth, and fau3te²⁰ a3enst þe Est Angles, and was i-slawe of hem also, and þre dukes of his. After hym his nyh²¹ kynnesman Wilganus²² regnede þrittene 3ere, bote Egbertus destourbede hym long tyme. After

Ab urbe. bloode, schewynge the vengeance of God, remayne 3itte in the MS. HARL.
sawter whiche sche hade in here hondes in that tyme. 2261.

Capitulum tricesimum.

AFTER Kenelme, Colwulphus brother to his fader succedid in the realme of the marches, whom Beornulphus the tyraunte expulsede after the secunde yere of his reigne, and reignede for hym ij. yere. Whiche 3iffenge battelle to Este Ynglische men, was taken and sleyne of theyme: Ludican, cosyn to hym, wyllynge to venge his dethe, was sleyne also of Este Ynglische men, with v. dukes; whom Wiglanus cosyn to hym did succede, and regnede xiiij. yere; but Egberte trowblede his realme longe.

A transmi-
gracione.
f. 293 a.

¹ From Cx.; þe blode, ß.; þe blod, γ.

² sc̄r.

³ munde, γ.

⁴ Sauter, ß. and γ.

⁵ sche þo, a.; heo helde þanne, ß.; hue þo, γ.

⁶ huld, γ.

⁷ hir, ß.

⁸ Kenelm, γ. and Cx.

⁹ em, a.; eem, ß.; eme, γ.

¹⁰ pot, γ.

¹¹ Elyndoun, ß.; Elyndon, γ. and Cx.

¹² vorhond, γ.

¹³ mevyd, Cx.

¹⁴ From a., ß., γ., and Cx.

¹⁵ jorney, ß.; journey, Cx.

¹⁶ ham, γ.

¹⁷ nei3, ß.; neigh, Cx.

¹⁸ ny3 kynhysman, γ., et infra.

¹⁹ aveng, Cx.

²⁰ vo3t, γ.

²¹ nei3, ß.; neyh, Cx.

²² Wiglanus, a.; Wiglanus, ß. and γ.; Wyglanus, Cx.

Gratiæ
DCCCXIII.
Lodowici
X.

Eugenius quartus post Paschalem sedit annis quatuor in papatu. Qui misit ossa sancti Sebastiani Hylde-
wyno abbati Sancti¹ Dionysii. *Item de pontificibus.*²

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DCCCXXVI.
Lodowici
XIII.

Valentinus papa post Eugenium sedit annis quatuor.³ Cujus tempore nascitur puer Swythinus⁴ in pago Wyntonie,⁵ qui⁶ post defunctionem Helmstani miraculis ibi claruit. *Item de pontificibus Romanorum.*⁷

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DCCCXXX.
Lodowici
XVII.

Gregorius quartus post Valentinum sedit in papatu annis tresdecim. *Giraldus, distinctione prima, capitulo xvii.*⁸ Hujus papæ tempore floruit Theodulphus, qui primo fuit abbas Floriacensis, deinde episcopus Aureliacensis;⁹ qui cum ad criminationes æmulorum suorum, rege Lodowyco connivente,¹⁰ apud Andegavensem¹¹ urbem esset relegatus, contigit ut¹² Dominica Palmarum rege ibidem transeunte, versus quosdam¹³ ederet et decantaret qui¹⁴ sic incipiunt: *Gloria, laus*¹⁵ *tibi sit,* etc. Quibus rex emollitus ipsum absolvit, et priori gratiæ redonavit. Floruit et his diebus Rabanus quidam, primo¹⁶ monachus Meldensis in Germania. Deinde¹⁷ abbas, et poeta magnus, in scientia theologiæ

Gloria, laus
tibi sit, etc.

Sebastiani . . . Sancti] om.
B.

² A.B.C.D. omit heading.

³ tribus, A.; *Giraldus, dist. pri. cap. 17, add. C.D.*

⁴ Swythinus, A.B.
Wintonie, B.

⁶ a sancto Helmstano Wentano præsule sacris gradibus est intitulus, add. C.D.

⁷ A.B. omit title.

⁸ C.D. omit reference. This is the reference which has occurred so frequently in previous chapters, and which I have not succeeded in finding.

⁹ Aureliensis, A.

¹⁰ condemnante, C.D.

¹¹ Andavensem, A.

¹² in, A.

¹³ de festo illo per Galliam et Angliam hactenus famosos, quos episcopus ipse composuerat, add. C.D.

¹⁴ quorum tale est exordium: *Gloria, laus et honor tibi sit, Rex Christe redemptor, cui decus prompsit hosanna pium,* add. C.D.

¹⁵ et honor, B.

¹⁶ primo] om. B.

¹⁷ Deinde] om. A.B.

Paschal, þe fourþe¹ Eugenius was pope foure² ȝere. [He sente seint Sebastyan his bones to Hyldewynus, abbot of Seynt Denys. After Eugenius, Valentinus was pope foure ȝere.]³ In his tyme þe childe Swythyn was i-bore at Wynchestre, þat dede myracles þer after Hemstan his dep. After Valentinus, þe fourþe Gregory⁴ was pope þrittene⁵ ȝere. *Giraldus, distinctio prima, capitulo 17^o*. In þis⁶ popes tyme Thodulphus⁷ was in his floures, þat was first abbot of Floria,⁸ and þanne bisshop of Aurelians:⁹ he was exciled and was in þe citee of Angeo¹⁰ by assent of kyng Lowys, whanne his enemyes hadde falseliche acused hym; þanne it happede in a Palme Sondag þat þe kyng passed þerforþ, and he made and song vers¹¹ þat bygonne¹² in þis manere: "Gloria, laus tibi sit," and so forþ. By þe ditee and not¹³ of þe vers þe kyng was i-meoved, and delivered hym, and brouȝt hym to his raper grace. Þat tyme Rabanus was in his floures, monk and abbot of Mildens¹⁴ in Germania, a greet¹⁵ poet and a greet clerk of dyvynyte: he¹⁶ made a book,¹⁷

TREVISIA.

Ab urbe. Eugenius the iiij^{the} succedid Paschalis the pope iiij. yere; MS. HARL. 2261. whiche sende the boones of seynte Sebastian to Hildewinus abbot of Seynte Dionise. Valentinus, the pope succedid Eugenius the iiij. yere. In whiche tyme seynte Swithyne was borne in the cite of Wynechestre, which eschewede¹⁸ mony miracles þer after the dethe of Helmstanus. Gregorius the iiij. was pope after Valentinus xij. yere. *Giraldus, distinctio prima, capitulo xvij*. Theodulphus was of noble fame in the tyme of this pope, firste the abbot Floriacense, and after the bisshop Aurelianense; whiche put to exile by kyng Lodowicus, for a certyne cryme put to hym by his enemys, to the cite Andegavense, made "Gloria, laus," and other versus folowyng. Whiche songe afore Lodowicus kynge of Fraunce, beyng in the same cite on Palme Sonneday, ȝafe pardon to the bisshop for his labore, and restorede him unto his seete. Also Rabanus, a monke Meldense, was of grete fame in this tyme; whiche made a booke of the natures of thynges, and an oper

A transmi-
gracione.¹ *urde*, γ., et infra.² *voure*, γ.³ From α., β., γ., and Cx.⁴ *Gregroy*, Cx.⁵ *thyrten*, Cx.⁶ *pes*, γ.⁷ *Theodulphus*, β., γ., and Cx.⁸ *Floriace*, α. and β.; *Floryace*,

Cx.

⁹ *Orleans*, Cx.¹⁰ *Angeoi*, γ.¹¹ *þe vers*, β.; *the verse*, Cx.¹² *bigan*, β.; *bygynmeth*, Cx.¹³ *noot*, β.; *note*, Cx.¹⁴ *Meldeus*, β.; *Meldens*, γ. and

Cx.

¹⁵ *gret*, γ. (tris).¹⁶ *he . . . divinite*] om. Cx.¹⁷ *bok*, γ.¹⁸ Sic in MS.

præclarus, et tandem archiepiscopus Mogontiae;¹ qui librum de naturis rerum, et alium² de laude crucis, diversis schematibus metricè decoratum³ composuit, quem misit Sergio papæ.⁴ Ejus discipulus fuit Strabus, magnus in theologia glossator.⁵ *De adventu Danorum.*⁶

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DCCCXXXI.
Lodowici
XVIII.

Hoc anno Dani deprædati sunt insulam de Shepey⁷ Dani. juxta Cantiam, unde et rex Egbertus⁸ pugnavit cum eis apud Carrum sed⁹ fugatus est. Puella duodecim

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XXI.

annorum in pago Tulensi, post communionem sanctam die Paschæ receptam, per sex menses in pane et aqua continue jejunavit. Deinde per continuum triennium ab omni cibo et potu abstinuit. Post hoc¹⁰ ad communem vitam hominum¹¹ rediit.¹² Hoc etiam tempore quidam scelerati de Romanis miserunt Soldano¹³ Babylonie ut Romam veniens possideret Italiam. Qui magna multitudine comitatus spoliavit Romam, et ecclesiam beati Petri fecit stabulum equorum; Tusciam¹⁴ et Siciliam devastavit. Tandem ad petitionem Gregorii papæ, Guido Marchiæ cum Longobardis suis, et Lodowicus cum Gallis suis, eos fugaverunt, qui Africam tendentes omnes pene

Virtus
sacramenti
nutrivit
puellam
sine cibo per
iii annos.

¹ *et . . . Mogontiae*] om. A.B.C.D

² *de . . . alium*] om. C.D.

³ *ornatum*, B.

⁴ *quem . . . papæ*] om. A.B.C.D

⁵ *eximius, qui et librum de officio ecclesie ad Lodovicum scripsit*, add. C.D.

⁶ A.B. omit heading.

⁷ *Scepeizh*, A.; *Shephey*, B.; *Chepeyhe*, C.D.

⁸ *coadunatis triginta quatuor navibus apud Carrum cum eisdem dimicavit*, C.D.

⁹ *sed*] om. C.D.

¹⁰ *Et tandem*, B.

¹¹ *hominum*] om. B.

¹² *Post . . . rediit*] om. A.C.D.

¹³ *Saldano*, A.

¹⁴ *Thusciam*, A.

“De naturis rerum,” and anoþer, “De laude crucis,” i-hiȝte TREVISA.
 in metre wiþ dyvers manere of faire spekyng; his disciple
 was Strabus, a greet expositour in divinite.¹ Þat ȝere þe
 Danes spoylede þe ilond of Shiphey² beside Kent, þerfore kyng
 Egbertus fauȝte³ aȝenst hym at Carru,⁴ and was i-chased.
 At Tullens⁵ a wenche⁶ of twelve ȝere olde fenge⁷ Goddes⁸
 body an⁹ Ester day, and faste¹⁰ afterward sixe monþes con-
 tinualliche to brede and watir,¹¹ and abstinence¹² þerafter þe
 ȝere¹³ from all manere mete and drynke, and tornede aȝen at
 þe laste to comyn lyvyng. Also þat tyme som mysdoers of þe
 Romayns sente to þe Sowdan¹⁴ of Babilonia¹⁵ þat he schulde
 come and be lorde of Italy; þanne he come with greet multitude
 and strengþe, and spoiled Rome, and made a stable of Seynt
 Petres chirche, and destroyede¹⁶ Tuscia and Sicilia.¹⁷ At
 the laste, at þe prayer and requirynge of pope Gregory, Gy
 of Marchia wiþ his Longobardes, and Lowys wiþ his Galles,
 chasede him¹⁸ out of þat¹⁹ londes and contrayes. And þey²⁰

Ab urbe. book of the lawde of the crosse in noble metre. Strabus the MS. HARL.
 grete gloser in divinite was disciple to hym. The Danes 2261.
 robbed and wasted the yle of Schepey nye to Kente this yere, A transmi-
 wherefore Egberte the kyng fauȝhte with theyme at Carre, gracione.
 but he was put to flyȝhte. A mayde havynge xij. yere in age,
 in the cite Tulense, faste by vj. monethes contynually in brede
 and water after that sche hade receyvyde the blissede sacra-
 mente on Ester day, and after that sche abstenede by thre yere
 folowynge contynually from alle meyte and drynke, and that
 doen sche lyvede after the commune lyfe. Wickede men of the
 Romanes sende to the Soldan of Babilony that and if he wolde f. 293 b.
 come to Rome he wolde rejoyce Ytaly. Whichecommynge to that
 cuntre spoylede Rome, and made the churche of Seynte Petre a
 stable for their horses, and destroyede Tuscia and Scicille. But
 at the laste thei were expulsede into Affrike by labor of Gregory
 the pope to the Longobardes and men of Fraunce; whiche

The Soldan
 spoylede
 the cite of
 Rome.

¹ See note 16, page 311.

² *Schipeigh*, a.; *Scipeye*, β.; *Scypeigh*, γ.; *Shepeye*, Cx.

³ *voȝt*, γ.

⁴ *Carrun*, α. and β.; *Carrū*, .; *Carrum*, Cx.

⁵ *Tuleus*, β.; *Tulens*, γ.; *Toulouse*, Cx.

⁶ *weynche*, γ.; *damoyssel*, Cx.

⁷ *vyng*, γ.

⁸ *our Lordes*, Cx.

⁹ *on*, β.

¹⁰ *vaste*, γ.

¹¹ *to water*, β.

¹² *absteyned*, β.

¹³ *ȝere*] om. β.

¹⁴ *Souden*, γ.

¹⁵ *Babiloyn*, β.; *Babylon*, Cx.

¹⁶ *distried*, β.; *destroyede*, γ.

¹⁷ *Secilia*, Cx.

¹⁸ *hem*, β.; *ham*, γ.

¹⁹ *þat*] þo, Cx.

²⁰ *hy*, γ.

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XXI.

submersi sunt. Hoc anno obiit¹ Helmstanus² Wentanus præsul; successit sanctus Swythinus. *Item de adventu Danorum.*³ ⁴Dani cum multa classe apud occidentales Britones in loco qui dicitur Curnaliæ applicuerunt, et fœdus cum Britonibus inierunt; qui simul conglobati fines regis Egberti invaserunt, sed apud Hengistdoun⁵ superati sunt. *Willelmus*⁶ *de Regibus,*

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*libro ii.*⁷ Egbertus rex Westsaxonum obiit; cui successit filius suus Athulphus sive Ethelwolfus viginti duobus annis.⁸ Hic aliquando beato Helmstano⁹ præsuli Wentanæ¹⁰ tradebatur educandus, a quo¹¹ et subdiaconus¹² est ordinatus. Tandem papa Leone concedente ad regnum est assumptus. Qui postquam ex¹³ uxore sua Osburga, filia pincernæ¹⁴ sui, quatuor inclitos filios post patrem successive regnatuos,¹⁵ assumpto secum Aluredo filiorum novissimo,¹⁶ Romam porrexit, per annum ibidem demo-

¹ *sanctus*, add. CD.

² *Helynstanus*, B.

³ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁴ C.D. add: "Hoc anno Dani devicerunt regem Egbrithum."

⁵ *Henyedown*, B.

⁶ *Malmesburiensis*, A.

⁷ § 108 (ed. Hardy, i. p. 148).

⁸ Willelmus says *viginti annis et mensibus quinque*.

⁹ *Hilmstano*, A.; *Helynstano*, B.

¹⁰ *præsuli Wentanæ*] om. B.

¹¹ *a quo*] om. A.

¹² *diaconus*, C.D.

¹³ *priore*, add. C.D.

¹⁴ *pincerni*, A.

¹⁵ *genuisset*, B.

¹⁶ *quem ceteris plus dilexerat*, add. C.D.

seilled toward Affrica, and were a-dreynt¹ wel nygh² everychone. Pat zere deyde Helmstan bisshop of Wynchestre, and seynt Swythine was bisshop after hym. De Danes, wip greet navey, londede in a place pat [hatte]³ Crual⁴ among pe West Britouns, and made confetheracie⁵ wip pe Britouns, and wente in fere,⁶ and assailede kyng Egbertus his londes. [Bote hy were overcome at Hengistdoun.]⁷ *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 2^o*. Egbertus kyng of West Saxons deide, and his sone Athulphus, pat heet⁸ Ethelwulfus, regned after hym two and twenty zere. Dis was somtyme i-take to norschyng⁹ and¹⁰ Helmstan bisshop of Wynchestre, and made hym subdecon.¹¹ Bote at the laste, by graunte of Leo pe pope he was i-made kyng, and hadde a wyf Osburga, pat was his owne botelere¹² his douzter, and gat on here pre noble sones, pat regnede after pe fader everiche in his tyme. He took wip hym the zongeste of his sones, Alrudes,¹³ and wente to Rome, and dwelled pere oon¹⁴ zere, and repairede¹⁵ pere nobelliche pe scole

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. entrence into Affrike, a grete parte of the Soldanes hoste was drownede. Helinstanus, bisshop of Wynchestre, diede in this yere, whom seynte Swithyne did succede. The Danes entrede the weste partes, whiche confederate with the Britons entrede the costes of kyng Egbert, but they loste the victory at Hengistdon. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo*. Egberte kyng of Westesaxons diede, whom Athulphus other Athelwulfus his sonne succeedid xxij. yere. This Athelwulfus was taken to be noryschede of blissede Helinstanus, bisshop of Wynchestre, of whom he was made subdiacon, neverthelesse he was erecte into the kyng by thauctorite of Leo the pope. Whiche gate of Osburga his wife, dozhter of his butteler, iij. noble sonnes, reingnyng by succession after their fader; and takyng Alrudes his yongeste sonne with hym, wente to Rome, and taryede per by oon yere, where he repairede nobly

MS. HARL.
2261.A transmi-
gracione.This kyng
was subdi-
acon.¹ drowned, Cx.² neiȝ, B.³ From a. and B.; called, Cx.⁴ Cural, a., B., γ., and Cx.⁵ confederacy, B., γ.; confederacyon, Cx.⁶ in fere] yfere, B.; yvere, γ.; togyder, Cx.⁷ From γ.¹⁸ het, B.⁹ norischyng, B.¹⁰ to, a., B., γ., and Cx.¹¹ sudekene, B.; sudecon, γ.; subdeken, Cx.¹² butelers, B.; bottiller, γ.¹³ Alrudes, B. and Cx.¹⁴ o, γ.¹⁵ reparayled, B.; reparaylde, γ.

ratus; ubi¹ scholam Saxonum egregie reparavit, quæ, ut fertur, ab Offa rege primitus fuerat instituta, sed anno proximo præcedente conflagraverat.² Ibi quoque¹ cum publice pœnitentes ac exules ferro vinctos videret, impetravit a domino papa ut Angli deinceps extra patriam suam nunquam vincti³ pœniterent; ob hoc ferunt ipsum denarium⁴ Petro de singulis domibus regni sui annuatim concessisse, sed et omni anno extunc trescentas marcas Romæ misit, videlicet centum ad luminare⁵ Petri, centum ad luminare Pauli, centum domino papæ. Insuper et ecclesias regni sui ab omni tributo regali liberavit, decimam rerum suarum Deo obtulit. In redeundo de Roma Juditham filiam Karoli Calvi⁶ desponsavit, vicesimo anno regni sui, et Angliam secum duxit; quam⁷ quia contra morem Westsaxonici regni in throno juxta se collocavit, insurrexit in eum primogenitus suus cum

Denarios
sancti Petri
secundo
concessos

¹ *ubi . . . quoque*] om. C.D.

² *Ubi cum, &c.*, C. D.

³ *vincti*] om. A.B.

⁴ *beato*, add. B.

⁵ *beati*, add. B.

⁶ *regis Francorum*, add. C.D.

⁷ *quam . . . Ranulphus* (page 318)] om. C.D.

of Saxons þat was, as me seiþ, first i-ordeyned by kyng Offa; bote it was i-brend þe laste ȝere tofore honde. Also he sigh,¹ þre² outlawes and men þat deden³ open penaunce⁴ do here penaunce in iren⁵ i-bounde. Þanne he purchasede of þe pope þat Engliſſhe men schulde nevere after þat tyme, out of here owne contray, do penaunce in bondes. Me seiþ þat þerfore it was þat he graunted of everich hous of his kyngdom⁶ everich ȝere a peny to Seynt Peter, and after þat tyme he sente everiche ȝere þre hondred mark⁷ to Rome: an hondred to Seynt Peter his liȝt, an hondred to Seynt Poules⁸ liȝt, and an hondred to þe pope. Also he delyvered and quitte⁹ alle þe cherches of his kyngdom¹⁰ of alle manere kynges tribute, and of fredom¹¹ to God þe tenþe¹² deel of his catel. In his comynge aȝen from Rome, in þe twentiþe ȝere of his kyngdom, he spousede Iuditha þe douȝter of Charles þe ballede, and brouȝte¹³ here¹⁴ wiþ hym in to Engeland; and for he sette¹⁵ here in trone beside¹⁶ hym aȝenst þe manere of þe kyngdom of West Saxons, his eldest sone roos¹⁷ aȝenst hym, and meny oþer lordes, so þat a greet

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. the scole of the Saxons, ordeynede firste by kynge Offa, as hit is seide; whiche seyng men penitent and owtelawes bownde per openly, purchasede of the pope that men of Ynglonde scholde not be so entretyde with owte theire awne realme from that tyme. Wherefore men say he grauntede a peny to Seynte Petyr of every house in his realme. Also he ȝafe a c. mark to the lyȝhte of Seynte Petre, a c. marke to the lyȝhte of Seynte Paule, and a c. marke to the pope. Also he releyschede alle his churches from every tribute pertenyng to hym, and offrede the x^{the} parte of his goodes to God; whiche maryede Iuditha, the doȝhter of Karolus Calvus, or Ballede Charls, in returnynge from Rome to Ynglonde. And for cause that he sette here in a throne nye to hym, ageyne the consuetude of the realme, his eldeste sone did ryse ageyne hym with mony gentylle men of the cuntre. Wherefore the fader ȝiffenge

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A transmi-
gracione.Of Petyr
i^a.

¹ syȝ, β.
² þere, a., β., and Cx.; þar, γ.
³ dede, a.; dide, β. and Cx.;
 dude, γ.
⁴ penauns, γ. (tris).
⁵ yre, γ.
⁶ of his royame, Cx.
⁷ marc, Cx.
⁸ Paulus, Cx.
⁹ quyte, γ.
¹⁰ royamme, Cx.
¹¹ of [fredom] offrede, a.; offred,
 β. and Cx.; and offerde, γ.
¹² teþe, γ.
¹³ broȝt, γ.
¹⁴ hir, β., bis.
¹⁵ vor a set, γ.
¹⁶ beside, β.
¹⁷ ros,

multis proceribus; ita ut tradita primogenito suo magna regni parte vix tumultus sedaretur. Nam observatum¹ fuerat apud eos ne regina sic honoraretur, in odium Ethelburgæ² filiae regis Offæ quæ virum³ Brithricum intoxicaverat. *Ranulphus*.⁴ Hic quoque Aluredum filium suum prædilectum, incurabili morbo languentem, ad sanctam Modewennam, apud Hiberniam tunc morantem curandum transmisit. Unde postmodum, vastata ecclesia⁵ Modewennæ⁶ in Hibernia, rex ipse tradidit Modewennæ Angliam venienti terram pro duobus monasteriis virginum construendis, unum in Arderum apud Modwenna. Pelleswortham,⁷ quod usque hodie floret, in quo Ositha et Athya⁸ virgines una cum sancta Editha sorore Athulphi⁹ regis manserunt. Ipsa autem Modewenna mansit aliquantisper in alio monasterio apud Streneshale,¹⁰ et inde Romam ter visitavit; quæ tandem apud

¹ *ordinatum erat et observatum* apud, B.

² *Ethelgurgæ*, A.

³ *suum*, A.

⁴ See note 7, page 316.

⁵ *sanctæ*, add. C.D.

⁶ *Modewennæ*] om. C.D.

⁷ *Polliswurtham*, A.; *Pollesurtham*, B.

⁸ *Athea*, A.B.

⁹ *Athusi*, A.

¹⁰ *Schreneshale*, A.

deel of þe kyngdom was i-take to his eldest sone; but ȝit¹ TREVISA.
 unneþe þe strif was i-cesed.² For among hem it was i-used
 þat þe queene schulde nouȝt have suche³ worschipe, and
 þat for wrethe⁴ of Ethelburga, kyng Offa his douȝter, þat
 hadde i-poysoned here housbonde Brightricus. *R.* Also þis⁵
 for his sone Aluredus, þat he loved moche,⁶ hadde an evel
 incurable, he sent hym⁷ into Irlond to be i-heded⁸ of seynt
 Modwenna, þo⁹ wonede þoo pere. And þerfore whanne þe
 cherche of Modwenna was destroyed¹⁰ in Irlond sche¹¹ com into
 Engeland, and þe kyng ȝaf here¹² lond for to bulde tweie
 abbayes of maydons. Oon [in]¹³ Arderne at Polisworth,¹⁴ þat
 ȝit dureþ; þere Ositha and Athea þe maydons dwellede¹⁵ wip
 saint Edithe, kyng Athulphus suster.¹⁶ But Modwenna
 dwellede¹⁵ somewhat of tyme in þe oper abbay at Streneshale;
 þennes sche¹⁷ wente preis to Rome, and sche¹⁷ deide at þe laste

Ab urbe. to his sonne a grete parte of his realme to lyve in reste, MS. HARL.
 kowthe unnethe obteyne hit; ffor the consuetude was amonge 2261.
 theyme that the wife of there kyng scholde not have suche
 honoure, to the hate of Ethelburga, the douȝter of kyng Offa,
 whiche did slee Brithricus here howsebonde with poyson. *R.* A transmi-
gracione.
f. 294 a.
 Of seynte Mod-
 wenne. This kyng sende to seynte Modwenne to Yrlonde Alurede his
 welbelovyde, as in an infirmite incurable, that he myȝhte be
 helpede by here. Wherefore the churche of seynte Mod-
 wenne destroyede in Yrlonde, the kyng toke to seynte Mod-
 wenne commyn into Ynglonde grownde to edifye ij. monas-
 terys; oon in Ardern, at Polliswurthe, whiche remaynethe
 unto this tyme. In whom Ositha and Athea, virgyns, taryede
 with seynte Editha, sustyr of kyng Atulphus. Seynte
 Modwenne taryede at the other monastery at Streneschalle by
 a certeyne space, and after that wente thryes to Rome; whiche
 lyvyng as a recluse by the space of vij. yere at an yle callede

¹ ȝit, γ.² ceced, β.; ceced, Cx.³ sich, β.⁴ wreþþe, γ.⁵ þis] om. Cx.; þes, γ.⁶ þat . . . moche] om. Cx.⁷ whom he sent, Cx.⁸ heeled, β.⁹ þat, β. and γ.¹⁰ destruyed, β.¹¹ heo, β.; hue, γ.¹² hir, β.¹³ From a., β., γ., and Cx.¹⁴ Poliswortham, a.; Polliswur-
tham, β. and γ. In the MS. there
seems to have been written *Polis-*
wortham, but the two final letters
have been scratched out. Cx. has
Pollyswortham.¹⁵ dwellide, β., bis.¹⁶ soster, γ.¹⁷ heo, β., tris; hue, γ., tris.

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DCCCXXXVIII.
Lodowici
XXV.

insulam Andreseyam juxta Burtoniam,¹ post septennem inclusionem, obdormivit in Domino. *De Danis.*² Hoc anno Dani multos occiderunt in Lindeseya,³ Estanglia, et Cantia.⁴ Hoc⁵ anno Wygalf⁶ rex Merciorum obiit anno regni xiii., et apud Repyndoun⁷ sepelitur. Qui genuerat Wygmundum, et ille sanctum Wystanum⁸ martyrem. Successit tamen apud Mercios Bernulphus⁹ annis duodecim; cujus filius Bertfertus sanctum Wystanum⁸ crudeliter peremit. *Willelmus de Regibus libro secundo.*¹⁰

CAP. XXXI.

[*De rebus Italicis et Germanicis. De adventu Norman-
norum in Francia, Danorumque in Anglia.*]

Gratiae
DCCCXL.
Lotharii
primo.

MORTUO Lodowyco Lotharius primogenitus, qui vivente patre imperaverat quindecim annis, et post patrem octodecim annis,¹¹ in Italia, Roma, et¹² parte Germaniæ Alpihus proxima, quæ a Lothario Lotharingia dicitur quasi Lotharii regnum, insurrexit contra duos fratres

¹ *Britomensem*, C.D.

² A.B. omit heading.

³ *In orientalibus Angliæ partibus scilicet Lindeseye, &c.*, C.D.

⁴ *Dani multos occiderunt et urbem Roffensem contriverunt*, C.D.

⁵ *Hoc anno Wiglaf rex Merciorum, qui aliquando per Egbertum fugatus fuerat et tandem restitutus, anno regni sui undecimo obiit, et apud Rependonum famosum tunc monasterium sepelitur. Hic ex regina suæ Kinreda genuerat Wygmundum, qui ex filia regis Merciorum Colwolfo sanctum genuit Wulstanum postea martyrem. Huic et*

Wiglano in regno Merciorum successit Brithulfus et regnavit annis duodecim, cujus filius Burtfertus sanctum Wistanum crudeliter peremit. Giraldus, dist. prim., cap. 17, C.D.

⁶ *Wiglaf*, B.

⁷ *Repyndoun*, A.B.

⁸ *Wistanum*, A.B.

⁹ *Berthulphus*, A.B.

¹⁰ B. omits reference. The quotation is from the section *De successoribus Karoli Magni* (Hardy, i. 153).

¹¹ *et*, add. A.

¹² *in*, add. A.B.

in þe ilond Andreisye,¹ besides Burtoun, after þat sche was closed sevene ȝere. Þat ȝere þe Danes slowȝ meny men in Lyndeseie² in Est Engeland and in Kent. Þat ȝere deide Wyglaf kyng of Mercia, þe ȝere of his kyngdom þrittene, and was i-buried at Rependoun.³ He hadde i-gete⁴ Wygmundus, and Wygmundus hadde i-gete Wistan þe martir; but after Wiglaf Bertuphus⁵ was kyng over Mercia twelue ȝere: his sone Bertsericus⁶ slouȝ seint Wistan cruelliche.⁷ *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 2º.*

TREVISA.

*Capitulum tricesimum primum.**Lotharius.*

WHANNE Lowys was dede his eldest sone Lotharius, þat was emperour fiftene ȝere while his fader was onlyve,⁸ and after his fader eyȝtene ȝere, in þe partie of Italy þat is next to Alpes, þat hatte Lotharingia after his name, as it were Lotharius his kyngdom; he aroos⁹ aȝenst his tweie breþeren Lowys and

Ab urbe Andreseia, nye to Burton, and the vij. yere paste sche diede per. The Danes did sle mony men in Lindesey this yere, in este partes of Ynglonde also, and in Kente. Wiglaf the kynge of Marches diede in this yere, the xiii. yere of his reigne, and was beryede at Rependon; whiche gate Wigmundus, and he gate seynte Wystan martir; and Bertulphus reignede after on the Marches xij. yere, Bertforcus, the sonne of whom, did sle seynte Wystan cruelly. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo.*

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A transmi-
gracione.*Capitulum tricesimum primum.*

LODOWICUS kynge of Fraunce dedde, Lotharius his eldeste son succedid; whiche reigned xv. yere his fadder beyng in lyfe, and xvij. yere after the dethe of his fader, in Ytaly, Rome, and in a parte of Germany nye to Alpes, callede Lotharingia of Lotharius. But the peple of the realme of Lotharius made in-

¹ *Andreseye*, β. and Cx.; *Andresey*, γ.

² *Lyndesaye*, Cx.

³ *Repyndon*, Cx.

⁴ *goten*, Cx., bis.

⁵ *Bertulfus*, β.; *Bertulphus*, γ.

⁶ *Bertsercus*, γ.

⁷ *cruelych*, γ.

⁸ *alyve*, γ.

⁹ *aros*, γ.

suos Lodowycum et Karolum Calvum pro regno Aquitannie, quod aliquando Pipinus frater eorum tenuerat. *Giraldus, distinctione prima.* Et pugnaverunt apud Fontanetum,¹ ubi Lothario fugato tanta cædes utrinque facta est quod adversariis suis ulterius resistere non possent. Hoc audientes Saraceni in Africa et Hispania, paraverunt se ut regnum invaderent Romanorum. Lodowyco medio fratre³ cito post hoc obeunte, Karolus Calvus imperium et regnum aliquandiu tenuit solus.⁴

Gratie
DCCCXLII.
Lotharii
II.!

*De pontificibus Romanorum.*⁵ Sergius papa⁶ post Gregorium sedit papa novem annis. Iste primo vocabatur Os porci, unde ab isto in antea omnes papæ nomen mutaverunt, et hoc triplici ratione, tum quia Christus⁷ his quos in apostolatam elegit nomina mutavit, tum⁸ quia sicut mutantur in nomine ita mutari debent in vitæ perfectione, et⁹ tertio ne ille qui eligitur

Sergius papa, qui prius Os porci vocabatur. Ab isto mutatum est

¹ *Mortuo Ludovico pio, tres filii ejus, Lotharius major, qui et patri successit in imperio, Ludovicus, et Karolus, pro regno Aquitannie quod frater eorum Pipinus tenuerat invicem decertare contendit. Quod et factum est apud Fontanetum, C.D.*

² *utriusque, A.; utriusque partis, B.*

³ *medio fratre] om. C.D.*

⁴ *post cujus decessum imperium transiit a Francis a tempore Lodovici Calvi, filii Karoli prædicti, usque ad Bavarros et Franconicos in*

Germania. Ranulphus. Quod diu apud eos stetit usque ad ultimum Fredericum secundum, quem Innocencius quartus deposuit circa annum Domini 1230. Corpus sancti Bartholomæi Beneventum est translatum, C.D. A.B. have this last sentence with Hoc anno prefixed.

⁵ *A.B. omit title.*

⁶ *secundus, B.C.D.*

⁷ *Christus quando suos in apostolatam, B.*

⁸ *secundo, B.*

⁹ *et] om. B.*

Charles the ballede, for þe kyngdom of Gyeane,¹ þat here TREVISA.
 broþer Pipinus hadde i-holde somtyme. *Giraldus, distinctio*
prima. And þey² fouzþte at Fantanet;³ þere Lotharius fliþ⁴
 and was i-chasede;⁵ þere was so gret slauþter⁶ in eiper side
 þat þey myþte no lenger⁷ wipstonde here enemyes. Þe
 Sarþzys in Affrica, [and]⁸ in Spayne herde⁹ herof, and
 arrayed hem to assaile þe kyngdom of Romayns. Sone here-
 after Lowys þe myddel broþer deyde, and Charles þe ballede
 helde¹⁰ þe empere somewhat of tyme allone.¹¹ Þat þere seint
 Bartholomew¹² his body was i-translated to Boneventan.¹³
 After Gregory þe secunde Sergius was pope nyne þere; þis
 heet first¹⁴ Os porci, Swyn his mouþ. Þerfore after his tyme
 alle þe popes chaunged¹⁵ her names, and þat for þre skiles: oon
 is, whan Crist ches¹⁶ his apostles he chaunged here names.
 [Another is for as they chaunge her names]¹⁷ so þey¹⁸ schulde
 chaunge¹⁹ here livinge. Þe pridde is for he þat is i-chose to an

Ab urbe.
 A soore
 conflicte
 betwene
 breþer.

surreccions ageyne his ij. breþer for the realme of Aquitanny, that
 Pipinus theire broþer, occupiede somme tyme. *Giraldus, dis-*
*tinctione prima.*¹ And thei fauzþte at a place callede Fontanete,
 where Lotharius compellyde to fle, so grete a murdre of peple
 was made in þat conflicte to eiper parte that Lotharius was not
 able to resiste his adversaries after that tyme. The Saracenys
 beyng in Affrike and in Speyne herynge that, made þeim
 redy to entre thempire of Rome. Lodowicus dedde in the
 meane tyme, Karolus Calvus governede the realme allon a
 certeyne space. The body of seynte Bartholomewe was trans-
 late to Benevent in this yere; Sergius the secunde succedid
 Gregory the pope ix. yere. This Sergius was callede firste Os
 porci, the mowthe of a swyne; from the tyme of whom alle popes
 chaungede theire names, and that for iij. causes. The firste
 cause is for Criste chaungede the names of his apostles when
 he toke theim to that office. An oper cause for thei awe to
 chaunge into perfeccion as theire name is chaungede. The

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 gracione.

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¹ *Gyan*, B.; *Guyan*, Cx.
² *þei*, B.; *hy*, γ.
³ *Fontanet*, B., γ., and Cx.
⁴ *vlyz*, γ.
⁵ *ychaced*, B.
⁶ *slauþt*, B. and γ.
⁷ *longur*, γ.
⁸ From γ.
⁹ *hurde*, γ.
¹⁰ *huld*, γ.
¹¹ *aloon*, B.

¹² *Bertilmeus*, Cx.
¹³ *Beneventan*, B., γ., and Cx.
¹⁴ *vurste*, γ.
¹⁵ *chaungede*, B., bis.; *chayngede*,
 γ.
¹⁶ *Crist whanne a ches*, γ.
¹⁷ From Cx. *Anoper is, for as*
þei chaungeþ her names, B.; *Anoper*
is for as a chayngeth here names, γ.
¹⁸ *þey*] a, γ.
¹⁹ *chaunde*, MS.

ad præcellentem gradum turpi deformatur nuncupatione. Hoc anno corpus beatæ Helenæ matris Constantini, apud Romam¹ sepultum, translatum est ad Remensem diocesim in Francia. *De adventu Normannorum in Francia, et de Wystano.*² Hoc anno venerunt³ Normanni⁴ in Franciam per flumen Sequanæ. Et⁵ Bertulphus in Pentecoste occidit nefarie sanctum Wystanum,⁶ cuius corpus sepultum est apud Rependoun in tumulo avi sui Wyglavi,⁷ sed et de loco occisionis suæ columna lucis per triginta dies⁸ conspicua stabat. Leo quintus post Sergium præsedet in papatu annis quatuor; qui reparavit in urbe ecclesias a paganis dirutas. Hic etiam pro Neapolitanis contra Saracenos in mari dimicantibus hanc fecit collectam: *Deus cujus dextera beatum Petrum⁹ in fluctibus.*¹⁰ Et postmodum reparata [est]¹¹ ecclesia beati Petri dixit: *Deus qui beato Petro collatis clavibus.*¹² Hic etiam adoptavit in filium Aluredum filium Ethelwolphi regis Westsaxonum, et annuente

Gratiæ
DCCCXLIX.
Lotharii
IX.

Gratiæ
DCCCLII.
Lotharii
XII.

Translatio
corporis
Helenæ
beatæ.

¹ in ecclesia Sanctorum Marcelli et Petri, C.D.

² A.B.C.D. omit title.

³ Hoc . . . venerunt] om. C.D.

⁴ Dani de stirpe Norwagensium et Dacorum in Francia per Secanam flumen. Hoc anno Bertulphus filius Bertulphi in vigilia, C.D.

⁵ Hoc anno, A.

⁶ cognatum suum, filium Wigmundi, filii Wiglani regis, add. C.D.

⁷ reconditum est, C.D.

⁸ apparuit et, B.

⁹ apostolum, B.

¹⁰ etc, A.B.C.D.

¹¹ est] from A.

¹² &c., A.

excellent state¹ schulde nouzt be defouled wip a foule² name. **TREVISIA.**
 Pat zere pe body of seynt Helene, Constantyn his moder, pat was i-buried at Rome, was i-brozt³ to pe dyocise⁴ of Remene in Fraunce: pat zere pe Normans⁵ come first into Fraunce by pe water of Seyne. Pat zere Berthulphus⁶ in a Whitsontide⁷ slouz wickedliche seynt Wistan: his body is i-buried at Rependoun⁸ in pe grave of his grauntsire Wyglaf; and in pe place pere he was i-slawe stood up pritty dayes a [cleer]⁹ pyler of lizt. After Sergius pe fifte Leo was pope fyve zere; he amended pe chirches pat pe paynyms hadde destroyed¹⁰ in pe citee of Rome. Also, for pe men of Naples¹¹ fauzte in pe see¹² azenst pe Saražyns, he made pis orisoun, "Deus, cujus dextera beatum Petrum¹³ apostolum in fluctibus,"¹⁴ and so forp; and after pat he hadde amended Seynt Peter his chirche, he seide pis orisoun,¹⁵ "Deus, qui beato Petro collatis "clavibus," and so forp. Also pis made Aluredus his sone adoptivus, pat was pe sone of Ethelwulfus pe kyng of West

Ab urbe.

thrydde cause was leste a man electe to that office hade a fowle **MS. HARL.**
 name. The body of blissede Helena, moder of noble Constan- 2261.
 tyne, beryede at Rome, was translate this tyme to the churche
 Remense in Fraunce. Normannes come firste to Fraunce in this
 yere by the water of Sequana. Bertulphus did sle wikkidely
 seynte Westan in Pentecoste, the body of whom was beryede
 at Rependoun in the beryalle of Wiglanus his grauntefader; in
 the place of the dethe of whom a piller of lyzhte stode con-
 tynually by xxx^{ti} daies. Leo the v^{tho} succedid Sergius the
 pope iiij. yere, whiche repairede churches in the cite of Rome des-
 troyede of paganes, and made this collecte, "Deus, cujus dextera
 "beatum Petrum," for Neapolitans fižhtenge ageyne the Sara-
 cenys on the see. And the reparacion of the churche of Seynte
 Petyr doen, he seide, "Deus, qui beato Petro collatis clavibus."
 This pope desirede as in to his sonne Alurede son of Atelwul-
 phus kyng of Westesaxons, whom noyntede into the kyngde by

A transmi-
gracione.¹ *staat*, B.; *astate*, Cx.² *voul*, γ.³ *translatet*, γ.⁴ *diocesy*, B. and γ.⁵ *Romayns*, MS.⁶ *Berthulfus*, B.⁷ *Wytsontyde*, B.⁸ *Ryppndon*, Cx.⁹ *cleer*] from Cx.; *clere*, B.; *cler*, γ.¹⁰ *paynyms had destruyed*, B.¹¹ *Napels*, B.¹² *Napels pat vozte in pe se*, γ.¹³ *Petrum*] om. and γ.¹⁴ *apostolum in fluctibus*] om.

Cx.

¹⁵ *orceson*, γ.

patre¹ in regem futurum inunxit. Hoc anno Bertulphus rex Merciorum obiit, cui successit Burdredus,² qui statim desponsavit Ethelwytham³ filiam regis Athulphi; cujus auxilio subdidit mediterraneos Britones qui inter Merciam et mare [occidentale]⁴ inhabitant. Hic etiam Burdredus xxii^o. anno regni sui per Danos expulsus Romam adiit, ubi non diu vivens apud scholam Saxonum, in ecclesia beatæ⁵ Mariæ sepultus est. *Item de Danis.*⁶ Eo anno,⁷ postquam Dani Londoniam et Cantiam prædaverunt, et regem Bertulphum præfugerant,⁸ contriti sunt in Southreia⁹ apud Ocleam¹⁰ per regem Ethelwolfum. Hoc anno Lotharius imperator sæculum deserens, in monasterio Prunio attonsus obiit. De cujus anima magna inter dæmones et angelos altercatio facta est, ita quod¹¹ qui adstabant viderent corpus quasi detrahi; sed monachis orantibus dæmones

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XV.

¹ *annuente patre*] om. C.D.

² *Burdredus*, B.

³ *Ethelwitam*, A.B.

⁴ *occidentale*] from A.B.

⁵ *Sanctæ*, add. C.D.

⁶ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁷ *Eoque anno*, A.; *Eo quoque anno*, B.

⁸ *fugerant*, B.

⁹ *Surreia*, B.

¹⁰ *Oclea*, A.; *Ocles*, B.

¹¹ *quod*] om. A.

Saxons. And he anoynt¹ Aluredus by assent of his fader to be kyng afterward. Þat 3ere deide Berthulphus kyng of Mercia, and Burdredus was kyng after hym; he wedded anon Ethewitha,² kyng Athulphus his dou3ter. By help of þis Athulphus he made sugett þe Britouns of þe myddel lond þat woneþ bytwene Mercia and þe West see. *Trevisa*.³ Loke more of Mercia in þe firste book, capitulo 51^o. Þanne it foloweþ⁴ in þe storie.³ Also þis Burdredus, þe two and twentipe 3ere of his kyngdom, was i-put⁵ out by þe Danes, and wente þanne to Rome, and lyved þere nou3t ful⁶ longe tyme at þe scole of Saxsons, and was i-buryed at Seint Marye chirche. Also þat 3ere, after þat þe Danes hadde i-spylled Londoun and Kent, and chassed⁷ kyng Berthulphus,⁸ þey⁹ were overcome and i-bete adoun in Souþerey¹⁰ at Oclea of kyng Ethelwulphus. Þat 3ere Lotharius þe emperour forsook¹¹ þe worlde,¹² and was i-schore monk in þe abbay of Primye,¹³ and deide þere. For his soule was greet strif betwene¹⁴ aungeles¹⁵ and fendes,¹⁶ so þat þey þat stood by sigh þe body as it were to haled hider and pider;¹⁷ but monkes prayede, and the fendes were i-dryve

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. grawnte of his fader. Bertulphus the kyng of Marches diede in this yere; whom Burdredus did succede, whiche maryede anon Ethelwitha the do3hter of kyng Atulphus, pro helpe of whom he subduede the Britons inhabitynge betwene the Marches and the weste see. This Burdredus expulsede from his realme in the xxij. yere of his reigne by the Danes, wente to Rome, and not lyvyng longe after his commynge pider was beryede in the church of blissede Mary at the scole of Saxons. In whiche yere the Danes robberyng London and Kente and caused Bertulphus the kyng to flee, were devicte in Southerey by kyng Ethelwulphus at Ocleye. Lotharius themperour forsakenge the worlde and entrynge religion, diede in this tyme; for the sawle of whom grete altercacion was hade betwene angelles and develles, in so moche that mony men see þe body as alle to drawen betwene þeim, but the devells fledde pro the preiers of the

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gracione.

¹ *anoynted*, β.; *anoycte*, γ.
² *Ethelwitha*, β. and γ.; *Ethelwytha*, Cx.
³ *Trevisa* . . . *storie*] om. β.
⁴ *volweþ*, γ.
⁵ *ypot*, γ.
⁶ *vol*, γ.
⁷ *ychased*, γ.
⁸ *Bertulfus*, .
⁹ *hy*, γ.

¹⁰ *Souþrey*, β.; *Southrey*, γ.; *Suthrey*, Cx.
¹¹ *vorsouk*, γ.
¹² *worl*, γ.
¹³ *Prunye*, β. and Cx.
¹⁴ *betwixe*, β.
¹⁵ *angles*, Cx.
¹⁶ *feendes*, β.; *vendes*, γ., et infra.
¹⁷ *huder and buder*, γ.

sunt fugati. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro ii.*¹ Iste Lotharius ex Ermengarda³ filia Hugonis tres reliquit filios, Lodowycum cui regnum Romanorum⁴ cum Italia tradidit, alterum Lotharium cui sedem Franciæ regalem reliquit, tertium Karolum cui Provinciam commisit; sed Karolo cito obeunte, Lodowycus et Lotharius regnum Karoli, id est Provinciam, inter se diviserunt.²

CAP. XXXII.

[*De regno Romanorum, multa de pontificibus Romanis, et quædam de rebus Anglicis.*]

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DCCCLVI.
Lodowici ii^{di}
primo.

LODOWYCUS secundus filius Lotharii secundum⁵ quosdam regnavit annis quindecim, sed secundum Martinum annis viginti duobus:⁶ coronatus est a Sergio⁷ papa. Habuitque duos filios, Lodowycum scilicet regem Noricorum, et Karolum juniorem sive Grossum,⁸ qui aliquando per tres dies in præsentia

¹ As the last reference (Hardy, i. p. 157).

² *Iste . . . diviserunt*] om. C.D.

³ *Hermengerda*, B.

⁴ *Francorum*, A.

⁵ *secundum quosdam*] om. C.D.

⁶ *viginti duobus et secundum Bedam*, C.D.

⁷ *Gregorio*, B.

⁸ *cujus filius Karolus junior sive Grossus per tres dies*, C.D.

away. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 2^o*. Þis Lotharius hadde by Ermengarda, Houwe his douzter,¹ þre sones, and lefte hem after hym, [on het² Lowys, to hym he bytook³ the kyngdom of Romayns and of Italy; þe oper het Lotharius, to hym]⁴ he bytook þe kyngdom of Fraunce; þe þridde heet Charles, to hym he bytoke the⁵ province:⁶ bote Charles⁷ was sone deed, and Lowys and Lotharius deled þe kyngdom bytwene [hem tweyne],⁷ Charles his kyngdom⁸ that was Province.⁹

TREVISA.

Capitulum tricesimum secundum.

THE secounde Lowys, as som men telleþ,¹⁰ regnede fiftene¹¹ zere, but Marcus¹² telleþ þat he¹³ regnede two and twenty zere, and was i-crowned of Sergius þe pope; and he hadde tweie¹⁴ sones, Lowys kyng of Norikes, þat beep¹⁵ Normans, and Charles þe zonger þat heet¹⁶ Grossus also. Þis Charles

Ab urbe. monkes. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo*. This Lo- MS. HARL. 2261.
tharius lefte iij. sonnes after hym geten by Ermengarda his wife :
Lodowicus, to whom he zafe the realme of Romanes with Ytaly, and to Lotharius the regalle seete of Fraunce, and to Charls an oper province; but this Charls soone dedde, Lodowicus and Lotharius divided þe realme of Charls betwene theyme.

Capitulum tricesimum secundum.

LODOWICUS, þe secunde sonne of Lotharius, after somme men reigned xv. yere, and after somme men xxij. yere, and was crownede of Sergius the pope, and hade ij. sonnes, Lodowicus kyng of Norykes, and Charls the grete or iunior; whiche vexede

¹ Houwes douzter, β.² hett, β.³ a bytook, γ., et infra.⁴ From α., β., γ., and Cx.⁵ the] om. α., β., γ., and Cx.⁶ Provynce, β.⁷ From α.⁸ deled þe kyngdom bitwene hem tweyn. Þat was Provynce, β.; deled by twene ham tweyne Charles hys kyngdom, .; Lowys and Lotharius

deled the royamme of Proynce bytwene hem, Cx.

⁹ Provins, α.; Provyngs, γ.¹⁰ telle, Cx.¹¹ vyftene, γ.¹² Marcus, Cx.¹³ he] α, γ.¹⁴ twy, γ.¹⁵ ben, Cx.¹⁶ hett, β.; zonger þat hyzt, γ.

patris sui a dæmone vexatus, fatebatur hoc sibi accidisse quia in patrem conspiraverat. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro ii.*¹ Hujus Lodowici tempore Johannes Scotus venit in Franciam;² libros Dionysii ad rogatum Karoli Calvi³ de Græco in Latinum transtulit; librum⁴ Perifision,⁵ id est de divisione naturæ, edidit: qui tamen postmodum per Aluredum⁶ regem in Angliam vocatus,⁷ a stylis puerorum quos apud Malmesbury⁸ docuit confossus interiit. Hoc anno sanctus Edmundus⁹ cepit regnare super Estangliam,¹⁰ **Edmundus.** sed quartodecimo anno occiditur.¹¹ Rex Westsaxonum Ethelwulfus obiit.¹² Cui successit primogenitus Ethelbaldus,¹³ qui tantum uno anno¹⁴ regnavit. Nec¹⁵ mirum, quia mortuo patre uxorem ejus Juditham novercam suam contra ritum catholicum sibi in uxorem copulavit: et apud Schirburn¹⁶ sepelitur. *Martinus. De pontificibus Romanorum.*¹⁷ Johannes Anglicus, **Mulier papa.**

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II.

Gratiæ
DCCCLVIII.
Lodowici
III.

¹ Ed. Hardy, p. 190. C.D. omit reference.

² *qui*, B.

³ *ad . . . Calvi*] om. C.D.

⁴ *librum . . . vocatus*] om. C.D.

⁵ *i.e., περί φύσεων (μερισμοῦ).*

⁶ *Aluredum*, from A.; *Eluredum*, MS.

⁷ *qui tamen postea*, C.D.

⁸ *apud . . . Malmesbury*] om. C.D.

⁹ *rex*, C.D.

¹⁰ *Estanglos*, A.C.D.

¹¹ *regni sui occiditur a Danis*, add. C.D.

¹² *obiit idus Januarii, Wintonia sepelitur*, A.; *post Idus Januarii, Wyntonia sepelitur*, B.; *idibus Januarii, et apud Wintonam sepelitur biennio completo post reditum suum a Roma, regnum tamen inter filios diviserat*, add. C.D.

¹³ *Ethelwaldus*, B.

¹⁴ *per unum annum*, B.

¹⁵ *Nec . . . Romanorum*] om. C.D.

¹⁶ *Shirburn*, B.

¹⁷ A. omits reference and heading; B. omits heading.

also¹ was i-tormented of a fend², pre dayes in presence of his fader, and knowleched³ pat he was so i-tormented for he hadde conspired aʒenst his fader. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 2^o*. In pis Lowys his tyme Iohn⁴ Scot com into Fraunce, and translated Denys⁵ his bookes out of Grew⁶ into Latyn at þe prayere of kyng Charles, and made þe book⁷ Perifisioun,⁸ pat is þe book of þe departynge of Kynde. But þerafter kyng Aluredus sente for hym for he schulde⁹ come into Engelond, and so he dede,¹⁰ and tauʒte children at Malmesbury, þe whiche¹¹ children stiked¹² hym to dethe wip here poyntelles.¹³ Pat ʒere seynt Edmond bygan to regne over þe Est Angles, but he was i-slave in þe fourtenþe¹⁴ ʒere. Ethelwulfus kyng of West Saxons deide þe þrittenþe day of Ianyver, and was i-buried at Wynchestre. After hym his eldest sone Ethelwaldus regnede but oon¹⁵ ʒere, and pat was¹⁶ no wonder, for whanne his fadir was deed he wedded his owne stepdame, aʒenst þe lawe and usage of holy chirche, and he was i-buried at Schirborne.¹⁷ *Marcianus*. After pope Leo, Iohn¹⁸ Englysshe

TREVISA.

Ab urbe, of a spiritte in the presence of his fader confessede he was punyschede by that spirit in that he conspirede the dethe of his fader. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo*. Iohn Scotte come to France in the tyme of this Lodowicus, and translate the bookes of Dionisius at the desyre of Karolus Calvus from Grewe into Latyne, and made a booke callede Perifision, of the division of nature. Whiche callede after that into Ynglonde by kynge Alurede, was sleyne with poyntells of childer whom he tauʒhte at Malmesbury. Seynte Edmund began to reigne on Este Ynglische men in this yere, and was sleyne in the xiii^{tho} yere. Ethelwulphus kynge of Westesaxons died þe Idus of Ianuare, and beriede at Wynchestre; whom Ethelbaldus his eldest son did succede oon yere. And noo mervayl, for he maryede Iuditha, wife to his fader, ageyne the consuetude of holy chirche, and was beryede at Shirburne. *Martinus*. Iohannes Anglicus,

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gracione.

¹ also] om. β.
² vend, γ.
³ knewlechede, γ.
⁴ Ioon, β.
⁵ Denes, γ.
⁶ Grue, β. and Cx.; Gru, γ.
⁷ bok, γ., bis.
⁸ Perifision, β. and γ.; Perefision, Cx.
⁹ vor a scholde, γ.

¹⁰ dide, β.; a dude, γ.
¹¹ woche, γ.
¹² stykked, Cx.
¹³ poyntels, Cx.
¹⁴ fourteþe, a.; vourteþe, .
¹⁵ o, γ.
¹⁶ is, a., β., and Cx.; ys, γ.
¹⁷ Schirburn, β.; Schyreburn, γ.; Shirburn, Cx.
¹⁸ Ioon, β., bis; Iohan, Cx., bis.

natione Maguntinus, post Leonem sedit in papatu annis duobus, mensibus quinque. Hic, ut asseritur, fœmina fuit, et in puerili ætate a quodam amasio suo sub habitu virili Athenis ducta, in variis scientiis adeo profecit, ut postmodum Romam¹ veniens magnos viros suos habens² auditores³ trivium legeret. Deinde in⁴ papam favore omnium electus per suum amasium impregnabatur. Verum quia tempus partus ignorans cum de Sancto Petro ad Lateranensem ecclesiam tenderet, doloribus pariendi angustiata inter Colloseum et Sanctum Clementem peperit, ubi postmodum, ut dicitur, sepulta fuit.⁵ At quia dominus papa illam viam semper obliquat, creditur hoc facere ad detestationem illius eventus. Nec ponitur iste in catalogo⁶ pontifi-

Johannes
papa, Angli-
cus natione,
mulier
erat.

¹ *Romæ*, B.

² *haberet*, B.

³ *dum*, B.

⁴ *in*] om. A.

⁵ *est*, B.

⁶ *cathalago*, MS.

was pope two þere and fyve¹ monþes : me seip þat Iohn Englishe² [sche]³ was a womman, and was in childehode⁴ i-lad wiþ here leman in manis cloþinge to Athene,⁵ and lernede⁶ pre⁷ dyvers science,⁸ so þat þereafter sche⁹ come to Rome, and hadde þere greet men to scolars, and radde¹⁰ pre þere. Þanne he¹¹ was i-chose pope¹² by favoure of all men, and here¹³ lemman brouzþte here wiþ childe; bote for sche¹⁴ knewe nouzt here tyme whanne sche¹⁵ schulde have childe, as sche wente from Seint Peter¹⁶ to þe chirche of Seint Iohn¹⁷ þe Lateran, sche gan to travaille of childe, and hadde childe bytwene Colloseum¹⁸ and Seint Clement. *Trevisa.* Colloseum was þe place of þe ymages of provinces and of londes; loke more þerof¹⁹ in þe firste book, capitulo 24^o. Þanne it folweþ in þe story, as²⁰ me seip,²¹ þat sche was afterward i-buried þere. And for þe pope turneþ²² þere out of þat wey, me²³ troweþ þat²⁴ it is for hate of þat wonder myshap. Þis pope is nouzt i-rekened in þe

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Ab urbe. borne in Magoncia, succedid Leo the pope ij. yere and v. monethes : but hit is seide that this pope was a woman, and brouzþhte in yonge age from here cuntre to Athenes in the habite of a man by her speciale; where sche profite so gretely yn connyng in so moche that sche commynge to Rome hade noble auditors and disciples, to whom sche redde the arte triuiale. After that sche electe into pope by the favor of alle men, was gete with childe by her speciale; whiche not beyng in certeynte of the tyme of chilyng, and goyng from the churche of Seynte Petyr to the churche Lateranense, was delyverede betwene the Collosee and Seynte Clement, and beryede þer afterwarde as hit is seide. And for cause that the pope levethe that weye hit scholde seme that he scholde do that for detestacion of that chaunce; and this pope is not putte in f. 295 b.

MS. HARL. 2261.

A transmigratione.

¹ *vuf*, γ .² *Englisch*, β . bis.³ From *a*. (not in β).⁴ *yongthe*, Cx.⁵ *Athene*, Cx.⁶ *luernede*, γ .⁷ *þar*, γ .; *there*, Cx.⁸ *scyens*, γ .⁹ *heo*, β . and γ .¹⁰ *rad*, β .; *redde*, Cx.¹¹ *he*] *a*, γ .; *heo*, β .; *she*, Cx.¹² *pope*] om. Cx.¹³ *hir*, β .¹⁴ *heo*, γ . tris.¹⁵ *hue*, γ . bis.¹⁶ *Peter's*, Cx.¹⁷ *Ioon*, β .¹⁸ *Collosen*, Cx. bis.¹⁹ *loke more þerof*] as it is said,

Cx.

²⁰ *as*] *And*, β .²¹ *as me seip*] om. Cx.²² *torned*, Cx.²³ *men*, β .²⁴ *me troweþ þat*] om. *a*.

cum propter sexum impertinentem. Circa hæc tempora rex Bulgarorum cum gente sua ad fidem Christi conversus est. Qui tantæ fuit perfectionis ut regno suo¹ filio suo relicto ipse habitum monachilem² suscipere; sed cum filius³ ⁴ ejus⁵ ad idololatriam⁶ se converteret⁷ pater resumpta militia persecutus est filium, quem effossis oculis trusit⁸ in carcerem; juniore⁹ filio ad regnum subrogato, habitum sacrum resumpsit.¹⁰ *De Westsaxonibus.*¹¹ Ethelbertus post Ethelbaldum¹² fratrem¹³ suum successit in regnum Westsaxonum quinque annis.¹⁴ In cujus diebus magnus Dacorum exercitus Wyntoniam depopulans, antequam ad naves suas redire posset, a ducibus regis trucidantur. *De pontificibus Romanorum.*¹⁵ Benedictus tertius post Johannem sedit papa annis quatuor. Sanctus Swithinus Wentanus præsul obiit, cui successit Dumbertus,¹⁶ de quo¹⁷ mira leguntur.¹⁸

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V.

¹ *majori*, A.B.
² *monachalem*, A.
³ *filiis*, A.
⁴ *juveniliter agens*, add. C.D.
⁵ *suus*, B.
⁶ *ydolatriam*, MS.
⁷ *se vertisset*, C.D.
⁸ *intrusit*, A.
⁹ *junioreque*, A.
¹⁰ C.D.add.: "Circa hos dies apud Brixiam Italiæ tribus diebus sanguis pluvisse dicitur. Locustæ innumerabiles in Gallia apparuerunt, sævas alas, sex pedes, binos dentes habentes, ut castrorum acies turmatim volantes, spacium sex leucarum occupantes, viridia quæque in herbis et arboribus
 " vastantes, quæ tandem ad mare Britannicum pervenientes vi flatus ventorum in profundum sunt dejectæ. Ex sua putredine ita aerem infectarunt ut fames et mortalitas valida sequeretur."
¹¹ A.B. omit heading.
¹² *Ethealbaldum*, A.
¹³ *patrem*, C.D.
¹⁴ *quod quidem laudabiliter rexit quinque annis, sepultus est apud Schirburnam*, C.D.
¹⁵ A.B.C.D. omit heading.
¹⁶ *Dunbertus*, A.; *Dambertus*, B.
¹⁷ *quibus*, A.
¹⁸ *obiit . . . leguntur*] om. C.D.

book¹ of popes for he² was of women kynde,³ þat schulde nouȝt be pope.⁴ Aboute þat tyme þe kyng of Bulgares and his men tornede to [Cristes fey and bileve, and was so perfit, þat he bitoke þe kyngdom to his eldest sone, and toke hym silf þe abytt of monk; but whanne his sone turned to mametrie, he turned to]⁵ chilvalrye aȝe, and pursewed⁶ his son aȝen,⁷ and took hym, and put out boþe his eyȝen,⁸ [and leide hym in prisoun and closede hym þere, and made his ȝonger sone kyng, and took þe holy abyte aȝen].⁹ After Ethelwaldus¹⁰ his broþer Ethelbertus was kyng of West Saxons fyve ȝere. In his tyme a greet oost of Danes destroyed¹¹ Wynchestre, and were i-slawe of þe kynges dukes¹² or þey myȝte come¹³ to here schippes. After Iohn,¹⁴ þe þridde¹⁵ Benet was pope foure ȝere. Seynt Swythyn bisshop of Wynchestre deide, and Dunbertus was bisshop after hym: of hem tweyne beep wondres

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the nowmbre of other bischoppes of Rome for the kynde im- MS. HARL. 2261.
pertinente. The kyng of Bulgaria was conuerte to the feithe
of Criste with his peple abowte this tyme; whiche was of soe
grete perfeccion that he toke his realme to his eldeste sonne,
and toke the habite of a monke. But his sonne ȝiffen to
ydolatory, the kyng returnede to the worlde, and doynge grete
persecucion to his son, toke hym and makynge hym blynde
putte hym in prison; and so the yonger sonne made kyng, the
fader returnede to his monastery, and toke that hooly habite.
Ethelbertus succedid Ethelbaldus his broþer in the realme of
Westesaxons v. yere. In the tyme of whom a grete hoste of the
Danes robberyng Wynchestre were destroyede gretely by the
dukes of the seide kyng or that thei cowthe take their
schippes. Benedictus the thrydde succedid Iohn the pope iiij.
yere. Seynte Swithine bisshop of Wynchestre diede in this
tyme, whom Dunbertus did succede, of whom mervellous

A transmi-
gracione.

¹ bok, γ.
² a, γ.
³ kunde, γ.
⁴ for she was a woman, and ought not to be pope, Cx., who adds: she was born at Magoune in Almayn upon the Ryn.
⁵ From β. and Cx. Crist hys fey and byleve, and was so perfytt þat a bytoug his kyngdom to hys eldeste sone, and tok hym sylf þe abytt of monk, bote whanne hys sone

tornde to mametrye, he tornde to, &c., γ.
⁶ puyseywyde, γ.
⁷ aȝe his sone, a.; aȝen, om. γ.
⁸ yen, γ.
⁹ From a., β., γ., and Cx.
¹⁰ Ethelbaldus, a. and γ.
¹¹ destried, β.
¹² er, β.
¹³ retorne, Cx.
¹⁴ Ioon, β.; Iohan, Cx., passim.
¹⁵ vurde, γ.

Gratie
DCCCLXIII.
Lodowici
VIII.

Nicholaus¹ primus post Benedictum sedit in papatu annis octo, qui magno Gregorio comparandus fuit, nam sub eo sanctus Cyrillus,² Sclavorum apostolus,³ corpus sancti Clementis a Cersona auferens Romæ attulit, et in ecclesia Sancti Clementis⁴ condidit, ubi ipse⁵ postmodum moriens virtutibus⁶ coruscavit.⁷ Hoc anno cum Lodowicus rex Franciæ⁸ uxorem suam legitimam dimittere vellet propter Waldradam concubinam, quam dudum adolescens in domo patris sui nimium dilexerat, Nicholaus papa ad instantiam germanorum reginæ super hoc querelantium misit in Franciam Arsenium apocrypharium suum, qui coacto super hoc episcoporum consilio coegit regem reaccipere conjugem, tactis sacrosanctis quod aliam nunquam super induceret; sed legato Romano recedente abjecta est regina, et Waldrada resumpta. Unde et dominus papa Waldradam cum communicantibus excommunicavit in pleno consistorio. *Ranulphus.*⁹ Veruntamen Marianus Scotus narrat

¹ *Papa*, B.

² *Scirillus*, B.

³ *Sclavos convertit*, C.D.

⁴ *a . . . Clementis*] om. B.

⁵ *et*, A.B.

⁶ *miraculis*, C.D.

⁷ *choruscavit*, MSS.

⁸ *cum*, B.

⁹ *Ranulphus . . . Lodowycy*] om. A.C.D.

i-rad.¹ After Benet, þe firste Nicol² was pope eiȝte ȝere, he was i-likned to the grete Gregorie, for in his tyme Cirillus³ þe apostel of Sclaves brouȝt seint Clement his body out of Cersona to Rome, and leide it in Seint Clement his cherche, and deide þere after, and dede⁴ many myracles [þar].⁵ Þat ȝere Lowys kyng of Fraunce wolde leve⁶ his riȝtful⁷ wif for his lemman Waldrada, þat he hadde to moche⁸ i-loved in his ȝoupe in his fader hous. Þanne pope Nichol⁹ at þe instaunce¹⁰ of þe queene breperen, þat pleyned to hym of þat dede, sente his tresorer Arsenius into Fraunce, and he made a counsaile of bisshoppes,¹¹ and compelled the kyng to take his wif aȝe, and made hym swere uppon a¹² book¹³ þat he schulde nevere þat oper womman take. Bote whanne þe legat of Rome was agoo þe kyng putte¹⁴ away þe queene, and took aȝen¹⁵ Waldrada; þefore in pleyn¹⁶ consistorie þe pope cursede¹⁷ Waldrada and alle þat comuned¹⁸ wip here. R̄. Butte Marre¹⁹

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Ab urbe. thynges be redde. Nicholaus the firste succedid Benedicte the MS. HARL. 2261.
pope viij. yere, whiche was comparable to grete Gregory. In
whose tyme seynte Cirillus thapostelle of men of Sclavia, bryng-
ynge the body of seynte Clemente from Cersona, brouȝhte hit
to Rome, and put hit in the church of Seynte Clemente, where
seynte Cirillus dyenge schewede mony miracles. Lodowic-
cus the kyng of Fraunce willynge to leve his lawefulle wife
for Waldrada a concubyne, whom he luffede moche of tendre
age, Nicholaus the pope, at the instaunce of the breper of
the qwene complaynyng thereof, sende into Fraunce Arse-
nius his apocrifary, whiche callynge a cownesaille of bischoppes,
constreynede the kyng to take ageyne his wife, makynge a
solemne protestacion that he wolde not take that oper concu-
byne. But the legat of Rome returnede, the qwene was
refusede, and Waldrada was taken; wherefore the pope cursede
Waldrada with alle men havynge comunicacion with here.
R̄. But Marianus rehersethe this of Lotharius, and not of

A transmi-
gracione.¹ yredde, Cx.² Nichol, B.³ Cyrillus, Cx.⁴ dide, B.; dude, γ.⁵ From γ.⁶ leeve, B.⁷ ryȝtfol, γ.⁸ myche, B.⁹ Nychol, Cx., et supra.¹⁰ instans, γ.¹¹ byscopes, γ.¹² þe, a. and Cx.¹³ swerye oppon þe bok, γ.¹⁴ potte, γ.¹⁵ touk aȝe, γ.¹⁶ playne, Cx.¹⁷ corsede, γ.¹⁸ comuned] covinede, γ.; com-
ende, Cx.¹⁹ Mare, B.; Bote Marc, γ.;
Marianus, Cx.

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X.

istud de Lothario rege, et non de Lodowyco. *De West-*
*saxonibus et Danis.*¹ Etheldredus, tertius natu, post
duos fratres succedit² in regnum Westsaxonum vii.³
annis. Cujus anno primo magna Dacorum classis apud
Estangliam⁴ appulit et hiemavit. Inde apud Ebo-
racum⁵ se tueri compelluntur; nam cum Northum-
brenses diabolico prius instinctu regem⁶ Osbrictum
a se expulerant, et tyrannum quemdam nomine Ellam
superinduxerant, metu tandem hostium aliquantulum
sedati, cum utrisque regibus suis Dacos aggrediuntur,
quos ad urbem Eboracum tunc non bene muratam fugere
compelluntur; quos dum inconsulte debellant passim
conteruntur cæsis regibus,⁷ ita ut qui evadere poterant
pacem cum Danis fecerunt.⁸ Et sic reges Northimbrorum

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XIII.

defecerunt.⁹ *Item de Danis.*¹ Hoc anno [Dani]¹⁰ re-
licta¹¹ Northimbria venerunt in regnum Merciorum, apud
Snotingham¹² per totum annum commorantes,¹³ quibus

¹ A.B. omit heading.

² *successit*, B.

³ *octo*, A.B.C.D.

⁴ *Estanglos*, A.

⁵ *infra civitatem*, add. C.D.

⁶ *suum*, add. A.

⁷ *eorum*, add. B.

⁸ C.D. add: "Ostanus Schir-
"burne episcopus."

⁹ *Et . . . defecerunt*] om. A.

¹⁰ *Dani*] from A.B.C.D.

¹¹ *relicti*, B.

¹² *Notyngham*, A.B.

¹³ *quod Latine dicitur domus
speluncarum, ubi per totum annum
hiemaverunt*, add. C.D.

tellep us¹ þis of Lotharius, and nouȝt of Lowes. Etheldredus, þe
 þridde broþer of burþe,² was kyng of West Saxons after his
 tweye breþeren eiȝte ȝere. In his firste ȝere a greet navey of
 Danes londede³ in Est Englonde,⁴ and lay þere. Þerafter at
 ȝork þey were compelled to defende hem self;⁵ for whanne þe
 Norþhombres hadde i-doo away here kyng Osbrucus, as þe devel
 hem radde,⁶ and i-made a tyraunt kyng þat heet⁷ Ella, at þe
 laste for drede of enemyes þey were somdel i-ceesed,⁸ and
 wente wip here⁹ eiper kyng to fiȝte wip¹⁰ þe Danes, and com-
 pelled¹¹ hem to flee¹² [to]¹³ þe citee of ȝork, þat was not ful¹⁴
 i-walled;¹⁵ þanne þe Norþhombres disarayede hem self, and
 wente¹⁶ unwiseliche, and were i-bete a doun, som in oon¹⁷
 place¹⁸ and som in anoper, and here kynges were y-slawe, so
 þat þey þat myȝte askape made pees¹⁹ wip þe Danes, and so
 faillede²⁰ þe kynges of Norþhombres. Þat ȝere þe Danes lefte
 Norþhombrelond, and com into the²¹ kyngdom of Mercia, and

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. Lodowicus. Etheldredus, the thrydde son by byrthe, succedid
 his ij. breþer in the realme of Westesaxons viij. yere. In
 the firste yere of whom a grete fleete of schippes of the Danes
 londeð at Este Ynglonde, and taryede there in the wynter,
 compellede after that to take Yorke for their defense. For
 when that men of Northumbrelonde, thro the instinccion of
 the develle, hade expulsede their kyng, and hade made Ella
 a tyraunte to their governoure. Neverthelesse the malice
 of theyme swaged thro the dredde of the Danes, and takenge
 bothe their kynges to theyme, ȝafe batelle to the Danes,
 whom they compellede to fle to the cite of Yorke, not wallede
 welle in that tyme. But then thei fiȝhtenge ageyne theyme
 indiscretely were devicte by þe Danes, and their kynges
 sleyne, in so moche that men escapede toke pease with the
 Danes, and so the kynges of Northumbrelonde faylede. The
 Danes levynge the realme of Northumbrelonde in this yere,
 come to Snotyngham in the realme of the Marches, taryenge

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¹ us] om. β. and Cx.² birþe, β.³ londide, β.⁴ Anglonde, γ.⁵ ham sylf, γ.⁶ rad, β.⁷ hyȝte, γ.⁸ ysessed, γ.; ceeced, Cx.⁹ theyr, Cx.¹⁰ ayenst, Cx.¹¹ compellide, β.¹² vle to, γ.¹³ From β. and Cx.¹⁴ well, add. Cx.¹⁵ ful wel walled, β.; was þo noȝt
fol wel ywalled, γ.¹⁶ werrede, α. and γ.; werride, β.¹⁷ oon] o, β.¹⁸ plas, γ.¹⁹ pes, γ.²⁰ faylide, β.²¹ the] om. Cx.

Burdredus¹ rex Merciorum occurrit. Cumque Dani arte muniti bellum dare nollent, et Anglis murum frangere non suppetebat,² pace³ facta reges domi redierunt, et Dani Eboracum repetierunt, ubi per annum manserunt.

Gratie
DCCCLXIX.
Lodowici
XIV.

*De pontificibus Romæ.*⁴ Adrianus secundus⁵ post Nicholaum succedit in papatu annis duobus. Cui scripsit rex Francorum Lodowycus secundus, nuper a Nicholao papa excommunicatus, ut eum cum gratia reciperet. Papa rescripsit in hunc modum: " Si te immunem scis,⁶ Romæ " propera ;⁷ si culpabilem, ad pœnitentiam condignam⁸ " te præpara."⁹ Rege igitur¹⁰ veniente, quæsivit ab eo [Papa si]¹¹ præcepta Nicholai papæ et juramentum præstitum observasset. Respondit rex cum suis fautoribus quod sic. Quibus papa ait, " Oportet nos vobiscum tunc " communicare,¹² ut membris Christi, a quibus abscissi

¹ *Burdredus fretus auxilio socii sui regis Westsaxonum occurrit. Cumque pagani tuitione artis, &c.,* add. C.D.

² *suppetat, B.*

³ *inter partes, C.D.*

⁴ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁵ *tertius, A.*

⁶ *scis]* from A.B. ; *sis, MS.*

⁷ *scias Romæ properes, C.D.*

⁸ *condictam, A.*

⁹ *præpares, C.D.*

¹⁰ *igitur]* om. B.

¹¹ *Papa si]* from B. ; *si, A.*

¹² *oportet vos nobiscum corpus Domini participare, C.D.*

dwellede al a ȝere at Snotyngham, þat now hatte Notyngham; ¹ **TREVISA.**
 þat ² Burdredus kyng of Mercye ³ and þe kyng of West
 Saxons come aȝenst hem. Bote þe Danes were wiþ ynne þe
 strengþe ⁴ of þe toure, and wolde ȝeve no batayle, ⁵ and Eng-
 lisse men myȝte nouȝt spede to breke þe wal; þanne pees
 was i-made, and þe kynges tornede ⁶ hoom ⁷ aȝe, and þe Danes
 went aȝen to ȝork, and dwellede þere all a ȝere. After Nichol,
 þe secunde Adrianus ⁸ was pope two ȝere: to hym þe secunde
 kyng Lowys ⁹ of Fraunce, þat was somtyme acorsed of þe pope
 Nichol, wrot lettres, and prayed hym þat he wolde fonge ¹⁰
 hym wiþ grace. Þe pope wroot to hym aȝen in þis manere:
 “ȝif þou knowest thy self [gulteles, ¹¹ com to Rome; and “ȝif þou
 knowest þyself] ¹² gilty, ¹³ make þe redy to doo worþy penaunce.”
 Þanne þe kyng com, and þe pope axede of hym ȝif he hadde
 i-holde his oth and pope Nichol his hestes. Þe kyng and his
 fautoures seide “ȝis al at þe fulle.” ¹⁴ “Þanne,” quoth the pope,
 “ȝe moste commune ¹⁵ wiþ us þat ȝe be i-oned ¹⁶ to Crist his

Ab urbe. there by oon yere. But Burdredus kyng of the Marches, **MS. HARL.**
 and Etheldredus kyng of the Westesaxons, gedrenge a grete **2261.**
 hoste, wolde have ȝiffe batelle to þeim, but the Danes, experte **A transmi-**
 in batelles and werre, kepede the cite, and wolde not ȝiffe **gracione.**
 batelle to þeim, and so the kynges returnede, and the Danes
 returnede also to Yorke, where they taryede by oon yere.
 Adrianus the secunde succedid Nicholas the pope ij. yere. To
 whom Lodowicus the secunde and kyng of Fraunce did wryte,
 cursede but late afore by Nicholas the pope, that he wolde
 take hym to mercy. The pope did wryte ageyne in this
 maner: “If thow knowe thy selfe not gilty, com to Rome;
 “if thow be culpable do condigne penance.” The kyng
 comynge to Rome, the pope inquirede of hym if he hade
 kepede þe preceptes of his predecessor, and the othe that he
 made; þe kyng and mony of his peple presente þer seide
 he hade obseruede theyme. Then the pope seide: “Hit
 “behovethe yow to be communicate with us, that ye may be

¹ *Nothyngham*, Cx.

² *þanne*, a. and β.; *there*, Cx.

³ *Mercia*, a.

⁴ *stryngþe*, γ.

⁵ *batayl*, γ.

⁶ *turneden*, β.

⁷ *tornede hom*, γ.

⁸ *secunde Adrian*, .

⁹ *Lowys kyng*, a. and β.

¹⁰ *a wolde vonge*, γ.

¹¹ *giltless*, β.

¹² *From* a., β., and γ.

¹³ *gulty*, γ.

¹⁴ *ȝus al atte folle*, γ.

¹⁵ *come*, β. and Cx.

¹⁶ *yooned*, β.; *y-oned*, γ.; *unyed*
Cx.

“ fuistis, inseramini.” Et missa completa communicavit eos,¹ dicens, “ Si innoxii estis, remissio vobis sit hæc² communio; sin autem, damnatio.”³ Unde contigit ut nullus eorum annum superviveret, sed et rex continuo correptus morbo apud Placentiam urbem obiit. Inde et in populo maxima mortalitas accidit.⁴ Hoc⁵ etiam anno Dani destruxerunt urbem Alcluyt,⁶ et a partibus Northimbrorum transierunt ad Estangliam, per annum hiemantes⁷ apud Tedfort.⁸ Quo quidem anno Hynguar et Hubba⁹ Dani¹⁰ sanctum Edmundum regem¹¹ occiderunt apud Egglisdoun.¹² *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo.*¹³ ¹⁴ Caputque¹⁵ regis¹⁶ Edmundi inter fruticeta occulatum civibus quærentibus patria lingua se patefecit, dicens, “ *Her, her, her;*” ubi repertus est lupus caput regis

Edmundus
rex.

De morte
sancti
Edmundi
regis et
martiris; de
inventione
capitis
ejus.

¹ eos, from A.; eo, MS.; om. B.

² hæc, from B.; et, MS.

³ vobis hæc sit communio Domini, at dampnatio si noxii, C.D.

⁴ C.D. add: “Ejus autem regnum filii sui, Lodovicus tertius et Karolus senior, inter se dividerunt.”

⁵ Hoc etiam anno urbs Alclud ab olim tam famosa, quæ ad occidentalem extremitatem illius muri famosi sita fuerat, omnino destructa est per Dacos. Eo quoque anno Dani Merciam et Northumbriam relinquentes apud (sic) Estangliam transierunt, et apud Tedford hiemaverunt, add. C.D.

⁶ Alcluit, A.; Alcluyt, B.

⁷ per urbem (sic) hiemantes, B.

⁸ Tedfort, A.; Thedford, B.

⁹ Hingar et Hulba, A.

¹⁰ Hynguar . . . Dani] om. C.D.

¹¹ regem] om. B.

¹² Elesdoun, A.; Eglesdoun, B.

¹³ primo, B. Ed. Hardy, i. p. 365, seqq.

¹⁴ C.D. insert: “Obiit et Colnotus Dorobornensis archiepiscopus; successit Ethelredus.” *Will., lib. 2, Pontificibus.*

¹⁵ Caputque . . . libro iii°] om. C.D.

¹⁶ Caput regis, B.

“ lymes, from þe whiche¹ ȝe were kutte² and departed.” And whanne the masse was i-doo he houselede³ hem, and seide: “ ȝif ȝe beþ gultles þis connynge⁴ moot⁵ be to ȝow remis-
“ sioun and forȝevenesse, and elles [dampnacioun].”⁶ Þanne it happede þat noon of hem alle lyvede oon⁷ ȝere. But þe kyng was anon i-take [wiþ] a siknesse,⁸ and deide in þe citee Placencia. Þerafter fel⁹ a greet pestilence¹⁰ on þe peple. Also þat ȝere þe Danes destroyed¹¹ þe citee Alcluit, and wente out of Norþomberlond to Est Anglond, and lay al a ȝere at Tetforde.¹² Þat ȝere Hingar¹³ and Hubba, tweie Danes, slouȝ seint Edmond þe kyng at Egbesdoun.¹⁴ *Trevisa*.¹⁵ Est Anglond conteynep Norþfolk and Souþfolk; loke more þerof in þe firste book, capitulo 51^o.¹⁵ *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 2^o*. Seynt Edmond his heed¹⁶ lay i-hidde,¹⁷ among bussches,¹⁸ and spak to hem þat souȝt hym in þe contray¹⁹ longage, and seide, “ Heere, heere, heere.”²⁰ Þere a wolfe was i-founde þat

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. “ ascribede to the membres of Criste from whom ye were
“ departede;” and, þe masse complete, he communicate theym, seyenge: “ If ye be not gilty, this communion be to yow in
“ remission; and if ye be gilty, to dampnacion.” And hit happede that noon of theym lyvede passede oon yere; and the kyng, taken with a soore fever, diede at a cite Plasencia, and a grete mortalite folowede amonge his peple. The Danes destroyede the cite Alcluit in this yere, and wente from Northumbrelonde to Tedforde in the este partes of Ynglonde, where thei taryede by alle þe wynter. In whiche yere Danes Hinguar and Hubba did sle seynte Edmund at Egglisdon. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo*. And the hed of seynte Edmunde hidde in thikke places, spake to men sechyng hym, and seide after the langage of the cuntre: “ Here, here, here;” where a wulf was founde clippende the hedde of seynte

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gracione.The Danes
did sle
seynte
Edmund.¹ *vram þe woche*, γ.² *hitt*, β.³ *hoslede*, γ.; *housled*, Cx.⁴ *comynng*, β.; *comynng*, Cx.⁵ *mot*, β.; *comunynge mote*, γ.⁶ From α., β., γ., and Cx.⁷ *over*, α., β., γ., and Cx.⁸ *sekenes*, Cx.⁹ *vul*, γ.¹⁰ *pestylens*, γ.¹¹ *distriede*, β.¹² *Tedford*, β.¹³ *Hinguar*, β. and γ.; *Hungar*, Cx.¹⁴ *Eglysdoun*, α. and β.; *Egglis-
doun*, γ.; *Eglyston*, Cx.¹⁵ *Trevisa* . . . capitulo 51^o.]
om. β. and Cx.¹⁶ *hed*, β., bis.¹⁷ *hed lay yhud*, γ.¹⁸ *bosches*, γ.¹⁹ *countrey*, Cx.²⁰ *here*, β., tris; *her*, γ., tris.

amplexus, qui turbam accurrentem mansuete secutus est. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro iii.*¹ Post² regis occisionem, Edwoldus frater ejus, exhorrens mundi delicias, eo quod se et fratrem suum durior fortuna excepisset, apud Cerviliense³ monasterium⁴ in Dorsetania, juxta fontem perlucidum⁵ quem sanctus quondam Augustinus ad baptizandum populum conversum precibus produxerat, vitam heremiticam solo pane et aqua protrivit: fit enim plerumque ut adversitatibus sæculi admonitus animus⁶ ad Deum se convertat attentius, qui nec falli nec fallere novit. Ibi postmodum constructum est⁷ monasterium satis locuples, si illi quorum interest non nebulonibus sed Dei servis impartirent;⁸ sed omnia nostro sub tempore ita in Anglia immutavit⁹ ambitio, ut res quas antiqui liberaliter contulerunt monasteriis magis dispergantur possessorum ingluviis¹⁰

¹ *ij.*, A.B. This reference is an error, liber iii. begins with the arrival of the Normans. The reference has probably been repeated from the last by an inadvertence of the scribe.

² *Occiso rege Estanglorum Ead-mundo*, C.D.

³ *Carneliensem*, C.D.

⁴ *canobium*, A.B.C.D.

⁵ *perlucidem*, MS.

⁶ *generosus*, add. C.D.

⁷ *est*] om. B.

⁸ *ea impartirent*, A.B.

⁹ *mutavit*, B.

¹⁰ *ingluvia*, A.B.

byclipped the kynges heed, and folowede¹ myldeliche the men þat were i-come.² *Willelmus de Regibus, et de Pontificibus, libro 2^o*. After þe sleynge of þe kynges³ broþer Edwoldus hatede þe likynge of þe world,⁴ for hard fortune took hym and his broþer, and levede⁵ an ermytes lyf onliche by brede and water, at the abbay of Cerne⁶ in Dorsete, by þe cleer welle þat seynt Austyn, by his prayers, made springe somtyme for to baptise⁷ þe people⁸ þat tornede to Cristene byleve. Hit fallip ful⁹ ofte þat a gentil herte, i-warned by harde [happes]¹⁰ and meschief¹¹ of þis world, torneþ þe more besiliche to God, þat can nouzt begile noþer be bygiled. Þe abbay þat was þere i-bulded¹² was afterward riche inow,¹³ 3if þey¹⁴ þat schulde governe it dele¹⁵ it to Goddes servautes, and nouzt to glotouns. Bote in oure tyme covetise and pride¹⁶ hap so i-chaunged¹⁷ al þing in Engelond, þat þinges þat were i-3eve [vrelyche]¹⁸ to abbayes in olde tyme beep now more i-wasted¹⁹ in glotenyne and outrage of honures²⁰ þanne in

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. Edmunde, whiche folowede mekely the peple commyn unto that place. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro secundo*. Edwoldus, broþer to seynte Edmunde, despisyng the worlde, after the dethe of his broþer, lyvede in Dorsetteschire as an heremite, contente onoly with brede and water, nye to a welle whom seynte Austyn thro his preier causede to sprynge to baptize people convertede to the feithe. Where a monastery was edifiede afterwarde of grete richesse, if the governoures of hit spende hit not on glotons, but on the servaunte3 of God. But ambicion, a cosyn of covetise, hath chaungede so thynges in Ynglonde in oure tyme, that goodes 3iffen liberally of fowndres and devowte peple to monasterys, be dispersed rapertro ryette of the governoures then spende to the lyfe and sustentacion of the bretherne of theyme, and on oþer poore peple

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A transmigratione.

f. 296 b.

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| ¹ <i>folewide, B.</i> | ¹¹ <i>meschef, B.</i> |
| ² <i>that cam theder, Cx.</i> | ¹² <i>buld, a.; bylde, B. and Cx.</i> |
| ³ <i>kyng his, a.</i> | ¹³ <i>ynow3, B.; ynough, Cx.</i> |
| ⁴ <i>worl, γ., et infra.</i> | ¹⁴ <i>3ef hy, γ.</i> |
| ⁵ <i>lyvede, Cx.</i> | ¹⁵ <i>delede, a.; deled, B. and Cx.</i> |
| ⁶ <i>Cern, Cx.</i> | ¹⁶ <i>prude, γ.</i> |
| ⁷ <i>cristen, Cx.</i> | ¹⁷ <i>chaungide, B.</i> |
| ⁸ <i>folle þe peple, B.; vor to volle þe pupel, γ.</i> | ¹⁸ <i>From γ.</i> |
| ⁹ <i>vallep vol, γ.</i> | ¹⁹ <i>wastet, γ.</i> |
| ¹⁰ <i>From a., B., and Cx.</i> | ²⁰ <i>ouners, a. and γ.; owneres, B.; owners, Cx.</i> |

quam indigentium aut hospitem famulentur vitæ; sed certe datores non fraudabuntur mercede, quorum intentiones librantur [divina]¹ lance.

CAP. XXXIII.

*De regibus Francorum.*²

Gratiæ
DCCCLXXI.
Lodowici
primo.

LODOWYCUS tertius post patrem Lodowicum secundum regnavit apud Francos annis quatuor. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo.*³ Quo anno⁴ Dacorum exercitus relicta Estanglia, ducibus Hynguar⁵ et Hubba, venerunt versus Westsaxoniam⁶ apud Radyngum;⁷ ubi tertio adventus sui die duo duces Danorum ad faciendam prædam exeuntes apud Engilfeld⁸ trucidati sunt. Quarto post hoc die duo fratres⁹ Westsaxonum occurrentes magnam de Danis stragem fecerunt. Dani tandem

¹ *divina*, from A.B.C.D.

² A.C.D. omit heading.

³ C.D. omit reference. Ed. Hardy, i. p. 136.

⁴ *paganus*, C.D.

⁵ *Hingur*, A.; *Hungar*, B.

⁶ *Saxoniam*, A.

⁷ *Rading*, B.

⁸ *Egilfeld*, B.

⁹ *reges*, A.B.

sustenance¹ and help of nedy men and of gastes.² But certeynliche³ þe ʒevers schal not⁴ lese here mede,⁵ for here wille and here entent is i-weye⁶ in Goddes balaunce.⁷ TREVISA. —

Capitulum tricesimum tertium.

*Lodowici.*⁸

THE pridde Lowys regnede [in Fraunce]⁹ after his fader þe secounde Lowys foure ʒere. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 2^o.* Þis ʒere þe oost of Danes lefte Est Anglond¹⁰ and come wip here dukes Hungar¹¹ and Hubba toward Redynge in West Saxon; pere þe pridde day of here comynge þe tweye dukes of Danes wente out for to take prayes, and were i-slawe at Engelfilde; ¹² pere, after the fourpe day, tweye¹³ breperen, kynges of West Saxons, mette to gidres¹⁴ and made a greet slauʒter¹⁵ of¹⁶ þe Danes. At þe laste þe Danes breek¹⁷ out of þe toure, and

Ab urbe. and in hospitalite. But withoute dowte the ʒiffers of those goodes schalle not be defrauded of theirre rewarde, for theirre intencions be ponderate afore Allemyʒhty God. MS. HARL. 2261.

A transmi-
gracione.

Capitulum tricesimum tertium.

Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo.

Of þe
batells of
Danes.

Lodowicus the thrydde reigned in Fraunce iiij. yere after Lodowicus the secunde, his fader. In whiche yere the hoste of the Danes levyng the este partes of Ynglonde, with Hinguar and Hubba theirre governoures, come to Radyng in Westesax. Where tweyne governoures of þe Danes goynge furthe for theirre pray in þe thrydde day of theirre commynge into that coste, were sleyne at Engesfelde. And in the iiijth day folowynge, ij. breper of the kyng of Westesax ʒiffenge metynge to the Danes, did sle a grete multitude of theyme.

¹ *sustenans, γ.*
² *gystes, a. and γ.; ghestes, Cx.*
³ *certaynly, Cx.*
⁴ *nouʒt, β.*
⁵ *myde, γ.*
⁶ *weyed, β. and Cx.*
⁷ *balauns, γ.*
⁸ *Ludowicus, a.; Lowys, Cx.*
⁹ *From β., γ., and Cx.*

¹⁰ *Englond,*
¹¹ *Hinguar, a. and γ.; Hingar, β.*
¹² *Engilfeld, β. and γ.; Engel-
feld, Cx.*
¹³ *the two, Cx.*
¹⁴ *gedders, γ.*
¹⁵ *slauʒta., β., and γ.*
¹⁶ *of] o, γ.*
¹⁷ *brake, β. and Cx.; breke, γ.*

de arce erumpentes ducem Barrocencium¹ Ethelwolfum occiderunt, et Anglos retrocedere coegerunt. Qua verecundia commoti Angli quarto² post hoc die bellum apud Asshedoun,³ quod mons asini vel fraxini interpretatur, instaurant, ubi Aluredus necessitate coactus fratrem suum regem, missam tunc audientem, ad bellum praevenit.⁴ Cujus quidem regis oratio multum ea die apud Deum valuit. Nam licet Dani editiorem montis locum praeoccupassent, Christiani tamen ab inferiori ascendentes⁵ regem Danorum Osrikum⁶ cum quinque ducibus et multis hostium millibus trucidarunt,⁷ reliquos⁸ per diem usque Radyngum⁹ insequendo. Verumtamen xiiii. post hoc die apud Basyngum¹⁰ Dani bellantes, et iterum post duos menses apud Mertonem,¹¹ victoria sunt potiti. Interea reges¹² Merciorum, Northimbrorum, Estanglorum dominationem Westsaxonicorum ferre de-

¹ *Barrocensium*, A.

² *quarto*] om. A.

³ *Asshedoun*, A.

⁴ *praevenit*, A.B.; *peruenit*, MS.

⁵ *alterum*, C.D.

⁶ *Osric*, A.; *Osrik*, B.

⁷ *trucidarent*, A.

⁸ *cateros*, C.D.

⁹ *Radingum*, A.

¹⁰ *Basingum*, A.

¹¹ *Mertoñ*, A.

¹² *reges*] om. B.

slouȝ Ethelwulphus duke of Barrokschire,¹ and compelled þe Englisshe men to wende a bakward.² For þat schame Englisshe men were i-moeved, and arrayed a bataylle þe fourþe day þerafter uppon Aschedoun.³ Þere Aluredus was i-dryve for grete nede to come to þe batayle to fore his broþer þe kyng, þat herde⁴ a masse þat tyme; þe whiche⁵ kyng his prayers to God þat day were⁶ moche worthy.⁷ For þeyȝ þe Danes hadde i-take þe hiȝer⁸ place of þe hille,⁹ Cristen men com from þe foot¹⁰ of þe hille upward¹¹ aȝenst hem, and slouȝ Osrik kyng of Danes, and fyve of his dukes, and meny þowsandes of enemyes, and chasede¹² þere¹³ opere al day anon to þe¹⁴ Redynge; bote þe fourteþe day þerafter at Basyng þe Danes ȝafa batayle, and eft tweie monþes^{15 16} þerafter at Mertoun, and hadde þe victorie. In þe mene tyme þe kynges of Mercia, of Norþhumberlond, and of Est Angles hadde no wille to suffre þe lordschippe of West Saxons, þerfore hem¹⁷ was

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. But the Danes brekyngwe owte by craftwe did sle the duke off Barokeschire, Ethelwulfus by name, and causede Ynglische men to goe abakke. Men of Ynglonde rebukede þerwith in the iiii^{tho} day folowyngwe ȝafe batelle to theyme at Asshedon, that sowndethe by interpretacion the hylle of an asse, or of an asshe, where Alurede coacte by necessite, lewyngwe his broþer the kyngwe at masse, wente afore to ȝiffe batelle to theyme. But the preyer of that kyngwe was to theyme grete helpe that day, for thauȝhe the Danes hade the hier parte of the hille, neverthelesse Cristen men commyngwe to the altitude of the hille did sle Osric, the kyngwe of the Danes, with v. dukes, and mony m^r. of þeim, and folowede the oper alle day unto Radyngwe. But in the xiiij. day folowyngwe the Danes fiȝhtenge at Basyngwe and at Merton, hade the victory. After that the kynges of the Marches, of Northumbrelonde, and of Este Ynglonde, detractenge the dominacion of the Westesaxons, hade lever to sustene

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gracione.

f. 297 a.

¹ *Barocscuyre*, γ.² *bakward*] bak, β. and Cx.³ *oppon Aschedoun*, γ.; *Asshedoun*, Cx.⁴ *hurde*, γ.⁵ *whoche*, γ.⁶ *was*, Cx.⁷ *myche worþ*, β.⁸ *heyȝer*, γ.; *hyther*, Cx.⁹ *hulle*, γ., et infra.¹⁰ *vram þe voot*, γ.¹¹ *opward*, γ.¹² *chaside*, β.¹³ *þere*] þe, β.; the, Cx.¹⁴ *þe*] om. α. and β.¹⁵ *þer*] om. β.¹⁶ *efte twy monþes*, γ.¹⁷ *ham*, γ

tractantes,¹ maluerunt hostes sustinere et obsidatu confovere, quam patriotis pro patria insudantibus opem ferre; ex quo² provenit ut hostes crescerent et praevalerent, indigenae succumberent et deflerent. Deinde rex Westsaxonum Etheldredus anno sequenti, post multos agones, nono kalendis Maii obiit, sepultus apud Winburn.³ *De pontificibus Romanorum.*⁴ Johannes octavus post Adrianum sedit in papatu annis duodecim. Hic aliquando cum rege Francorum Lodowycō Balbo⁵ per annum demoratus,⁶ incarceratus est a Romanis, eo quod Karolo favere nolisset.⁷ Hic etiam dedit Ansegislo⁸ Senonensi episcopo caput magni Gregorii et brachium Leonis papae ad reponendum in ecclesia sua. Sub isto⁹ celebrata est quinta synodus Constantinopolis trescentorum lxxiii. episcoporum. Cujus etiam tempore Monasterium Sancti

Gratiae
DCCCLXXII.
Lodowici iii.
II.

¹ detrectantes, A.
² quo] om. B.
³ Winburne, A.; Wyburn, B.; Iterum post xiv. dies apud Basingum pugnantes Dani victoria potiuntur. Deinde evolutis duobus mensibus Dani apud Mertonum pugnando sunt victores. Post hoc anno sequenti rex Westsaxonum

Etheldredus, post multos agones, nono kalendas Maii obiit, sepultusque apud Winburnam, C.D.

⁴ A.B. omit heading.

⁵ Balbo, from B.; Baldo, MS.

⁶ devoratus, B.

⁷ voluisset, A.

⁸ Ansegiso, A.B.

⁹ Johanne, C.D.

levere susteyne þe enemyes and favoure¹ hem in þe seege² þan³ helpe here owne contraymen þat travaillede⁴ for þe lond. Perfore it was þat þe enemyes encresede⁵ and hadde maistrie,⁶ and⁷ men of þe londe were overcome and i-bore⁸ adoun and maad⁹ deol¹⁰ and sorwe. Þe nexte ȝere þerafter, after meny batailles, Etheldredus kyng of West Saxons deyde eyȝte dayes tofore May,¹¹ and was i-buried at Wynborne.¹² After Adrian, þe eiȝteþe¹³ Iohn¹⁴ was pope twelve ȝere. In a tyme þis¹⁵ dwelled wip Lewys Balbus kyng of Fraunce al a ȝere, and was prisoned of [þe]¹⁶ Romayns, for he¹⁷ wolde nouȝt favoure¹⁸ Charles. Also þis [pope]¹⁹ ȝaf to Ansegisus bisshop of Senons þe grete Gregory his heed,²⁰ and pope Leo his arme, for to do hem in his cherche. In þis his tyme²¹ þe fifte synod of Constantynoble was i-made of pre hondred bisshoppes þre score and þrittene. Also in his tyme Sarasyns priked²² in Italy, and

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. their enemyes then to helpe and socoure men of their awen cuntre laborynge soore for the ryȝhte of hit. And perfore hit folowede that enemyes to the londe increased and prevaylede, and men of that londe decreasede and were sleyne. After that, in the yere next folowyng, Ethelredus, kyng of Westesaxons, after grete labours, diede the ixth kalendes of Maii, and was buryede at Wynburn. Iohn the viijth succedid Adrian the pope xij. yere. This pope taryenge by a yere in Fraunce with Lodowicus Balbus, was put into prison by the Romanes, in that he favorede hym. Also he ȝafe to Ansegisus, bisshop Cenonense, the hedde of grete Gregory and an arme of Leo the pope to be put in his cherche. In the tyme of whom the vth seeyne or cownceill of Constantinopole was halowede, of cccclxxij. bischoppes. In whiche tyme the

MS. HARL.
2261.A transmi-
gracione.¹ *faver*, β.² *syege*, Cx.³ *þan*, from α. and β.; *þat*, MS.⁴ *travalide*, β.⁵ *encrecyde*, Cx.⁶ *maystry*, γ.⁷ *and*, from β. and γ.; *of*, MS.⁸ *bare*, Cx.⁹ *made*, β.¹⁰ *duel*, γ.; *doole*, Cx.¹¹ *Maii*, β. and γ.¹² *Wynburn*, β. and Cx.¹³ *eyȝteteþe*, γ.¹⁴ *Ioon*, β.¹⁵ *þes*, γ., et infra.¹⁶ From α. and β.¹⁷ *vor a*, γ.¹⁸ *faver*, β.; *favere*, γ.¹⁹ From Cx.²⁰ *hed*, β.²¹ *In þe tyme of þis*, β.²² *prikide*, β.; *prykede*, γ.; *pryked*, Cx.

Saraceni per Italiam discurrentes monasterium Sancti Benedicti in monte Cassino secundo destruxerunt.

Benedicti
de monte
Cassino
ii^{um} per
Saracenos
destructum
est.

Explicit Liber Quintus.

INCIPIIT LIBER SEXTUS.

CAP. I.¹

[*De Aluredo Angliæ rege, et de adventu Rollonis
Danici in Normanniam.*]

ALUREDUS quartus natu, qui regnantibus fratribus semper fuerat secundarius, ad integram monarchiam Westsaxonum² successit, quam viginti novem annis strenue sed³ laboriose rexit. De cuius initio, progressu, et fine⁴ hic notandum est, quod Aluredus forma venustus plus cæteris fratribus ab utroque parente

Aluredus
rex nobilis
et Christi-
anissimus
in omnibus
gestis com-
mendabat.

¹ *Willelmus Malmesburiensis de regibus, libro secundo*, A. This reference is correct; the history of Alfred begins lib. ii. (ed. Hardy, vol. i. p. 178).

² *mortuo rege Etheldredo*, add. C.D.

³ *et*, B.

⁴ *exitu hic interserere dignum duxi*, C.D.

destroyed¹ Seynt Benet his abbay in Mont Cassyn po² þe TREVISA
secounde tyme. *Marcianus, libro 2º.*

Explicit liber quintus.

INCIPIT LIBER SEXTUS.

Capitulum primum.

ALUREDUS, þe fourþe³ broþer of burþe,⁴ was evere i-holde behynde while his breþeren regnede. But he hadde after hem þe hole⁵ kyngdom of West Saxons nyne and twenty þere, and rulede⁶ it nobilliche,⁷ but with greet travaille. Here take hede⁸ of his bygynnyng, of his forþ⁹ goyng, and of his laste ende, ffor Aluredus was faire¹⁰ of shap¹¹ and more i-loved boþe of fader and of moder þan his oþer breþeren, and dwelled in

Ab urbe. Saraceny's rennyng thro Ytaly destroyed the secounde tyme MS. HARL.
the monastery of Seynte Benedict in the mownte Cassyne. 2261.

Explicit Liber Quintus.

A transmi-
gracione.
f. 283 b.

INCIPIT LIBER SEXTUS.

Capitulum primum.

Marianus, libro secundo.

ALUREDUS, the iiijth son in byrthe, succedid after his breþer to the holle monarchye of the Westesaxons, whom he governede myȝhtely xxx^{ti} yere, but with grete and soore labour. Of the begynnyng, progresse, and ende whom hit is to be advertised that Aluredus was beawtuous of schappe, luffed moore of fader and moder than his oþer breþer, taryenge not instructe

¹ *destruyede, γ.*

² *þo] þanne, β.; thenne, Cx.*

³ *vrde, γ.*

⁴ *birþe, β.*

⁵ *hoole, Cx.; kyng is written twice over in MS.*

⁶ *reulede, γ.*

⁷ *noblich, β.*

⁸ *hyde, γ.*

⁹ *vorþ, γ.*

¹⁰ *feyr, γ.*

¹¹ *schap, β.*

dilectus est. Qui usque ad duodecimum ætatis annum in paterna curia illiteratus mansit, Saxonica postmodum poemata docilis puer memoriter [tenuit].¹ In venatoria arte præcipuus, in architectonica summus; psalmos et orationes in unum libellum compegit, quem² manulem appellans, id est, hand-boc,³ secum jugiter tulit; grammaticam minus perfecte attigit, eo quod tunc temporis in toto regno suo nullus grammaticæ doctor extiterit. Quamobrem ad consilium⁴ Neoti abbatis,⁵ quem crebro visitaverat, scholas publicas variarum artium apud Oxoniam primus instituit; quam urbem in multis articulis⁶ privilegiari procuravit. Neminem⁷ illiteratum ad quæcunque dignitatem ecclesiasticam ascendere permittens, optimas leges in linguam Angli-

Aluredus rex fundator erat universitatis Oxoniensis de consilio Neoti abbatis, Grimaldi ac Johannis monachorum.

¹ tenuit] from A.B.C.D.

² *semper jugiter secum duxit*, C.D.

³ *hand buc*, A.; *hand boke*, B.

⁴ *beati*, C.D.

⁵ A. has in the margin here :
"Nota, sub quo universitas Oxoni-

"ensis incepit," and added in (? Parker's) hand, "sed quantum hic scriptor erraverit, vide Jo. Caium de antiquitate Cantebri-
giæ."

⁶ *in multis articulis*] om. B.

⁷ *Neminem . . . fecit*] om. C.D.

his fader court to þe 3ere of his age twelve, and was noȝ itt¹ i-lettred. Perafter þe childe lerned riȝt wel, and helde² Saxoun poesy³ in mynde. He passed oþer men in craft of hontynge, and was a sotel⁴ maister of buldynge⁵ and of oþer werkes; he gadrede psalmes⁶ and orisouns to gedres⁷ in a litel book, and cleped þat book manual,⁸ þat is an hond book; he hadde þe⁹ book wiþ hym alwey; he koupe¹⁰ his gramer but sympilliche,¹¹ for þat tyme was nouȝt oon techer of gramer in al his kyngdom. Perfore by counsail of Neotus þe abbot, whom¹² he visited ful¹³ ofte, he was þe firste þat ordeyned comyn scole at Oxenforde of dyverse artes and sciens,¹⁴ and procrede¹⁵ fredom and priveleges in many articles¹⁶ to þat citee; he suffrede¹⁷ no man to stye¹⁸ up¹⁹ to what manere dignitee it were of holy chirche, but he were wel i-lettred. He tornede þe beste lawes into Englissh tonge. At þe laste he

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. in eny science in his faders courte unto the xijthe yere of his age. But after that he tauȝhte poemes or metres in the language of Saxons, kepede theyme in his mynde, experte in the arte of huntynge, and specially in geometry; compacte psalmes and preyers into oon boke, whiche callynge hit a hondebooke, bare hit besily with hym; also he gate not gramer perfutely, for that tyme þer was not oon techer of gramer in alle his realme.²¹ Wherefore he ordeynede firste at Oxenforde scoles of diverse artes after the counsaile of Neotus thabbot, whom he visitte moche; whiche cite he causede to have grete privilegys in mony thynges. Whiche wolde not suffre eny man illiterate to enioye eny benefice, and turnede noble lawes into Ynglische. At the laste he laborynge to translate the sawter,

MS. HARL. 2261.

A transmi-
gracione.
f. 297 b.Of the uni-
versite of
Oxenford.¹ ȝut, γ.² huld, γ.³ Saxon poeysy, β.⁴ sotil, β.; sutyl, γ.; subtyll,

Cx.

⁵ buildynge, Cx.⁶ salmes, γ.⁷ gedders, γ.⁸ manuel, Cx.⁹ þe] that, Cx.¹⁰ coupe, β.¹¹ symplich, β.; bote sympellyche γ.; He was but a symple Gramaryon, Cx.¹² whom, from α., β., and Cx.; wham, γ.; whan, MS.¹³ vysytete vol, γ.¹⁴ sciences, β.¹⁵ procured, β.¹⁶ artyhels, γ.¹⁷ suffride β.¹⁸ stye up] take degree or ordre,

Cx.

¹⁹ op, γ.²⁰ hit, β.²¹ Here is a marginal note in a later hand, "And none at Cambridge nor at Granchester. So Oxenford the firste Universitie, and one Scotus, borne at St. Davids, in Wales, was the firste that professed learninge in that Academie. There was a Coledge at St. Davids before that tyme."

cam convertit. Tandem psalterium transferre aggressus, vix parte prima explicita¹ vivendi finem fecit. Cum igitur adultus effectus mentem in Dei mandatis stabilire vellet, sed propter carnis petulantiam, tunc sibi satis² molestam, hoc perficere non posset,³ sanctorum templa mane, vespere, gallicantu pro sedanda hac illecebra crebro visitabat, exorans Deum ut ipse carnem suam tali morbo flagellaret, quo⁴ mundanis actibus non inutilis⁵ Deo liberius vacare posset. Unde et divino nutu fici languorem per multos annos sustinuit; sub qua⁶ tandem desperans Cornubiam adiit, ecclesiam Sancti Guerour,⁷ ubi sanctus requiescit Neotus, visitavit, aut quidem pro morbo illo sedando aut saltem immutando. *Ranulphus*.⁸ Tradunt tamen nonnulli⁹ quod per sanctam Modewennam virginem Hibernicam ab hac peste sit curatus. Voto tandem

¹ *expleta*, B.

² *valde*, C.D.

³ *possit*, A.

⁴ *carnem suam castigaret, et ipse in mundanis rebus nequaquam inutilis fieret; contraxit igitur divino nutu &c.*, B.

⁵ *utiles*, C.D.; *inutiles*, MS.

⁶ *quo*, A.

⁷ *Guenori*, B.

⁸ C.D. omit reference.

⁹ *quidam*, B.

auntred¹ hym to torne² þe psauter³ in to Engliſſhe. But he tornede⁴ unneþe þe fiſt party to fore his ende day. Whanne he come to age he wolde ſtable his herte and his þouþt in Goddes heſtes the⁵ leccherie of his fleſche⁶ greved hym, and lette hym ofte tyme; þerfore for to putte⁷ away þat⁸ temptacioun of fleſcheliſhe⁹ likynge he wente to and viſited ful ofte temples of holy ſeyntes erliche and late and at cokkes¹⁰ crowynge¹¹ and prayed God þat he wolde chaſte¹² his fleſche⁶ with ſuche¹³ a ſikneſſe þat he ſchulde nouþt be unprofitable¹⁴ to worldliche dedes, and þat he myþte þe more freliche¹⁵ ſerve God Almyþty: at Goddes ordenaunce he hadde many þere þe evel þat hatte ficus,¹⁶ þat¹⁷ is a ſchrewed evel, for¹⁸ it ſemeþ þat his bom is oute þat hap þat evel.¹⁷ At þe laſte he was oute of hope to be i-heled, and wente into Cornewaile to Seynt Gueroun¹⁹ his chirche, þere ſeynt Neotus reſteþ, oþer²⁰ for to ceſe²¹ it oþer for to chaunge it. *R.* But ſome men telleþ þat ſeynt Modwenna þe Iriſch mayde helede hym of þat evel. At

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. dyede ſoone after, unnethe the fiſt party of hit complete. *MS. HARL.*
 This Aluredus increaſede in age, wyllynge to fixe his mynde *2261.*
 in the drede and lawes of God, and not havynge powere to per-
 forme his wylle for ſensualite trowblynge hym ſoore, entrede *A transmi-*
 into churches in the morowe, in the eve, and in many other *gracione.*
 tymes, preyenge Allemyþhty God to punyſche his fleſche ſoe
 with ſuche infirmite that ſcholde avoide that temptacion, ſo that
 he myþhte applye hym to worldly thynges and profitable.
 Wherefore he ſuffrede by the wylle of God the flix by many
 yeres; whiche beyng as in deſpaire as for that ſekeneſſe or
 paſſion, wente to Cornewaile to the church of ſeynte Guero-
 ure, where Neotus the confessor reſtethe, other for that paſſion
 to be mitigate other to be chaungede. *R.* But many men ſay
 that he was healede by ſeynte Modwenna, virgyn, of Yrlonde,

¹ *aventred, Cx.*² *translate, Cx.*³ *sauter, B. and γ.*⁴ *translated, Cx.*⁵ *of, MS.*⁶ *vleysch, γ.*⁷ *vor to pot, γ.*⁸ *þat] om. Cx.*⁹ *vleyschlyche, γ.*¹⁰ *coches, B.*¹¹ *kokene crowwe, γ.*¹² *chastyse, Cx.*¹³ *sich, B.*¹⁴ *unprofytable, γ.*¹⁵ *vrelyche, γ.*¹⁶ *fyches, γ.*¹⁷ *þat is . . . þat evel] om. B.*
and Cx.¹⁸ *vor, γ. (semper).*¹⁹ *Gueron, γ.; Suerons, Cx.*²⁰ *ouþer, Cx., bis.*²¹ *ceese, B.; sese, γ.*

adepto infestior eum morbus etiam sub nuptiis a vicesimo usque ad quadragesimum quintum annum acrius fatigaverat. Igitur nati sunt¹ ex regina sua Ethelwitha duo filii, Edwardus senior et Edgelwardus; tres etiam filiae, scilicet Elflada Merciorum domina, Ethelgora sanctimonialis, et Elfrida;² quos omnes fecit liberalibus artibus erudiri. Aluredus igitur eleemosynae dator, missarum auditor, rerum³ ignotarum investigator, sanctum Grimbaldum monachum litteratura et cantu peritum de partibus Galliae, ac⁴ Johannem monachum de ultimis Walliae finibus, scilicet de monasterio Sancti David Meneviae, ad se vocavit ut litteris⁵ instrueretur, optimates suos ad discendum litteraturam adeo provocavit ut ipsi filios suos, vel si⁶ filios non haberent saltem servos

¹ *ei*, A.

² *Ethelfrida*, C.D.

³ *artium*, B.

⁴ *ac etiam*, B.

⁵ *litteraturam ab eis addiceret*, C.D.

⁶ *si*] om. A.

þe laste, whanne he hadde his wille, a wors evel hym took¹ TREVISA.
 in his wedded tyme, and greved hym wel more from his
 twentipe þere to his þere foure² and fourty.³ His queene
 Ethelswida bare hym tweie sones, Edward þe eldere and
 Egelward; and þre douþtres, Elfreda lady of Mercia, Ethelgora
 a mynchoun,⁴ and Elfrida: [and]⁵ he made hem alle lerne⁶
 gramer and opere fre artes and science. Þanne Aluredus, þever
 of almesse⁷ and herere of masses, souþte⁸ besiliche⁹ lore of
 arte and of craftes þat he knewe nouþt, and sente for¹⁰ seint
 Grymbaldus þe monk, a connyng man of lettrure and of song,
 and prayed hym for to come to hym out of Fraunce into Enge-
 lond. Also¹¹ he sente for Iohn monk, a konnyng man of let-
 trure and of song, and prayed hym for to come to hym out of
 Fraunce into Engelond.¹¹ Also he sente for Iohn, monk of
 Seynt Davy his abbay¹² in Menevia, for he schulde come to
 hym out of þe uttermeste¹³ ende of¹⁴ Wales for to teche hym
 lettrure and¹⁵ clergie. [He excitede and confortede þe lordes
 of his lond to lerne lettrure and clergie,]¹⁶ so þat þey schulde
 sette here children¹⁷ to scole; and þif þey hadde no children¹⁷

Ab urbe. of þat passion; but, his promyse broken, that infirmite con- MS. HARL.
 tynuede with hym in tyme of matrimony from xx^{ti} yere unto 2261.
 the xlvth yere more grevous þen hit was afore. Whiche gate A transmi-
 of Ethelswitha, his qwene, ij. sonnes, Edwarde the senior and gracione.
 Egelwardus, and iij. doþhters, Elfreda, lady of the Marches, Ethel-
 gora, a myncheon, and Elfrida, whom he causede to be informede
 in the artes libérale. Alurede, a þiffer of almes, herer of
 masses, the intracer of artes not knowen, callede to hym seynte
 Grimbalde the monke, nobly instructe in litterature and in
 musyke, from the partes of Fraunce, and a monke callede Iohn
 from the monastery of Seynte David in Menevia, that he myþhte
 be informede. Whiche provokede so moche þe noble men of his
 realme to learn that other they scholde sende þeire sonnes to
 the scole, and if thei hade noo childer they scholde sende theire f. 298 a.

¹ *touk*, γ.² *fyve*, α., β., and Cx.³ *vyye and vourty*, γ.⁴ *monchon*, β.; *meynchen*, γ.;*Æthelgota a menchon*, Cx.⁵ From β.⁶ *lurne*, γ.⁷ *almus*, γ.⁸ *souþt*, β.⁹ *bisilich*, β., et infra.¹⁰ *for*] after, β. and Cx.¹¹ *Also . . . Engelond*] not in β.
and γ.¹² *Davipis abbay*, β.¹³ *utmeste*, α.; *ottemeste*, γ.¹⁴ *þe . . . ende of*] om. β. and
Cx.¹⁵ *lettrure and*] om. Cx.¹⁶ From α., β., γ., and Cx.¹⁷ *childern*. γ., bis.

suos si ingenio pollerent, concessa libertate¹ litteris commendarent. Facta ministrorum suorum, et potissime iudicum, diligenter investigatus est, adeo² ut quos ex avaritia aut imperitia errare cognosceret ex officio amoveret.³ Fecit etiam Wrefrithum,⁴ Wygornensem episcopum, transferre libros Dialogorum Gregorii⁵ in Saxoniam linguam.⁶ *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.*⁷ ⁸ Omnes proventus suos in duas partes divisit, quarum primam partem adhuc in tres partes subdivisit,⁹ et primam illarum suis ministris regalibus, qui in tres erant divisi cohortes, distribuit.⁹ Duæ namque partes regalium ministrorum per duos menses ad disponendum rem familiarem domi residebant, tertio mense quælibet cohors coram rege ministrabat. Secundam particulam primæ partis operariis diversis quos

¹ *si . . . libertate*] om. C.D.

² *adeo*] om. B.

³ *Facta . . . amoveret*] om. C.D.

⁴ *Wyrefrethum*, B.

⁵ *Gregorii*] om. B.

⁶ The ref. is lib. ii. § 123, ed. Hardy.

⁷ C.D. add here: "facta et ministrorum suorum et potissime

"iudicum diligenter investigavit, adeo ut quos ex avaritia aut imperitia errare cognosceret ab officio removeret."

⁸ C.D. omit reference.

⁹ *subdivisa et secundum cohortes distributa, duæ namque partes regalium ministrorum semper duobus mensibus, &c.*, C.D.

þey schulde graunte here bonde¹ men fredom, and sette hem to scole 3if þey hadde good witte and were able to lerne. He enquerede and aspiede besiliche þe doynge and deedes of his officers and servautes, and nameliche of iuges and of domesmen; ² and 3if he knewe³ eny of hem errede and dede⁴ amys, wheþer it were for unkonnynge oþer for covetise, he put⁵ hym⁶ out of his offys. Also he made Werefredus bisshop of Wircestre⁷ translate⁸ and torne⁹ into Saxoun speche Gregory his bookes dialogie.¹⁰ *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.* He deled a thre¹¹ al þat he myȝte spende, and 3it he deled [þe firste del a þre: þe firste del þerof he deled to þe kyng his mynystres þat were i-deled]¹² in þre parties. For þe tweie parties of þe kynges mynystres were tweyne¹³ at home, for to ordeyne for homeliche þinges; in þe þridde monþe everiche partie and companye schulde serve tofore þe kyng. He assignede þe secounde part of þis firste part to dyverse workmen

TREVISIA.

Ab urbe. servautes to the study, if thei were capax of conynge, liberte grauntede afore to theym with a sufficient exhibicion. Whiche 3afe grete attendaunce to the dedes of his ministres, and specially off iugges, in so moche that he wolde amove theyme from theire office if that he hade knowlege that they errede from the wey of ryȝhte by avarice or eny other meane. Also he causede Wilfrithe bisshop of Worchestre to translate the dialogges of seynte Gregory into the langage of Saxons. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro primo.* This kyng divided alle his proventes into ij. partes, oon parte whereof he subdivided ageyne into thre partes, distributyng oon parte to his ministres, whiche were divided into thre companies. For ij. partes of the kynges ministres hade licence to kepe theire awne places for theire profite for ij. monthes, and in the thrydde monethe alle the ministres of the kyng scholde come and do hym servyce. Also he assignede an oþer parte of the thre to diverse laborers

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A transmigratione.

¹ boond, β.² In this portion the text of γ. is very much injured by fire and water.³ he myght understande, Cx.⁴ dide, β.; dude, γ.⁵ a pot, γ.⁶ hym] them, Cx.⁷ Werefredus bisshop of Wircestre, β.⁸ translated, MS.⁹ and torne] om. Cx.¹⁰ dialogorum, β. and γ.¹¹ departed in thre, Cx., et infra.¹² From α., β., and γ. (not in Cx.)¹³ tweyne] om. β. and Cx.

undecumque collegerat assignavit; tertiam particulam advenis confluentibus impendebat. Secundam vero partem principalem proventuum suorum adhuc in quatuor partes divisit, quarum prima pauperibus, secunda monasteriis fundandis,¹ tertia scholaribus Oxoniæ² congregatis et³ congregandis, quarta ecclesiis reparandis assignabatur. Et ut⁴ vitam suam æquilibraret, viginti quatuor horas, quibus dies naturalis integratur, in tres partes divisit, e quibus octo horas legendo, scribendo, orando, octo circa corporis curam, octo circa regni negotia transegit. Ad quæ distinguenda posuit in capella sua candelam viginti quatuor partium, quarum dispertita consumptione per ædituos⁵ suos de singulis prædictis moneretur.⁶ Et post mensem accepti regni pugnavit cum Danis apud Wyltoniam⁷ cum magno utriusque exercitus discrimine; Angli namque sub octo præliis uno anno confectis⁸ multum fuerant debilitati.⁹ Id-

¹ *fundandis*] om. C.D.

² *noviter*, add. C.D.

³ *et congregandis*] om. C.D.

⁴ *ut*] om. B.

⁵ *edi* (sic) suos, B.

⁶ *dimidiam etiam partem suæ vitæ Dei servicio deputavit, unde ceram ad pondus 72 denariorum appendi fecit, ex qua sex candelas effigi-*

avit, quarum quælibet longitudinem transversi pollicis duodecies continebat, quæ et per viginti quatuor horas diei et noctis sine defectu coram reliquiis sanctorum, quas secum adduxerat, jugiter arderent, C.D.

⁷ *Wilton*, A.B.

⁸ *confecti*, MS.

⁹ *contriti et minorati*, C.D.

pat he¹ gadrede out of everiche side; þe þridde partye he deled to comers and to straungers. Þanne þe secounde cheef² partie of pat he myzte spende, he deled it³ [zit]⁴ a foure: þe firste partye þerof he ʒaf to pore men and nedy, þe secounde to foundyng of abbayes, þe þridde to scolers of Oxenforde pat were i-gadered and schulde be i-gadered⁵ þere,⁶ and þe fourþe⁷ deel to amendinge of chirches. And for he wolde weie his owne lif ariʒt he deled in þre⁸ þe foure and twenty houres of⁹ þe day and nyʒt, and spent eyzte þerof in writyng and in¹⁰ redyng and biddyng of beedes, eyzte aboute his body¹¹ nedes, and eyzte aboute nedes of þe kyngdom. And to departe þese¹² houres rediliche he sette a candel in his chapel of foure and twenty parties, and schulde be i-warned of¹³ hem pat were i-ordeyned þerfore as ofte as eny of þilke foure and twenty were i-spend. After þe monþe of his kyngdom he fauzte¹⁴ wip þe Danes at Wiltoun wip grete harme of bope oostes.¹⁵ For Engliſſhe men were destroyed¹⁶ wip eiʒte batailles in oon¹⁷ ʒere, and were moche i-feble; ¹⁸ þerfore pat ʒere Engliſſhe men

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. whom he causede to be occupiede in diverse costes; he ʒafe the thrydde parte to aliaunteʒ and pilgremes commyng to hym. Also he divided the secounde principalle parte of his proventes into iiij. partes, the firste parte of whom he ʒafe to poore men, the secounde parte to fundacions of monasterys, the thryd parte to scolers at Oxforde, the iiij^{tho} parte was assignede to the reparacion of churches. Whiche wyllunge to spende his lyfe egally, dividede the day naturalle into thre partes, disposyng viij. howres in redyng, writyng, and in preyenge, viij. howres to the cures of his body, and viij. howres to the utilite of the realme. To the distinccion of whiche þinge he putte a candel in his chapel of xxiiij^{ti} partes, and after the consumpcion of the partes he disposede hym to his ordinaunce. Also he fauzhte with the Danes at Wilton soore in the firste monethe of his reigne, for men of Ynglonde were decreasede moche by viij. batells that thei hade in oon yere, þerfore men of Ynglonde

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gracione.A batell
of Ynglysh
men
ageyne þe
Danes.¹ he] om. Cx.² cheef, β. and γ.; chyef, Cx.³ it] om. β.⁴ From α. and β.; ʒut, γ.⁵ ygadder, γ.⁶ and . . . þere] om. α.⁷ ferbe, β.; vurde, γ.⁸ in þre] a þre, α. and β.⁹ and, α.¹⁰ in] om. β.¹¹ bodyly, Cx.¹² þues, γ.¹³ of] by, β.¹⁴ voʒt, γ.¹⁵ both the hoostes, Cx.¹⁶ destruyed, β.¹⁷ o, γ.¹⁸ mych yfebled, β.; yfebled, γ.
febled, Cx.

circo hoc anno Angli cum Danis pacem fecerunt eo pacto, ut Dani ab eis recederent. Quod et fecerunt, nam eo anno apud Londoniensem, et anno sequenti apud Lindesy hiemaverunt,¹ cum quibus etiam Mercii tunc pacem fecerunt. Sed tertio anno Dani pacem infringentes, de Lyndesy¹ usque Repyndoun² transierunt. *De imperatoribus Romanorum.*³ Karolus senior, frater Lodowici tertii, fratre jam defuncto, Romam pergens a Johanne papa coronatus est imperator, et regnavit duobus annis. Nam dum ipse apud Papiam rempublicam disponderet, audito adventu Karolomanni filii fratris sui, pavore solutus Franciam tendens,⁴ inter Alpes obiit. Post quem filius suus Lodowicus Balbus duobus annis⁵ [regnavit].⁶ Post quem Karolus junior sive Grossus, filius Lodowici tertii, regnavit decem⁷ annis. *De adventu Danorum apud Rependoun.*⁸ Hoc anno Dani Lindeseyam deserentes venerunt apud Rependoun, ubi expulso Burdredo rege Merciorum, regnum⁸ illud tradiderunt cuidam Colwolfo. Burdredi ministro,⁹ eo pacto, ut quando vellent illud

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Aluredi
III.

¹ *hiemaverunt . . . Lyndesy*] om. B.

² *Repyndoun*, A.

³ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁴ *rediens*, C.D.

⁵ *secundo anno*, A.

⁶ *regnavit* from C.D.

⁷ *viginti*, C.D.

⁸ *regnum*] om. A.

⁹ C.D. add: "sub eis tamen regnato regendum tradiderunt, eo tamen."

made pees wip þe Danes uppon þat covenant þat þey¹ schulde wend from hem, and so þey dede. For þat 3ere þey dwellede² at Londoun, and þe next 3ere after at Lyndeseie, and þe Merces made pees wip þe Danes also þat tyme; but [in]³ þe þridde 3ere þe Danes breek⁴ [þe]⁵ pees, and wente out of Lyndeseie anon to Rependoun. Charles þe eldere, þe þridde Lowys his broþer, took þe wey to Rome whanne his broþer was deed, and was i-crowne⁶ emperour of pope Iohn, and regnede two 3ere. For while⁷ he ordeyned at Papy for þe comyn profit of þe empere, he herde⁸ of þe comynge of Charloman,⁹ þat was his owne broþer sone, and his herte gan¹⁰ to falle¹¹ for drede, and wente toward Fraunce, and deide among þe grete hilles þat hatte Alpes. After hym his sone Lowys¹² Balbus regnede two 3ere. After hym Charles þe 3onger, þat heet¹³ Grossus, þat is greet, þe sone of þe þridde Lowys, regned ten 3ere. Þat 3ere þe Danes lefte Lyndeseie and come to Rependoun; þere þei putte out Burdredus kyng of Mercia, and bytook þat¹⁴ kyngdom to oon Colwulfus, þat was Burdredus his servaunt, uppon¹⁵ suche¹⁶ a condicioun, þat þey

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Ab urbe. toke pease that yere with the Danes in this condicion, that the Danes scholde departe from theym, and so they did, for thei wente to London in that yere, and in the yere folowyng to Lindesey, and after that to Rependon. Charls the senior, broþer to Lodowicus the thrydde, wente to Rome after the dethe of his broþer, and was crownede emperoure of pope Iohn, and reignede ij. yere. For this Charls beyng at the cite Papy, and heryng the comynge of Karolomannus, son of his broþer, dredyng hym fledde towarde Fraunce, and diede at Alpes. After whom Lodowicus his son reignede ij. yere, whom Charls þe yonger succedid, sonne of Lodowicus þe þridde, and reignede x. yere. The Danes levynge Lindisey in this yere come to Rependon, where Burdredus kyng of Marches expulsede, thei toke that realme to Colwulphus, a ministre of kyng Burdredus, in this condicion, that they scholde reioyce that realme when

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gracione.

f. 298 b.

¹ *hy*, γ., et infra.² *dwelide*, β.; *dwolde*, γ.³ From β. and γ.⁴ *breke*, γ.⁵ From β.⁶ *y-crowned*, α.; *crowned*, β.;*y-crowned*, γ.⁷ *whiles*, Cx.⁸ *a hurde*, γ.⁹ *Charlomayn*, β.¹⁰ *bigan*, β.¹¹ *valle*, γ.¹² *Alpes* in MS. by a slip of the scribe.¹³ *hatt*, β.¹⁴ *bitoke the*, Cx.¹⁵ *oppon*, γ.¹⁶ *sich*, β.

reacciperent. Verum triennio elapso partem regni illius inter se dividerunt, partem Colwolfo reliquerunt,¹ qui et ultimus regum Merciorum fuit. Post cuius mortem rex Aluredus primo Londoniam et postmodum² partem Colwolphi suo annexit³ regno. *Translatio corporis beatæ Werburgæ apud Cestrensem.*⁴ Hoc anno⁵ Danis apud Rependoun adventantibus, Hamburgenses indigenæ, qui quinque circiter miliariibus a Rependoun distant, pavore soluti corpus sanctæ Werburgæ virginis, diu ibidem reconditum, et semper usque tunc incorruptum, ad Cestrensem⁶ tanquam ad locum tutum⁷ transtulerunt.⁸ Hoc etiam anno rex Aluredus pacem fecit cum Danis, qui una nocte omnes equites regis occiderant; unde et rex commotus fugavit eos usque Excestriam, ubi iterum datis obsidibus morabantur per annum. *Henricus, libro quinto.*⁹ Hoc¹⁰ anno Rollo Danicus Normanniam primo pene-^{Rollo.} travit, in qua per xl. annos regnavit. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro ii.*¹¹ In primis quidam Hastings nomine, deinde Rollo Noricus, regis præcepto patria pulsus,¹²

¹ *reliquerunt*], from A.; *relinquerunt*, MS.

² *postea*, B.

³ *annexuit*, A.

⁴ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁵ *Eo quoque anno*, A.B.; *expulso Burdredo rege*, add. C.D.

⁶ *Cestriam*, A.B.

⁷ *tutiorem*, C.D.

⁸ C.D. add: "*Henricus, lib. v.*

"*Hoc etiam anno Rollo, nacione Danus sive Norweganus, cum suis*

"*complicibus Normanniam primo penetravit. Rex Aluredus pacem iniit Danis, datis sibi obsidibus sed Dani neglectis juramenti- una nocte,*" &c.

⁹ In the ed. of *Scriptores Angl. post Bedam* (1596), the passage is fol. 200 b.

¹⁰ *Hoc . . . obiit*] om. C.D.

¹¹ To complete the reference add § 127, ed. Hardy.

¹² *carens*, B.

schulde have þat kyngdom aʒe whanne þat þey wolde; but after þre ʒere þey delede som of þe kyngdom bytwene hem, and some byleft to Colwulfus, and þis Colwulfus was þe laste kyng of Mercia. After his deþ Aluredus inned¹ Londoun first,² and Colwulfus deel³ to his owne kyngdom. Also þat ʒere þe Danes come eft⁴ to Rependoun, and þe men of Hamburg, þat is⁵ fyve myle from Rependoun, were wonder sore aferd, and took þe body of seynt Werburgh þe mayde, þat hadde longe tyme i-leie⁶ i-buried þere, and was alwey hool and sounde anon to þat tyme, and translate⁷ it⁸ to Chestre as to a syker⁹ place.¹⁰ Also þat ʒere kyng Aluredus made pees wip the Danes, and þey slouʒ þe kyng his horsmen alle in oon nyʒt; þerfore þe kyng was i-meoved, and chasede hem anon to Chestre, and þer¹¹ Danes delyverede and ʒaf eft plegges,¹² and dwelled a ʒere þere. *Henricus, libro 5º.* Þat ʒere Rollo þe Dane come first into Normandie, and regnede þere fourty ʒere. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 2º.* First oon Hastynges¹³ and þanne Rollo Noricus, þat is a Dane þat hadde no contray of his owne, bote by

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Ab urbe.

thei wolde. But thre yere paste þey divided that realme amonge theyme, and toke parte to Colwulphus, whiche was also laste of kynges of the Marches. After the dethe of whom, kyng Alurede toke London and parte of Colwulphus to his realme. The Danes beyng at this tyme in Rependon, citesynnes of Hamburga, beyng v. myles from theym, were gretely aferde, and toke the body of seynte Werburga, untill that tyme incorrupte, and did translate hit to Chestre, as unto a place of suerte. Kyng Alurede toke pease with the Danes in this yere, for cause thei hade sleyn alle his horses in oon nyʒhte, wherewith he was trowblede, and causede theym to flee to Excestre, where borowes ʒiffen thei taryede by oon yere. *Henricus, libro quinto.* Rollo, a noble man of the Danes, entrede this tyme into Normandy, in whom he reignede by xli^{ti} yere. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo.* A man callede Hastyngus by name, and after that Rollo Noricus, expulsede from their cuntre by precepte of the

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gracione.

¹ joynede, β.; innede, γ.; joyned, Cx.

² vurste, γ.

³ deel], from α.; del, γ.; of Colwulfus his deth, MS.; Colwulfus part Cx.

⁴ ofte, β., γ., and Cx.

⁵ an, add. β.; aboute an, add. γ.

⁶ ley, Cx.

⁷ translatede, γ.

⁸ translatide hir, β.; translated her, Cx.

⁹ seker, Cx.

¹⁰ plas, γ.

¹¹ þe, α., β., and Cx.

¹² pledges, Cx.

¹³ Hastyngus, β. and γ.

multos quos vel æs alienum vel conscientia scelerum exagitabat magna spe lucrandi sollicitatos secum abduxit;¹ qui postquam terras et maria ab oceano Britannico usque ad mare Tyrrhenum² infestaverat, tandem apud Carnotum³ hæsit; ubi cives nec muris nec viribus confisi, camisiam beatæ Mariæ, quam Karolus Calvus a Constantinopoli cum aliis reliquiis advexerat, in modum vexilli contra hostes super propugnacula sua exposuerunt. Quam dum⁴ hostes sagittando deriserunt, cœcitate sunt percussi. Rollo tamen evasit, et Rothomagum⁵ occupavit anno gratiæ octingentesimo septuagesimo sexto,⁶ uno scilicet anno ante obitum Karoli Calvi; cujus filius Lodowicus Normannos devicit, sed non expulit. At vero Karolus Simplex, sive Grossus,⁷ illius Lodowyci frater, ac nepos Karoli Calvi, sæpius per Rollonem conflictatus, tandem librato consilio cum Rollone concordavit, ita ut baptismum acciperet, et terram Normanniæ et

¹ adduxit, A.

² Terrenum, A.; Tyrenum, B.; Tireneum, MS.

³ Karnotum, A.

⁴ tamen, B.

⁵ Rothomagum] from A.; Rothomachum, MS.

⁶ Here MS. reads *anno*, but puts all the numerals together in the accusative case.

⁷ Simplex sive Grossus] om. A.

heste of þe kyng he excitede mysdoers þat coveitede oper men ¹ **TREvisa.**
 good and catel,² and brouȝte hem in grete hope of grete wyn-
 nyng, and ladde hem wiþ hym, and werrede in lond and in
 see from þe³ Brittiſſhe ocean anon to þe see þat hatte Mare
 Tyrenum, þat is þe see þat streccheþ to Italy. Þanne he com
 to Carnotum, þere þe citeȝeyns truste not on here walles noper
 on here strengþe,⁴ but þey took⁵ oure lady smok,⁶ þat Charles
 þe Ballede had i-brouȝt wiþ oper relikes out of Constantyn-
 noble, and sette þe smok uppon þe pinacles,⁷ as it were a
 baner. Þe enemyes scornede þe smok, and schette⁸ þerto, and
 were i-smete wiþ blydenesse, but Rollo⁹ scapede and oc-
 cupiede Rothomage, þe ȝere of oure Lord eiȝte hondred þre
 score and sixtene,¹⁰ þat was oon ȝere to fore þe dep of Charles
 þe Ballede. His sone Lowys overcome þe Normans, but he
 putte¹¹ hem nouȝt out; [and Charles Simplex þat het grossus
 also, þis Lowys his broþer,¹² and his broþer¹³ Charles þe
 Balled his newew, was ofte oversette in batailles wiþ Rollo,
 and took counsaile at þe laste, and cordede¹⁴ with Rollo, so þat
 he schulde be i-cristned,¹⁵ and knowleche þat he hilde¹⁶ Nor-

Ab urbe. kyng, and so wontynge a cuntre, and gedrenge a grete multitude **MS. HARL.**
 of peple, kepede the see and grownde from the ocean of **2261.**
 Briteyne unto the see Tyrene, and so come at the laste to Carno-
 tum. Where the citesynnes not trusting in the defense of the
 walles, toke the smokke of oure lady, whom Carolus Calvus
 brouȝhte from Constantinopole, and sette hit on the walles of
 the cite in the maner of a baner; and the enemyes schotyng
 at hit, and havynge hit in derision, were made blynde. Never-
 thelesse Rollo fledde, and occupiede Roone in the yere of
 oure Lorde viij^c. lxxvj., in the yere afore the dethe of Karelus
 Calvus, Lodowicus the sonne of whom hade victory ageyne the
 Normannes, but he expulsed theyme not. And Charls the
 Simple, brother of this Lodowicus, devicte oftetymes by this
 Rollo, accorded with hym at the laste by his cownesaile, that
 Rollo scholde be baptized, and knowlege hym to have Nor-

**A transmi-
gracione.**

¹ *mennus, β.*

² *goodes and catayle, Cx.*

³ *þe] om. Cx.*

⁴ *stryngþe, γ.*

⁵ *hy touke, γ.*

⁶ *smocke, Cx.*

⁷ *oppon þe pynnakels, γ.; a py-
nacle, Cx.*

⁸ *schott, β.; schute, γ.; shotten, Cx.*

⁹ *Roll, Cx.*

¹⁰ *xvii., Cx.*

¹¹ *pot. γ.*

¹² *From a., β., γ., and Cx.*

¹³ *and his broþer] om. a., β., and
γ.*

¹⁴ *acordede, a.; acorde, γ.*

¹⁵ *yfulled, β.; yvolled, γ.*

¹⁶ *huld, γ.*

Armoricae¹ de rege Franciæ tanquam de domino se tenere recognosceret. Quod dum fieret adstantes Rolloni suaserunt ut cum dono concesso pedes² largitoris oscularetur. Ille tamen dedignatus genibus advolvi, stans attraxit pedem regis ad os suum, ita ut regem resupinaret,³ ad quem eventum rident Normanni, excandent Franci: excusat Rollo imprudentiam, præ-tendens patriæ suæ morem. Inde Rothomagum rediit, et rebus dispositis cito post hoc obiit.⁴

CAP. II.

[*De rege Aluredo et quædam de regibus Franciæ.*]

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Aluredi
quinto.

LODOWYCUS Balbus regnavit apud Francos duobus annis. Cujus anno primo Dani de Warham⁵ navigantes versus Excestriam, centum viginti naves marina tempestate perdiderunt; pars tamen eorum villam regiam de Cipenham⁶ cum adjacenti territorio occupavit,

¹ *et Armorica*] om. A.

² *pedem*, B.

³ *supinaret*, B.

⁴ See note 10, page 366.

⁵ *Wartham*, C.D.

⁶ *Chipenham*, B.C.D.

mandye and Armorica, þat is Litel Bretayne, of the kyng of Fraunce as of þe cheef¹ lord. Whan þat was i-doo, men þat stood by counsailed Rollo þat he schulde kisse² þe kynges feet þat ʒaf hym suche³ a ʒifte. But he hadde indignacioun, and was to proude to falle⁴ adoun on his knees,⁵ and took up þe kynges foot⁶ to his mouth, so þat he þrewe⁷ þe kyng upriʒt. For þat hap Normans gonne to lauʒe,⁸ and Frensche men wexe riʒt wrooþ; Rollo excuseþ hym of þat boistous⁹ dede, and alleȝeþ þe manere and usage of his contray. þan Rollo wente aʒe to Rothomage, and ordeyned for his catel and þynges, and deide sone after.¹⁰

TREVISA.

Capitulum secundum.

Lowys Balbus regnede in Fraunce two ʒere. [In his firste ʒer]¹¹ þe Danes seylede from Warham toward Excestre,¹² and loste sixe score schippes in a tempest of þe see. Bote som men¹³ of þe Danes occupied þe real¹⁴ toun Cheppenham,¹⁵ and

Ab urbe. mandy and Armorik of the kyng of Fraunce, as of his lorde. That doen, men of Fraunce stondyng per movede Rollo to kysse the kynges fote. But Rollo havenge indignacion to bowe soe lawe, in drawenge the kynges fote to his mowthe causede the kyng to have a falle, wherewith the Normannes did lauʒhe. But Rollo excusede that offense doen by the use of his cuntre; whiche goyng after that to Roone and disposyng his goodes diede soone.

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A transmigratione.

f. 299 a.

Capitulum secundum.

Lodowicus Balbus reignede in Fraunce ij. yere. In the firste yere of whom the Danes saylyng from Warham towarde Excestre loste c. and xx^{ti} schippes by a grete tempeste. Neverthelesse a parte of theyme come to Cipeham, and occupiede

¹ *chef*, β.; *chyef*, Cx.

² *cusse*, α.; *kusse*, γ.

³ *sich*, β.

⁴ *valle*, γ.

⁵ *knen*, β.

⁶ *fote*, β.; *voot*, γ.

⁷ *þreu*, γ.

⁸ *beanne to laugh*, Cx.

⁹ *boystus*, γ.

¹⁰ *þerafter*, α., β., and Cx.; *þar after*, γ.

¹¹ From α., β., γ., and Cx.

¹² *Excestre*, Cx.

¹³ *men*] om. α., β., and γ.

¹⁴ *rial*, β.

¹⁵ *Chipenham*, α., β., and γ.; *Chypenham*, Cx.

multis¹ ibidem aut subactis aut fugatis. Sub qua tempestate rex Aluredus cum paucis per silvestria Sumersetensis pagi vitam incertam et inquietam ducebat, quippe qui nihil unde viveret habebat,² nisi quod prædando aut venando aut piscando³ acquireret. Tandem dum socii sui piscationi⁴ instarent, et ipse molestiam suæ vagationis⁵ meditatione⁶ scripturarum solaretur,⁷ astitit ei quidam peregrinus, in Dei nomine eleemosynam petens. Cui rex utrasque ad cælum manus levans ait, “ Gratias ago Deo qui pauperem suum hodie “ in paupere visitavit, qui dignatur hodie quod dedit “ exigere, et quod exegit⁸ usura restituere.” Vocat cito rex ministrum suum qui nihil⁹ præter modicum vini et unum¹⁰ panem habebat, jussitque mediam partem pauperi dare. Gratias egit pauper, et nullo transitus sui vestigio

De elemo-
sina Alure-
di regis.

¹ *Anglis*, add. A.B.

² *quippe . . . habebat*] om. B.

³ *aut piscando*] om. B.

⁴ *circa capturam piscium*, C.D.

⁵ *proscriptionis*, C.D.

⁶ *meditatione*] om. A.

⁷ *consolaretur*, C.D.

⁸ *exigit*, A. ; *dederat cum*, B.

⁹ *nisi*, B.

¹⁰ *unum*] om. A.

þe contray aboute and chasede away meny Englisshmen oper made hem sugette.¹ In þe mescheef of þat tyme kyng Aluredus with fewe² men ladde uncerteyn and unesy³ lyf in þe wode contrayes of Somersete; for he hadde nouȝt⁴ to lyve by but what he myȝte wyne by prayes oper wip hontynge oper wip fisshynge. [In a tyme while his felowes⁵ were a fyschyng,⁶]⁷ and he comforted his uncerteyn and unstedefast⁸ lyf wip confort of bookes, a pilgrime com to hym and axede⁹ almesse in Goddes name. Þe kyng have¹⁰ up bope his hondes to hevne and seide, "I þonke God þat visiteþ¹¹ his pore man " þis day by a pore man, þat he wole vouchesauf¹² þis day to " axe me þat he hap i-yeve me, and restore aȝe wip increse¹³ " þat he axep of me." Anon þe kyng clepeþ his servaunt, þat hadde but oon loof¹⁴ and litel what of wyn, and hete¹⁵ hym ȝeve þe halvendel¹⁶ to þe pore man. Þe pore man þonked hym, and vansched¹⁷ sodenly¹⁸ away, and noon wey¹⁹ was i-sene of

TREVISA.

Ab urbe.

hit with the cuntre abowte hit, mony Ynglische men other made subiecte to theyme or expulsede from þat coste. In whiche tempeste kyng Alurede hade an incerteyne lyfe with fewe men with hym in the costes of Somersete, havynge noon exhibicion but by there pray by huntynge or by fischyng. At the laste the felowes of kyng Alurede goen to fische, and he laborenge to solace hym in meditacion of Scriptures, a pilgryme come to hym askenge almes in the name off God. Then Alurede the kyng, extendynge his hondes up to hevyn, seide: "I ȝiffe lawde to my God, whiche hathe visite his poore " knyȝhte by a poore man in this day, whom hit pleasethe to " require that he hathe ȝiffen, and that he desirethe to restore " with lucre." The kyng callede anon his ministre, whiche hade but a litelle brede and a litelle wyne, commaundyng the halfe parte of hit to be taken to the poore man. The poore man thonkede the kyng, and departynge lefte noo stappes

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gracione.¹ soget, γ.; subgette, Cx.² veaw, γ.³ unnesy, Cx.⁴ right nought, Cx.⁵ velowys, γ.⁶ vyschyng, γ.⁷ From a., β., γ., and Cx.⁸ unstidfast, β. and Cx.⁹ axide almes, β.; almus, γ.¹⁰ haf, β. and γ.¹¹ visitiþ, β.; vysyted, Cx.¹² foche saf, γ.¹³ encreace, Cx.¹⁴ lofe, β.; lof, γ.¹⁵ hyt, γ.¹⁶ half therof, Cx.¹⁷ vansede, γ.; vanysshed, Cx.¹⁸ vanyschide soðeynlich, β.; so-
denlich, γ., and puts its after away.¹⁹ noon] wey] no stap, β.; non
vore, γ.; noo steppe, Cx.

in paludibus reperto subito evanuit, et ecce quæ largita fuerant¹ inventa sunt integra; et qui piscatum ierant multitudinem piscium reportarent² copiosam.³ Igitur rege soporato apparuit quidam pontificalibus indutus, qui de diligendo Deo, de observanda justitia, de misericordia in pauperes, de reverentia in sacerdotes exhibenda, eum monuit, et adjecit: "O mi Alurede, Christus⁴ conscientiam tuam respiciens ærumnis tuis finem imponit. "Cras namque⁵ aderunt tibi fortes auxiliarii, quorum ope hostes devinces." At rex: "Quis es tu?" At ille: "Ego sum sanctus Cuthbertus,⁶ peregrinus ille hesternus cui panem porrexisti, tui tuorumque curam agens. "Memento hujus rei cum bene tibi fuerit." Sed quomodo meminerit sui peregrini libertas et possessio Dunelmensis ecclesiæ hodie declarant. *Willelmus de Regibus,*

¹ *erant*, B.

² *reportaverunt*, B.

³ *multitudinem innumeram retulerunt*. C.D.

⁴ *Christum*, A.B.

⁵ *namque*] om. B.

⁶ *Ethelbertus*, B.

his goynge in the nesche moore.¹ And also al þat was i-ʒeve hym was i-founde² hool and sounde. And þeyʒ þat were a fisshynge brouʒte fische in grete plente.³ Ðan whanne þe kyng was on slepe oon appered to hym in a bisshoppes wede, and charged⁴ hym þat he schulde love God, and kepe riʒtwisnesse, and be merciabile aʒenst⁵ pore men, and worschippe preostes,⁶ and seide⁷ more to hym,⁷ “Aluredus,⁸ Crist “knoweþ thy conscience and þy wille, and putteþ⁹ an ende of “þy¹⁰ sorwe and care, ffor tomorwe stronge helperes schal be “wip þe, by help of hem þu schalt overcome þyn enemyes.” “Who art þou,” quod¹¹ þe kyng. “I¹² am Cuthbert,”¹³ quod he, “þe pilgrym þat was here ʒisterday¹⁴ wip the, to whom “þou ʒaf breed and wyn: I am besy for þe and for þyne; have “mynde hereof whan it is wel wip þe.” Bote how he made mynde of his pilgrym, by þe fredom¹⁵ and possessioun of þe chirche of Durham it is now i-sene. *Willelmus de Regibus,*

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. of goynge after hym that cowthe be founde, and the bredde and wyne ʒiffen to the poore man were founde þer ageyne, and the men that wente to fische brouʒhte with theyme a grete multitude of fisches. The kyng beyng as in a dreame, and¹⁶ man induede in pontificalles movede hym to luffe God, to kepe riʒhteousnesse, mercy to poore men, and to schewe reverence to prestes, seyenge: “O my Alurede, Criste understondynge and knowynge thy conscience, puttethe an ende to thy grevaunce; myʒhty helpers schalle be with the tomorowe, thro helpe of whom thou schalle have victory of thyn enemyes.” The kyng seide: “Who arte thou?” The oþer man seide: “I am Cuthberte, the pilgreme, to whom þow ʒafe almes ʒisterday, havynge remembraunce of the and of thy men. Remembre this when þow arte in prosperite.” How kyng Alurede remembrede that pilgreme afterwarde, the liberte and possessions of the chirche of Durham expresse at this tyme. *Willelmus, libro secundo* After that Alurede,

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A transmigratione. f. 280 b.

¹ more, a.; naysch more, γ.; nesseshe more, Cx.

² yvounde, γ.

³ grete plentye of fysshe, Cx.

⁴ chargide, β.

⁵ aʒenus, β.

⁶ prustes, Cx.

⁷ hym] om. β., and puts myn before Aluredus.

⁸ more to. Myne Aluredus, Cx.

⁹ potteþ, γ.

¹⁰ þyn, a.; þi, β.; þy, γ.

¹¹ quap, a. and γ.

¹² Ych, a.; Ich, β. and γ.

¹³ Cutberth, Cx.

¹⁴ ʒisterday here, a.; ʒursday here, γ.

¹⁵ vredom, γ.

¹⁶ Sic in MS.

*libro ii.*¹ Inde² Aluredus ergastulum exiens magnæ astutiæ periculum fecit. Nam sub specie³ jocularis tentoria regis Danorum subiens, exploratis omnibus quæ voluit, Ethelingum rediit, otium hostium comitibus suis exponit. Unde et hostes suos repente adorsus incredibili strage cecidit.² Nam in die sequenti Wiltonienses, Somersetenses, Hamptunenses ad eum venerunt, quorum ope arcem apud Ethelingum,⁴ quod interpretatur nobilium insula, construxit, de qua hostes sæpius debellavit, præcipue⁵ juxta Selwode,⁶ quod interpretatur magna silva;⁷ ita ut acceptis obsidibus electissimis Gutt- Guttrum.
 “ rum⁸ regem Dacorum cum triginta electissimis⁹ viris rex Alfredus de fonte¹⁰ levaret, nomen¹¹ Adelstani eidem¹² imponendo; qua¹³ de causa regi Guttrun,¹⁴ quem nos Gurmundum vocamus, datæ sunt provinciæ¹⁵ Estanglorum et Northimbrorum ad inhabitandum. Verum

¹ § 121, ed. Hardy.

² *Inde . . . cecidit*] om. C.D.

³ *Nam specie*, B.

⁴ *Ethelingsese*, C.D.

⁵ *potissime*, A.

⁶ *Selewode*, C.D.

⁷ *apud Ethendoun*, add. C.D.

⁸ *Goderunum*, B.; *Guttrun*, C.D.

⁹ *nobilioribus suis*, C.D.

¹⁰ *sacro*, add. C.D.

¹¹ *regi Danico*, B.

¹² *eidem*] om. B.

¹³ *qua . . . transtulerunt*] (page 378) pace circumquaque confirmata. *Willelmus*, C.D.

¹⁴ *Gutturn*, A.; *Goderino*, B.

¹⁵ *provincialium* (sic), A.

libro 2^o. Pan Aluredus com out of prison, and putte hym to a peril of greet fraude and gile.¹ For he wente into þe kyng of Danes his pavilons and tentes in a mynstral his liche,² and aspied al þat he wolde, and come aȝen to Æthelyng, and declared to his felawes³ þe sleuþe of his enemyes. Þanne he fil sodenliche⁴ on his enemyes, and slowȝ mo of hem þan me wolde trowe. For þe day after come to hym þe men of Wiltshire,⁵ of Somersete, and of Hampschire;⁶ by help of hem he bulde a toure at Ethelynge, þat is to menyng an⁷ Englysshe þat now is i-used, þe ilond of noble men. Out of þat towr he resede⁸ ofte on⁹ his enemyes and overcome hem, and naneliche bysides Selwode, þat is greet woode in Englysshe þat now is i-used, so þat he fenge hostages and plegges þe beste þat þey¹⁰ wolde chese. And Guttrun kyng of Danes was i-cristened,¹¹ and twenty of þe grettest þat were wiþ hym, þe whiche kyng Alfredus feng of þe colde water, and ȝaf hym¹² a name and cleped hym¹³ Athelstan; ¹⁴ þerfore þe¹⁵ kyng Gurthrym,¹⁶ þat we clepeþ Gurmundus, were i-ȝeve þe provinces of Est Angles and of Northomberlond for to wonye¹⁷ ynne. But for þe

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. takynge an oper habite on hym, come¹⁸ the Danes in the maner of a ioculer, whiche perceyvyng alle thyng at his pleasure, come to Ethelingum, schewyng to his felawes the ydelnesse of his enemyes. Wherefore he, takynge his men with hym, made a grete murdre of the Danes, and in the nexte day folowynge men of Wiltshire, of Somerseteschire, and of Hampteschire come to hym, thro helpe of whom he made the towre Ethelingum, that is callede by interpretacion, the yle of noble men, nye to Selwoode, þat is callede the grete woode, in so moche that the moste noble men of theym taken to plegge, Alurede toke Guttrum kyng of þe Danes from the fonte, and namede hym Adelstan, with xxx^{ti} other noblemen. Wherefore the provinces of Este Ynglonde and Northumbrelonde were ȝiffen to that kynge Guttrum, whom he calle Gurmund. But

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gracione.
f. 299 b.¹ and of gyle, B.² in mynstralles weede, Cx.³ felawe, Cx.⁴ fylle sodenly, Cx.⁵ Wyltshir, Cx.⁶ Hampteschire, a.; Hampschire,

B.

⁷ in, a., B., and Cx.⁸ reesed, Cx.⁹ on] om. Cx.¹⁰ he, Cx.¹¹ yfolled, B.¹² Guttrun, a., B., and γ.¹³ hym] om. a. and γ.¹⁴ Adelstan, B. and Cx.¹⁵ to, a., B., γ., and Cx.¹⁶ Guttrun, Cx., ut semper.¹⁷ dwelle ynne, Cx.¹⁸ Sic in MS.

quia non facile mutat Æthiops pellem suam, Guttrun¹ per undecim annos terras illas tyrannico fastu² pro-
trivit,³ et in duodecimo anno obiit. Reliqui Dani qui noluerunt effici Christiani ad partes Gallicanas se translulerunt.⁴ Est autem locus prædictus⁵ Ethelyngesey⁶ non maris insula, sed ita paludibus et stagnis inaccessa ut non nisi navigio adire queat, terra utique⁷ vix duobus jugeribus lata, feras tamen venaticas continet. *De*

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DCCCLXXXIX.
Aluredi
VII.

*Francis Regibus.*⁸ Karolus junior sive Grossus, filius Lodowici tertii, post patruelem suum Lodowicum Balbum, regnavit apud Francos decem annis, qui aliquando de Alemannia egressus, Italiam paucis diebus occupavit, Romanque veniens a papa Johanne imperator consecratur. Cujus tempore comitatus Flandriæ habuit exordium, nam Flandria tunc temporis non fuit magni⁹ nominis, sed a forestariis regum Franciæ rege-

¹ *Goderinus*, B.

² *pastu*, B.

³ Altered to *prosternit* in A.

⁴ See note 13, page 376.

⁵ *prædictus*] ille, C.D.; *de*, add A.

⁶ *Ethelingeshey*, B.

⁷ *itaque*, A.

⁸ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁹ *tanti nominis quanti nunc est.* C.D.

Blewman¹ chaungeþ nouzt liȝtliche his skyn, þis Gurthrym destroyed² pese³ londes with tiraundise⁴ and wip pryde elevene ȝere, [and deide þe twelfþe⁵ ȝere. Þe oþer Danes]⁶ þat he⁷ wolde nouzt be cristene and⁸ wente into Fraunce. Þat place⁹ þat hatte Ethelynge oþer Ethelyngeseye is nouzt an ilond¹⁰ of þe see, but it stondeþ in water mareys¹¹ and meores¹² so þat me may nouzt come þerto [but]⁶ by schip noþer¹³ by boot; þe place conteyneþ¹⁴ þe space of tweye dayen¹⁵ erþe¹⁶ in brede, and ȝit þere is¹⁷ wyld bestes and venysoun.¹⁸ Charles¹⁹ þe ȝonger, þat heet Grossus, þat is greet, was þe þridde Lowys his sone, and regnede in Fraunce after his eme²⁰ Lowys Balbus ten ȝere. He wente out of Almayn and occupiede Italy fewe²¹ dayes,²² and come to Rome and was i-sacred emperour of pope Iohn.²³ In his tyme bygan þe erldom²⁴ of Flaundes,²⁵ [for þat tyme Flaundes]⁸ and²⁶ was nouzt of greet name, but it was i-ruled²⁷ by þe kynges forsters²⁸ of Fraunce. Also þis Charles

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. a man of Ethioppe chaungethe not lyȝhtely his coloure: that kyng Guttrum governynge those provinces in grete crudelite xj. yere, diede in the xijthe yere. The other Danes, not wyllynge to receyve the feithe of Criste, wente to the costes of Fraunce. That place Ethelingeseye is not an yle of the see, but hit is so inaccessible thro myres and waters, that hit may not be commyn to but by bootte or schippe, havynge in hit diverse kyndes of bestes of venery. Karolus Iunior, sonne of Lodowicus the thridde, reignede in Fraunce x. yere, whiche goynge from Alemayne, occupiede Ytaly a certeyne tyme, and was consecrate into themperour by Iohn the pope. In the tyme of whom the cuntre of Flaundes toke begynnynge as in worschippe, for Flandres afore was not of grete name, but hit was governede by forsters of the kyng of Fraunce. This

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gracione.¹ *Bloman*, γ.² *destried*, β.³ *þues*, γ.⁴ *tyrauntrie*, β.⁵ *twellyphy*, Cx.⁶ From α., β., γ., and Cx.⁷ *he*] om. α., β., γ., and Cx.⁸ *and*] om. α., β., γ., and Cx.⁹ *þlas*, γ., et infra.¹⁰ *an Ileland*, Cx.¹¹ *marreys*, β.¹² *marreys and moores*, Cx.¹³ *oþer*, α., β., γ., and Cx.¹⁴ *unnothe*, add. Cx.¹⁵ *dayes*, β.¹⁶ *twy dawen erþe*, γ.¹⁷ *is*] ben, Cx.¹⁸ *veneson*, Cx.¹⁹ *Charles*, β.²⁰ *eame*, Cx.²¹ *fyve*, Cx.²² *veaw dawes*, γ.²³ *Joon*, β.²⁴ *erledome*, β.²⁵ *erldomme of Flaundrys*, Cx.²⁶ *and*] om. α., β., and Cx.²⁷ *yreuled*, γ.²⁸ *fosters*, α.

batur. Hic quoque Karolus uxorem suam aliquando¹ repudiavit, pro eo quod cum Vercellensi episcopo multum familiariter agere videbatur. Unde et rex Franciæ protestabatur publice² se nunquam eam cognovisse. At illa se virginem gloriata, accepto repudio monasterium intravit. Tandem Karolus iste decimo anno regni sui a Gallis ad Italiam transiens, per quendam Judæum Sedechiam potionatus obiit in Alpibus.³ Hic⁴ est ille Karolus, ut videtur, qui copulavit filiam suam Gyllam,⁵ ex priori matrimonio susceptam, duci Rolloni, et cum ea concessit ducatum Normanniæ et⁶ Britanniae Minoris;⁷ sed Rollo ex Gilla⁸ nullam prolem habuit. Quapropter Popam filiam Guydonis comitis Salvanectis⁹ desponsavit; ex qua filiam Gerlotam et filium¹⁰ Willelmum dictum Longa Spata strenuum ducem generavit.¹¹

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¹² Hoc etiam anno mortuo Dunberto Wyntoniensi episcopo, præfecit rex Aluredus Dunwolfum,¹³ quem tempore

¹ *aliquando*] om. A.

² *publice*] om. B.

³ A.B. have here B.

⁴ *Hic . . . generavit*] om. C.D.

⁵ *Gillam*, A.B.

⁶ *et . . . Minoris*] om. A.

⁷ *Minoris*] om. B.

⁸ *Gilla*] from A.B.; *aha*, MS.

⁹ *Salvanensis*, B.; om. A.

¹⁰ *filiam . . . filium*] om. A.

¹¹ *generat*, A.

¹² *Willelmus Malmesburiensis de Pontificibus, libro secundo*, A.

¹³ *Dunelwolfum*, A.; *Dencwolfum*, C.D.

dede¹ away his wif² for it semede þat sche was to prive wip þe bisshop of Vercelle; ³ þefore þe kyng of Fraunce knowleched openliche þat he hym self hadde nevere i-seie⁴ fleschliche⁵ by here; and sche⁶ was glad of here manhode,⁷ and wente into an abbay whanne sche was forsake. At þe laste, þe tenþe 3ere of his kyngdom, þis Charles wente out of Fraunce into Italy, and was i-poysoned of a Iewe⁸ þat hatte⁹ Sedechias, and deide at þe hulles Alpes. R. It semeþe þat þis is þat Charles þat maryed his dou3ter Gilla þat he hadde by his rapier wif to duke Rollo, and graunted wip here þe ducheries of Normandye and of Litel Bretayne. Bote¹⁰ Rollo hadde no childe by Gilla, þefore he spousede oon Popa, Gy his dou3ter erle¹¹ of Silvanect,¹² and gat on here a dou3ter þat heet Gerlota, and a sone William Longa Spata þat noble duke.¹⁰ *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro 2^o*. Also þat 3ere deyde Dunbertus bisshop [of Wynchestre, and kyng Aluredus made Dunewulphus¹³ bysshop in his stede],¹⁴ þat he hadde¹⁵ i-founde in þe wode in his

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. Charls refusede his wife for overhuge familiarite betwene hir and the bisshop Vercellense, makyng an open protestacion that he hade never knowlege of hir. The qwene ioyenge hir to be callede a virgyn, as for the kyng takyng a libelle of repudy, of repulsion,¹⁶ entrede a monastery. This Charls goynge from Fraunce towarde Ytaly, in the xthe yere of his reigne, was poysoned by a Iewe, Sedechias by name, at Alpes. R. As hit semethe this is the Charls that maryede Gilla, his do3hter geten by his firste wife, to duke Rollo, grauntyng with hir the duchery of Normandy, by whom Rollo hade noo childe. Wherefore he maryede Popa, do3hter of Guido the erle Silvanectus, by whom he gate Gerlota and noble kny3hte Willelmus Longa Spata, William longe swerde. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro secundo, in fine*. Dunbertus, bisshop of Wynchestre, dedde in this yere, kyng Aluredus made Dunewulphus bisshop, whom he founde kepyng bestes in tyme

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gracione.

¹ *dide*, β.
² *his wif*] om. γ.
³ *Versell*, Cx.
⁴ *leye*, α.; *leyn*, β.; *ylay*, γ.;
leyne, Cx.
⁵ *vleyschlyche*, γ.
⁶ *heo*, β., et infra.
⁷ *maydenhod*, α., γ., and Cx.;
maydenhode, β.
⁸ *Juwe*, γ.

⁹ *het*, α. and β.
¹⁰ *Bote Rollo . . . noble duke*
 om. Cx.
¹¹ *eorld*, α.; *þe erle*, β.; *ert*, γ.
¹² *Silvanectus*, β.
¹³ *Dunewolfus*, Cx.
¹⁴ From α., β., γ., and Cx.
¹⁵ *hadde*] om. Cx.
¹⁶ Sic in MS.

latibuli¹ sui subulcum et laicum in silvis invenerat, sed comperto ejus ingenio post multam ætatem litteris informandum tradiderat.² Hoc anno rex Aluredus reparavit urbem Septoniæ, quod est Shaftesbury,³ sicut testatur magnus lapis qui in capitulo sanctimonialium ibidem est insculptus. *De pontificibus.*⁴ Martinus papa post Johannem sedit anno uno, qui scholam Saxonum⁵ prece regis Aluredi ab omni tributo relaxavit, insuper et magnam sanctæ⁶ crucis partem Aluredo misit.⁷ Agapitus papa post Martinum sedit anno uno. Quo anno Dani de Gallia⁸ redeuntes obsederunt urbem Roffensem, ac arcem contra urbis⁹ portas¹⁰ construxerunt; sed cives¹¹ urbem defenderunt quousque rex Aluredus superveniens, captis Danorum equis, eos fugere compelleret. Unde et Dani Franciam repetierunt; sed et rex classem suam bellatoribus plenam a Cantia ad Estangliam dirigens, xvi. naves Danorum cepit; sed in redeundo regia classis devincitur. *De Danis.*¹² Hoc anno Dani

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¹ *latubili*, A.

² C.D. insert here: "Dacorum exercitus, sicut Aluredo promiserant, urbes de Chipenham et Cirencestre, quæ sunt ad meridiem Wicciorum, deserentes, transulerunt se ad orientales Anglos, ubi magnus exercitus Dacorum de transmarinis partibus per Karolum fugatus advenit, et apud Fulanham reliquo Dacorum exercitui se adjunxit. Quo et anno rex, &c.

³ *Schaftisburi*, A.

⁴ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁵ *apud Romam tunc morantium*] add. C.D.

⁶ *dominicæ*, C.D.

⁷ *ipsi Aluredo transmisit*, C.D.

⁸ *Francia*, C.D.

⁹ *urbis*] om. C.D.

¹⁰ *portam*, B.

¹¹ *urbis*, A.

¹² A.B. omit heading.

hydyngre tyme kepyngre bestes. But whanne he knewe his good witte, after grete age he dede¹ hym to scole to lerne lettrure and clergie. Þat 3ere kyng Alrudus² amended þe citee of Cepton,³ þat is Schaftesbury,⁴ as a greet stoon witnesser þat þere in þe chapitre hous of mynchouns⁵ lyer above erþe. After Iohn, Martyn was pope oon 3ere; he relesed⁶ to þe scole of Saxons al manere tribute at þe prayer of kyng Alrudus.⁷ Also he sente [to]⁸ Alrudus a greet party of þe holy cros. After Martyn Agapitus was pope oon 3ere; þe whiche 3ere þe Danes come out of Fraunce and byseged⁹ Rochestre, and bulde a toure a3erst þe 3ates of þe citee; bote þe cite3eyns defended þe citee for to¹⁰ [þat]⁸ Aluredus com and took all þe hors¹¹ of þe Danes, and compellede hem to flee: þanne þe Dane wente into Fraunce [a3e];¹² and þe kyng sente his navey ful of men of armes out of Kent into Est Anglond, and took sixtene schippes of Danes; bote in þe comyngre a3e¹³ þe kynges navey was overcome.¹⁴ *Trevisa.* Est Anglond conteyneþ Norþfolk and Souþfolk: loke more perof in þe firste book, capitulo 5º. It folowep in þe

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. of his tribulacion; but the kyngre percevyngre the capacite of his witte, put hym to the scole, made bischop of Wynchestre after that. Kyngre Alurede repairede the cite of Schaftesbury in this yere, as hit is schewede by a grete ston in the chapitre of the mynchons þer, havynge wrytyngre in hit accordyngre þerto. Martinus the pope succedid Iohn oon yere, whiche releschede the scole of Saxons from every tribute, at the instaunce of kyngre Alurede, and sende also a grete parte of the holy crosse to hym. Agapitus the pope did succede Martyne oon yere. In whiche yere the Danes comyngre from Fraunce segede the cite of Rochestre, and made a towre ageyne the 3ates of the cite. But the citesynnes defended the cite untill that kyngre Alurede comyngre, and takenge the horses of the Danes, compellede theyme to flee, and they fledde that tyme ageyne to Fraunce, but men of Ynglonde toke xvj. of there

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gracione.

f. 300 a.

¹ *a dude*, γ; *putte*, Cx.² *Aluredus*, β. and Cx.³ *Septon*, α., β., γ., and Cx.⁴ *Scheftesbury*, β.⁵ *monchons*, β.; *nonnes*, Cx.⁶ *releschede*, β.⁷ *Aluredus*, α., β., γ., and Cx., and so below.⁸ From α. and β.⁹ *bisegide*, β.; *besyged*, Cx.¹⁰ *for to*] til, β.¹¹ *horses*, Cx.¹² From α. and β.; *ageyne*, Cx.¹³ *ageyne*, Cx.¹⁴ *overcomen*, Cx.

per aquam Sequanæ remigantes, urbem Parisiensem anno integro obsederunt. Quo anno rex Aluredus¹ Londoniam reparavit,² quam Etheldredo Merciorum comiti custodiendum tradidit. Et tunc Angli dispersi³ regi Aluredo⁴ se dederunt. Quo⁵ in tempore rex misit eleemosynas suas ad Romam et ad Indiam ac duo monasteria construxit, unum virorum⁶ apud Ethelingsey,⁷ aliud mulierum⁸ apud Shaftesbury,⁹ in qua filiam suam Ethelgolfam¹⁰ præfecit.¹¹ *De pontificibus Romanorum.*¹² Adrianus¹³ tertius post Agapitum sedit in papatu anno uno. Post quem¹⁴ Basilius anno uno. Post quem¹⁴ Stephanus annis sex.

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Constructio
monasterii
de Shaftes-
bury.

CAP. III.¹⁵

[*De Danorum et Normannorum incursionibus. Mors Aluredi.*]

KAROLUS Grossus, a quodam Judæo ut pertactum est potionatus, vehementer ægrotavit; idcirco Arnulphus filius Karolomanni fratris sui in regem eligitur,¹⁶

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¹ *post incendia urbium, post strages populorum, Londoniam, C.D.*

² *habitabilemque fecit*] add. C.D.

³ *venerunt et ultimo se, C.D.*

⁴ *ultro*] add. C.D.

⁵ *Comes Wiltoniensis detulit Romæ et Swithelinus Schirburnæ episcopus detulit ad Sanctum Thomam Indiæ, eleemosynas regis Aluredi, et incolumes redierunt. Rex quoque Aluredus duo famosa monasteria, C.D.*

⁶ *virorum*] ad monachos, C.D.

⁷ *Ethelingeseie, A.; Ethelyngeshey, B.*

⁸ *mulierum*] ad moniales, C.D.

⁹ *Scaftisburi, A.*

¹⁰ *Ethelgof, A.C.D.*

¹¹ *abbatissa, C.D.*

¹² A.B.C.D. omit heading.

¹³ *papa, add. AB.*

¹⁴ *quem, quem*] sedit, add. B. after both words.

¹⁵ *Capitulum tertium, A.B.*

¹⁶ *erigitur, B.*

storie: þat ʒere þe Danes rowede¹ in þe water of Seyne, and bysegede Parys a ʒere al hool. Þat ʒere kyng Aluredus reparaylede Londoun, and bytook it to kepyng to Etheldredus kyng² of Mercia. Þo þe Englisshe men þat were desperbuled³ ʒaf hem self⁴ to kyng Aluredus. Þat tyme the kyng sente his almesse⁵ to Rome and to Ynde,⁶ and bulde tweie abbayes, oon of [men at]⁷ Ethelyngeseye, and anoper of women at Schaftesbury,⁸ and made his dou ʒter Ethelgof⁹ abbess¹⁰ þere. After Agapitus, þe þridde Adrianus was pope oon ʒere; after hym Basilius oon ʒere; after hym Stevene¹¹ sixe ʒere.

TREVISA.

Capitulum tertium.

CHARLES Grossus was i-poysoned¹² of a Iewe,¹³ as it is i-seide to forehonde, and wex¹⁴ strongliche sike; þefore Arnulphus, sone of his broper Charlomon, was i-chose kyng; but whan

Ab urbe. schippes. The Danes entrence the water of Sequana, segede the cite of Parise by oon yere. In whiche yere kyng Alurede repairede London, whom he toke to the kepyng of Etheldredus kyng of the Marches, and þen Ynglische men þat were dispersede come to kyng Alurede. In whiche tyme Alurede sende his almes to Rome and to Inde, and made ij. monasterys, oon of men at Ethelingisey, an oper of women at Schaftesbury, where he made Ethelgof, his doʒhter, presidente. Adrian the thrydde succedid Agapitus the pope oon yere, whom Basilius succedid oon yere, whom Steven the pope did succede by vj. yere.

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gracione.*Capitulum tertium.*

KAROLUS Iunior poysonede by a Iewe, as hit is seide afore, was soore seke. Wherefore Arnulphus, sonne of Karolomanus his broper, was made kyng; but after the dethe of this

¹ rowide, β.; rowede, γ.	⁸ Scheftesbury, γ.
² eorl, α.; erle, β. and Cx.	⁹ Etholgoſ, Cx.
³ disparpled, β. and Cx.; dys- parpled, γ.	¹⁰ abbes, α., β., and Cx.; abbas, γ.
⁴ hemsylf, β.	¹¹ Stephan, γ.
⁵ almes, β.; almus, γ.	¹² poysoned, β.
⁶ Inde, γ.	¹³ Juw, γ.
⁷ From α., β., γ., and Cx.	¹⁴ werp, β.

¹ sed Karolo mortuo, quinque reges ordinati sunt; sed imperium mansit apud Arnulphum, qui denuo a Formoso papa coronatus, Normannos cum Dacis, qui per xl. annos Franciam infestaverant, prostravit: tandem longa infirmitate decoctus nulla medicina potuit curari quin a pediculis consumeretur.² Franco archiepiscopus Rothomagensis baptizavit Rollonem, et rex

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XVII.

Guttrum³ obiit. ⁴ Propter incursionem Danorum

Translatio
corporis
sancti Mar-
tini.

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simul et Normannorum, corpus beati Martini Turonensis apud Altissiodorum in ecclesia Sancti Germani transferebatur; ubi crebro tunc factis miraculis, cum monachi Turonenses apud⁵ Altissiodorenses⁶ circa oblationes habendas litigarent, et quilibet eorum suo sancto⁷ id⁸ ascriberet, adductus est leprosus, qui ex ea parte corporis quæ versus Martinum vertebatur curatus est, reliqua⁹ parte in sua tabe manente.¹⁰ Et

¹ C.D. add: "Karolo ita derelicto ut vix aliquis cum eo remaneret, sumptus tamen mediocres Maguntinus episcopus ministravit eidem. Ipso tandem mortuo confestim quinque."

² C.D. insert: "Stephanus papa sedit anni quasi sex, Franco archiepiscopus Rothomagensis baptizavit Rollonem Normannum. Guttrum rex Danicus, qui post sanctum regem Eadmundum Estangliam incoluerat, et a rege

"Aluredo de sacro fonte susceptus fuerat, hoc anno obiit."

³ *Goderinus Dacorum sive Guttrund*, B.

⁴ *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo*, add. A.B.

⁵ *contra*, A.B.

⁶ *Turonenses . . . Altissiodorenses*] om. C.D.

⁷ *facto*, B.

⁸ *miracula*, C.D.

⁹ *reliqua . . . contigerunt*] om. C.

¹⁰ *permanente*, B.

Charles was dede were i-ordeyned fyve¹ kynges, but the empere lefte² wip Arnulphus and was i-crowned at þe laste of Formosus þe pope, þat³ he beet⁴ adoun þe Normans and þe Danes þat hadde i-werred⁵ in Fraunce fourty þere; at þe laste he was hard i-holde with a strong sikenesse, and myȝte nouȝt be i-heled noþer i-saved wip no manere medecyne, þat he nas destroyed,⁶ and i-ȝete⁷ with luyse⁸ riȝt to þe deth. Franco archebisshop of Rothomage cristned⁹ Rollo; and kyng Guttrun is deed. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 2^o*. For reses of Normans and of Danes, seynt Martyn his body was translated from Turon to Seint German his chirche at Altissiodore, and þere were meny myracles i-doo,¹⁰ and þe monkes of Turon and of Altissiodore pletede¹¹ for [the]¹² offrynge. And for þe seynt schulde deme wheper of hem hadde riȝt to þe offrynge, þey brouȝte forþ a mesel,¹³ þat was [i-heled in þat syde of his body þat was toward seynt Martyn, and þe oþer del of his body lefte foul,¹⁴ and nouȝt]¹⁵ i-heled; þan for me schulde wene

TREVISIA.

Ab urbe. Charls, þer were v. kynges made, but thempire contynuede with Arnulphus, whiche crownede by Formosus the pope, devicte the Normannes and Danes, whiche hade trowblede Fraunce by xl^{ti} yere. Neverthelesse this Arnulphus, vexede longe with grete infirmite, cowthe not have helpe by eny medecyne, but he was consumede by lyes or vermyn. Franco the archebisshoppe of Roone, baptisede Rollo, and kyng Guttrum diede. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro ij^o, in fine*. The body of seynte Martyne beyng at Turon, was translate to Altisiodre, in to the church of Seynte German, for the incursion of the Danes and of the Normannes, where mony myracles schewede, and the monkes Turonense stryvede ageyne the monkes of Altisiodore for the offrenge, and either of theym ascribede the offrenge to their seynte. A convencion made, a leprous man was brouȝhte afore theym, whiche was healede anoon of that parte of his body turnede to seynte Martyn, that other parte beyng corrupte; and that the thyng doen scholde not

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gracione.

f. 300 b.

¹ *vyf*, γ.
² *leste*, Cx.
³ *and*, α., β., γ., and Cx.
⁴ *bute*, γ.
⁵ *werride*, β.
⁶ *distruded*, β.
⁷ *y-ete*, α., β., and γ.
⁸ *luyse*, β.; *lues*, γ.; *that he was destroyed and eten with lyse*, Cx.

⁹ *follid*, β.; *vollide*, γ.
¹⁰ *many were there myracles done*, Cx.
¹¹ *pledide*, β.; *pledede*, γ.
¹² From α., β., and γ.
¹³ *leper*, Cx.
¹⁴ *voul*, γ., et infra.
¹⁵ From α., β., γ., and Cx.

ne hoc casui imputaretur, verterunt versus Martinum aliud latus morbidum, quod et similiter curatum est. Exinde Turonici omnes oblationes cumularunt, donec quiescente turbine sanctum suum propriis reveherent penatibus. Hæc quidem ita contigerunt¹ non propter impotentiam Germani, sed quia Germanus hospiti suo deferebat.² *Henricus, libro v^{to}.*³ Hoc anno venerunt contra regem Aluredum quatuor exercitus Danorum, unus in Northimbria, alter in Estanglia, tertius apud Excestriam, quartus apud Legecestriam. Sed apud Legecestriam ita obsessi sunt Dani quod equos suos præ fame comederunt.⁴ Tres Scotici viri, Dusbhan, Maghbon,⁵ Malinunin,⁶ peregrinam pro Christovitam ducere⁷ cupientes, sumpto secum unius hebdomadæ viatico, carabum⁸ qui ex duobus coriis et dimidio conficitur⁹ intrantes, mirum in modum sine velo sine¹⁰ armamentis post septem dies in Cornu-

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¹ See note 9, page 386.

² *hospitem suum honorabat*, C.D.

³ Script. Angl. post Bedam, fol. 201 B.

⁴ *Sed . . . comederunt*] om. A.

⁵ *Mahbon*, A.C.D.

⁶ *Malumuyn*, A.; *Malunnyn*, B.

⁷ *ducere*] om. B.

⁸ *karabum*, A.C.D.

⁹ *conficiebatur*, B.

¹⁰ *et ornamentis*, C.D.

pat þat was happilyche¹ byfalle², þey tornede þe oþer foul side toward seynt Martyn, and anon it was i-heled also. Þanne þe monkes of Turon hadde al þe offrynge for to³ þe werre was i-sesede,⁴ and þanne þei hadde here owne seynt [hoom]⁵ aʒen to here owne hous. Þis byfel⁶ nouʒt in þis manere for non-⁷ power of seynt German, but he sparede and dede his gest⁸ reverence⁹ in his owne hous. *Henricus, libro 5º.* Þat ʒere come foure oostes of Danes aʒenst Aluredus, oon in Norþ-homberlond, anoper in Est Anglond, þat conteynep Norþfolk and Souþfolk, þe þridde at Excetre, þe fourþe¹⁰ at Chestre; but at Chestre þe Danes were som¹¹ byseged þat þey ete here hors¹² for hunger. Þe¹³ Scottyshe men Dusblan,¹⁴ Mahbon,¹⁵ and Malumyn¹⁶ desiredre to lede pilgryms lyf, and took wip hem lifode for oon woke, and took a carabum,¹⁷ þat is a schippe i-made but of tweie hydes¹⁸ and an half, and wente þerynne wonderliche withoute seile, wipoute rope¹⁹ and ore²⁰ and alle manere craft²¹ [of schipcraft],²² and come alonde in Corne-

TRIVISA.

Ab urbe. be ascribede to chaunce, thei turnede that other parte that was corrupte to seynte Martyn, and hit was made holle anon. After that the monkes Turonense hade the offrenge untylle that he was caryede to þeim ageyne, after that tempeste mitigate. But those thynges happede þer not for the impotence of seynte German, but for cause that seynte German schewede favor to his gastes. *Henricus, libro quinto.* iiij. hostes of the Danes come in this yere ageyne kyng Alurede; oon in Northumbrelonde, anoper in Este Ynglonde, the thrydde at Excestre, the iiij. at Westechestre. But the Danes were segede soe at Westechestre that thei did eite theire horses for hungre. Thre Scottes, Dusblan, Mahbon, Malmunyn, willenge to lede a perfitte life for Criste, takenge mete with theym for oon weke, entrede a boote made of ij. skynnes and a halfe, with owte eny sayle or oþer thynges to a boote necessary, saylede from Scotte-

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gracione.

¹ hapilich, β.
² haplych byvalle, γ.
³ for to] til, β.
⁴ ceesed, β.; ysessed, γ.; seeced, Cx.
⁵ From β.; hom, γ.; hoome, Cx. bifl, β.
⁷ non] no, β.
⁸ gheste, Cx.
⁹ reverauns, γ.
¹⁰ ferthe, β.; vurde, γ.
¹¹ so, α., β., and γ.; soo, Cx.

¹² horses, β. and Cx.
¹³ þre, α., β., γ., and Cx.
¹⁴ Dusblay, Cx.
¹⁵ Mahban, γ.
¹⁶ Malmunyn, γ.; Malmyn, Cx.
¹⁷ karabum, Cx.
¹⁸ huydes, β. and Cx.; hudes, γ.
¹⁹ roþer, α., β., γ., and Cx.
²⁰ hore, γ.
²¹ takel, β. and γ.; tacle, Cx.
²² From α. and Cx.
²³ alon, γ.

biam applicuerunt,¹ Aluredum adierunt.² *De pontificibus Romanorum.*³ Formosus papa post Stephanum sedit annis quinque, qui aliquando propter timorem Johannis papæ episcopatum suum Portuensem dereliquit, et⁴ cum revocatus esset [et]⁵ redire nollet; excommunicatus est;⁶ tandem in Gallis ad papam Johannem veniens, usque ad laicalem statum degradatus est. Insuper et jurare coactus est se nunquam ad episcopatum suum neque ad urbem Romam regressurum; sed denuo per Martinum papam, Johannis successorem, restitutus est.⁷ Plegmundus Dorobernen-

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Plegmundus
archiepiscopus.

sis archiepiscopus, litteris nobiliter institutus,⁸ accepto a Formoso papa nuper⁹ pallio, septem Anglorum ecclesiis septem episcopos una die ordinavit. Hoc anno rex Aluredus¹⁰ fugavit Danos, primo¹¹ de Cantia,¹² de Oxonia, de Chichestre.¹³ *Henricus, libro quinto.*¹⁴ Dani qui apud Legecestriam erant, post tri-duanam obsidionem fame coacti urbem reliquerunt, Northwalliam prædaverunt, et sic per Northimbriam circumgyrantes, ad Est-Angliam, ubi uxores eorum et

¹ *et postea*, add. C.D.

² *Aluredum adierunt*] om. B.

³ A.B. omit heading.

⁴ *sed*, B.

⁵ *et*, from A.B.

⁶ *insuper et jurare coactus est*, C.D.

⁷ *quamobrem de facto ipsius magna fuit altercatio*, C.D.

⁸ *instructus*, B.C.D.

⁹ *nuper*] om. B.

¹⁰ *medietate sui exercitus apud*

diversas municiones relictæ, cum alia medietate proficiscens primo, C.D.

¹¹ *primo*] om. A.

¹² *deinde*, B.; *deinde tertio de Cicestria, quam Chichestre dicitur. Inde Dani ingressi sunt urbem Legionum, quod Anglice dicitur Legecestre, ubi post, &c.*, C.D.

¹³ *tertio de Cicestria*, B.

¹⁴ *ut supra*.

wayle after sevene dayes, and come to kyng Aluredus. After Steven, Formosus was pope fyve ȝere. Somtyme, for drede of pope Iohn,¹ he left his bisshopriche of Portune, but for whanne he was i-cleped he wolde 'nouȝt come aȝe, he was acorsed;² at þe laste he com to pope Iohn into Fraunce, and was degraded anon to þe staat³ of a lewed man. Also he was i-made swere þat he schulde nevere torne aȝen to his bisshopriche, noþer come into þe citee of Rome; but at þe laste he was restored aȝen by pope Martyn, þat was pope Iohn his successour. Plegmundus archebisshop of Canturbury, þat was a nobil man of clergie, feng⁴ þe pal of Formosus [þe]⁵ pope, and ordeyned sevene bisshoppes to chirches of Engelond in oon day. Þat ȝere kyng Aluredus chased þe Danes first out of Kent, of Excetre, and of Chichestre. *Henricus, libro 5º.* The Danes þat were at Chestre were bysegged⁶ þre dayes, and were compelled for hongre to leve þe citee; þanne þey spoylede Norþ Wales, and wente so aboute by Norphomberlond into Est Anglond, þere here wifes and here schippes were. [Þey]⁷

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. lande to Cornewaile in vij. daies, and wente to kynge Alurede, MS. HARL. 2261.
nye to that cuntre. Formosus the pope succedid Steven v. yere. Dis pope lefte the seete of the bisshop Portuense for drede of pope Iohn; whiche callede ageyne, and not returnyng, was excommunicate. But at the laste he come to Iohn the pope into Fraunce, where he was degradate unto the state of a layman, and coacte to swere that he scholde nevere receyve his office hade afore, neiper to go to the cowrte of Rome in the tyme of his life. But he was restorede ageyne by Martyn, the successor of Iohn. Plegmundus, archebisshop of Caunterbery, receyvynge his palle of the pope, and commen into Ynglode, made vij. bischoppes in oon day. Kynge Alurede chasede awaye in this yere the Danes, firste from Kente, from Oxenforde, and from Chichestre. *Henricus, libro quinto.* The Danes beyng at Westechestre, compellede for hungre to leve those costes, robbede Northewales, and so they compassede cuntre tille they come to Este Ynglode, where their wifes were and schippes. The Danes returnyng then,

A transmigratione.

¹ Joon, β., et infra.² acursed, β.³ state, β.
vynq, γ.⁵ From α., β., and Cx.⁶ bisegide, β.⁷ From α. and β.; they, Cx.

naves erant, regressi sunt, flumen de Luya intrantes, castrum deprope ædificantes;¹ sed Londonienses ope regis castrum destruunt, flumen prædictum in tria brachia dividunt, ita quod naves Danorum educi non poterant. At Dani relictis navibus illis, apud Brugge² super³ Sabrinam juxta Walliam hiemaverunt, ubi et⁴ castrum insigne firmaverunt. Sic itaque per illud triennium vexata est Anglia⁵ triplici clade;⁶ infestatione Dacorum, mortalitate hominum, lue animalium.

Gratiae
VIII^oXCVI.
Aluredi
XXVI.

*De pontificibus Romanorum.*⁷ Bonifacius papa post Formosum sedit diebus quindecim. Post quem Stephanus sextus anno uno, mensibus tribus; et postmodum relicto papatu effectus⁸ est monachus. Hic aliquando a Formoso papa factus est episcopus Anagum,⁹ sed postmodum cum ad papatum⁸ pervenisset¹⁰ prædictum Formosum¹¹ in tantum persecutus est, ut non solum facta ejus revocaret,¹² sed etiam corpus nuper defuncti Formosi exhumatum, et

Contra
Formosum
papam.

¹ ædificabant, A.B.

² Brigges, C.D.

³ super] om. A.

⁴ et ubi, A., et being marked with the sign of erasure.

⁵ Estanglia, C.D.

⁶ non solum sed, C.D.

⁷ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁸ effectus . . . papatum] om. B.

⁹ Anagū, A.; Aganensis, C.D.

¹⁰ pervenerit, B.

¹¹ promotorem suum, C.D.

¹² revocavit, B.; revocarentur, C.D.

i-entred¹ ynto þe ryver Luy,² and bulde a castel pere faste³ by; but þe Londoners, by help of þe kyng, destroyed⁴ þat castel, and to-deled þat ryver in þre chanelles and⁵ stremes, so þat þe Danes myȝte nouȝt brynge out here schippes; [þanne þe Danes lefte here schyppes,]⁶ and dwelled at þe brigge⁷ uppon Sevarne, faste by Wales, and bulde pere a strong castel; and also pese⁸ þre ȝere Engelond was hard bysette wip þre manere of sorwes,⁹ wip werre of þe Danes, moreyn of men, and pestilence¹⁰ of bestes. After Formosus, Bonefas was pope fiftene dayes; after hym þe sixte Stevene oon ȝere and þre monþes; [þerafter]¹¹ he lefte þe poperiche,¹² and was i-made monk, þat¹³ was somtyme [i-made bishop of Angun¹⁴ by pope Formosus]¹⁵ Ysus;¹⁶ but afterward, whanne he was pope, he pursuede so Formosus, þat noȝt onliche he wipleped¹⁷ his doynge and his dedes, but also he leet take up¹⁸ Formosus his body whan he was deed out of þe eorþe,¹⁹ and made men brynge

TREVISIA.

Ab urbe. entrede the water of Luya, and made a castelle nye to hit; but men of London, thro helpe of the kyng, destroyed the castelle, and dividede that water into thre armes, so that the Danes myȝhte not gette furthe theire schippes. Wherefore the Danes levynge those schippes toke brigges nye to Severne and to Wales where they made a noble castelle, and so Ynglonde was vexede in þat thre yere with a threfolde pestilence, with the Danes, with the dethe of men, and with dethe of other bestes. Bonifacius the pope succedid Formosus xv. daies, whom Steven the vjth did succede oon yere and thre monethes, whiche levynge that ofice was made a monke. This man made bischop of Anagum by Formosus the pope, and after that made pope, schewede so grete persecucion to Formosus, that he revokede not onoly hys dedes, but also he causede the body of Formosus, beryede but late afore, to be brouȝhte to the

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gracione.

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¹ *entride*, B.; *Hy intrede*, γ.
² *Luya*, a.; *Luis*, B. and Cx.;
of *Luya*, γ.
³ *vaste*, γ.
⁴ *destruyde*, B.
⁵ *and*] or, Cx.
⁶ From γ.
⁷ *brugge*, B. and γ.
⁸ *pues*, γ.
⁹ *of sorwes*] *sorwe*, a. and γ.;
sorowe, B. and Cx.

¹⁰ *pestylens*, γ.
¹¹ From a., B., γ., and Cx.
¹² *papacye*, Cx.
¹³ *þis*, a. and B.
¹⁴ *Augum*, Cx.
¹⁵ From a., γ., and Cx.
¹⁶ *Ysus*] om. a., B., γ., and Cx.
¹⁷ *withsayde*, Cx.
¹⁸ *op*, γ.
¹⁹ *erþe*, B.

in consistorio publico adductum, exutum¹ veste papali et laicali indutum, abscisis duobus digitis dexteræ manus, in Tiberim projecit.² Post istum Stephanum³ sedit Romanus mensibus quatuor. Lodowicus filius

Gratiæ
VIII^oXCIX.
Aluredi
XXVII.

Arnulphi regnavit apud Francos annis duodecim, sed ad coronam imperii non pervenit, unde⁴ in ipso fuit

finis imperii quantum ad posteritatem Karoli.⁵ Cujus⁶ tempore quinque fuerunt summi pontifices, Theodorus,

V^{us} summi
pontifices
simul.

Gratiæ
IX^o.
Aluredi
XXVIII.

Johannes, Benedictus, Leo, Christophorus. E⁶ quibus

Theodorus secundus, quamvis⁷ unico⁸ mense præsideret, tamen contra facta papæ Stephani insurgens,⁹ facta ejus revocavit, et facta Formosi confirmavit. ¹⁰Johan-

nes nonus sedit duobus annis; qui celebrato consilio apud Ravennam facta Stephani¹¹ damnavit, et contra

Gratiæ
IX^o.
Aluredi
XXIX.

Romanos pugnavit. *De morte regis Aluredi.*¹² ¹³Hoc anno rex Aluredus obiit; qui primo in¹⁴ ecclesia episcopali Wyntoniensi sepultus erat; sed pro deliramento canonicorum dicentium regios manes resumpto cadavere noctibus per domos oberrare, filius ejus Edwardus

¹ *exutum*, from B.; *exuta*, MS.

² *projiceret*, C.D.

³ *Stephanum*] om. A.

⁴ *et*, B.

⁵ *habens coronam imperii quantum ad posteritatem Karoli*, C.D.

⁶ *Ex*, A.

⁷ *quamvis*] om. C.D.

⁸ *uno*, A.

⁹ *sedit in papatu viginti, hic contra papam Stephanum sæviens*, C.D.

¹⁰ *Post eum*, C.D.

¹¹ *insurgens . . . Stephani*] om. B.

¹² A.B.C.D. omit heading.

¹³ *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo*, A.B.

¹⁴ *in . . . sic*, p. 396] om. C.D.

hym in to [þe]¹ pleyn² conscistorie³ i-cloped as a pope, and panne he made men uncloþe hym, and take of hym þat manere cloþinge, and cloþe hym as a lewed⁴ man, and kutte⁵ of tweie fynGRES⁶ of his riȝt hond, and caste hym into Tyber. After þis Stevene, Romanus was pope foure monþes. Lowys, Arnulphus his sone, regnede in Fraunce twelve ȝere, but he hadde nevere the crowne of þe empere,⁷ and in hym was þe ende of þe empere touchynge Charles his ofspringe. In his tyme were fyve popes, Theodorus, Iohn,⁸ Benet, Leo and Cristofre.⁹ Of hem Theodorus þe secunde, þeyȝ he were pope [but];¹⁰ oon monþe, ȝit he roos aȝenst pope Stevene his doynge, and withcleped¹¹ his dedes, and confermede þe dedes of pope Formosus. Þe nynþe Iohn was pope two ȝere; he made a counseile at Ravenna, and dampnede pope Stevene his dedes, and fauȝt¹² aȝenst þe Romayns. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 2º.* Þis ȝere deide kyng Aluredus, and was first i-buried in þe cathedral chirche at Wynchestre; but for þe madnesse and ravyng of þe chanouns, þat¹³ seide þat spiritis of kynges takeþ¹⁴ þe careyn and walkeþ aboute by nyȝte from¹⁴ hous to hous, his

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. consistory, and there the cloþynge papalle taken away, and indued with seculer cloþynge, and after that, ij. of the fyn-
gers of the ryȝhte honde kytte aweye, was caste into Tiber. Romanus the pope did succede Steven iij. monethe. Lodowicus, the sonne of Arnulphus, reignede in Fraunce xij. yere; but he atteynede not the crowne of thempire, and so the succession as from kyng Charles reioycede not thempire. In the tyme of whom were v. popes, Theodorus, Iohn, Leo, Benedicte, and Christofo; but Theodorus the secunde, beyng president as but oon monethe, revokede the dedes of pope Steven, and confermede the dedes of Formosus þe pope. Iohn the ixth succedid, whiche keyng a cowensaile at Ravenna dampnede also the dedes of Steven, and fauȝhte ageyne the Romanes. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo.* Kyng Aluredediede in this yere, beryede in the chyrche at Wyn-

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A transmigratione.

¹ From a., ß., γ., and Cx.² playne, Cx.³ consistorie. B.; consistory, γ.⁴ flewide, B.⁵ kytte, Cx.⁶ kut of twy vyngers, γ.⁷ empyre, Cx.⁸ Joon, ß., et infra.⁹ Crystofor, Cx.¹⁰ withsayd, Cx.¹¹ voȝt, γ.¹² þat, from a., ß., γ., and Cx.; þei, MS¹³ taken, Cx.¹⁴ vram, γ.

genitoris ossa tulit, et in novo monasterio posuit: has
nænias et consimiles Angli pæne insignita¹ tenent²
incredulitate,³ a gentilibus hoc mutuantes, ut credant
nequam hominis cadaver post mortem dæmone agente
discurrere; unde Virgilius: *Versus*.⁴

Morte obita quales fama est volitare figuras.⁵

Ranulphus. In laudem regis hujus Aluredi Henricus,
libro primo,⁶ ponit versus sic:⁷

Versus de rege Aluredo.⁸

*Nobilitas innata tibi probitatis honorem,
Armipotens Alurede, dedit, probitasque⁹ laborem,
Perpetuumque labor nomen, cui mixta dolori
Gaudia¹⁰ semper erant,¹¹ spes semper mixta timori.
¹² Si modo victus erat ad crastina bella parebat;
Si modo victor erat ad crastina bella parebat.¹³
Jam post transactos regni vitæque labores
Christus ei sit vera quies sceptrumque perenne.*²⁴

Versus in
laudem
Aluredi
regis nobilis.

¹ *ingenita*, A.B.

² *tenent* repeated, A.

³ *crudelitate*, B.

⁴ *Versus*] om. A.B.

⁵ *§c.*, A.

⁶ *quinto*, A.B., rightly.

⁷ See note 14, page 394.

⁸ A.B. omit heading.

⁹ *probitaque*, B.

¹⁰ *Gaudia . . timori*] om. C. In D.
this line is also omitted, but has been

written below in a later hand, which
also has added on the first word of
the next chapter, *Nota, de Edwardo
seniore fundatore nostro*.

¹¹ *erant*] om. B.

¹² B. omits the fifth line.

¹³ For lines 5, 6. *Henr.* gives,

*Si modo victor eras ad crastina
bella pavebas.*

*Si modo victus eras ad crastina
bella parabas.*

and inserts 6 lines between the sixth
and seventh of our text.

sone Edward took¹ þe fadres body and dede² it in [þe]³ New⁴ abbay. Þis and opere suche⁵ lewed⁶ tales Englysshe men holdeþ⁷ by a mysbyleve þat hap ful⁸ longe i-dured, and boroweþ⁹ it of mysbyleved men þat þey troweþ not, þat after a manis deth þe body walkeþ and gooþ aboute by mevyng¹⁰ of þe fende; ¹¹ þerof spekeþ Virgil, and seiþ whan deþ comeþ what semyng¹² schappes fleep¹² aboute. [R.] In preisyng¹³ of þis kyng, Henricus libro primo setteþ vers¹³ in þis manere: “Kyndeliche¹⁴ nobelnesse and ¹⁵ goodnesse¹⁶ zeveþ¹⁷ to þe¹⁸ “worschippe, and goodnesse travaille, myȝty werriour Aluredus, and travaille name to þe wipoute eny ende. Ioye “with woo medled [he]¹⁹ hadde²⁰ in every²¹ tyme. Alwey þin “hope was medled²² wip gretene²³ drede. Þey²⁴ he were now “doun, he rayed bataille amorwe. [ȝif he were wictord²⁵ “he dredde þe batayle a morwe.]²⁶ After travaille of lyf of “rennyng²⁷ boþe nowþe²⁸ his verray²⁹ reste by³⁰ Crist wip “oute eny ende.”

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. chestre, and after that translate by Edwarde his son, and putte in the newe monastery. R. In lawde of whom Henricus, libro 7^o, writethe in this wyse :

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“ Nobilitas innata tibi probitatis honorem
 “ Armipotens Alurede dedit probitasque laborem
 “ Perpetuusque labor nomen, cui mixta dolori
 “ Gaudia semper erant spes semper mixta timori.
 “ Si modo victus erat, ad crastina bella parabat.
 “ Iam post transactos regni vitæque labores.
 “ Christus ei sit vera quies sceptrumque perenne.”

A transmigratione.

¹ take, Cx.
² dude, γ.
³ From β. and γ.
⁴ the Newe, Cx.
⁵ siche, β.
⁶ feyned magel, γ.
⁷ holden, Cx.
⁸ fol, γ.
⁹ borrowed, Cx.
¹⁰ meovyng, β.
¹¹ vend, γ.
¹² vleet, γ.
¹³ versus, Cx.
¹⁴ Kundlych, γ.
¹⁵ of, α. and β.
¹⁶ Kyndly noblesse of goodness, Cx.

¹⁷ zefþ, γ.
¹⁸ þee, β.
¹⁹ From β. and Cx.
²⁰ melled haddeþ, γ.
²¹ everech, β.
²² melled, γ.
²³ grete, Cx.
²⁴ Though, Cx.
²⁵ victor, β. and γ.; vycor, Cx.
²⁶ From α., γ., and Cx.
²⁷ regnyng, β.; regnyng, γ.; regnyng, Cx.
²⁸ nowþe] om. Cx.
²⁹ verrey, β.
³⁰ by] be, β. and γ.

CAP. IV.

[*De Aluredi in Angliæ regno successoribus.*]

Gratiæ
IX. 1. |
Edwardus
senior
primo.

EDWARDUS cognomento senior regnavit post patrem viginti quatuor annis,¹ litterarum cultu patre inferior, sed gloria sæculari superior. Nam urbes novas condidit, mutilatas reparavit, fines regni latius quam pater² dilatavit. Porro Scottorum, Cumbrorum, Wallanorum³ reges⁴ in deditionem recepit. Estsexam, Northimbriam, Merciam⁵ de manibus Dacorum extorsit; totam⁶ Merciam post obitum sororis suæ Elfredæ obtinuit. Hic ex uxore sua prima Egwyna⁷ genuit primogenitum suum Ethelstanum;⁸ ex regina⁹ Edgiva genuit Edredum,¹⁰ Regina Edgiva. Edwynum, et sex filias, quarum unam copulavit Othoni imperatori, aliam Karolo regi occidentalium Francorum, tertiam Sihthirico¹¹ duci Northimbrorum. *Willelmus*

¹ patri suo Aluredo successit, viginti quatuor annis regnatorus, C. (not D.)

² suus, add. B.

³ Wallanorum] et Stegwallorum B.

⁴ reges] om. B.

⁵ et Est Angliam, B.

⁶ totamque, B.

⁷ Egwina, A.

⁸ Ethestan, A.

⁹ Ex regina, filios tres, Edwi-

num, Eadmundum, Eddredum. Filiam quoque Deo devotam virginem Edbergam, insuper et tres alias filias habuit quarum unam copulavit Othoni imperatori, alteram Karolo occidentalium Francorum, tertiam Liberico regi Northimbrorum. Will. lib. ii. Hæc virgo Edburga cum trima esset, &c., C.D.

¹⁰ Edredum] om. A.

¹¹ Sihberto, B.

Capitulum quartum.

TREVISA.

Mar., libro 2º.

EDWARD, þe Eldere by his surname, regned after his fader¹ foure and twenty þere; he was lowere þan his fader in² worshippe of lettrure,³ and he yere⁴ þan he in worldliche⁵ ioye and worshippe, for he bulde newe citees and amended⁶ citees þat were⁷ i-peyred⁸ and sprad þe endes of his kyngdom wydder⁹ þan dede his fader. He made þe kynges of Scottes and of Combres¹⁰ and of Walschemen¹¹ zelde¹² hem to hym. He wan Estsex, Norphumberlond, and Mercia wip strengþe¹³ out of þe honde¹⁴ of Danes, and hadde all Mercia after þe deth of his suster¹⁵ Elflæda. On his firste wyf¹⁶ Egwyna he gat his eldest sone Ethelstan;¹⁶ oon¹⁷ queene Edgiva he gat Edredus and Edwynus and sevene douȝtres; he married oon¹⁸ of hem¹⁹ to Otho þe emperour, and anoper to Charles kyng of West Fraunce, and þe þridde to Siththricus²⁰ duke of Norphomber-

Ab urbe.

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EDWARDE the senior reignede after his fader xxiiij. yere, not so gretely instructe in connyng as his fadre, but moore glorious in chevallery. Whiche made newe cites, repairede olde, encreasenge his realme moore then his fader; for he toke the kynges of Scottes, of men of Cumbrelonde, and of men of Wales into dedicacion, and gate Estesexe, Northumbrelonde, and the Marches from þe Danes after the dethe of Elflæda, his sustir. This kyng gate of Egwina, his firste wife, Ethelstan, his firste sonne; and of Edgiva he gate Edredus and Edwinus, and vj. doȝhters, oon of whom he marriede to Otho themperoure, an oper to Charls, kyng of the weste men of Fraunce, the thrydde to Schitericus, kyng of Northumbrelonde. *Willelmus*

¹ vader, γ., et infra.² y, a.³ letture, γ.⁴ hyȝer, a.; heȝer, β.; heȝher,

γ.; hygher, Cx.

⁵ worllych, γ.⁶ repayred, Cx.⁷ a, a., γ., and Cx.⁸ appayred, β.⁹ wyddur, γ.¹⁰ Cambers, γ.¹¹ to, add. β.¹² zulde, γ.¹³ stryngþe, γ.¹⁴ hondes, a., β., γ., and Cx.¹⁵ soster, γ.¹⁶ vurste vyf, γ.¹⁶ Edelstan, Cx.¹⁸ on, β. and γ.¹⁹ ham, γ.²⁰ Sihthricus, β.; Sihthricus, γ.; Sythyrycus, Cx.

*de Regibus, libro ii.*¹ Ex tertia uxore Ethelswytha² Edredum genuit et Edmundum,³ qui ambo post fratrem Ethelstanum regnaverunt. Genuit⁴ etiam filias duas, scilicet sanctam Edburgam, virginem Deo sacratam Wyntoniae quiescentem, et Edgivam formosam Lodowico Aquitannico regi copulatam. Hic rex filios suos litteris fecit instrui; filias vero suas primo litteris deinde colo et acu fecit exercitari.⁴

*Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro ii.*⁵ De ista virgine Edburga traditur quod, cum trima esset, volens pater ejus experiri utrum ad Deum an ad sæculum esset declinata, posuit ex una parte triclinii⁶ diversarum possessionum ornamenta, et ex alia parte calices et Evangelia, inde armillas⁷ et monilia; illuc pusiola⁸ virgo nutrice⁹ allata, jubetur quæ vellet eligeret.

De virgine
Edburga
quæ elegit
vitam spi-
ritualem.

<p>¹ § 126, ed. Hardy. ² <i>Etheleswita</i>, B. ³ <i>genuit Edmundum et Edredum</i>, A. ⁴ <i>Genuit . . . exercitari</i>] om C.D. ⁵ In the section <i>de Monasteriis</i>,</p>	<p>Scriptor. Angl. post Bedam, fol. 140 b. ⁶ <i>sui</i>, add. A.B. ⁷ <i>inde armilla</i>, A.; <i>armillas illic</i>, B. ⁸ <i>monilia pusiola</i>, B. ⁹ <i>illuc a nutrice</i>, B.</p>
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lond. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 2º.* On his pridde wif Ethelwitha he gat¹ Edmond and Edred; eiper of hem regnede after here broper Athelston;² he gat also tweie douztres, seint Edburgh³ pat was i-sacred to God, and restep at Wynchestre, and Edgiva pe faire,⁴ pat was i-mariet to Lowys kyng of Gyan.⁵ Also pis made his sones lerne⁶ letrure;⁷ and he made his douztres firste lerne letrure, and perafter he made hem lese⁸ pe nedle⁹ and pe distaf. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro 2º.* Of pis mayde Edburga it is i-rad pat whanne sche¹⁰ was pre zere olde here fader wolde wete¹¹ and assaye¹² wheper sche wolde¹³ torne to God oper to pe world,¹⁴ and dede¹⁵ in pe¹⁶ oon side of his chambre meny faire iewelles¹⁷ and dyvers and grete richesse, and in¹⁸ oper side chalys and gospels, panne in anoper place he dede¹⁹ besaundes,²⁰ broches, and rynges, panne pe norse²¹ brouzt forp pe childe, panne pe childe was i-bede²² chese and take what he²³

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. *de Regibus, libro secundo.* Also he gate of Ethelwitha, the thrydde wife, Edmundus and Edredus, whiche tweyne reignede after Ethelstan their broper, by succession; also he gate ij. dozhters, seynte Edburga, a virgyn sacrate to God, beriede at Wynchestre, and Edgiva, a woman of beawte sovereigne, mariede to Lodowicus kyng of Aquitanny. This kyng causede his sonnes to be instructe in the artes liberalle, and his dozhters to the nelde and distaffe. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro secundo.* Hit is rehersed of this virgyn Edburga, that when sche hade iij. yere in age her fader, willenge to prove wheper sche scholde declyne to God or to the worlde, putte in oon parte of the chamber ornamentes of diverse possessions, and in that oper parte chalices and vestimentes longynge to pe church, and in an oper parte broches and rynges. That yonge maide, brouzhte to the chambre by here norische, was commaundid to chose of those pinges, and the yonge virgyn,

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| ¹ bygate, Cx., et infra. | ¹² essay, Cx. |
| ² Ethelstan, a., β., γ., and Cx. | ¹³ heo schuld, β. |
| ³ Edburg, β; Edburge, γ. | ¹⁴ worl, γ. |
| ⁴ veyr, γ. | ¹⁵ leyde, Cx. |
| ⁵ Gyeen, γ.; Guyan, Cx. | ¹⁶ pat, β. |
| ⁶ lurne, γ. | ¹⁷ veyr juwels, γ. |
| ⁷ letrure, γ., et infra. | ¹⁸ pat, add. β. |
| ⁸ use, a., β., and Cx. | ¹⁹ putt, Cx. |
| ⁹ a mad ham use pe neld, γ.; nelde, β.; nylde, Cx. | ²⁰ besaundes, γ. |
| ¹⁰ heo, β. | ²¹ norice, β.; nors, γ. |
| ¹¹ y-wyte, a. and γ.; wite, β.; wytte, Cx. | ²² boden, Cx. |
| | ²³ he] a, γ.; heo, β.; she, Cx. |

At ipsa manibus repens evangelia apprehendit;¹ quam pater deosculans, "Vade," inquit, "quo te vocat" "divinitas,² sequere fausto qui te ducit. Sic³ postmodum facta est monacha, quam non resupinavit "regalis prosapia, quin etiam soccos sororum suarum de "nocte latenter surrupuit, et lotos unctosque clam⁴ "reportavit, et multa alia egit Deo placabilia."⁵ *De pontificibus Romanorum.* Benedictus quartus post Johannem sedit papa annis tribus. Eo quoque⁶ anno sanctus Grymbaldus confessor, quondam doctor regis Aluredi, obiit Wyntoniae. Hoc⁷ anno Plegmundus archiepiscopus in urbe Dorobernia ordinavit septem episcopos ecclesiis Anglorum; videlicet, quinque ad terram Gewyseorum,⁸ id est Westsaxonicorum. Hoc⁹ est apud Wyntoniam unum, ad¹⁰ Cornubiam unum, ad¹¹ Schireburn unum, apud Wellensem ecclesiam unum, apud Cridyntoun unum.¹² Item¹³ apud Australes Saxones unum, et apud Mercios in Dorkynga unum.¹⁴ Nam papa Formosus¹⁵ maledictionem suam dederat regi Edwardi et Anglis propter nimiam carentiam

Gratiae
IX·1111.
Edwardus
senior
III.

Obitus
Grymbaldi.

Plegmundus
archepiscopus
in urbe
Dorobernia
ordinavit
septem
episcopos
suffragentes.

¹ adoravit, C.D.

² et, add. A.

³ Sicque, A.B.

⁴ lotosque clam, &c., B.

⁵ et . . . placabilia] om. A.B.C.D., as well as the heading.

⁶ Eoque, A.

⁷ Hoc . . . caruerat (page 404)] om. C.D.

⁸ Gewyseorum, A.

⁹ id, B.

¹⁰ apud, B.

¹¹ apud, A.B.

¹² unum] om. A.

¹³ Unum, B.

¹⁴ unum] om. B.

¹⁵ Formosus] om. A.

wolde; and sche creep¹ on honde and on² foot³ and took TREVISIA.
 þe gospel. Þanne þe fader custe⁴ þe childe, and seide, "Goo
 " þider as God clepþ þe; sewe hym with a gracious foot þat
 " ledeþ the;" and so þerafter sche⁵ was i-made mynchoun;⁶
 kyng his blood made here nevere⁷ torne awayward, but sche⁸
 wolde take þe schoon⁹ of here sustres priveliche by nyȝte
 and¹⁰ wasche¹¹ hem and smere hem, and priveliche brynge hem
 aȝen.¹² After Iohn þe fourþe Benet was pope þre ȝere. Also
 þat ȝere seynt Grymbalde þe confessour, þat was kyng Alure-
 dus his techer, deide at Wynchestre. Þat ȝere Plegmundus
 þe archebisshop in¹³ þe citee Dorobernia, þat is Caunturbury,
 ordeyned sevene bisshoppes to þe chirches of Engelond; fyve
 to þe lond of Giweysys,¹⁴ þat beep West Saxons, [oon]¹⁵ at
 Wynchestre, oon in Cornwaile, oon at Shireborne, oon at Welles,
 [oon]¹⁵ at Crittoun.¹⁶ Also among þe Souþ Saxons oon, and
 in Mercia oon at Dorkynga,¹⁷ þat is now¹⁸ Dorchestre bysides
 Oxenforde; for Formosus þe pope hadde i-ȝeve¹⁹ his curse²⁰

Ab urbe. crepynge on the grownde, toke the chalices and vesture long- MS. HARL.
 ynge to the servyce of Criste. Then the fader kyssenge hit, 2261.
 seide: "Go wheder God callethe the;" after that sche was
 made a myncheon. Benedicte the iii^jthe succedid Iohn the
 pope iij. yere. Seynte Grimbalde, confessore, and somme tyme
 the maister of kyng Alurede, diede at Wynchestre in this
 yere. Plegmundus, archebisshop of Cawnterbury, made vij.
 bischoppes, assignenge theym to their seetes, þis yere; v. of
 theym to the cuntres of Westesaxons; that is to say, oon at
 Wynchestre, an other at Cornewaile, oon at Schirburne, oon at
 Welles, and oon at Cridington. Also oon at the Southesaxons,
 and oon at the Marches, in Dorkynga; for the pope Formosus
 cursede kyng Edward and men of Ynglonde for the wont-
 A transmi-
 gracione.

¹ heo creop, β.; crep, γ.
² on] om. α., β., and γ.
³ voot, γ.
⁴ kissed, β.
⁵ heo, β., et infra.
⁶ monchon, β.; meynchyn, γ.;
 nonne, Cx.
⁷ never made her, Cx.
⁸ hue, γ.
⁹ shoes, Cx.
¹⁰ and] from α., β., γ., and Cx.;
 of, MS.
¹¹ wasse, α.; waysche, γ.

¹² priveliche before aȝen, α., β.,
 and γ. Cx. adds: that sygnefyed
 mekenes.
¹³ in] of, β. and Cx.
¹⁴ Giwyseyes, β.; Guyseyes, Cx.
¹⁵ From β.
¹⁶ Kirtoun, β.; Crytton, γ.;
 Kyrton, Cx.
¹⁷ Dorkyngam, Cx.
¹⁸ now] om. β. and γ.
¹⁹ yeven, Cx.
²⁰ cours, α. and Cx.; cors, β. and
 γ.

Gratie
IX^oV.
Edwardus
senior
V.

episcoporum in terra Anglorum quæ per septem annos episcopis caruerat.¹ Hoc anno panis defecit in Hibernia, vermes enim bidentati similes talpis videbantur de cœlo descendere, et annonam consumere, sed oratione et jejuniis sunt dejecti.² Clito Ethelwoldus, patruelis regis Edwardi, contra regem insurrexit, Wynburnam urbem juxta Bathoniam occupavit, affirmans quod ibi aut triumpharet aut occumberet. Veruntamen rapta secum de nocte sanctimoniali de monasterio Wynbernensi,³ ad Dacos Northymbranos recessit, quorum auxilium petivit. Sed rex valide persecutus est eum, adeo ut relicta Anglia Franciam adiret, sanctimonialem tamen [rex]⁴ secum reduxit, monasterioque suo restituit. Eodem tamen anno rediit Ethelwoldus cum magno navium apparatu, et junctis secum Danis Estangliam habitantibus invasit Merciam, usque ad Crekanford,⁵ quod est Crikelade,⁶ cuncta consumens. Deinde⁷

¹ See note 7, page 402.

² *ejecti. Henricus, lib. v., C.D.*

³ *Winburne, A.*

⁴ *From B.*

⁵ *Crekanford, A.*

⁶ *Crekalad, A.; Krikelade, B.*

⁷ *flumine, add. C.D.*

to kyng Edward and to Englisshe men for¹ scarste² of bis-
shoppes in here lond, þat hadde i-be bisshoples sevene þere to
gidres. Þat þere brede faillede in Irlond, for wormes þat were
tweie³ toped and i-liche to wontes fil⁴ doun from hevene and
ete⁵ þe brede corne. But þe wormes were i-doo away by pray-
enge and fastynge. Clito Ethelwoldus, kyng Edward his emes
sone, roos⁶ aʒenst þe kyng, and occupiede þe citee of Wyne-
borne⁷ besides Bathe, and seide, þat he wolde have þe maistrie
oper deie þere; but he ravisched⁸ and tok away a mynchoun⁹
of þe abbay of Wynborne, and wente þens to þe Danes of
Norphomberlond, and prayed hem of helpe. But þe kyng
pursewede¹⁰ hem so strongliche þat he forsook¹¹ Engeland,
and wente¹² into Fraunce; but þe kyng brouʒte wip hym þe
mynchoun¹³ aʒen, and restored here into here abbay: but þe
same þere Ethelwoldus¹⁴ com aʒen wip schippes in grete
array, and took wip hym þe Danes þat woned in Est Anglond,
and assailede and destroyede al þat he myʒte fynde¹⁵ anon to

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. ynge of bischoppes, lackynge þeim in Ynglonde by vij. yere. MS. HARL.
Brede wontede or faylede in Yrlonde this yere, for vermyn 2261.
lyke to wontes were seene to descende from hevyn and to waste
the cornes; but thei were eiecte thro preyer. Clito Ethelwol-
dus, cosyng to kyng Edwarde, did ryse ageyne hym, and
occupiede the cite off Wynburne, nye to Bathe, affermyng that
he wolde be victor þere or he scholde dye. Neverthelesse he,
takeinge with hym a myncheon of the monastery of Wynburne
in the nyʒhte, wente to the Danes of Northumbrelonde, ask-
enge helpe of theyme. But kyng Edwarde folowede hym
myʒhtely, in so moche that Clito, levyng Ynglonde, wente to
Fraunce; and the kyng brouʒhte the myncheon with hym,
and restorede her to here monastery. Neverthelesse Ethel-
woldus come to Ynglonde ageyne þe same;¹⁶ whiche, ioynynge
to hym þe Danes inhabityng Este Ynglonde, entrede þe
Marches, and destroyede the cuntre unto Crikelade, and after

A transmi-
gracione.¹ *bycause of*, Cx.² *skarste*, β.³ *twy*, γ.⁴ *vul*, γ.⁵ *yte*, γ.⁶ *ros*, β. and γ.; or *rebelyd*, add.

Cx.

⁷ *Wynburn*, β. and Cx., et infra.⁸ *ravesched*, β.; *raveste*, γ.⁹ *monchon*, β., et infra, *meynchyn*,
γ.; *toke with hym a nonne*, Cx.¹⁰ *pursued*, β.¹¹ *vorsouk*, γ.¹² *flyʒ*, β.¹³ *meynchen*, γ.; *nonne*, Cx.¹⁴ *Ethelwulfus*, Cx.¹⁵ *yvynde*, γ.¹⁶ Sic in MS., *yere* being acci-
dentally omitted.

Thamisia¹ pertransita, usque ad Bradnestok² terram spoliavit, et sic Estangliam rediit; quem rex a tergo insequens, terram hostium a flumine Ouse usque ad³ limites⁴ terræ sancti Edmundi deprædavit, præcipiendo suis ut nullus post se remaneret. Cantuaritæ tamen, jussu regis neglecto ibidem remanentes, a Danis pœne trucidantur, multis hinc inde ruentibus, sed et Clito Ethelwoldus inter hostes occubuit. Unde et Dani sentientes regem Edwardum fore invincibilem, pacem⁵ fecerunt. *De pontificibus Romanorum.*⁶ Leo quintus post Benedictum sedit papa duobus mensibus; nam Christophorus suus⁷ presbyter incarceraverat⁸ eum, et sic papatum invasit; sed⁹ post quartum mensem¹⁰ ejectus est. Sergius quartus, postquam ejecerat Christophorum, sedit papa annis septem. Qui aliquando diaconus¹¹ per Formosum papam reprobatus ad Gallos se contulit,

Gratiæ
IX^oVI.
Edwardi
VI.

Gratiæ
IX^oVII.
Edwardi
VII.

¹ *Tamasia*, B.
² *Bradnestok*, A.; *Bradensstoke*, B.; *Bradestok*, C.D.
³ *alias*, B.
⁴ *fines*, B.
⁵ *cum eo*, B.C.D.
⁶ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁷ *suus*] om. B.
⁸ *incarcercerunt*, B.
⁹ *et*, B.
¹⁰ *per Sergium successorem ejus*, C.D.
¹¹ *cardinalis*, add. B.

Crekanforde, pat is Crekelade; ¹ panne he passede Tempse, ² and spoiledde and robbede þe londe anon ³ to Bradenestok, and so he wente aȝen to Est Anglond, pat conteyneth Northfolk and Soupfolk, as it is i-seide to forehonde ⁴ ofte tyme. Þe kyng folowede after, and destroyede ⁵ and spoylede þe londe of his enemyes from þe ryvors ⁶ to þe bondes ⁷ of seint Edmond his lond, and heet ⁸ his men þat non of hem schulde abyde byhynde; bot þe Kentisse men forgendrede ⁹ þe kynges heste, ¹⁰ and abide þere, and were i-slawe nyh ¹¹ alle [of] ¹² þe Danes; meny were i-slawe in eiper side, bote Clito Ethelwoldus was i-slawe among his enemyes: panne þe Danes sigh þat kyng Edward myȝte nouȝt be overcome, and made pees wip hym. After Benet, þe fifte Leo was pope twenty ¹³ monþes, for his preost ¹⁴ Cristofre prisoned hym, and toke ¹⁵ þe poperiche ¹⁶ [so by maystrie, but he was cast out after þe fourþe ¹⁷ monþe. Þe fourþe, ¹⁷ Sergius put out Cristofre, ¹⁸ and was pope] ¹⁹ perafter seven ȝere. [Som tyme he was decon ²⁰ cardynal, and reproved ²¹ of Formosus þe pope, and wente to Frensche ²²

TREVISA.

Ab urbe.

that passynge Thamys, spoylede the cuntre unto Bradenestoke. MS. HARL. 2261.
But the kyng folowynge hym on the backe, robbede from the water of Owse unto þe grownde of seynte Edmunde, commaundenge his men that noo man scholde remayne after hym; neverthelesse men of Kente, despisyng the precepte of the kyng, and taryenge þere, were sleyne of the Danes, and mony of theym also, amonge whom Clito Ethelwoldus was sleyne. Wherefore the Danes, perceyvynge kynde ²³ Edwarde to be invincible, toke pease with hym. Leo the v^{the} succedid Benedict the pope ij. monethes; for Christofor, his preste, put hym in prison, and occupied his seete; but he was eiecte after the iiij^{the} monethe paste. Sergius the iiij^{the}, puttyng away Christofor the pope, succedid hym vij. yere; whiche beyng a cardinale diacon, and reprobate by Formosus the pope, wente

A transmigratione.
f. 303 a.¹ *Criklade*, β.; *Crekelad*, γ.² *Temse*, β. and γ.³ *anon*] om. Cx.⁴ *vorhond*, γ.⁵ *distried*, β.⁶ *ryver Ous*, α., β., and Cx.⁷ *boundes*, Cx.⁸ *hyte*, γ.⁹ *vorgenderde*, γ.¹⁰ *heeste*, β.¹¹ *neiz*, β.¹² From γ. and Cx.¹³ *twey*, β. and Cx.¹⁴ *prust*, γ.¹⁵ *touk*, γ.¹⁶ *papasye*, Cx.¹⁷ *urde*, γ., bis.¹⁸ *Crystofor*, Cx., et infra.¹⁹ From α., β., γ., and Cx.²⁰ *dekene*, β.²¹ *repreved*, γ.²² *þe Vreyns*, γ.²³ Sic in MS.

quorum¹ ope fretus Christophorum papatus invasorem incarceravit, papatum occupavit, et in ultionem repulsæ suæ Formosum papam de sepulcro extractum decollari fecit, et in Tiberim projici; quem tandem a piscatoribus inventum, et ad ecclesiam² Petri allatum, imagines sanctorum venerabiliter salutaverunt. *De civitate Cestrensi.*³ Hoc anno civitas⁴ Caerlegioun⁵ sive Legecestria, quæ modo Cestria⁶ dicitur, ope Ethelredi ducis Merciorum et Elfredæ uxoris suæ, post confractiones per Danos factas⁷ restaurata est, et novis muris circumdata, et pœne ad duplum quod prius ampliata, ita ut castrum, quod ab olim ibidem extra muros civitatis juxta aquam positum fuerat, nunc intra⁸ muros urbis situetur. *Ranulphus.* Rex Edwardus construxit castrum apud Hereford.⁹ Tunc¹⁰ fundatum est monasterium Cluniacense a pio Willelmo principe Burgundiæ; cujus primus abbas fuit sanctus Odo, secundus sanctus Maiolus. Cujus loci

Gratias
IX·VIII.
Edwardi
VIII.

¹ *tandem consilio auxilioque*, C.D.

² *Sancti*, B.

³ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁴ *quod Britannice dicitur*, C.D.

⁵ *Kaerlgion*, B.

⁶ *quæ . . . Cestria*] om. A.

⁷ *post . . . factas*] om. C.D.

⁸ *infra*. MS.

⁹ *Herford*, A.; *Bedeford*, B.

¹⁰ *Circa hac tempora*, C.D.

men. By help of hem he prisoned Cristofre þat assaylede¹ TREVISA.
 þe poperiche and hylde² hit by strengþe, and þanne he hym
 self occupiede þe poperiche. And in wreche of his [of]³ put-
 tyng⁴ he made hem take up⁵ Formosus þe pope out of his
 grave, and smyte of his heed,⁶ and þrewe þe body into Tyber.
 Bote at þe laste fischers founde⁷ þat body, and brouȝte it to
 Seynt Peter his cherche, and þe ymages of holy seyntes dede
 þat body greet reverens⁸ and worschippe in his comyng.]⁹
 Þat ȝere þe citee Carlegioun,¹⁰ þat is Legecestria, þat now hatte
 Chestre, after þat he¹¹ was destroyede¹² by þe Danes, was re-
 stored aȝen by help of Etheldredus duke of Mercia, and of
 his wif Elfleda; þat citee was poo i-closed aboute wip newe
 walles, and i-made nyh suche¹³ two as it was rapur.¹⁴ So þat þe
 castel þat was somtyme by þe water wip oute þe walles is now
 in þe toun wip ynne þe walles. R. Kyng Edward bulde¹⁵ a
 castel at Hereforde; þat tyme was þe abbay of Cluni i-founded
 of William þe mylde, prince of Burgoyne. Þe firste abbot of
 þat place¹⁶ was seint Odo, þe secounde Majolus.¹⁷ William de

Ab urbe. to Fraunce, thro helpe of that cuntre made pope, causede, in a MS. HARL.
 signe of vengeance, the body of Formosus the pope to be 2261.
 taken from the grownde, causenge hym to be heded and caste
 into the water of Tiber. But the body of the pope founde by
 fischers, was brouȝhte to the church of Seynte Petyr, and the
 ymages of seyntes ȝafe venerable salutacion to hit. The cite
 callede Caerlegion, and nowe Westechestre, destroyede moche
 by the Danes, was repairede in this yere by Ethelrede, gover-
 noure of the Marches, and Elfleda his wife, and wallede newe,
 and made moore then it was afore by halfe parte, insomoche
 þat the castelle of hit, whiche was a grete space with owte þe
 walles, is now with in the walles. R. Kynge Edwarde made
 a castelle at Herdforde; and then the monastery Cluniacense
 was foundede by William the meke, prince of Burguynne, the
 firste abbot of whom was seynte Odo, the secounde seynte
A transmi-
gracione.

¹ gate, Cx.
² heelde, β.; huld, γ.
³ From β.
⁴ of-pottyng, γ.
⁵ op, γ.
⁶ hed, β.
⁷ vyschers vonde, γ.
⁸ reverauns, γ.
⁹ From a., γ., and Cx.

¹⁰ Caerleon, Cx.
¹¹ he] hit, β.; a, γ.
¹² destruyed, β.
¹³ neiz sich, β.
¹⁴ byfore, Cx.
¹⁵ buyld, Cx., et infra.
¹⁶ plas, γ., bis.
¹⁷ Mayclus, Cx.

monachi in suis primordiis, secundum Willelmum de Pontificibus, libro iii^o., locupletes erant in sæculo, et splendidæ religionis in Deo.¹ Quo in tempore dux Merciorum Ethelredus,² et uxor sua Elflæda,³ transtulerunt ossa sancti Oswaldi regis de Bardeneia⁴ usque⁵ Gloverniam, ubi⁶ monasterium⁷ construxerunt.⁸

Translatio
sancti
Oswaldi
apud Glor-
verniam.

CAP. V.

[*Imperium a Francis ad Teutonicos transit. Quædam de pontificibus Rominis et de rebus Anglicis.*]

Gratiano
IX-XII.
Edwardi
XII.

CONRADUS post Lodowicum apud Alemannos in principem elevatur; verum quia in Italia non imperavit, inter imperatores non connumeratur, nec benedictione insignitur; regnavitque septem annis. In⁹ isto¹⁰ cœpit imperium¹¹ transire a Francis ad Teutonicos sive Alemannos quia, Lodowico istius prædecessore non valente defensare Romanos contra Longobardos, transiit imperium a Francis, et sic duo imperabant, unus in Alemannia, alius¹² in Italia, usque ad Othonem primum qui utrobique imperavit.⁹ Hoc anno in provincia

¹ *Cujus . . . Deo*] om. C.D.

² *Ethelfredus*, MS.

³ *Elflæta*, A.

⁴ *et martyris de Bardaneye*, C.D.

⁵ *ad*, add. B.

⁶ *in Oswaldi honore*, add. C.D.

⁷ *Sancto Petro*, add. B.

⁸ *construxerat*, A.

⁹ *In . . . imperavit*] om. C.D.

¹⁰ There is no noun inserted in the MS.

¹¹ *imperium*] om. A.

¹² *alter*, B.

Pontificibus, libro 4^o, seip þat firste þe monkes of þat place were TREVISA.
 riche in þe worlde, and of cleer religioun in God. Þat tyme
 Etheldredus duke of Mercia and his wif Elfleda translated þe
 bones of seint Edward ¹ þe kyng from Bardeneye to Gloucetre,²
 þere þey bulde an abbay in worschippe of seint Peter.

Capitulum quintum.

CONRADUS after Lowys³ was i-made prince among þe Al-
 maignes,⁴ but for he was nouzt emperour in Italy he is nouzt⁵
 i-rekened among emperours, noþer he was i-hizt wiþ sacrynge
 and benesouns,⁶ but he regnede sevene zere. In þis⁷ [yere]⁸
 þe empere gan to passe from þe Frensche⁹ men to þe Almayns,
 for Lowys þe predecessour of þis myzte nozt diffende þe Ro-
 mayns azenst þe Longobardes; þe empere passede from þe
 Frensche men, and so were tweye emperoures, oon in Almayne
 and anoþer in Italy, and ¹⁰ to þe firste Otho, þat was emperour of

Ab urbe. Maiolus. The monkes of whiche place, after Willelmus de MS. HARL.
 Pontificibus, libro quarto, were in the begynnynge ryche in the 2261.
 worlde, and bryzhte in the religion of God. In whiche tyme A transmi-
 Ethelredus and Elfleda his wife did translate the boones of gracione.
 seynte Oswalde the kyng from Bradeney to Glowcestre, where
 they made a monastery of Seynte Petre.

Capitulum quintum.

CONRADUS was made emperoure in Alemeyne after Lodo-
 wicus, and reignede vij. yere. Neverthelesse he is not
 annumerate amonge emperoures, in that he reignede not in
 Ytaly. In thys tyme the empyre faylede from men of Fraunce,
 and was reioycede by men of Ytaly and of Alemeyne; for
 Lodowicus his predecessor was not sufficiaunte to defende the
 empyre from the Longobardes; and so after that ij. men were
 emperours, oon in Alemayne, an oþer in Ytaly, unto the tymes f. 302 b.
 of Otho themperour, whiche reioycede all the empyre. Yng-

¹ Oswald, β. and γ.

² Glouceter, γ.

³ Lowes, γ.

⁴ Almayns, β.

⁵ nouzt] wrongly omitted in β.

⁶ benesons, γ.; ne he is not en-

haunced with sacryng and blessynges,
Cx.

⁷ þes, γ.

⁸ From Cx.

⁹ Freyns, γ., et infra.

¹⁰ anon, α. and β.; unto the fyrst,
Cx.

Staffordensi¹ apud Totenhale² Angli vicerunt³ Dacos, et postmodum apud Wodenisfeld⁴ rex Edwardus occidit de Dacis duos reges, duos comites, cum multis millibus Dacorum Northimbrensi-⁵ Dux et subregulus Merciorum Ethelredus obiit, cujus uxor Elfleda, soror regis Edwardi, regnum Merciorum, exceptis Londonia et Oxonia, quas rex sibi retinuit, longo tempore strenue rexit, urbes multas condidit et reparavit, quæ sunt Brymmesbury,⁶ Brugge⁷ super Sabrinam, Tommeworth⁸ juxta Lichefeld, Stafford, Warewycum,⁹ Chiresbury,⁷ Wabury,¹⁰ Edesbury in foresta juxta Cestriam, quæ nunc omnino deleta est. Item construxit urbem cum castro in borealibus finibus Merciorum super flumen¹¹ Mersee, quæ tunc Rucofan¹² sed modo Runcorna vocatur. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo.*¹³ Ista Elfleda, virago potentissima, favor civium, terror

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¹ *Stafortensi, A.*

² *Thotenhall, A.*

³ *gloriose devicerunt, C.D.*

⁴ *Wodenesfelde, A.; Wodemisfeld, MS.*

⁵ *Elfleda construxit urbem de Brummesburgham, C.D.*

⁶ *Brimmisburia, A.; Brimesbury, B.*

⁷ *Brugge . . . Chiresbury] om. B.*

⁸ *Thomewurth, A.; Thamewor-
dam, C.D.*

⁹ *Warwicum, A.*

¹⁰ *Wadesbury, B.; Wadbury, C.;
Waddebury, D.*

¹¹ *de, B.*

¹² *Runcofan, A.B.; Rouncofan,
C.D.*

¹³ § 125, ed. Hardy.

bope. þat ȝere in þe province of Stafford at Thotenhale¹ þe Engliſſhe men overcome þe Danes; and afterward at Wodenesfeld² kyng Edward ſlouȝ of þe Danes tweye³ kynges, tweye erles, and meny þowsand of men of Danes⁴ of Northumberlond. Etheldredus, duke and ledere,⁵ under-kyng of Mercia, deide, and his wyf Elſſeda, kyng Edward his ſuſter,⁶ regnede nobleliche⁷ longe tyme in al Mercia, outtake Londoun and Oxenforde, þe whiche⁸ þe kyng hylde to hymſelfward. Sche bulde meny citees and townes, and amendede meny oon, þat beþ Brymmesbury, Brygge⁹ uppon Sevarn, Thomeworþ¹⁰ beſides Lichefeld, Stafford, Warwyk, Shroysbury¹¹ brigge uppon Sevarn,¹² Watusbury,¹³ Edisbury in þe foreſt byſides Cheſtre, þat now is al deſtroyed. Also ſche¹⁴ bulde a citee wiþ a caſtel in þe norþ endes of Mercia, uppon þe ryver Merce, þat þoo heet Runcofan, but now it hatte Runcorn. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 2º.* The¹⁵ ſtrong virago Elſſeda, favour of citeȝeynes

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. liſche men hade victory of the Danes in this yere, at Totenhale in Staffordschire. And after that kyng Edward did ſle at Wodenesfelde ij. kynges, ij. erles, with many thowsandes of the Danes of Northumbrelonde. Ethelredus, governoure and underkyng of the Marches, died; Elſſeda, the wife of whom, and ſuſter to kyng Edward, governede nobly the realme of the Marches, a longe tyme, London and Oxenforde excepte, whom the kyng retenede to hym ſelfe. Also ſche repairede olde cites, and made many newe, as Brunnisbury, Brugg on Severne, Thomeworthe nye to Lichefelde, Stafforde, Warwyke, Cherisbury, Wadisbury, Edisbury in the foreſte, nye to Cheſtre, whiche cites be nowe deſtroyede. Also ſche made a citee with a caſtelle in þe northe coſte of the Marches on the water of Merſee, callede that tyme Runcofan, and nowe Runcorne. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro ſecundo.* This Elſſeda, a myȝhty

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gracione.¹ Totenhale, β. and Cx.² Wodenysfelde, Cx.³ twy, γ.⁴ þowsandes of Danes, α., β., γ. and Cx.⁵ ledere] om. γ.⁶ ſoſter, γ.⁷ noblich, β.⁸ whoche, γ.⁹ bridge, Cx.¹⁰ Thomworth, Cx.¹¹ Sherisbury, α.; Schyresbury, β.; Chyrysbury, γ.; Shiresbury, Cx.¹² brigge upon Sevarn] om. β., γ., and Cx.¹³ Watrisbury, Cx.¹⁴ heo, β., et infra.; hue, γ., et infra.¹⁵ þis, α., β., and Cx.; þues, γ.

hostium, multum jovit fratrem suum regem in consiliis dandis, in urbibus construendis; quæ postquam experta fuerat difficultatem primi et unici partus, complexum viri perpetuo exhorruit, protestans non convenire regis filiæ voluptati intendere quam¹ tale incommodum subsequi oporteret.² *De adventu Danorum in Angliam.*³ Dani piratæ, qui ante ferme⁴ xix. annos Gallias Britannia relicta adiverant, Angliam redierunt, et circumnavigata Cornubia Sabrinum mare intrantes, prædas egerunt, episcopum quendam Britannicum apud Irchenfeld⁵ ceperunt; quem rex Edwardus quadraginta libris redemit, hostes usque ad Hiberniam profugavit, munitionem ad ostium⁶ amnis Avenæ⁷ construxit. Deinde alias munitiones apud Bukyngham⁸ ex utraque parte fluminis Use⁹ posuit, ducem Danorum Turketillum¹⁰ cum Dacis inhabitantibus Bedefordiam et Norhamptonam subegit. *De pontificibus Romanis.*¹¹ Anastasius papa sedit annis duobus; post quem Laudo

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¹ *q^m*, B.

² C.D. omit *Ista* (p. 412) . . . *Angliam*, and substitute: "Eo quoque anno facta est pax inter Karolum regem Franciæ et Rollonem ducem Normanniæ, dataque Gilla filia regis Rolloni duci in matrimonio, de qua nullam prolem habuit. Mortua Gilla Rollo duxit Popam filiam Guydonis comitis, de qua filium suum Wil-

"lelmum genuit. Dani piratæ qui," &c.

³ A.B. omit heading.

⁴ *per*, B.

⁵ *Hirchenefelde*, A.

⁶ *hostium*, MS.

⁷ *ostium ampna Aven* (sic), B.

⁸ *Buckingham*, A.; *Bokinham*, B.; *Bokingham*, C.D.

⁹ *Ouse*, B.

¹⁰ *Turkentillum*, C.D.

¹¹ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

and drede of enemyes, halp moche¹ her broþer þe kyng in 3evynge of counsaile and in buldyng of citees; whanne sche hadde² assayed þe woo and þe sorwe onlich of oon childe þat sche bare, sche hatede þe clippyng³ of a man þerafter for everemore, and took witesse of God, and seide þat it was nouȝt semeliche to a kynges douȝter to use [suche]⁴ fleschliche⁵ likyng, þere suche sorwe moste⁶ come nedes⁷ after. Þe see⁸ þeves of Danes þat wente out of Engelond into Fraunce aboute [an]⁹ nyntene ȝere toforehonde, come newe¹⁰ aȝe into Engelond, and seillede¹¹ aboute Cornewayle and come into Sevarne see, and took prayes, and took a Britissh bisshop in Irchenefeld, þe whiche bisshop kyng Edwarde raunsoned¹² for fourty ponde, and chasede þe enemyes into Irlond; and made a castel at þe mouth of þe water of Avene, and oþere castelles at Bokyngham in þe eiper side of þe ryver Ouse, and made sugette þe Danes þat woned at Bedeford¹³ and at Norphampton, and here kyng Turketillus. Anastacius was pope two ȝere. After hym Laudo was pope fyve ȝere;¹⁴ þat ȝere þe

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Ab urbe. and noble woman, favor of citesynnes and drede of enemyes, MS. HARL. 2261. helpede and movede Edwarde the kyng here brother to edifye cites thro here counselle. Whiche provynge oonys by experience the peyne of childenge, abhorrede after that tyme the fleschely concupiscence, seyenge that hit was not conveniente to the doȝhter of a kyng to attende to voluptuosite, whom so grete incommodite scholde folowe. The Danes whiche hade bene in Fraunce by xx^{ti} yere, comme to Ynglonde þis yere, whiche goynge abowte Cornewaile, entrede the water of Severne, and robbede the costes nye to theyme, and toke a bisshop of Briteyne at Irchenefelde, whom kyng Edwarde redemed for xl^{ti} libræ. Also he chased his enemys into Yrlonde, makynge towres of defense at the mowthe or durre of the water Avena, and oþer defenses at Buckyngham, on either parte of the water of Owse, subduynge to hym Turketillus, with the Danes inhabityng Bedford and Northampton. Anastasius was pope ij. yere, whom Laudo succedid v. monethes,¹⁵ in whiche yere

A transmi-
gracione.

¹ *myche*, β.
² *ones*, add. Cx.
³ *embracyng*, Cx.
⁴ From α. (not Cx.); *sich*, β.;
soche, γ.
⁵ *vleyschlych*, γ.
⁶ *most come nedes*] shold come,
Cx.
⁷ *nede come*, β.
⁸ *þe see*] *bes*, γ.
⁹ From α., β., and γ. (not Cx.).
¹⁰ *now*, α. and γ.; om. Cx.
¹¹ *seylide*, β.
¹² *raunsede*, α. and γ.
¹³ *Bedford*, Cx.
¹⁴ *ȝere*] monethes, Cx.
¹⁵ *yere* in MS. before *monethes*,
but erased.

mensibus quinque. Quo in anno Hungari qui¹ juxta Danubium sunt² Italiam vastaverunt. *Item de pontificibus.*³ Johannes decimus⁴ sedit in papatu annis quatuordecim. Hic fuit filius Sergii papæ⁵ et episcopus Ravennæ, cujus ope Albericus marchio expulit Saracenos de Italia. Orta tandem⁶ discordia inter illos, papa expulit marchionem de urbe.⁷ Unde ipse commotus adduxit Hungaros, qui Italiam vastaverunt. Quamobrem marchio occiditur, sed et⁸ papa ab ejus militibus strangulatur. Hoc anno Rollo primus dux Normanniæ post quadragesimum annum sui ducatus obiit; cui successit filius suus Willelmus Longa Spata viginti quinque annis. Elflæda rector Merciorum egit prædas in terra Britonum apud Brehnoc,⁹ cepitque uxorem regis Wallanorum,¹⁰ et renovavit Legecestre.¹¹ Rex Edwardus condidit urbes de Toucestre et Wyggemere,¹² et¹³ destruxit munitionem quam Dani fecerant apud Themesfort. Elflæda cepit urbem Derbeie super

Rollo primus dux Normanniæ.

Willelmus de Longa Spata.

¹ qui . . . sunt] om. C.D.

² totam, C.D.

³ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁴ 4^a, A.

⁵ papæ] om. B.

⁶ tñ, A.

⁷ de urbe] om. A.

⁸ a, B.

⁹ Breghenok, B.; Breghenoc, C.D.

¹⁰ Walliæ, B.

¹¹ Lege cestriam, A.B.

¹² Wiggemere, B.

¹³ Dani quoque qui orientalem plagam inhabitant munitionem fecerunt apud Temesford, sed rex Ed-

Hungaries þat beep by þe ryver Danubius¹ destroyed Italy. Þe **TREVISIA.**
 tenþe Iohn was pope fourtene þere, þis was pope Sergius his
 sone and bisshop of Raven. By his help Albericus the markys
 put² out þe Sarsyns out of Irlond.³ At þe laste fil strif and dis-
 cord bytwene hem, and þe pope and⁴ putte þe markys out of
 þe citee; þerfore he was wrooþ, and brouzþte þe Hungaries þat
 hadde destroyed⁵ Italy; þerfore þe markys was i-slawe, bote
 þe pope was i-strangled of þe markes⁶ his knyþtes. Þat þere
 deide Rollo þe firste duke of Normandye i-translated out⁷
 after þe fourþe⁸ þere of his ducherie; his sone William Longa
 Spata was duke after hym fyve and twenty þere. Elfreda
 queene of Mercia toke prayes in þe lond of Bretouns at
 Brehnok,⁹ and took þe kynges wyf of Wales, and renewede¹⁰
 Legecestre, þat is Chestre. Kyng Edward bulde þe citee of
 Toucestre¹¹ and of Wiggemore,¹² and destroyed¹³ þe castel þat
 þe Danes hadde y-buld¹⁴ at Themesforde.¹⁵ Elfreda took þe
 citee of Derby uppon¹⁶ þe Danes; here foure mynistres [were

Ab urbe. men of Hungary nye to the water of Danubius wastede Ytaly. **MS. HARL.**
 Iohn the xthe was pope xiiij. yere, sonne to Sergius the pope **2261.**
 and bisshop of Ravenum, thro helpe of whom Abericus the
 markesse expulsede Saracenys from Ytaly. Neverthelesse, a
 discorde movede betwene theyme, the pope expulsede Abericus
 from his cuntre, whiche movede soore þerwith brouzþhte men of
 Hungary into Ytaly, that wastede hyt, wherefore he was sleyne,
 and the pope was throtelede of his knyþhtes. Rollo the firste
 duke of Normandy, after the xlthi yere of his governayle, diede **f. 303 a.**
 in this yere, whom William Longa Spata, his sonne, did succede
 xxvthe yere. Elfreda, lady of the Marches, toke prayes in the londe
 of Britons at Brehnoc, and toke the wife of the kyng Wales,
 and renewede Westechestre. Edwarde the myþhty prynce
 made the cites of Touchestre and of Wiggemore, and destroyede
 the defenses whom the Danes hade made at Themesforde.
 Elfreda, lady of the Marches, toke the cite of Derby from þe

¹ *Dono*, written above in a later hand in β .

² *pot*, γ , et infra.

³ *Irlond*] Ytalye, Cx.

⁴ *and*] om. α , γ , and Cx.

⁵ *distruyde*, β .

⁶ *markys*, β .

⁷ *i-translated out*] om. β , γ , and Cx.

⁸ *fourtenth*, Cx.

⁹ *Breghnok*, β ; *Brehnoc*, γ ; *Brechnok*, Cx.

¹⁰ *renewide*, β .

¹¹ *Toucetre*, β ; *Touceter*, γ .

¹² *Wygmere*, β ; *Wyggemere*, γ .

¹³ *distryed*, β .

¹⁴ *y-buld*, from α and γ ; *bilde*, β ; *made*, Cx.; *destroyd*, MS.

¹⁵ *Temeseford*, γ .

¹⁶ *oppon*, γ .

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Danos. Ejus tamen quatuor¹ ministri occidebantur. *De imperatoribus.*² Henricus filius Othonis³ Saxoniae regnavit octodecim⁴ annis super Alemannos, non tamen in Italia, ideoque non annumeratur inter imperatores. Hic devicit Hungaros,⁵ et convertit ad fidem ducem Normanniae Willelmum Longa Spata. *Willelmus de Regibus.*⁶ ⁷Hoc anno xix. kalendis Julii⁸ Elfleda obiit, quinquennio ante obitum fratris sui regis Edwardi; sepulta⁹ est Gloverniæ in ecclesia Sancti Petri, quam ipsa cum¹⁰ viro suo construxerat super ossa sancti Oswaldi regis, quæ a Bardeneya¹¹ ibidem attulerant; sed et¹² illa ecclesia per Danos destructa, Aldredus, Eboracensis simul et Wygorniensis episcopus, aliud quod in urbe nunc præcipuum est

wardus superveniens totum destruxit, et Danos ita perdomuit quod ex eo tempore vires eorum cotidie decrescerent. Elfleda autem kalendas Augusti cepit urbem Derby super Danos, sed quatuor cariores ministri ejus in porta occiduntur. Henricus filius, &c., C.D.

¹ quatuor] om. A.

² A.B. omit heading.

³ ducis, A.B.

⁴ xxvij., B.

⁵ Hungares, A.

⁶ libro 2^o, A.B.; § 125, ed. Hardy, where the name is given in the full form *Ethelfleda*.

⁷ C.D. insert: "Elfleda construxit burgum apud Brigge. Elfleda

" hoc anno acquisivit Legecestre et
" urbem Eboracum, subactis Danis
" ibidem habitantibus. Et cito
" post hoc xix. kalendas Julii obiit,
" ac in ecclesia Sancti Petri Gla-
" vornensi sepelitur, relicta post se
" unica filia Elwina, quam rex
" Edwardus potestate adempta
" duxit in Westsaxoniam. *Hen-*
" *ricus, lib. v.*"

⁸ Junii, A.

⁹ obiit quinque annis ante fratrem suum Edwardum, et sepulta, B.

¹⁰ cum . . reparavit, (page 420)]
om. C. D-

¹¹ Bardeneya, B.

¹² et] om. B.

i-slawe].¹ Henry,² þe sone of duke Otho of Saxon, regnede eyztene³ zere over þe Almayns, bote nouzt in Italy, and þefore he is nouzt acounted among þe emperours. Þis overcome þe Hungaries, and tornede to þe fey⁴ þe duke of Normandy, William Longa Spata. Longa spata is a long swerd in⁵ Engliſshe. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 2º*. Þat zere deide Elſfeda, eiztene dayes tofore Iuyl,⁶ fyve zere tofore þe deþ of hire broþer kyng Edward. And ſche⁷ was i-buried at Glouceſtre in Seynt Peter his cherche, þat ſche⁷ and hire housbonde hadde i-bulde uppon kyng Oswaldes bones, þat þey hadde i-brouzt þider from⁸ Bardeneye; bote þe Danes destroyed þat cherche, and Aldredus, biſshop boþe of 3ork and of Worceſtre,⁹

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Ab urbe. Danes, where iiij. of hire men were sleyne. Henricus, the sonne of Otho duke of Saxony, reignede on the Alemaynes xviiij. yere, and not in Ytaly, and þefore thei be not annumerate amonge emperoures. This Henricus overcome men of Hungary, and conuerte William Longa Spata, duke of Normandy, to the feithe of Criste. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo*. Elſfeda ladye of the Marches diede this yere, þe xix^{te} kalendes of Iulius, by v. yere afore the dethe of kyng Edward here brother, and was beryede in the churche of Seynte Petur at Glouceſtre, whiche hir howsebonde and ſche made uppon the boones of kyng Oswalde, translate by hir howsebonde and hir from Bradeney to that churche. But that churche destroyede by the Danes, Aldredus, archebiſchoppe of Yorke and of Worceſtre,

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gracione.

¹ From a., γ., and Cx.; were slayn, β.

² Harry, Cx.

³ eyztetene, a. and γ.

⁴ faþ of, wrongly, β.

⁵ an, a., β., and γ.

⁶ Jul, γ.; byfore Julii, Cx.

⁷ heo, β.; hue, γ. bis.

⁸ þuder vram, γ.

⁹ Wircetre, β.

monasterium reparavit.¹ Filiam autem unicam Elfredæ, nomine Elswynam, rex Edwardus, potestate Merciorum ei² adempta, duxit secum in Westsaxensi.³ In hujus⁴ Elfredæ laudem⁵ Henricus, libro quinto, hanc decantavit camænam :

*Versus de Elfleda.*⁶

“ *O Elfleda potens, O terror virorum ;*
 “ *⁷ Victricæ naturæ nomine digna viri ;*
 “ *Te quoque⁸ splendidior fecit natura puellam ;*
 “ *Te probitas fecit nomen habere viri ;*
 “ *Te mutare docet⁹ sed solum nomina sexus ;*
 “ *Tu regina potens rexque trophea parans.*
 “ *Jam nec Cæsarei tantum meruere [triumphi]¹⁰*
 “ *Cæsare splendidior virgo virago vale.”*

Rex Edwardus audita morte sororis suæ¹¹ subjugavit sibi Thomeworthe et Snotingham,¹² ubi construxit novam urbem ex parte australi contra antiquam

¹ See note 10, page 418.

² *Merciorum ei*] om. C.D.

³ *West Saxonum*, A.; *West Saxoniam*, B.

⁴ *cujus*, A.

⁵ *hanc duximus camenam decantandam*, C.D.

⁶ A.B. omit heading.

⁷ A. transposes the second, fourth, and sixth lines, and puts

them between the seventh and eighth lines.

⁸ *quoque*, &c.] quo splendidior fieris, *Heur.*

⁹ *docet*, &c.] decet sed solam, *Heur.*

¹⁰ From A.B.C.D.

¹¹ *Elfredæ*, add. C.D.

¹² *Tamworth et Notyngham*, B.

reparallede¹ anoper þat is now þe cheef² abbay of þe citee. TREVISA.
 Kyng Edward took þe power of Mercia from Elfwyna³ þe
 douzter of Elflæda, and lad here wiþ hym into West Saxon
 ð. In preysinge of þis⁴ Elflæda, *Henricus, libro 5º*. O
 Elflæde⁵ myzti,⁶ O mayde mennene⁷ drede; victrice of kynd,⁸
 wel worpy þy⁹ name [of a manne];¹⁰ and þe¹¹ wel¹² brizter
 now kynde¹³ hæp i-maked a mayde; goodnesse hæp þe made to
 have þe name of a manne; kynde techep¹⁴ þe to chaunge
 nouzt¹⁵ but þe name; myzte queene and kyng¹⁶ victorious¹⁷
 to arraye. Cesar¹⁸ triumphus¹⁹ were nouzt so moche²⁰
 worpy; Nobler þan Cesar, mayde Virago, farewel.²¹ Whan kyng
 Edward herde²² of þe deef of his suster he made suget to hym
 Thomeworth²³ and Snotyngham, þat now hatte Notyngham;²⁴
 pere he bulde a new citee in þe souþ side rizt aʒenst þe olde

Ab urbe. repairede the newe monastery that is per nowe. And kynged MS. HARI.
 Edwarde toke Elswina, dozhter to Elflæda his suster, with hym 2261.
 into Westesex. ð. Into the lawde of this noble lady Elflæda A transmi-
 Henricus, libro quinto, rehersethe in this wise: gracione.

“ O Elflæda potens, O terror virgo, virorum
 “ Te probitas fecit nomen habere viri.
 “ Te quoque splendidior fecit natura puellam
 “ Victrix naturæ nomine digna viri.
 “ Te mutare decet sed solum nomina sexus,
 “ Te regina potens rexque trophea parans.
 “ Jam nec²⁵ Cæsarei tantum meruere triumphi,
 “ Cæsare splendidior, virgo, virago, vale.”

Kynged Edwarde herynge of the dethe of his suster, subduede
 to hym Thomeworthe and Snotyngham, where he made a newe
 cite on the sowthe parte ageyne the olde cyte, makynge a

¹ *reparýelde*, γ.
² *chef*, β. and γ.
³ *Elswyna*, Cx.
⁴ *þes*, γ.
⁵ *Elflæd*, β. and γ.
⁶ *myghty*, Cx.
⁷ *mennes*, β. and Cx.
⁸ *vyctrys of kunde*, γ.
⁹ *þe*, α., β., γ., and Cx.
¹⁰ From α., β., γ., and Cx.
¹¹ *þee*, β.
¹² *wel*, Cx.
¹³ *kunde*, γ., et infra.
¹⁴ *techip þee*, β.

¹⁵ *nothinge*, Cx.
¹⁶ *kyng and quene*, α.; *mizty kyng and queen*, β.; *kyng and queene*, γ.; *kyng and quene*, Cx.
¹⁷ *victoryes*, α., β., γ., and Cx.
¹⁸ *Cesars*, β.
¹⁹ *Cesar hys triumphes*, γ.; *Cesars tryumphes*, Cx.
²⁰ *myche*, β.
²¹ *varewel*, γ.
²² *hurde*, γ.
²³ *Thomworth*, Cx.
²⁴ *Nothyngam*, Cx.
²⁵ *nunc*, MS.

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urbem, ponens pontem super Trentam inter utramque urbem.¹ Post hoc² eodem anno tres reges, scilicet Scottorum, Dacorum, Wallanorum,³ in dediti-

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onem recipit. Hoc anno rex Edwardus construxit urbem apud Thelewalle, quæ est in borealibus finibus Merciorum juxta aquam de Mersee,⁴ ubi posuit militum custodiam; inde transiens aquam de Mersee instauravit urbem Manicestre, quæ est in australibus finibus Northimbrorum. Rex Edwardus⁵ obiit apud Farnedoun,⁶ xii. miliaribus ab Oxonia ad occidentem distantem, et sepultus est apud Wyntoniam in novo monasterio.

CAP. VI.

[*Ethelstanus rex Angliæ.*]

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IX^oXXIII.
Ethelstani
primo.

ETHELSTANUS, primogenitus regis Edwardi,⁷ apud Kengestoun⁸ juxta Londoniam in Southreia⁹ in regem

¹ *Thamewordam sibi subjugavit, deinde Snotyngham cepit et resarcivit, in qua Danos similiter et Anglos possuit. Post hæc in australi parte fluminis Trent, urbem contra anti-*
quam urbem de Snotyngham construxit, inter utramque urbem firmum pontem ponens. Post hoc, &c., C.D.

² *Post hoc] om. B.*

³ *Wallorum rex Edwardus, B.*

⁴ *septem miliaribus ab urbe Runcorna ad orientem distans, add. C.D.*

⁵ C.D. insert: "senior, rex Anglorum, Scotorum, Cumbriorum, Danorum, pariter et Wallanorum, post res inclite gestas.

⁶ *Farundun, A.; Fernedon, C. Farndoun, D.*

⁷ *senioris succedit patri suo, add. C. (not D.)*

⁸ *Kyngeston, B.*

⁹ *Surreia, B.*

citee, and sette a brugge¹ uppon² Trente, bytwene þe tweie³ citees. Þerafter þe same ȝere þre⁴ kynges ȝelde,⁵ hem freliche to hym, þat were þe kynges of Scotland, of Danes, and of Wales. Þat ȝere kyng Edward bulde a citee at Thelwal,⁶ þat is 'in þe norþ endes of Mercia⁷ by þe water of Mercie,⁸ and þere he sette kepyng of knyȝtes. Þanne he passede þe water of Mercie,⁷ and restored þe citee of Manchestre,⁹ þat is in þe souþ endes of Norphumberlond. Kyng Edward deide at Faryngdoun twelve myle be¹⁰ west Oxenford, and was i-buried at Wynchestre in þe newe abbay.

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*Capitulum sextum.**Athelstanus.*¹¹

ATHELSTAN,¹² kyng Edward his eldeste sone, was i-made kyng of¹³ Kyngestoun besides Londoun in Southeray; ¹⁴ he

Ab urbe: brydde¹⁵ over Trente, betwene bothe cites. Also after that in the same yere he toke þe kyng of Scottes, þe kyng of the Danes, and the kyng of Wales into dedicacion. Kyng Edwarde made a cite at¹⁶ Thelewall in þe northe parte of þe Marches, nye the water of Mersee, where he put a certeyne knyȝtes; and after that he instorede the cite of Manicestre in þe sowthe costes of Northumbrelonde. Kyng Edwarde diede at Farndon xij. myle from Oxenforde, and beryede at Wynchestre in þe newe monastery, with diverse of his aunceturs.

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gracione.*Capitulum sextum.*

ETHELSTANUS, the firste sonne of kyng Edwarde, was electe to be kyng at Kyngeston in Sowtherey, nye to London, whiche

lrygge, Cx.
² *oppon*, γ.
³ *twey*, γ.
⁴ *þre]* twey, Cx.
⁵ *ȝuld*, γ.
⁶ *Thylwal*, Cx.
⁷ *Mersea*, Cx.¶
⁸ *Merse*, α. and γ., and so continually; *Mersee*, β.; *Mersee*, Cx., et infra.
⁹ *Manichester*, γ.
¹⁰ *be]* by, β.
¹¹ *Ethelstanus*, α., and so below.
¹² *Ethelstan*, β. and γ.; *Edelstan*, Cx., et infra.
¹³ *at*, α., β., and γ.
¹⁴ *Souberay*, β.; *Southerey*, γ.; *Southrey*, Cx.
¹⁵ Sic in MS.
α, MS.

levatus, regnavit xvi.¹ annis. Cujus anno primo natus Ortus sancti Dunstani.
 est almus puer Dunstanus in pago Glastoniensi, cujus
 vita tota ab ortu ad exitum virtutibus et miraculis
 coruscavit. *Alfridus.*² Rex Ethelstanus³ copulavit
 sororem suam⁴ Sithrico,⁵ Danico⁶ regi Northumbrorum ;
 quo cito post mortuo, rex filium ejus expulit, et regnum
 illud sibi redintegrait.⁷ Deinde Hoelum⁸ regem Bri-
 tonum, et Constantinum regem Scottorum, prælio
 subactos, in deditionem recepit.⁹ Hunc Constantinum
 dum rex Ethelstanus regem Scotiae faceret, dixit glorio-
 sius esse regem facere quam fore.¹⁰ *Willelmus de Re-*
*gibus, libro ii.*¹¹ Copulavit¹² etiam rex Ethelstanus Copulavit
rex Ethel-
stanus
sororem
suam Othoni
imperatori,
a quo plura
recepit
donaria.
 et aliam sororem suam Othoni imperatori ; a quo præter
 gemmas et equos recepit quoddam vas ex onychino
 transparens et politum, ita subtili cœlatoris¹³ arte com-
 positum ut vere fluctuare segetes, gemmare¹⁴ vites,

¹ 18, C.D.² C.D. omit reference.³ *Athelstanus*, A.⁴ *suam*] om. A.⁵ *Sihrico*, MS. ; *Sihtrico*, C.D.⁶ *Danica stirpe progenito*, add. C.D.⁷ *sibi redintegrait*, from C.D. ; *suo reintegrait*, MS.⁸ *Howellum*, C.D.⁹ *suscepit*, B.¹⁰ *regem esse*, C.D.¹¹ C.D. omit reference. § 126, ed. Hardy.¹² *Copulavit . . . Martinus* (page 426)] om. C.D.¹³ *celatoria*, B.¹⁴ *germinare*, A.

regnede sextene 3ere. In his firste yere þe nobel child Don-
 ston was i-bore in þe contray of Glastenbury; al his lif from
 his burþe¹ to his ende day schoon² by vertues and by myracles.
Alfridus. Kyng Athelston³ maried his suster⁴ to Sithricus
 [kyng of the Danes of Northumberlonde. Sythrycus dyed
 sone after, and the kyng put oute Sythrycus]⁵ his sone, and
 ioynede⁶ þat kyngdom to his owne. Þanne by bataille he
 made suget⁷ Hoelus kyng of Britouns, and Constantyn kyng
 of⁸ Scottes, and fenge hem⁹ whanne þey were i-3olde. Kyng
 Athelston¹⁰ made þis Constantyn [kyng of Scotland; þanne Con-
 stantyn]¹¹ seie,¹² "It is more worschipe to make a kyng þan
 " it is to be a kyng." *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 2^o.* Also kyng
 Athelston maried his oper suster to Otho þe emperour, and
 feng of hym hors¹³ and precious¹⁴ stones, and a maner vessel¹⁵
 i-made of a stoon þat hatte onichinus,¹⁶ þat was cleer and bri3t,
 and lettede nou3t the passyng of li3t noþer of si3t, and it
 was i-made sotilliche¹⁷ by gravyng craft þat it semed ver-
 railliche¹⁸ þat corn growyng þerynne wawed¹⁹ hider and

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Ab urbe. reignede xvj. yere. In the firste yere of whom a noble childe,
 Dunstan by name, was borne at Glassynbery, the lyfe of whom
 unto the ende was replete with vertues and miracles. *Alfridus.*
 Kyng Ethelstan maryede his suster to Schitericus, kyng of
 the Danes of Northumbrelonde; which dedde soone after þat
 mariage, Ethelstan expulsede his sonne, and toke that realme
 to his governayle. After that he toke in dedicacion Hoelus
 kyng of Britons, and Constantyne the kyng of Scottes, by
 soore battles: kyng Ethelstan makyng the seide Constantyne
 kyng of Scottes, seide, "Hit is moore glorious to make a kyng
 " then to be a kyng." *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo.*
 Also kyng Ethelstan maryede an oper suster to Otho them-
 perour; of whom he receyvyd mony 3iftes, as gemmes, and
 horses, and a veselle made of onichinus, transparente, and
 polischede by so subtile an arte þat a man my3hte see in hit as
 cornes to growe, vynes to burion, and ymages of men to be

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A transmi-
gracione.¹ from his burþe] om. Cx.² schone, γ.³ Ethelstan, γ., et infra.¹⁴ soster, γ.⁵ From Cx.⁶ innede, γ.⁷ subgett, Cx.⁸ the, add. Cx.⁹ vying ham, γ.¹⁰ Ethelstan, β., et infra.¹¹ From a. and Cx.¹² seide, a. and γ.; seyde, β.;
sayde, Cx.¹³ horses, β.¹⁴ horses and other precious, Cx.¹⁵ vessal, γ.¹⁶ onychinus, β.¹⁷ sotyllych, γ.; subtylly, Cx.¹⁸ verreylyche, γ.¹⁹ wawide, β.

hominum imagines moveri videantur. Recepit etiam ensem Constantini magni, in quo litteris aureis nomen possessoris legebatur. In cuius capulo super crassas¹ auri laminas figebatur clavus ferrus, unus de quatuor quo Christus in cruce figebatur. Item et lanceam Karoli magni, qua vibrata semper victor abibat, quam tradunt aperuisse latus Christi. Item² et vexillum Mauricii martyris, quo Karolus usus est contra Saracenos. Item partem sanctæ crucis et partem coronæ spineæ, quorum aliquas partes rex Ethelstanus monasterio Malmesburiensi delegavit. *De pontificibus Romanorum.*³ *Martinus.*⁴ Leo sextus sedit in papatu annis quatuor, mensibus septem. Odo⁵ factus est episcopus Wyltoniensis.⁶ *Willelmus, de Pontificibus, libro ii.*⁷ Frithstanus Wyltoniensis⁸ præsul⁹ obiit; cui successit Byrstanus,¹⁰ de

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¹ *cassas*, A.; *cras*, B.

² *Item*] etiam, A.

³ A.B. omit heading.

⁴ See note 12, page 424.

⁵ *Sanctus Odo, ex Danica stirpe progenitus*, C.D.

⁶ *Wintoniensis*, B.

⁷ *Script. Angl. post Bedam*, fol. 138a.

⁸ *Wiltoniensis*, B.

⁹ *præsul*] om. B.

¹⁰ *Bristanus*, B.

pider,¹ as longe corn doop in feeldes, and þat vynes burgoned, ² TREVISA. and ymages of men moevede. Also he feng³ of hym þe grete Constantyn his swerde. In þat [swerd]⁴ þe ownere his name was i-rad in lettres of gold in þe hilt þerof; uppon⁵ grete plates of gold was i-steked⁶ on [of]⁴ þe foure irene⁷ nayles þat Crist was i-nayled with to þe rode. He fenge⁸ of hym þe grete Charls his spere; evere whanne Charles schook⁹ þat spere he hadde þe maistrie; me telleþ þat þat spere opened Cristes side; ¹⁰ and sente out¹¹ Morys his baner. [That baner]¹² Charles usede aʒenst þe Saresyns. Also he feng a party of þe holy crosse, and som of þe crowne of þorne.¹³ Kyng Athelston¹⁴ brouʒte¹⁵ som of þese¹⁶ relikes to þe abbay of Malmesbury. *Marcianus*. Þe sexte Leo was [pope foure yere and sevene monþes. Odo is i-made bisshop of Wiltoun. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro 2º*. Frithstan¹⁷ bisshop of Wynchestre deide, and Birstan was bisshop after hym. Of pis

Ab urbe. movede. Also he receyvyde of Otho themperoure þe swerde of MS. HARL. noble Constantyne, contenyng in letters of golde the name of 2261. his possessoure, in whom oon of the nayles of Criste was fixede, with whom he was made faste to þe holy crosse. And also the spere of grete Charls the myʒhty prince, whiche havynge hit hade alleweye victory, whom men say to have openede the syde of Criste. And the baner of Mauricius the martir, whom kynge Charls usede ageyne the Saracenyngs. And also a parte of the holy crosse, and parte of the crowne of þorne; parte of whom kynge Ethelstan sende to þe monastery of Malmesbury. *Martinus*. Leo the vithe was pope iiij. yeres and vij. monethes; and Odo was made bisshop of Wylton. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro secundo*. Frithstanus bisshop of Wynchestre diede, whom Bristanus did succede, of whom hit is redde

A transmi-
gracione.

¹ *wawede huder and þuder, γ.*
² *burgede, a.; burgened, β.; borgede, γ.; bourgened, Cx.*
³ *vyng, γ.*
⁴ *From a., β., γ., and Cx.*
⁵ *uppon] in, Cx.*
⁶ *y-stiked, β.; stykked, Cx.*
⁷ *yren, β.; voure yrene, γ.; yron, Cx.*
⁸ *A vyng, γ., et infra.*
⁹ *schoke, β. and γ.*
¹⁰ *Crist his owne syde, a., β., and γ.; Crystes owne syde, Cx.*

¹¹ *sente out] seynt, a., β., γ., and Cx.*
¹² *From Cx.; þat baner, β.*
¹³ *þornene crowne, a. and γ.; þornen coroun, β.; somme of the thorned crowne, Cx.*
¹⁴ *Ethelstan, β.*
¹⁵ *ordeynede, a., β., and Cx. ordeynde, γ.*
¹⁶ *þues, γ.*
¹⁷ *Frystan, Cx.*

quo legitur quod¹ quasi quotidie pro defunctis celebravit. Unde dum quadam nocte cœmeteria circuiret,² psalmos pro defunctis decantando, in quorum fine dum subjungeret³ *Requiescant in pace*, audivit subito voces quasi infiniti exercitus de sepulcris respondentes *Amen*. Et⁴ Odo de Wyltoniensi factus est Dorober-

Odo archiepiscopus.

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nensis.⁵ *De pontificibus Romanis*.⁶ Stephanus septimus sedit papa⁷ annis duobus; et⁴ Birstanus Wyntoniensis præsul obiit; cui successit Elphegus⁸ monachus cognomento Calvus, vir propheticus et⁸ Dunstani propinquus. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro secundo*.⁹ Qui dum pro more pœnitentes die Cinerum a liminibus ecclesiæ excluderet, cæteros adhortabatur¹⁰ ut jejunio et castitate¹¹ vacantes etiam uxorias delicias illis diebus abjicerent. Inter quos unus¹² ait, “ Non possum, domine, temperare a¹³ convivio simul et conjugio;

Elphegus monachus.

¹ *quod*] om. B.

² *circuivit*, A.

³ *conjungeret*, A.

⁴ *sanctus*, add. C.D.

⁵ *archiepiscopus*, B.

⁶ A.B. omit heading.

⁷ *in papatu*, B.

⁸ *beati*, add. C.D.

⁹ B. omits reference; Script. Angl. post Bedam, fol. 138 b.

¹⁰ *exhortabatur*, A.

¹¹ *orationi*, B.

¹² *iniquus*, add. C.D.

¹³ *a*] om. A.

Birstan it is i-rad pat he song every¹ day for, alle Cristen soules; panne in a nyzt he zede² aboute a chirche hawe,³ and seide salmes⁴ for alle Cristene soules; panne in a nyzt⁵ whanne [he hadde]⁶ all i-seide, panne he seide "Requiescant in pace," [and]⁷ he herde⁸ a voys of a grete oost answere out of þe⁹ graves, and seide Amen. Odo bisshop of Wynchestre is i-made archebisshop of Dorobernia, pat is Caunterbury. Do Stevenne was pope sevene zere. Odo bisshop of Wynchestre is dede;¹⁰ after hym Elpheges¹¹ þe ballede was bisshop of Wynchestre, pat man was a prophete, and nyh¹² of seynt Donstan his kynne. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro 2º.* In an Aschewednesday,¹³ as þe manere is, he dede¹⁴ hem pat schulde doo open penaunce out of cherche, and chardede¹⁵ oper men pat þey schulde in pilke¹⁶ dayes faste¹⁷ and be chaste, and spare þe likynge of here wifes.¹⁸ Among hem alle oon spak, and seide: "Sire,¹⁹ I may not at þis tyme leve²⁰ boþe my feste and

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Ab urbe. that he seide as dayly masse of requiem; whiche commynge into the church yerde, and seyenge certeyne suffrages for dedde peple, seide in the ende "Requiescant in pace," where he herde as voices of an hoste infinite from the beryalles, seyenge, Amen. And Odo, was made archebisshop of Cawnterbury. Stephanus þe vij^{the} was pope ij. yere, and Bristanus, bisshop of Wynchestre, diede, whom Elphegus the monke did succede, nye cosyn to seynte Dunstan. *Willelmus de Pontificibus, libro secundo.* Whiche excludynge men penitent on Askewensday after the consuetude from the church movede theyme to applye peym to abstinence and chastite, and to refuse the pleasure of the flesche in pat holy tyme and season of Lente. Amonge whom f. 304 a. oon seide, "My lorde, I may not absteine bothe from festes

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A transmigratione.

¹ every] as hit were eche, a.; as as it were exerech, β.; as hyt were everyche, γ.; as it were every, Cx.

² zude, γ.

³ hawe] yerde, Cx.; hey, β.; cherche hey, γ.

⁴ psalmes, β.

⁵ panne in n nyzt] And, β.

⁶ From a., β., and Cx.; a hadde, γ.

⁷ From a., β., γ., and Cx.

⁸ hurde, γ.

⁹ þe] om. Cx.

¹⁰ ded, β.

¹¹ Elphegus, β., γ., and Cx.

¹² neiz, β.

¹³ Axwendesday, β. and γ.; On Asshe Wonesdaye, Cx.

¹⁴ dide, β.

¹⁵ chargide, β.; chargede, γ. and Cx.

¹⁶ þelke, γ.

¹⁷ vaste, γ.

¹⁸ wyves, a., β., and Cx.

¹⁹ Sere, γ.

²⁰ leve, β.

“quinimmo uxorem quam ad tempus submovi¹ in
 “proximo resumam.” Cui pontifex: “Contristas me,²
 “miser, nesciens quod futura pariat dies.” Unde et
 postero die inventus est exanimis in cubili³ suo. Hic
 quoque Elphegus dum aliquando ordinaret in presby-
 teros tres monachos, scilicet Dunstanum, Ethelwoldum,
 Ethelstanum, completis solemnibus ait ad illos: “Hodie
 “coram Deo tribus viris manus imposui, quorum duo
 “pontificalem gratiam nanciscentur, tertius vero misera-
 “biliter finietur.” Cui Ethelstanus tanquam pro cogna-
 tione familiarior ait, “Num ego ero pontifex?”⁴ “Non
 “erit, inquit, tibi pars in ordine illo, neque diu geres
 “vestem istam.”⁵ *Quod Scotti debeant subesse regibus
 Angliæ patet per miraculum.*⁶ Quia⁷ rex Scottorum
 Constantinus contra pactum venerat, rex Ethelstanus
 versus Scotiam properabat, et in eundo⁸ Johannem Bever-

Propheta vit
 Elphegus
 de episcopis
 ordinatis.

¹ *summovi*, A.B.; *submoveri jus-*
sisti, C.D.

² *ne*, B.

³ *cubiculo*, B.

⁴ *tu præsul*, B.

⁵ *illam*, B.

⁶ A.B.C.D. omit heading.

⁷ *Rex Scotorum incompulsus
 surrexerat, et tandem filium suum
 regi Ethelstano cum muneribus
 multis obsidem pro pace dedit, quam
 cito post infregit. Rex igitur Ethel-*
stanus eundo versus, C.D.

⁸ *beatum*, add. A.B.

“ my wif. Bote þe wif þat I ¹ have put ² away for þe tyme
 “ I ³ schal sone take ⁴ aʒen.” “ Wrecche,” quop þe bisshop, TREVISA.
 “ þou makest me sory, þou wost not ⁵ what is i-ordeyned for
 “ þe, ⁶ aʒenst tomorwe :” þanne a morwe he was i-founde ⁷ deed ⁸
 in his bed. Also in a tyme þis Elfeges ⁹ made þre monkes
 preostes, Dunston, Ethelwolde, and Ethelstan. And whanne þe
 service was i-doo, ¹⁰ he spak to hem, and seide, “ Þis day [to fore
 God] ¹¹ I ¹² have i-sette my honde uppon þre men; tweyne of
 “ hem schul be bisshoppes, bote þe þridde schal make a
 “ wrecched ende.” Þanne Athelstan ¹³ was þe more home-
 liche ¹⁴ by cause of kynrede, ¹⁵ and spak and seide, “ Schal
 “ I be a bisshop ?” “ Þou schalt have no part in þis ordre,”
 quod Elphegus ; “ noþer þou schalt not, ¹⁶ long bere þis clop-
 “ inge.” For Sconstantyn ¹⁷ kyng of Scottes hadde i-broke
 covenant, kyng Ethelstan arayed hym toward Scotland, and
 in þe way he wente a ¹⁸ pilgrymage to seint Iohn of ¹⁹ Be-

Ab urbe. “ and from my wife. Neverthelesse y schalle take ageyne my MS. HARL.
 “ wife tomorowe, whom y have putte from me for the season.” 2261.
 To whom the bisshop seide, “ O wrecche, þow makes me soory ;
 “ hase þow not in remembraunce that the nexte day schalle passe A transmi-
 “ away :” and in the nexte day folowynge he was founde dedde gracione.
 in his bedde. The seide bischoppe Elphegus makynge thre
 monkes prestes, Dunstan, Ethelwolde, and Ethelstan, the minis-
 tery complete seide, “ I made this day, afore God, thre men into
 “ prestes, tweyne of whom schalle receyve the dignite of arche-
 “ bischophode, and þe thrydde schalle ende his lyfe miserably.”
 Then Ethelstan, as of moste familiarite with hym, seide, “ Schalle
 “ not y be a bischop.” Seynte Elphegus seide, “ Thow hase noo
 “ parte in that ordre, and also þou schalle not bere þat clothyng
 “ longe.” Constantyne kyng of Scottes brekyng his promisse,
 Kyng Ethelstan gedrenge a grete hoste made haste to Scotte-
 londe, and in goynge pider he visitte Seynte Iohn of Beverlay,

¹ Ich, β.
² ich have ypot, γ.
³ y, β.
⁴ take hir, β. ; here, add. γ. ;
 her, add. Cx.
⁵ knowest not, Cx.
⁶ þee, β.
⁷ founden, Cx.
⁸ founden ded, β. ; a was yvounde
 ded, γ.
⁹ Ethelphagus, β. and Cx. ; El-
 phegus, γ.

¹⁰ doon, β.
¹¹ From a. and γ. ; before God,
 Cx.
¹² Ich, β., et infra.
¹³ Ethelstan, β. and Cx.
¹⁴ homlych, γ.
¹⁵ kynrade, Cx.
¹⁶ not] om. β. and Cx.
¹⁷ Constantyn, a., β., γ., and Cx.
¹⁸ a] on, Cx.
¹⁹ of] om. a. and γ.

lacensem visitabat, super cujus altare cultellum suum pro vadio posuit, promittens quod si victor rediret cultellum digno pretio redimeret: quod et implevit. Post¹ victoriam vero in redeundo Deum rogavit ut prece sancti Johannis Beverlacensis aliquod evidens signum ostenderet quo præsentes et futuri cognoscere possent quod Scotti de jure deberent Anglis subjacere.² Unde rex cum gladio suo percussit scopulum quendam lapideum juxta castrum de Dunbar, qui usque hodie ad mensuram unius ulnæ ex ictu est cavatus.³ Deinde in redeundo⁴ digna dotatione cultellum redemit. *De pontificibus Romanorum.*⁵ Johannes undecimus sedit papa anno uno. Post quem Leo septimus sedit annis [tribus]⁶ mensibus sex. Lodowycus filius Karoli simplicis ex filia⁷ regis Angliæ Edwardi, regnavit post patrem in regno occidentali Francorum xix. annis. *Willelmus*⁸ *de Regibus, libro ii.*⁹ Qui aliquando ab Isenbardo apostata impetitus suffragium a proceribus suis poposcit; quibus nihil respondentibus, Hugo quidam simplex tiro, filius comitis Roberti Montis Desiderii, ultro pro

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¹ *Nam in dimicando contra Scotos rogavit Deum ut prece, C.*

² *subjugari, C.D.*

³ *concavatus, A.*

⁴ *In redeundo quoque parta victoria rex territorium Sancti Johannis possessionibus et libertatibus ditavit, C.D.*

⁵ A.B. omit heading.

⁶ From A.B.C.D.

⁷ *et filia, A.*

⁸ *Willelmus . . . duxit] om. C.D.*

⁹ § 128, ed. Hardy, where the name is given as *Isambardus*.

verley, and leyde his knyf to wedde uppon seint Iohn his au3ter,¹ and heet² pat 3if he come a3en wip 3e victorie, he wolde raunsoun his knyf wip a worpy prys. After 3e victorie, whanne he come a3en, he prayed God [pat he wolde],³ poru3 3e prayer of seint Iohn of Beverlay, schewe som open tokene by 3e whiche tokone⁴ 3ey pat beep and schal be mowe⁵ knowe pat the Scottes by ri3t schulde be suget to Engliche men. Panne 3e kynges⁶ swerd smoot on a greet stoon faste by 3e castel of Dunbarre. In pat stoon 3it to 3is day is i-sene of pat strook a chene⁷ of an elne longe. Panne 3e kyng com a3en, and raunsoned his knyf wip worpy doynge. 3e enleven3e Iohn was pope oon 3ere; [after hym 3e seven3e Leo was pope 3re 3er]⁸ and sixe monpes. Lowys 3e sone of Charles 3e symple, and of⁹ kyng Edward his dou3ter, regnede after his fader in West Fraunce nyntene 3ere. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 2^o*. He was in a tyme i-pursewed of oon Isenbardus, and axede help of 3e lordes of his lond, and 3ey 3af hym non answeere; panne Huwe¹⁰ a symple kny3t, eorle Roberd¹¹ his sone of Mont Desire,

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. on the awter of whom he lefte his knyfe for a plegge, promisyng that, and if he returnede with victory, he scholde redeme his knyfe with a condigne price, whiche thyng he fullefillede. In returnyng after 3e victory he prayede God and seynte Iohn of Beverlay, that thro his preyer he my3hte have somme evident token thro whom men presente and to come my3lite knowe that Scottes awe to be subiecte to Yngliche men by ry3hte. Wherefore the kyng takeyng his swerde smote a grete ston with hyt nye to the castelle of Dunbar, whiche ston was made holowe by that stroke by a spanne into hit. After that he redemyde his knyfe at Beverlay with regalle 3iftes. Iohn the xjthe was pope oon yere, whom Leo the vijthe succedid iij. yere and vj. monethes. Lodowicus, son to Charls the simple, and to¹² 3e do3hter of E.¹² kyng of Ynglonde, reignede after his fader in the weste partes of Fraunce, xix. yere. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo*. Whiche trowblede soore of Cenbarbus apostata, askede helpe of his gentilmen, and 3ei 3iffenge noo answeere, a noble yonge man, Hew by name, son of the erle of Mownte Desire, toke the batelle for the kyng, and

MS. HARI. 2261.

A transmigratione.

Of the subjection of Scotte-londe unto Ynglonde.

¹ *oppon seynt Jon auer, γ.*² *seyde, β.; hyt, γ.*³ *From β.; pat a wolde, γ.*⁴ *by which token, Cx.*⁵ *maye, Cx.*⁶ *kyng wip his, a., β., γ., and Cx.*⁷ *chyne, a. and β.; chynne, Cx.*⁸ *From a., β., and Cx.*⁹ *and of, from a., β., γ., and Cx.; of pat, MS.*¹⁰ *Huge, β., et infra; Hughe,**Cx.*¹¹ *erle Robertes, β.*¹² *Sic.*

domino duellum suscepit, et provocatorem interemit. Qua de causa rex cito post debilitatus Hugonem illum hæredem sibi fecit, sicque prosapia Karoli cessavit, vel quia uxor sua sterilis fuit, vel quia ipse brevi tempore vixit. Et iste Hugo alteram¹ filiam Edwardi duxit.²

Gratiæ
IX^cXXXVII
Ethelstani
XIII.

Otto³ primus, filius Henrici primi, primus Teutonorum imperator, regnavit triginta septem⁴ annis.⁵ Qui aliquando in paschali festo dum principibus suis convivium præparasset, antequam recumberent filius cujusdam principis more puerili ferculum de mensa cepit, quem dapifer regis mox fuste percussit. Cernens hoc pædagogus pueri ipsum dapiferum mox peremit. Quem cum sine audientia Cæsar damnare vellet, ille Cæsarem ad terram dejiciens poene suffocavit. At rex de manibus pædagogi vix avulsus, ipsum pædagogum vitæ reservari jussit, clamans se culpabilem fore quod tanto festo⁶

¹ alteram] om. B.

² See note 8, page 432.

³ Otho, A.B.

⁴ 36, C.D.

⁵ Cui rex Angliæ Ethelstanus sororem suam copulavit, add. C.D.

⁶ paschali, add. C.D.

took wilfulliche¹ þe bataille for his lord, and slouȝ hym wiþ yinne þe lystes þat woldes nedes fiȝte.² Þanne³ sone þerafter,⁴ whanne þis kyng was feble,⁵ he made þis Huwe⁶ his heyre,⁷ and so cesede þe ofspringe of Charls, oþer for his wif was bareyne,⁸ oþer for he lyved but a schort tyme : þanne þis Huwe wedded kyng Edwardes oþer douȝter. Þe firste Otho þe sone of þe firste Herry,⁹ was þe firste emperour of Duches men,¹⁰ and regnede sevene and þretty ȝere. In a Ester tyme he made a grete feste to his princes and lordes, and or¹¹ þei were ali-sette¹² a prince his sone took a messe of þe borde, as a childe [schulde],¹³ and þe kynges sewer smoot þe childe wiþ a staf; þe childes maister siȝ¹⁴ þat, and slow þe sewere anon. Þanne þe emperour wolde have i-dampned hym wiþ oute audience,¹⁵ he prewe¹⁶ doun þe emperour to þe erþe, and strangled hym almost; ¹⁷ þe emperour was unneþe delyvered out of þis childes maister hondes. But þanne he heet¹⁸ save þe childe his maister [lyf],¹⁹ and cride and seide þat he hymself was to blame, for he hadde nouȝt i-spared hym for soo greet a feste.

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. did sle his provoker. Wherefore that kyng, laborynge in MS. HARL. 2261. infirmite, made that noble yonge man his heire, and soe the bloode of Charls seasede, or elles he hade noo childe, or elles he lyvede not longe; and this Hewe maryede another doȝhter of kyng Edwarde. The firste Otho, the firste son of Henry the firste, f. 304 b. emperoure of Alemanyne, was emperoure xxxvijth yere. Whiche makenge a feste to his princes in the feste off Ester, or thei were sette, the sonne of a prince, after the condicion of a childe, toke a messe from the table, whom the kynges kerver hurte soore. The maister of the childe beholdyng that did welle nye sle that kerver; temperoure dampnyng hym anon withowte audience was allemoste throtelede by the same maister of the childe. But the kyng or emperoure departede from hym with grete peyne, commaundide that maister to be reservede to lyfe, seyenge that he was culpable, that he sparede not for honoure

A transmi-
gracione.¹ *wylfulliche*, γ.² *vyȝte*, γ.³ *þerfore*, α., β., γ., and Cx.⁴ *sone ater*, Cx.⁵ *febel*, γ.⁶ *Hugh*, Cx., et infra.⁷ *ȝyr*, β.⁸ *barayn*, γ.⁹ *Henry*, β. and γ.; *Harry*, Cx.¹⁰ *Duches men*] *Almayn*, γ.; Duchemen, Cx.¹¹ *or*] *er*, β.; *ar*, γ.¹² *yserved*, β.; *er they were all servyd*, Cx.¹³ *From* α., β., and Cx.¹⁴ *sawe*, Cx.¹⁵ *audiens*, γ.¹⁶ *þru*, γ.¹⁷ *almest*, γ.¹⁸ *bade*, β.; *hyte*, γ.¹⁹ *From* α., γ., and Cx.; *lif*, β.

non pepercisset. Hoc anno Anlaf paganus, filius Sihtrici regis Hiberniæ multarumque insularum, a socero suo rege Scottorum Constantino incitatus, ostium Humberæ fluminis valida cum classe intravit.¹ Cui² rex Ethelstanus cum fratre suo Edmundo apud³ Brumford⁴ occurrit. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo.*⁵ Cum igitur acies convenissent, Anlaf exquisito astu cithara manibus sumpta sub specie citharistæ tentorium Adelstani⁶ ingreditur, ubi dum inter epulas omnia explorasset, et stipem quasi pro melodia accepisset, stipem nauseans sub se latenter in terram defodit. Notatum est hoc⁷ quodam qui aliquando cum eodem⁸ Anlaf militasset, qui et hoc post recessum Anlaf⁹ Adelstano nunciavit. Rex incusat relatores cur hoc non prius indicasset. Ille respondit: "Fidem, O rex, quam modo tibi debeo quondam Anelaf dedi; unde si illam modo erga illum violassem, idem¹⁰ me putares

¹ In C.D. this sentence runs:—*Anlaf paganus rex Hiberniæ multarumque insularum, a socero suo rege Scottorum Constantino incitatus, ostium Humberæ fluminis valida cum classe ingreditur.*

² Cui . . . *flecti* (page 440) om. C.D., inserting only the sentences in the following note.

³ *Brimanburgh occurrens bello a principio diu usque ad vesperam protracto, quinque regulos, quinque duces cum plebe innumerosa occidit; reges Anlaf et Constantinum ad*

naves fugere compulsit. Ad hoc bellum peragendum precibus sancti Odonis gladius de celo in vacuum regis tunc vaginam divinitus illapsus est, C.D.

⁴ *Brunfort, A.*

⁵ § 131, ed. Hardy.

⁶ *Athelstani, B.*

⁷ *a, A.B.*

⁸ *eodem*] om. B.

⁹ *Anelafi, A.B.*

¹⁰ *de* in MS. wrongly inserted here.

þat ʒere Anlaf, a paynym, kyng of Irlond¹ and of meny ilondes, Sithiricus² his sone, by visityng³ of his wifes fader, þat was Constantyn kyng of Scotland, Anlaf entrede⁴ into þe mouth of þe ryver of Humber wip a strong navey. Kyng Athelstan⁵ and his broþer Edmond mette hym at Brunfort.⁶ *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 2^o*. Whanne þe hostes were i-gadred Anlaf by þouʒte hym of a queynt gyle, and took an harpe on honde, and come into Ethelstan his tente⁷ in an harpour [his]⁸ lich.⁹ Þere in þe mete tyme he aspyed al þat he wolde, and hadde money for his harpyng. He hadde þe money aʒenst herte, and buried it priveliche under [hym in þe]¹⁰ eorþe; þat was aspid of oon þat hadde i-be somtyme a soudeour¹¹ wip Anlaf, and he warned Ethelstan whan Anlaf was a goo; þe kyng blamede hym for he warned hym nouʒt rap^{er};¹² he answerde and seide: “O kyng, þe same fey þat I¹³ owe now to þe I¹⁴ ʒaf to Anlaf somtyme; þefore ʒif I¹⁵ breke¹⁶ þat fey now to hym þou woldest¹⁷ wene þat I¹⁵ wolde

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. of the feste. Anlaf þe pagan, and sonne of Sithricus, kynge of Yrlonde and of many oþer provinces, movede by Constantyne kynge of Scottes, his fader in lawe, entrede the water of Humbre with a grete navy of schippes; whom kynge Ethelstan, with Edmunde his broþer, mette at Brumford. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo*. When the hostes were nye togedre, Anlaf takenge an harpe in his hondes, come in the maner of an harper to the tentes of kynge Ethelstan, whiche beyng per, seyng alle thynges to his pleasure, and takyng a rewarde for his laboure, hidde hit in the erthe. That thyng was perceyvede by a man dwellyng somme tyme with Anlaf, and schewede after the departenge of Anlaf the processe to þe kynge Ethelstan. Then the kynge incusede hym that he schewede not that thyng afore. The man answerde and seide, “O my lorde kynge, I ʒafe my feithe somme tyme to Anlaf, lyke as y have doen now to yow, wherefore and if y hade betrayede hym,

MS. HARL.
2261.A transmi-
gracione.

¹ Irlond, from β.; *Engelond*, MS.
² Sithiricus, β.; *Sithricus*, γ.
³ incityng, α. and γ.; *excitng*, β.; *exyting*, Cx.
⁴ entride, β.
⁵ Ethelstan, β.; *Edelstan*, Cx.
⁶ Brymsford, Cx.
⁷ tenth, Cx.
⁸ From α.

⁹ harpur hys lich, γ.; in harper's arraye, Cx.
¹⁰ From α., β., γ., and Cx.
¹¹ saudeor, γ.; *soudyour*, Cx.
¹² noo rather, Cx.
¹³ ich, γ.
¹⁴ ych, γ.
¹⁵ ich, β. bis.
¹⁶ had broken, Cx.
¹⁷ wost, γ.

“ erga personam tuam fore facturum. Sed audi nunc con-
 “ silium meum: tentorium tuum abhinc remove, ut cum
 “ ipse petulanter advenerit,¹ ipsum proposito frustratum
 “ modeste frangas.” Quo facto Anlaf nocte avolans epi-
 scopum quendam in via castrametantem cum sua familia
 cecidit, ulteriusque progrediens in regis tentoria im-
 pegit; sed tanto fremitu regi expectato² gladius e
 vagina excidit;³ sed in clamato⁴ Deo et sancto Al-
 delmo, ad preces Odonis archiepiscopi, qui tunc cum rege
 erat, gladium vaginæ relapsum invenit, qui usque in
 thesaurario⁵ regis⁶ servatur. Est autem gladius ille ex
 una⁷ parte sectilis, nec usquam auri vel argenti recep-
 tivus; quo Dei⁸ dono rex tunc fretus, hostes per totam
 auroram et diem sequentem fugavit; ubi ceciderunt rex
 Constantinus cum v. regulis, xii. ducibus, et tota pene

¹ *evenerit*, B.

² *expecterrito*, A.

³ *cecidit*, A.

⁴ *inlimitato*, B.

⁵ *thesauro*, A.; *thesaurio*, MS.

⁶ *regio*, A.B.

⁷ *utraque*, B.

⁸ *die*, A.

“ doo þe same to þe anoper tyme. But now take hede¹ of TREVISA.
 “ my counsaile, and² remeve³ þy tente out of þis place,⁴ þat
 “ whanne he comeþ unwiseleche he⁵ mowe faille of his purpose
 “ þat þou myȝte⁶ overcome hym wiþ grete sobernesse.” Þis
 was i-doo, and Anlaf come hastiliche by nyȝte, and in þe wey
 he slouȝ a bisshop þat remevede⁷ his tente and his meyne,
 and passed forþ and fil⁸ on þe kynges tente, but þe kyng was
 awaked wiþ so grete noyse, and his swerd fil out of his sca-
 berge,⁹ and he cride to God and seint Aldelyn.¹⁰ And at
 þe prayere of Odo þe archebisshop þat was þoo wiþ þe kyng, þe
 kyng fonde his swerd i-falle¹¹ into his scaberge¹² aȝen; þat
 swerd is ȝit i-kept in the kynges tresorye, þat swerde is ȝit¹³
 kervynge in þe oon side, and fongeþ¹⁴ in no place noper gold ne
 silver. But¹⁵ by þat ȝifte of God þe kyng was þo i-holpe,¹⁶ and
 chasede his enemyes al þat dawenyng¹⁷ and al day amorwe :¹⁸
 Pere kyng Constantyn was i-slawe, and fyve oper smale kynges

Ab urbe. “ ye wolde have seide y wolde have doen so in lyke wyse to youre MS. HARL.
 “ person; þefore here my cownseyle, remove thy tente, and 2261.
 “ when he commethe with grete haste, thow schalle avoide his
 “ purpose lyȝhtely.” That doen, Anlaf commynge in the nyȝhte
 fonde a bischoppe removynge his tentes, whom he woundede
 soore with mony of his men, and after that he entrede þe tentes
 of the kyng. The kyng makynge grete haste, his swerde
 felle owte from the schethe, and cryenge to God and seynte
 Aldelme, thro preiers of Odo the archebisshop, beyng with
 hym in that tyme, fonde the swerde in his schethe, whiche is
 kepede unto this tyme in the kynges treasure : that swerde is
 scharpe of oon parte, and wylle not receyve golde or silvyr.
 In whiche tyme Ethelstan the kyng, havynge helpe of God,
 chasede his enemyes by that morowe, and by alle the day folow-
 yng, where Constantyne kyng of Scottes was sleyne, with

A transmi-
gracione.

¹ hyde, γ.

² and] om. Cx.

³ remeove, β.

⁴ þat plas, γ.

⁵ he] a, γ.

⁶ may, Cx.

⁷ remeoved, β.

⁸ vul, γ., bis.

⁹ scabarge, γ., bis.; forth of his
shaberd, Cx.

¹⁰ Aldelm. β.

¹¹ fallen, β.; avalle, γ.

¹² scaberd, Cx.

¹³ ȝit] om. a., β., γ., and Cx.

¹⁴ fangeþ, β.; vangeþ, γ.

¹⁵ But] om. a., β., γ., and Cx.

¹⁶ was thenne holpen, Cx.]

¹⁷ dawyng, β.

¹⁸ dawynge and al day on the
morow, Cx.

¹⁹ Instead of scharpe, the MS.
had at first *divisible*, but the rubri-
cator has written over it the substi-
tuted adjective.

congeries barbarorum. Post hoc apud Herfordiam aquilonales Britones perdomuit, ita ut ei annuatim viginti libras auri, trescentas libras argenti penderent, boves vero ¹ viginti quinque millia annumerarent. Inde Cornugalliam subegit, Excestriam reparavit. In cujus laudem quidam sic cecinit. *Versus*.²

*Regia progenies produxit nobile stemma,
Cum tenebris nostris illucit splendida gemma ;
Magnus Ethelstanus, patria decus, orbita recti,
Illustris probitas a³ vero nescia flecti.⁴*

De Ethel-
stano

Gratiae
IX^cXL.
Ethelstani
XVI.

Martinus tertius post Leonem sedit in papatu annis tribus, mensibus sex. Hoc ¹ anno mortuo apud Gloverniam Adelstano sine liberis,⁵ atque apud urbem Maydulf sepulto ⁶ successit ⁷ [Edmundus] ⁸

CAP. VII.

De regibus Anglorum.

Gratiae
IX^cXLII.
Edmundi
primo.

EDMUNDUS frater Adelstani,⁹ vicesimum jam agens annum, regnavit ferme septem annis; genuit ex regina

¹ *quoque*, B.

² *Versus*] om. A.B.

³ *a*] *de*, in *Will de Reg. ii.* § 133, where the poem is continued for twenty-six lines further.

⁴ See note 2, page 436.

⁵ *absque liberis succedit Eadmundus*, C.D.

⁶ *apud Glastoniam sepultus est*,

B., which also omits heading, as does A.

⁷ *apud urbem Maidulfi sepulto successit ei*, A.

⁸ From C.D. In the MS. the *Edmundus* at the beginning of the next chapter is made to do duty for both sentences.

⁹ *Athelstani*, B.

and twelve dukes, and wel nyȝ¹ al þe gaderynge of straunge nacions. Here after he chasede² þe Norþ Britouns at Herford, so þat þey schulde paye hym every ȝere twenty pound of gold, and þre hondred pound of silver, and fyve and twenty hondred reþeren :³ þanne he took to his subieccioun Cornugallia, and amendede Æxcetre. In preysinge of hym oon made þis ditee : “ Kynges blood brouȝte forþ a man⁴ ful⁵ noble a knyȝt briȝt “ precious stone þo byschone⁶ oure derke so briȝt⁷ greet “ Ethelstanus hiȝte of lond pap⁸ to þe ryȝt noble worþynesse “ þe soþe forsake ne myȝte.” After Leo þe þridde Martyn was pope þre ȝere and sixe monþes ; also þat ȝere Ethelstan deide at Gloucestre, and hadde no children,⁹ and he was i-buried at Madulf.

TREVISA.

Capitulum septimum.

WHANNE¹⁰ Athelstan was dede¹¹ his broþer Edmond bygan¹² to regne in his twentipe ȝere of age, and regned aboute

Ab urbe.

v. kynges, xij. dukes, and allemoste alle the multitude of men of Barbre. After that he tamede the sowthe Britons at Herforde, insomoche that thei ȝafe ȝerely to hym xx. li of golde, and ccc. li of sylvyr, and xxv¹³ oxen and kyen. Into the lawde of whom a metricion rehersethe in this wise :

MS. HARL. 2261. A transmigratione. f. 305 a.

“ Regia progenies produxit nobile stemma
“ Cum tenebris nostris illuxit splendida gemma,
“ Magnus Ethelstanus, patriæ decus, orbita recti ;
“ Illustris probitas a vero nescia flecti.”

Martinus the thrydde succedid Leo the pope iij. yere and vj. monethes. Kynge Ethelstan dedde in þis yere at Gloucestre, withowte yssue, was beryede at Malmesbury ; whom Edmunde his broþer did succede.

Capitulum septimum.

EDMUND, the broþer of kynge Ethelstan, havynge xxth yere in age, reignede allemoste vij. yere ; whiche gate of Elgiva his

¹ neiȝ, B.² chasted, B. ; chastede, γ.³ ruþeren, B. ; roþern, γ. ; heede of neetede, Cx.⁴ a man] om. Cx.⁵ fol, γ.⁶ bischoon, B.⁷ þo byschon ure derke so bryȝte,

γ.

⁸ pap, from a. and Cx. ; pape, B. ; path, γ. ; pray, MS.⁹ chylde, γ. ; chylde, Cx.¹⁰ Thanne, a., B., and γ.¹¹ was dede] om. B. and γ.¹² Than Athelstan's brother Edmunde biganne, Cx.¹³ Sic in MS., xx. being an abbreviation of score. So that the three texts vary, the Latin having millia, and Trevisa, hondred.

sua Elgiva filios, Edwynum et¹ Edgarum pacificum. ^{Edgarus pacificus.}
*Willelmus*² *de Regibus, libro secundo.*³ Hujus Edmundi⁴
 tempore Northimbri rebellarunt,⁵ Anelafum⁶ de Hi-
 bernia revocarunt;⁷ quem tamen rex Edmundus una
 cum Raynaldo filio Gurmundi devicit et exlegavit,⁸
 Northumbriam in proprio dominio recepit; terram de
 Cumberlond rebellantem contrivit, quam Malcolmo
 regi Scotiæ tradidit ita ut sibi auxilio ubique foret.
Ranulphus. In hac expeditione, ut videtur, rex Ed-
 mundus accepit secum ossa Colfridi abbatis et Hildæ
 abbatissæ, et detulit usque Glastoniam. Tradit⁹ Alfri-
 dus¹⁰ et Marianus, quod rex¹¹ iste septimo regni sui
 anno, dum dapiferum suum de manibus æmulorum
 suorum eripere vellet, interfectus sit ab illis apud¹²
 Pulkirch;¹³ sed Willelmus de Regibus, libro ii.,¹⁴ dicit
 quod rege convivante in festo sancti Augustini apud
 Pulkerchirch,¹⁵ dum quidam latrunculus Leof nomine,
 quem rex prius propter scelera¹⁶ eliminaverat, inter

¹ *Edmundum*, B.

² *Willelmus—Marianus quod]*
 om. C.D.

³ § 141, ed. Hardy.

⁴ *Edwardi*, B.

⁵ *rebellaverunt*, A.

⁶ *Anelaphum*, A.

⁷ *revocaverunt*, A.

⁸ *exlegavit*, A.B.

⁹ *Tradunt*, A.

¹⁰ *Galfridus*, B.

¹¹ *Eadmundus iste*, C.D. See
 note 2, above.

¹² *in regia villa de Pulchre-
 chirche et apud Glastoniam delatus
 a beato Dunstano abbate tumulatur*,
 C.D.

¹³ *Pulkrich*, A.; *Pulkirich*, B.

¹⁴ The story is found, ed. Hardy,
 § 144.

¹⁵ *Pulkrichich*, A.; *Pulkirich*, B.

¹⁶ *sua*, add. A.

an¹ sevene 3ere; and gat on his queene Elgiva tweie sones, Edwyn and Edgar þe pesible.² *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 2^o*. In þis Edmond his tyme þe Norphombres become³ rebel, and sent for Anlaf out of Irlond. But kyng Edmond overcome hym, and Reynold⁴ Gormundus⁵ his sone, and outlawed hem, and took Norphomberlond to his owne worschippe,⁶ and bet⁷ doun Comberlond þat was rebel, and 3af it to Malcolyn⁸ kyng of Scotlond, so þat he schulde helpe hym in everiche side⁹ where he were. It semeth þat in þis iorney kyng Edmond took wip hym þe bones of Colfridus þe abbot, and of Hilda þe abbas,¹⁰ and brou3te hem to Glastenbury. Alfridus seiþ, and Marianus also, þat þis kyng in þe sevenþe 3ere of his kyngdom wolde delyvere his sewere out of his enemyes hondes, and was þo¹¹ i-slawe of hem ri3t þere at Pulkyrcherche;¹² but *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 2^o*, seiþ þat þe kyng was at þe¹³ feste at Pulkercherche in a seynt Austyns day, and he seigh on¹⁴ Leof, a þeef¹⁵ þat he hadde exciled for his trespas, sitte þere at mete

TREVISA.

Ab urbe.

qwene ij. sonnes, Edwyne and Edgare a pesable man. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo*. Men of Northumberlonde rebellede, and callede Anlaf from Yrlonde, of whom kyng Edmund hade victory, and putte to exile Reynalde the son of Gurmund, and toke Northumberlonde to his lordeschippe, and wastede Cumbrelonde, rebelynge also; whom he toke to Malcolmus kyng of Scottelande, that he scholde be tru to hym. R. In that travayle hit semethe that kyng Edmunde toke the boones of Colfridus thabbotte, and of Hilda the abbese, and brou3hte theym to Glassynbery. Alfridus and Marianus reherse that this kyng, wyllynge to delyver his sewer from his enemyes, was sleyne in the vijth yere of his reigne by the same men at Pulkirche. But William, libro ij^o de Regibus, seythe that this kyng kepynge a feste at Pulkirchirche, in the feste of seynte Austyn, and seyng a thefe, Leof by name, sytte þer amonge hys gestes, whom he hade made blynde afore for his

MS. HARL. 2261.

A transmi-
gracione.

¹ an] om. Cx.
² pesybel, γ.
³ bicome, β.
⁴ Reynald, β.
⁵ Gurmundus, Cx.
⁶ lordschip, β.
⁷ beet, β.
⁸ Malcolm, γ.

⁹ side] plas, γ.; place, β. and Cx.
¹⁰ abbes, β.
¹¹ þo] om. Cx.
¹² Pulkirchirche, β., et infra;
 Pulkyrchirche, γ., et infra.
¹³ a, a., β., and Cx.
¹⁴ oon, β.
¹⁵ þef, γ., et infra.

convivas assideret, quem rex e mensa prosiliens capillis arreptum in terra projecit,¹ sed nebulonis arcano evisceratus est. Occisor vero inter manus tumultuantium nonnullos saucians aut occidens a satellitibus membratim dissectus est.² *De pontificibus.*³ Agapitus secundus post Martinum sedit papa annis octo, mensibus sex. Hoc anno Lodowicus filius Karoli, rex Francorum, fecit dolose occidi⁴ Willelmum Longam Spatam, filium Rollonis,⁵ ducem secundum Normanniæ. Inde commoti proceres Normanniæ ipsum regem [in]⁶ Rothomagens⁷ ceperunt, et tenuerunt donec promississet et jurasset⁸ Ricardo filio Willelmi Normanniam reddere, et quod deinceps in omni colloctione regis et ducis^{Pro duce Normanniæ libertas.} liceret duci gladio accingi, regi vero nec⁹ cultellum nec gladium ferre. *De Normannis ducibus.*³ Huic Willelmo duci successit filius suus Ricardus¹⁰ adhuc^{Ricardus sine timore dux Normanniæ.}

¹ in terram dejecit, A.B.

² Tradunt alii quod rex iste cum in festo sancti Augustini apud Cantuariensem sederet convivio vidit unum inter cæteros discumbere quem prius oderat et de regno expulerat. Hunc dum rex præcipitanter capillis extraheret et pedibus suis conculcaret arcano nebulonis rex evisceratus est. Occisor vero inter manus tumultuantium illæsus di-

lapsus est. *Agapitus secundus, &c., C.D.*

³ A.B. omit heading.

⁴ occidere, C.D.

⁵ filium Rollonis] om. C.D.

⁶ in] from A.; et, MS.

⁷ Rothomago, C.D.

⁸ et jurasset] om. C.D.

⁹ nec om. B.

¹⁰ secundus, A.

among oþer men; and þe kyng leep¹ over þe borde, and took þe þeef by þe heere,² and þrewe hym to grounde, and þe þeef glotoun³ wip his knyfe rent out þe kynges bowels; þanne þe þeef, bytwene þe hondes of hem þat made noyse and cryde,⁴ woundede and slouþ meny men, and was al to-hakked⁵ of knyþtes and of opere men. After Martyn þe secounde Agapitis was pope sexe þere. Þat þere Lowys kyng of Fraunce, þe sone of Charles, made slee gilefulliche⁶ William Longa Spata, þe secounde duke of Normandy, þe sone of Rollo; þefore þe lordes of Normandy were wroop, and took⁷ þe kyng, and hilde⁸ hym in Rothomage for to⁹ þat he hadde byhote and i-swore þat he schulde þelde Normandy to Richard, duke William his sone, and þat ever after þat tyme, in everiche speche whan þe kyng and þe duke speke¹⁰ to giders þe duke schulde be i-gerd¹¹ wip a swerd, and þe kyng schulde noþer bere swerd ne knyfe. After þis duke William his þonge sone Richard was a¹² duke.

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. trespasses, arysede from the table, and takenge that man by the MS. HARL. 2261. heire of the hedde, caste hym unto the grownde. Whiche kyng was sleyn with a litelle knyfe that þe man hade in his honde; and also he hurte mony men soore with the same knyfe; neverthelesse he was kytte at the laste into smalle partes by men longynge to the kyng. Agapitus the secunde succedid pope Martyn viij. yere and vj. monethes. Lodowicus son of Charls, kyng of Fraunce, causede William longe swerde, son of Rollo, secunde duke of Normandy, to be sleyn by treason. The gentille men of Normandy, movede gretely ther at, toke the kyng of Fraunce in Roone, and kepede hym until that he hade f. 305 b. promysed and made an othe to Richarde, sonne of the seide William, to reioyce Normandy, and that he scholde were a swerde in the presence and speche to the kyng, and that the¹³ scholde have neither swerde ne knyfe. Richarde, son to the seide William, was his successor, caldede olde and withowte

A transmigratione.

¹ *lep*, γ.; *lepte*, Cx.
² *here*, γ.
³ *gloten*, γ.; *gloton*, Cx.
⁴ *cry*, α. and γ.; *crye*, β. and Cx.
⁵ *hacked*, β.
⁶ *gylfollich*, γ.; Cx. puts *be slayn gylefully* after *Longa Spata*.

⁷ *and took*] bis in MS.
⁸ *heelde*, β.; *hulde*, γ.; *helde*, Cx.
⁹ *for to*] til, β.
¹⁰ *spoke*, α.; *spake*, β. *spak*, Cx.
¹¹ *gurd*, β. and γ.; *gyrde*, Cx.
¹² *a*] om. α., β., and Cx.
¹³ Sic in MS.

juvenis, vocatus Vetus et Sine-timore, eo quod nunquam timuerit, et præfuit Normanniam¹ quinquaginta duobus annis. Qui per² magnas difficultates ad ducatum perveniens, ex nobili Gunmora³ uxore sua Danica quinque filios et tres filias procreavit; quarum primam, nomine Emmam, Normannorum gemmam, regi Angliæ Ethelredo⁴ copulavit.⁵ *Qualiter Ricardus dux disse-*
*cuit defunctum.*⁶ Consuevit iste Ricardus⁷ in omni⁸ ecclesia ubi transiret, orare et saltem deforis, si aditus ei non pateret, preces fundere; unde et nocte quadam ecclesiam quandam solus intratus,⁹ funus in feretro repperit, nemine assistente; chirothecas suas dum oraret super lectrinum¹⁰ posuerat. Et ecce defunctus cum magno strepitu ante ostium ecclesiæ brachiis extensis duci se opposuit; quem dux, signum crucis fronti imprimens, intense adjuravit ut quiesceret; quod dum non faceret, illud¹¹ in duo partes dissecuit gladio;¹² et post

¹ *Britanniæ*, B.

² *super*, B.

³ *Guennora*, A. ; *Ginora*, C.D.

⁴ *Egelredo*, C.D.

⁵ *Iste Ricardus dictus est sine timore, cui multa miranda contigerunt*, C.D.

⁶ A.B. omit heading.

⁷ *iste Ricardus*] namque, C.D.

⁸ *qualibet*, A.B.

⁹ *intrans*, B.

¹⁰ *lectrinium*, A.B.

¹¹ *signum . . . illud*] om. C.D.

¹² *gladio*] om. A.

And ȝit while pis Richard was ȝong he was i-cleped Richard TREVISA.
 pe olde, and wip oute drede,¹ for he dradde nevere ; he was duke¹
 of Normandye two and fifty ȝere, and come to his ducherie by
 hard travaille and greet ;² on his wyf Gunora, a Dane, [he gat]³
 fyve⁴ sones and tweie⁵ douȝtres ; pe firste heet Emma, and was
 pe floure of Normandye ; her fader maried hire to Etheldredus
 kyng of Englund. Þis duke Richard usede to bidde his bedes
 in everiche cherche þat he com nyh,⁶ and nameliche wipoute
 ȝif⁷ he myȝte nouȝt com into pe chirche. In a nyȝt he come
 into pe⁸ chirche allone,⁹ and fonde¹⁰ a cors pere ligge¹¹ in a
 bere, and no man þerwip. While he badde his bedes, he leyde
 his gloves on a desk, and forȝat¹² hem pere, and wente on¹³
 his way. Þanne the dede man aroos wip a greet noyse, and
 spradde his armes in pe cherche dore aȝenst pe duke. Pe duke
 made pe signe of pe crosse in his forhedde¹⁴ wip his þombe,¹⁵
 and coniured pe dede man þat he schulde reste, bot al for nouȝt,
 for it wolde nouȝt bee. Þanne pe duke wip his swerd smote
 pe cors atweyne,¹⁶ and bepouȝte¹⁷ hym whan he was oute þat

Ab urbe. drede, in that he was never afraid, which was governoure in MS. HARL.
 Normandy lij^u yere, commynge to his duchery by grete diffi- 2261.
 cultes. Whiche gate of Guimora his wife, borne in the cuntre A transmi-
 of Denmarke, v. sonnes and ij. doȝhters ; the firste off whom, gracione.
 Emma by name, and gemme of Normandy, he maryede unto
 Etheldredus kynge of Ynglonde. This duke was wonte to pray
 in every church by whom he come, and specially withowte the
 church if the durres were not open ; where hit happede hym to
 Of grete devocioun of þe duke of Nor-
 mandy. entre into a church allon in a nyȝhte, and fonde þer a corse
 in a bere, and noo man presente, putte his gloves on a lectryne
 whiles he prayede ; and anoon the dedde man with grete noyce
 wente to the church durre and extendynge his hondes stode at
 the durre to resiste the duke. The duke seenge hym made a
 crosse in his forhedde, and adiurede hym to reste and sease ; the
 spirit obeyenge not his adiuracion, he drawede owte his swerde,
 and smytenge hym kytte hym into ij. partes. After that the

¹ *duyk*, γ.² *greet and*, α., β., and Cx. ; *grete and*, γ.³ From α. and γ. ; *he gate*, β. ; *he bygate*, Cx.⁴ *vyf*, γ.⁵ *twy*, γ.⁶ *by*, α., β., γ., and Cx.⁷ *ef*, γ.⁸ α., α., β., γ., and Cx.⁹ *aloon*, β.¹⁰ *vond*, γ.¹¹ *lye*, β. ; *lye there*, Cx.¹² *vorȝate*, γ.¹³ *in*, β.¹⁴ *vorhed*, γ.¹⁵ *pome*, γ.¹⁶ *in twey*, Cx.¹⁷ *by*, β.

egressum reminiscens quod chirothecas suas omiserit,¹ regressus eas reportavit. Et exinde per totam terram suam² statuit circa funera vigiliis celebrari. *Vigilias defunctorum.*³ Contigit etiam quod quidam monachus De monacho lascivo iudicio duci Ricardo commisso. Sancti Audoeni Rothomagensis, volens de nocte ad amasiam⁴ suam per pontem transire, cadens in aquam suffocatus est; et cum fieret inter dæmonem et angelum de anima ejus contentio, ambo in arbitrium ducis Ricardi compromiserunt; qui tale dedit iudicium, ut anima ad corpus restituta, corpus super pontem ubi cecidit poneretur, et tunc si ad peccandum iret damnaretur, sin autem salvaretur. Quo facto monachus ad ecclesiam fugit ad quam mane rex⁵ accedens vestes monachi adhuc madidas repperit, et factum quod contigerat abbati loci enarravit. Cum igitur longo tempore dux ipse et Gunnora in pellicatu⁶ vixissent, et populo

¹ *omiserat*, A.

² *suam*] om. A.

³ A.B. omit heading. In MS. it is in a later hand.

⁴ *mulierem*, B.

⁵ *dux*, A.

⁶ *concupinatu*, C.D.

he hadde forȝete¹ his gloves, þanne he tornede aȝen and fette² his gloves. Afterward he ordeyned in al his lond þat aboute a dede cors schulde be wacche³ al þe nyȝt longe. Hit happede⁴ þat a monke of Seint Audoenus of Rothomage wolde in a nyȝt goo to his lemman, and fil doun of a brigge⁵ into a water, and was i-stuffed;⁶ þanne for his soule was strif bytwene an aungel and a fende,⁷ and eiper [of hem]⁸ putte⁹ the cause uppon duke William¹⁰ his¹¹ doome; and he ȝaf suche a dome, þat þe soule schulde be restored aȝen to þe body, and þe body schulde be [y]¹²-sette on þe brygge of þe whiche he hadde i-falle. And ȝif he ȝede¹³ þanne to doo þe synne he schulde be i-dampned, and elles he schulde be i-saved. Whanne þis was i-doo¹⁴ þe monk fleigh¹⁵ to chirche; þe duke wente amorwe¹⁶ erliche¹⁷ to þe same chirche, and fonde¹⁸ þe monkes clopes ȝit al wete,¹⁹ and tolde þe abbot of þe place þe dede þat was byfalle. Whanne þe duke and Gunnora hadde i-lyved

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. duke remembrege his gloves lefte in the churche, returnede to the churche, and toke his gloves with hym; and after that tyme he causede corses to be wacchede thro alle his cuntre. Also hit happede a monke of Seynte Audoen in Roone to goe in a nyȝhte towarde the hows of his speciale, and goynge unto that place felle of a brigge into the water, and was drownede. A grete contencion hade betwene an angelle and the develle for that sawle, they condescende to the iuggemente of the seide duke, and compromitte to abide his decrete and sentence. Then the seide duke ȝafe this iuggemente, that the sawle scholde be restorede to the body, and sette in that place where hit felle into the water and then if þe body wente to synne hit scholde be dampned, or elles hit scholde be salvede. That doen the monke fledde to the churche; the clothes of whom the seide duke founde moyste and weite in the morowe, and schewede this to the abbote of that place. The seide duke and Guimora

MS. HARL. 2261.

A transmi-gracione.

The discrete juggemente of þat duke.

¹ vorȝete, γ.
² vette, γ.
³ waych, γ.; a watche, Cx.
⁴ It happeth, Cx.
⁵ brugge, γ., et infra.
⁶ y-stuffed, α., β., and γ.;
 drowned, Cx.
⁷ vend, γ.
⁸ From α., β., γ., and Cx.
⁹ potte, γ.

¹⁰ Rychardes, Cx.
¹¹ Richardes doom, β.
¹² From γ.
¹³ ȝude, γ.; went, Cx.
¹⁴ doon, β.
¹⁵ flyȝ, β. and γ.; fledde, Cx.
¹⁶ on the morowe, Cx.
¹⁷ erliche] om. Cx.
¹⁸ vond, γ.
¹⁹ weet, β.

acclamante atque consulente eam tandem¹ desponsasset, proxima post nuptias nocte vel serio vel ludo Gunnora sicut nunquam prius fecerat dorsum et nates suos versus ducem vertit. Requisita tandem, cur sic faceret, respondit tunc primo se posse facere ad libitum quod volet.² Item cum³ dux iste aliquando vehementer ægrotaret, paravit sibi sarcophagum, quod quoad vixit qualibet sexta feria frumento fecit impleri et pauperibus distribui. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo.*⁴ Edmundus rex Anglorum⁵ quinque nobilissimas civitates, scilicet Lynconiam,⁶ Snotyngham,⁷ Derbeiam, Staffordiam, Legecestre, quas eatenus Dani pagani incoluerant, de manibus eorum extorsit, et luce fidei⁸ illustravit. Nam⁹ Anlaf de sacro fonte levavit, magis viribus

Gratie
IX·XLVII.
Ethelstani
VII.

Edmundus
rex.

¹ *desponsasset proxima post nuptias nocte vel serio vel ludo Ginora dorsum et nates ad ducem in lecto, quod nunquam fecerat, vertit, ac requisita, C.E.*

² *ad placitum suum facere, C.D.*

³ *cum] om. B.*

⁴ *Henricus, libro secundo, B.* The reference should be Henricus, libro quinto. In the *Script. Angl.*

post Bedam the passage is on fol. 203 b. The passage does not occur in *Will. de Reg.*

⁵ *Anglia, A.B.*

⁶ *Lincolniam, A.B.*

⁷ *Sutingham, A. ; Notyngham, B.*

⁸ *fide, A. and MS.*

⁹ *Nam . . . Ranulphus] om. C.D.*

longe in hordom¹ þe peple spak moche² þerof, and þe duke TREVISA.
 by counsaile of þe peple wedded hire at þe laste. Þanne the
 firste nyȝt after þe weddyng, whanne þey come to bedde,
 wheþer it were in game or in earnest, Gunnora tornede here
 bak and here buttokes³ toward þe duke, as sche⁴ hadde
 nevere to forehonde i-doo;⁵ me axede of hire why sche dede
 soo; "For now first," quoth sche, "I may doo now what me
 "likeþ."⁶ Also þis duke werþe⁷ sike in a tyme, and made
 hym a greet cheste,⁸ and filled it ful⁹ of whete, and deled it
 to pore men every¹⁰ Friday¹¹ to his lyves ende. *Henricus.*
 Edmond kyng of Engelond took and wan out of þe Dane
 hondes, þat were paynims, fyve noble citees, Lyncolne, Snot-
 yngham, þat is¹² Notingham, Derby, Stafford, and Lege-
 cestre. He bynam¹³ hem þese citees [in þat þat þey were pay-
 nims, and he by schoon þese citees]¹⁴ wip lawhe¹⁵ of riȝt
 byleve,¹⁶ ffor he feng Anlaf of þe colde water. Anlaf was
 i-cristened¹⁷ more by strengþe þan by prechyng of Goddes

Ab urbe. contynuyng a lyfe unchaste, he maryede that woman at the MS. HARL.
 laste at the clamor of the peple. And in the nexte nyȝhte 2261.
 folowyng that sacramente hade betwene theyme, the seide A transmi-
 Guimora turnede her hinder partes towarde the face of her gracione.
 lorde, where sche did not soe afore. Neverthelesse, the duke f. 306 a.
 desireng to knowe the cause þerof, sche seide that sche
 myȝhte do that tyme firste at here pleasure. Also this duke
 laboryng in infirmite causede a beryalle to be made for hym;
 whom he commaunded to be fyllede in every Friday with whete,
 and to be ȝiffen to poore peple, contynuyng the tyme of his
 lyfe. *Henricus.* Edmunde kyng of Ynglonde toke v. noble
 cites from the Danes, whom they inhabite by a long season,
 Lincolne, Snotyngham, Derby, Stafford, and Westechestre;
 and causede Christen peple to inhabite theyme, takyng Anlaf
 from the fonte, ȝeldyng hym to that sacramente rapþer for armes

¹ This word has been erased in
 B., and *dishonest lif* substituted;
hourdom, γ.; *dishonest lyf*, Cx.

² *myche*, B.

³ *bottohs*, γ.

⁴ *heo*, B., et *infra*; *hue*, γ., et
infra.

⁵ *before done*, Cx.

⁶ *likip*, B.

⁷ *waxe*, Cx.

⁸ *cheeste*, B.; *chyste*, Cx.

⁹ *vullede hyt vol*, γ.

¹⁰ *evereche*, B.

¹¹ *Vryday*, γ.

¹² γ. inserts *now*.

¹³ *toke to hem*, Cx.

¹⁴ From *a*., B., γ., and Cx.

¹⁵ *lyȝe*, *a*. and B.; *lyȝt*, γ.

¹⁶ *and caused these cytees to be of
 ryght byleve*, Cx.

¹⁷ *fulled*, B.; *yvolled*, γ.

cedentem quam prædicationi credentem. Hic quoque¹ rex consilio Dunstani statuenda statuit, corrigenda^{Sanctus Dunstan} correxit, monasterium Glastingense rebus et personis nobilitavit. *Ranulphus*.² Tandem, sicut prædictum est, apud Pulcrechirche³ obiit, sed⁴ apud Glastoniam sepelitur.

CAP. VIII.

[*De rege Edredo et de vita Dunstani confessoris.*]
*Willelmus de Regibus, libro iii.*⁵

Gratiae
IX^o XLVII.
Edredi
primo.

EDREDUS in villa de Kengestoun⁶ ab Odone⁷ consecratus, post Edmundum fratrem suum successit decem annis, eo quod filii Edmundi,⁸ Edwynus et Edgarus, adhuc minoris erant ætatis, nec regnare poterant.⁹ Hic¹⁰ Edredus primo regni sui anno Northimbros rebellantes valide contrivit, unde et Scotti sibi timentes se ei subdiderunt. *De pontificibus Romanorum*.¹¹ Johannes duodecimus post Agapitum sedit in papatu annis octo, cujus pater Albericus,¹² cum esset potens in urbe Roma,¹³ induxit nobiles urbis jurare

¹ quo, A.

² Rex, A.

³ Pulkerchirche, B.; *Cantuariam*, C.D.

⁴ sed . . . iii^o] om. C.D.

⁵ 2^{do}, A.; B. omits reference. § 146, ed. Hardy.

⁶ *Kingeston*, A.; *Kyngston*, B.

⁷ *archiepiscopo*, A.

⁸ nam filii Edwardi, B.

⁹ *Edredus successit Edmundo fratri suo in regnum eo quod pueri Edwinus et Edgarus filii Edmundi pro immatura ætate adhuc regnare non poterant, &c.*, C.D.

¹⁰ Hic . . . Romanorum] om. C.D.,

which insert: "Qui dum ægro-
taret beatum Dunstanum confes-
sorem suum accersivit, cui fes-
tine accedenti vox obiter clare
insonuit, Modo rex Edredus re-
quiescit in pace; ad quam vocem
equus cui Dunstanus insedit abs-
que sessoris læsione in terram
corruens expiravit. Regem vero
Dunstanus sepelivit in veteri mo-
nasterio Wyntonix; cui successit
Edwinus. Johannes duodecimus,"
&c.

¹¹ A.B. omit heading.

¹² *Albertus*, B.

¹³ *Romana*, B.

word. Also þis kyng¹ ordeyned and made ordynaunces, and amended what schulde be amended by counsaile of Donstan, and made þe abbay of Glastenbury² nobel in catel and in monkes. **β.** As it is i-seide to forehonde, at þe laste he deide at Pultercherche,³ and was i-buried at Glastingbury. TREVISA.

Capitulum octavum.

Marianus, libro 2^o.

ODREDUS⁴ was anynt at Kyngestoun of Odo þe archebishop, and regned after his broþer Edmond ten ȝere. For Edmond his sones Edwyn and Edgar were ȝit⁵ of ȝong age, and to ȝonge for to regne. Þis Edredus, in þe firste ȝere of his kyngdom, beet⁶ doun strongliche þe Norþhumbres þat were rebel.⁷ Þerfore þe Scottes dredde⁸ hem,⁹ and ȝelde hem to hym. After Agapitus þe twelfþe Iohn was pope [þe]¹⁰ cyȝte ȝere. His fader Albertus¹¹ was myȝti in þe citee of Rome, and made þe noble men of þe citee¹² swere¹³ þat þey schulde

Ab urbe. and drede then for eny sawle healethe. This kyng was governede after the cownesaile of seynte Dunstan, and made noble the monastery of Glassynbery with goodes and persons. MS. HARL. 2261.

A transigracione.

Capitulum octavum.

EDREDUS, consecrate of Odo archebishop of Cawnterbury, in þe towne of Kyngeston, succedid Edmunde his broþer x. yere; for the childer of his broþer, Edwyne and Edgare, were but of tendre age. This kyng Edredus contryvede soore men of Northumbrelonde rebellynge ageyne hym in the firste yere of his reigne; wherefore the Scottes, dredyng hym, made them subiecte to hym. Iohn the xij^{te} succedid Agapitus the pope viij. yere. Albericus the fader of whom, a myȝhty man in the cite of Rome, commaunded the noble men of the

<p>¹ conseil, β. ² Glastonburi, γ. ³ Pulcrecherche, α.; Pulkirchirche, β.; Pulkerchirche, Cx. ⁴ Edredus, β. and Cx. ⁵ ȝet, α. ⁶ bute, γ. ⁷ rebelles, Cx.</p>	<p>⁸ dradde, β. ⁹ dradde ham, γ. ¹⁰ From α. (not Cx.) ¹¹ Albericus, α., β., and γ.; Alberycus, Cx. ¹² to] add. Cx. ¹³ swerye, γ.</p>
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quod mortuo papa Agapito filium suum Octovianum in papam eligerent, quod et factum fuit, et vocaverunt nomen ejus Johannem, qui fuit venator et totus lubricus, adeo ut publice fœminas secum teneret. Quamobrem aliqui cardinalium scripserunt Othoni imperatori Saxonum ut Romam veniens ecclesiæ scandalo subveniret. Hæc papa percipiens, nasum consilientis et manum scribentis illam epistolam abscidit.¹ Unde cum frequenter per imperatorem et clerum monitus fuisset ut se corrigeret,² corrigi noluisset, depositus est, et Leo loco ejus subrogatus; sed imperatore recedente³ intrusus est quidam Benedictus; quapropter imperator rediens tam diu Romam obsedit donec Benedictum sibi redderent et Leonem restituerent.⁴ *De Francis.*⁵ Lodowicus rex Occidentalium Francorum, filius Karoli Simplicis, obiit. Cui successit filius suus Lotharius triginta septem annis,⁶ sed absque liberis obiit; qui

Gratias
IX^oLIII.
Edredi
VII.

¹ *illam abscidi fecit*, A.B.

² *et*, A.B.

³ *cedente*, B.

⁴ *restituerunt*, A.

⁵ A.B. omit heading.

⁶ *regnaturus*, add. C.D.

make his sone Octavianus¹ pope whanne Agapitus were deed ; and so pey dede,² and chaungede his name, and cleped³ hym Iohn. He was an hunter and a leccherous man, so þat he helde⁴ wommen wijþ hym opounliche.⁵ Perfore some of þe cardinales write⁶ to Otho emperour of Saxons, and prayed hym þat he wolde come to Rome and helpe [to]⁷ do away þe sclandre of holy cherche. Þe pope was war þerof, and made kutte⁸ of þe nose of þe conseilour, and þe hond of the writer þat wroot þat lettre. Þanne he⁹ was ofte i-warned by þe emperour and by þe clergie þat he schulde amende hym self ; and for he wolde nouȝt he was i-sette doun,¹⁰ and Leo was i-made pope in his stede. But whan þe emperour was agoo, Benet was i-putte in þe poperiche ;¹¹ perfore þe emperour come aȝen, and byseged¹² Rome, for to¹³ þey ȝelde¹⁴ Benet to hym, and restored Leo aȝen. Lowys þe kyng of West Fraunce is dede, þe sone of Charles þe symple ; after hym his sone Lotharius was kyng sevene and pritty ȝere, and deide with oute

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. cite to swere that, Agapitus dedde, thei scholde electe his son Octovian to be pope, and so thei did, and callede hym Iohn ; whiche was a hunter and insolente, in so moche that he wolde kepe women openly. Wherefore somme of the cardinales percevyng that, did wryte to Otho themperoure, that he wolde comme to Rome, and save the church from sclawnder. The pope understandyng that, causede the noose of the counseillour to be kytte away, and the honde of the wryter. Neverthelesse the pope warnede oftetyms by themperoure and by the clergy to amende hym of that grete vice ; whiche wyllynge not to amende hym, was deposede, and Leo subrogate in his stedde. But themperoure returnede, a man callede Benedicte was electe ; wherefore themperoure turnyng to the cite of Rome, segede hit until thei restorede Leo to be pope, and sende Benedicte to hym. Lodowicus, son of Charls the simple, and kyng of the Weste men of Fraunce, diede in this yere ; whom Lotharius his son did succede xxxviij^{ti} yere, and

MS. HARL.
2261.A transmi-
gracione.¹ Octovianus, γ.² hy dude, γ.³ clepide, β.⁴ heelde, β.⁵ openly, Cx.⁶ wrote, Cx.⁷ From β. and Cx.⁸ made kutte] kytt, Cx. ; kitte, β.⁹ he] a, γ., quater.¹⁰ deposede, Cx.¹¹ Benett was made pope, Cx.¹² bisegide, β.¹³ for to] til, β.¹⁴ til they yelde, Cx.

infestavit Ricardum ducem Normanniæ sicut pater
 suus patrem Ricardi.¹ Sed ² tandem pro infidelitate
 Northimbrensiam terram eorum devastat, monasterium
 Ripense succendit. Recedente vero rege domum, exer-
 citus de Eboraco ³ erumpens extremam partem regii
 exercitus multum læsit; quamobrem rex iratus totam
 plagam Northimbranam delere cogitavit; sed Northim-
 brenses, Brito ⁴ quem sibi præfecerant abjecto, regem

Gratias
 IXcLVI.
 Edredi
 X.

Edwardum ⁵ muneribus placuerunt. Dum rex Edredus ^{De morte Edredi.}
 graviter agrotaret, Dunstanum confessorem suum accer-
 sivit; cui festine ⁶ accedenti vox obiter clare inso-
 nuit: *Modo rex Edredus quiescit in pace.*⁷ Ad quam
 vocem equus cui Dunstanus insedit,⁸ absque sessoris
 læsione, in terram corruens expiravit. Dunstanus
 autem sepelivit regem apud Wyntoniam⁹ in ve-

¹ *Marianus, A. ; Marianus. Tandem rex Edredus pro infidelitate, &c., B.*

² *Sed . . . successit (page 458)] om. C.D.*

³ *de Eboraco] om. A.*

⁴ *Hirco, A. ; Huth, B.*

⁵ *Edredum, B*

⁶ *ad regem, B.*

⁷ *quiescit in pace] obdormivit in Domino, Will. de Reg.*

⁸ *insedebat, B.*

⁹ *Wintoniam, A.*

children ;¹ he pursewede² Richard duke of Normandy, as his fader hadde i-pursewed² Richard³ his fader. *Marcianus*. Bote at þe laste, [Edredus]⁴ for þe untrowþe⁵ of [þe]⁶ Norþhombres, he destroyed here lond, and sette þe abbay of Ripoun a fire.⁷ Whanne þe kyng wente þennes homward⁸ an oost brak outward⁹ of 3ork, and dede¹⁰ greet harme on þe laste partye of þe kynges oost ; þefore þe kyng was wroop, and pouzte to destroye¹¹ al Northumberlond ; but þe Norþhombres dede away Hircus, þat þey hadde i-made here kyng, and plesede¹² kyng Edredus wiþ 3iftes. Kyng Edredus werþ¹³ sore seek,¹⁴ and sente to¹⁵ his schriffader¹⁶ Donstan, and he com wiþ grete spede ;¹⁷ and as he cam in þey¹⁸ weye a voys cam and¹⁹ spak to hym clerliche and seide : “ Now restep kyng “ Edredus in pees.” At þat voys þe hors þat Donstan sat uppon fil²⁰ doun and deide, wiþoute hurtyng of hym þat satte above. Donstan buried²¹ þe kyng at Wynchestre in þe olde

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. diede withowte eny childer. *Marianus*. But kyng Edmunde MS. HARL. 2261. remembrege the infelitte of men of Northumbrelonde, wastede there londe, and brente the monastery of Ripen ; but the kyng returnede from Yorke, an hoste brekyng owte from that cite hurte soore the extreme parte of the kynges hoste. The kyng, displeasede moche, intended to have destroyede utterly the cuntre abowte Yorke ; but men of Northumbrelonde pleasede the kyng with 3iftes. This kyng Edredus laboryng in grete infirmite, sende for seynte Dunstan his confessour, whiche makyng grete haste to come to hym, herde a voyce seyenge : “ Kyng Edredus restethe nowe “ in pease.” That voyce herde, the horse on whom seynte Dunstan did ryde felle downe to the grownde, withowte eny hurte to the sytter on hym, and dyede. And seynte Dunstan beryede hym at Wynchestre in the olde monastery ; whiche

A transmigratione. f. 306 b.

¹ chylthern, γ.
² pursued, β., bis.
³ William, Cx.
⁴ From β.
⁵ untruþe, β. ; untrowþe, γ. ;
Edredus for the untruth, Cx.
⁶ From α., β., γ., and Cx.
⁷ Rypon afuyre, β. ; Rypon a
*vure, γ. ; and brent thabbay of Rypon
 with fyre, Cx.*
⁸ hamward, β.
⁹ out, α., β., γ., and Cx.
¹⁰ dide, β. ; dude, γ., et infra.

¹¹ destruye, γ.
¹² pleside, β.
¹³ worþ, γ.
¹⁴ bygan to be soore seke, Cx.
¹⁵ for, α., β., and Cx. ; vor, γ.
¹⁶ schrefbader, γ. ; goostly fuder,
 Cx.
¹⁷ spyde, γ.
¹⁸ þey] þe, β., γ., and Cx.
¹⁹ cam and] om. β. and Cx.
²⁰ vul, γ.
²¹ byryed, Cx.

teri monasterio. Cui sine liberis defuncto successit¹

Gratiae
IX^cLVII.
Edwii
primo.

Edwiyus,² primogenitus Edmundi, consecratus est in Edwius.

regem Angliæ ab Odone archiepiscopo apud regiam
villam de Kengestoun³ juxta Londoniam. Qui⁴ primo

consecrationis die in nefarium concubitus ruit. Quam-
obrem a beato Dunstano redargutus ipsum Dunstanum

exiliavit, monachos quamplures suis facultatibus nuda-
tos in exilium egit, monasterium⁵ Malmesbury, expulsis

monachis suis, contulit clericis. Tandem Northimbrenses

et Mercenses⁶ ipsum Edwyum⁷ pro mala vita sua
expulerunt, et⁸ fratrem suum Edgarum, sexdecim

annorum⁹ existentem, in regem levaverunt. In cujus

Edgari exortu audivit Dunstanus angelos canentes¹⁰

sic: *Pax terræ Anglorum exorti nunc pueri Dunstani-*

que tempore. Sicque tunc actum est ut flumen
Thamense res duorum¹¹ regum disterneret. Regna-

vitque Edwiyus¹² quatuor ferme annis,¹³ et tandem

mortuus sepultus est Wyntonæ. Ejus¹⁴ tamen anima post

obitum precibus Dunstani ab inferno liberata in sortem

¹ See note 2, page 456.

² *Edwius*, A.; *Edwynus*, B.

³ *Kingeston*, A.; *Kyngston*, B.

⁴ *nupciarum die in nepharium,*
&c., C.D.

⁵ *monasterium . . . clericis]* om.
C.D.

⁶ *et Mercenses]* om. B.

⁷ *Edwium*, A.

⁸ *et]* om. A.

⁹ *ætatis anno*, C.D.

¹⁰ *et dicentes*, add. C.D.

¹¹ *amborum*, C.D.

¹² *Edwius*, A.; *Edwynus*, B.;
Edwinus, C.D.

¹³ *annos*, A.

¹⁴ *Ejus . . . translata]* om. C.D.

abbay. After þis kyng, þat diede wip¹ oute children,¹ Edwynus TREVISIA.
 was kyng, Edmund his eldeste sone, and was anoynt² kyng of
 Engelond in þe real³ toun Kyngestoun besides Londoun, of
 Odo þe archebisshop. Þe firste day of his sacrynge he fil into
 an unlawful leccherie, þerfore Dunstan wip⁴ [seide hym, and
 undertook⁵ and blamed hym þerfore. And þerfore he ex-
 ciled Donston],⁶ and meny monkes, and bynam⁷ hem what hey
 hadde; he put out þe monkes of Malmesbury, and þaf the abbay
 to his clerkes. At þe last þe Merces and þe Northumbres put
 þis Edwyn out of his kyngdom for his evel lyvyng, and made
 his broþer Edgar kyng whan he was sixtene þere olde. In
 Edgar his bygynnyng seynt Donston herde⁸ aungels synge in
 þis manere: "Pees be to þe lond of Englysshe men in þe
 " childes tyme þat now is i-bore, and in Donston his tyme."
 And so it was þoo i-made þat þe ryver of Tempse⁹ to dele¹⁰ þe
 tweie kyngene londes, and Edwyn regnede an¹¹ foure þere, and
 deide at þe laste, and was i-beried at Wynchestre. But his
 soule was delyvered out of helle by þe prayere of seynt Don-

Ab urbe. dedde withowte eny childer, Edwinus, the firste son of Ed- MS. HARL.
 mund, was consecrate into the kyng of Ynglonde, by Odo 2261.
 archebisshoppe of Cawnterbery, at Kyngeston nye to London; A transmi-
 whiche felle into unlawefulle desire of the flesche and synne gracione.
 in the firste day of his consecracion. Whiche reprovde of
 seynte Dunstan þerfore, put hym to exile, and, takyng the
 goodes of the monkes, constreynede theym to exile, and þafe
 the monastery of Malmesbery to his clerkes, the monkes ex-
 pulsede. But at the laste men of Northumbrelonde and of the
 Marches expulsede this kyng Edwyne for his wikked life,
 and erecte Edgarus his broþer into þe kyng, havyng xvj.
 yere in age. In the begynnyng of the reigne of whom seynte
 Dunstan herde angells syngyng: "Pease is spronge to the
 " londe of Ynglischemen;" and the foreseide Edwyne reignede
 allemoste iij. yere, and was beryede at Wynchestre. Never-
 thelesse his sawle was delyverede from helle unto purgatory

¹ *yssue*, Cx.² *anoynted*, β.; *enoynted*, Cx.³ *rial*, β.; *royal*, Cx.⁴ *wip*] *mis-*, Cx.⁵ *and undertook*] om. Cx.; *hym*,
add. β.⁶ From α., β., γ., and Cx.⁷ *toke fro hem*, Cx.⁸ *hurde*, γ.⁹ *Temse*, β.¹⁰ *to delede*, α. and γ.; *to deled*,
β.; *departed*, Cx.¹¹ *an*] om. Cx.

pœnitentium animarum est translata.¹ Et sicut eadem terra bonas et malas herbas nutrit, et urtici quandoque proxima est rosa, sic ex eodem pio Edmundo Edwyus pessimus et Edgarus optimus processerunt.

¹ *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo, add. A.B.*

ston, and translated to þe lot of¹ soules þat doþ penaunce² in þe wey of savacioun. *Trevisa*. Here take hede, Cristene men, of þe menyng, ³ for þe wordes beþ perilousliche i-sette; þefore haveþ⁴ mynde now of tweie manere helles; in þe⁵ oon was Adam, Abraham, Isaac, and Iacob, and oþere holy forfadres⁶ þat deide tofore Crist. Into þat helle Crist aliȝte⁷ after his passioun, and brouȝte wiþ hym þens þe⁸ holy fadres þat þere were. Þe oþer helle⁹ is a place⁹ for hem þat beþ and schal be i-dampned for everemore; who þat comeþ in þat helle schal nevere after be [saved]¹⁰ noþer come¹¹ out of peyne. But as me seiþ in comyn speche þat a þeef¹² is delyvered from¹³ hongyng and from þe galwes¹⁴ [þeyȝ he come not þere,¹⁵ ȝif he is delyvered out of here power þat wolde lede hym to þe galewes]¹⁶ and hongē hym þeruppon,¹⁷ so in som manere menyng he þat is delyvered out of þe fendes¹⁸ power þat wolde bryngē hym in¹⁹ helle, is delivered out of helle, þeyȝ²⁰ he come nouȝt þere. So meneþ þe prophete in þe sawter, and seiþ: "Þou hast delyvered my soule out of þe lowere helle." *Willelmus de Regibus, libro 2^o*. And as þe same lond bereþ evel herbes and good, as²¹ þe netle²² groweþ somtyme next þe rose, so of þe same mylde Edmond com Edwyn þe worste and Edgar þe beste.

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. after his dethe thro the praier of seynte Dunstan. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro ij^o*. And lyke as the same grownde berethe and norischethe bothe goode herbes and ylle, and oþer while a feire roose is nexte to a nettelle, so in lyke wise of Edmunde kyng come ij. sonnes, Edwine moste wickede, and Edgare moste goode.

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gracione.

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| <p>¹ lot of] om. Cx.
 ² penauns, γ.
 ³ understandyng, Cx., et infra.
 ⁴ habbeþ, γ.
 ⁵ þe] þat, β.
 ⁶ vorvaders, γ.
 ⁷ descended, β. and Cx.
 ⁸ þe] om. β.
 ⁹ þas, γ.
 ¹⁰ From β.; ysaved, γ. MS. has
 i-dampned for evere.
 ¹¹ savid ne come, Cx.</p> | <p>¹² þef, γ.
 ¹³ vram, γ.
 ¹⁴ galwes, β.; galues, γ., bis.
 ¹⁵ þare, β.
 ¹⁶ From α., β., γ., and Cx.
 ¹⁷ þaroppon, γ.
 ¹⁸ vend hys, γ.
 ¹⁹ in] to, Cx.
 ²⁰ þouȝ, β.
 ²¹ and, α., γ., and Cx.
 ²² netel, β. and γ.; netylle, Cx.</p> |
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CAP. IX.

[*De Anglia sub Edgardo rege.*]Gratie
IX. LX.
Edgari
primo.

EDGARUS juvenis sexdecim¹ annorum in regem levatus est,² et sexdecim¹ annis post patrem³ pœne regnavit.⁴ In quorum duodecimo anno apud urbem Achamanni, id est Bathoniam, idus Maii die Pentecostis, a beatis Dunstano et Oswaldo præsulibus in regem consecratus est; qui statim Dunstanum de exilio revocavit. Quem de abbate Glastoniensi⁵ Wygornensem præulem⁶ fecit, divisa regna redintegravit, improbos oppressit, rebelles repressit, modestos dilexit, ecclesias reparavit, ac multis in locis abjectis clericis insolenter viventibus monachos instituit, et plusquam quadraginta

Dunstanus
adhuc ab-
bas Glas-
toniæ.¹ 17, C.D., bis.² *Dunstanum exilio revocavit,*
&c., C.D.³ *fratrem, A.*⁴ *et . . . regnavit*] om. C.D.⁵ *Glastoniæ, A.B.*⁶ *episcopum, B.*

Capitulum novum. Edgarus.

TREVISA.

EDGAR 3ong¹ of sixtene 3ere olde was i-made kyng, and regnede after his broper aboute an sixtene [yere].² In þe twelpe 3ere of hym³ in Athamannus⁴ his citee,⁵ þat is Bape, þe fiftepe⁶ day of May, in a Witsunday, he was anoynt⁷ kyng of þe holy bisschops Donston and Oswold; anon he reconsiled Donston, and made hym of þe abbot of Gastynbury⁸ bisschop of Wircestre;⁹ he onede¹⁰ þe kyngdoms þat were to deled,¹¹ and made þerof¹² oon kyngdom. He bare doun wickded¹³ men, and chastede hem þat were rebel; he loved wel good men and sobre;¹⁴ he rapayralde¹⁵ and amendes¹⁶ chirches. In meny places he dede¹⁷ away clerkes þat lyvede in outrage, and dede þere oþer¹⁸ monkes. *Trevisa.* In þat, save reverens¹⁹ of Edgar, he was lewedlich i-meoved, while þere were oþer clerkes þat lyvede wel i-now.²⁰ Þanne it folowep²¹ in þe storie: he bulde moo þan fourty abbayes, amonge þe whiche²² he made

Ab urbe.

*Capitulum nonum.*MS. HARL.
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EDGARUS, havyng xvj. yere in age, was made kyng, and reignede allemoste after his broper xvj. yere. In the xijth yere of the reigne of whom he was consecrate into the kyng at Bathe, of seynte Dunstan and Oswalde bischop; whiche callede anon seynte Dunstan from exile, and made hym of þe abbote of Glaston bischoppe of Worcestre, and made holle realmes divided, repressyng wickede men, and luffyng goode men. Whiche repairede mony churches, and clerkes putte from theym lyvyng insolentely, he putte monkes in theyme, makyng moo then xlith monasterys; amonge whom he

A transmi-
gracione.¹ 3ung, γ.² From Cx.; 3ere, β., 3er, γ.³ ham, β. and γ.⁴ Athamannes, β.⁵ Athamannes cyte, Cx.⁶ fiftenþe, β.; vyfteþe, γ.⁷ anoynted, β.; enoynted, Cx.⁸ Glastonbury, γ., et infra.⁹ Wircetre, β.; Wyrcetre, Cx.¹⁰ oned, β.; connexyd, Cx.¹¹ to. deled] divided, β.; devyded, Cx.¹² but, add. Cx.¹³ wicked, β.; wyhked, Cx.¹⁴ sober, γ.¹⁵ reparailed, β.¹⁶ amended, β.; amendede, γ.¹⁷ þas he dude, γ.¹⁸ oþer] om. α., β., and Cx.¹⁹ reverence, β. and Cx.; reve-
rauns, γ.²⁰ ynowz, β.²¹ volweþ, γ.²² whoche, γ.

monasteria construxit; inter quæ Glastoniense, Abendonense, Burgense, Thornei, Ramesey, Wyltoniense, Wyntoniense¹ locupletavit. Sed apud Wyntoniam in novo monasterio, quod ab eventu nunc Hida² dicitur, monachos loco clericorum primus instituit. Nam clerici laborem chori fugientes et bona ecclesiæ pro libito alibi consumentes, vicarios parum ad victum habentes loco sui³ constituerant. At cum ipsi ad monita regis Edgari, episcopi Ethelwoldi, ac archipræsulis Dunstani minime corrigerentur, rex ipse præbendas clericorum prædicatorum præfatis vicariis contulit: sed et illi in personatum promoti, vicarios sibi facientes, facti sunt pejores prioribus.

Edgarus in Wyntoniensi ecclesia monachos pro clericis introduxit.

¹ *Glaston, Abbindoniam, Burgum, Thorney, Ramesay, Wilton, Wentoñ, B.*

² *Hyda, A.*

³ Sic in MSS.

riche Glastyngbury,¹ Abyngdoun, Burgh, Thorney, Ramsey, Wiltoun, and Wynchestre; but at Wynchestre, in þe newe abbay þat now hatte Hida² for an happe þat þere byfel,³ he was þe firste þat dued⁴ monkes in stede⁵ of clerkes,⁶ for clerkes fliþ þe travayle of þe queere,⁷ and spende⁸ þe catel of holy cherche in oþer places⁹ at here owne wille, and dede¹⁰ vikars¹¹ in here stede þat hadde ful¹² litel for to lyve by; and whanne þey wolde nouþt be amended by warnyng of¹³ kyng Edgar, noþer of bisshop Ethelwolde, noþer of þe archebisshop Donston, þe kyng þraf þe provendes¹⁴ of þese¹⁵ chirches¹⁶ to þe forseide¹⁷ vikars. But þe¹⁸ vikars were worse þanne þe rapere whan þey were i-made persouns, and lyvede in more outrage þan þe rapere dede; and¹⁹ now for þe moste partie monkes beþ worste of alle, for þey beþ to riche, and þat makeþ hem to take more hede aboute seculer besynesse þan gostely devocioun; þerfore, as it is i-seide bifore in 4^o. libro in þe 26 capitulo, by Ierom, seþþe holy cherche encresede in possessiouns hit hap decreased in vertues. Þerfore seculer lordes schulde take away the superfluyte of here possessiouns, and þeve it to hem þat nedede, or elles whan þey knowen þat, þey beþ cause and mayntenours of here evel dedes, seþþe þey helpeþ nouþt to amende hit while it is in hir power, what evere covetous preostes seyn.

TREVISA.

Ab urbe. made ryche Glaston, Abindon, Petyrborowe, Thorney, Ramsey, Wilton, and Wynchestre; whiche putte monkes into that newe monastery callede Hide at Wynchestre, and expulsethe seculer prebendaries for their wikkede life. For those men fleynge the labour of the qwere, and consumyng the goodes of þat church in oþer places at their pleasure, ordeynede vicaryes to occupye their places, þiffenge litelle or nouþte to theym. Whiche clerkes spoken to by kyng Edgar, by Ethelwolde, and by seynte Dunstan, and amendyng not their lyfe, the kynges gave their prebendes to the vicaryes per. Whiche exaltede so, made vicaryes under theyme, and were wors then

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gracione.¹ *Glastenbury*, β. and Cx.² *Hyda*, β. and γ.³ *bifil*, β.; *byvul*, γ.⁴ *dide*, β.; *dude*, γ.⁵ *put in monkes instede*, Cx.⁶ *monkes*, α.⁷ *kere*, γ.⁸ *spende*, γ.⁹ *plas*, γ.¹⁰ *dede*] om. β. and Cx.¹¹ *dude vykers*, γ.¹² *fol*, γ.¹³ *warnyng of*] om. Cx.¹⁴ *provendes*, Cx.¹⁵ *þese*, γ.¹⁶ *clerkes*, β. and Cx.¹⁷ *vorseyd*, γ.¹⁸ *þese*, β.¹⁹ *and now . . . hem nedede* (page 467)] om. β., γ., and Cx.

Unde rex turbatus, annuente papa Johanne XIII., expulsis clericis,¹ monachos ibidem introduxit. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo.*² In³ diebus ejus nullus privatus latro aut publicus prædo⁴ quin pœnas solveret. Denique ipse rex omnes feras sanguinis⁵ avidas exterminare cogitabat; unde et Ludwallo Wallanorum regi^{Extirpatio luporum.} indixit ut certis annis trescentorum luporum tributum pensitaret; quod cum tribus annis reddidisset, in quarto anno nullum lupum invenire⁶ potuit. *Item Willelmus.*⁷ Et quamvis iste Edgarus staturæ fuerit et corpulentiae perexilis, quemcumque⁸ tamen audacem et fortem in congregiando lacesseret. Denique in quodam convivio, ubi se plerumque fatuorum dicacitas liberius⁹ ostentat, fertur Kinadium regem Scottorum ludibunde¹⁰ dixisse, mirum videri quod tam pusillo homuncioni tot provinciæ forent¹¹ subjectæ. Id quoque a quodam mimo

¹ *expulsis clericis*] om. C.D.
² *W. ubi supra*, B. To complete the reference, add Cap. viii. (Script. post Bedam, p. 59.)

³ *In . . . secundo* (page 470)] om. C.D.

⁴ *fuit*, A.; *inveniebatur*, B.

⁵ *sanguine*, B.

⁶ *reperire*, B.

⁷ Reference as above.

⁸ *quantumcumque*, B.

⁹ *se*, here in A.

¹⁰ *libidine*, B.

¹¹ *essent*, B.

For it were almesse to take away þe superfluite of here possessions now, þan it was at þe firste fundacioun to 3eve hem what hem nedede.¹ Þanne þe kyng was agreved, and by assent of þe prittenteþe² pope Iohn he put³ away⁴ þe clerkes and brouzt⁵ þere⁶ monkes. *Willelmus ubi supra.* In his tyme was noon þeof i-take,⁷ open ne prive, þat he ne hadde his peyne. Also pis kyng caste to destroye⁸ þe wilde bestes⁹ þat desireþ blood, þefore he made Ludwallus kyng of Wales bere¹⁰ hym certeyne 3eres a tribute of þre hondred wolfes, and whanne he hadde payed þus¹¹ þre 3ere to giders, in þe fourþe 3ere my3te nevere a wolf be founde.¹² *Item Willelmus.* Þeigh¹³ pis Edgar were smal and litel of stature he wolde overcome everich man, were he evere so strong, þat wolde wip hym fi3te.¹⁴ In a tyme at a feste þere¹⁵ iangelers¹⁶ schewep hem self most, me seiþ þat Kynadius,¹⁷ kyng of Scottes, seide in his game þat it semede wonder þat so meny provinces and londes were suget to so litel a man as Edgar was. A mynstral herde¹⁸ þat worde and tolde

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Ab urbe. the oper. The kyng movede soore þerat, and havynge grawnte of Iohn the xiiij^{the}, successoure to Leo the pope, sette monkes there. In his tyme was noon open robbry or thefte, other thefe but he suffrede dethe. Also that kyng commaunded alle bestes that wolde destroy peple to be sleyne. Wherefore he commaunded Ludwallus, kyng of men of Wales, that he scholde sende to hym by certeyn yeres ccc. skynnes of wulfes; and when he payede the summe or nowmbre of skynnes by iij. yere, he cowthe not fynde oon wulfe in the iiij^{the} yere. *Item Willelmus.* And thau3he this kyng Edgare was litelle of stature, neverthelesse he wolde have made a my3hty man feynte in fi3hte. Of whom hit was seide that Kynadius kyng of Scottes scholde reporte in this wise, seyenge: "Y have mer-
" vayne that so meny provinces be subiecte to oon soe lytelle
" a man." This herde of a minstrelle, reportede the same

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gracione.¹ See note 19, page 465.² þritteþe, a.; xiii., Cx.³ pot, γ.⁴ away] out, Cx.⁵ brouzt] put, Cx.⁶ þere, γ.⁷ þef ytake, γ.⁸ destruye, β.; destruye, γ.⁹ beestis, β.¹⁰ to bere, β.¹¹ þese, a.; þys, γ.; this, Cx.¹² founden, β. and Cx.; yvound,

γ.

¹³ þou3, β.¹⁴ vy3te, γ.¹⁵ þere] from β.; where, Cx.; þre,

MS.

¹⁶ þere jangulers, γ.¹⁷ Kynadus, Cx., et infra.¹⁸ mynstral hurde, γ.

auditum Edgari relatum est. At ille re suis celata de convivio ubi aderat Kynadius aliquando surgens Kynadius ^{Animositas Edgari.} quasi magni mysterii consulendi gratia accersitum longe in silvam deduxit, unum e duobus quos secum attulerat gladium tradens, et inquires, "Liceat nunc tibi¹ " vires tuas experiri cum² soli simus; appareat modo quis " nostrum alteri subisse debeat; turpe namque est regem " in convivio dicacem fore, nec in prælio pugnacem."³ Confusus ille ad pedes Edgari se projecit, simplicis joci veniam deprecatus. In omni æstate post festum Paschæ naves coadunari fecit, quas in quatuor partes distributas ad quatuor Angliæ partes posuit; unde cum⁴ occidentali classe navigavit ad parte borealem, cum boreali classe ad partem orientalem, cum orientali classe ad partem australem, cum australi classe ad partem occidentalem,

¹ *tibi*] om. A.
² *eum*] om. B.

³ *pugnantem*, A.B.
⁴ *Unde in*, B.

þe kyng fore,¹ and he tolde nouȝt his men [fore],² but aroos³ TREVISA.
 up from⁴ þe feste þere Kynadius was, and hadde Kynadius to
 hym as it were for a greet counsaile, and ladde hym fer⁵ into a
 wode, and took hym oon of tweie swerdes þat he hadde brouȝt
 wiþ hym, and spak to Kynadius, and seide: "Now þou hast
 "leve to kype⁶ þy strengeþe, and assaye⁷ wheþer of us
 "tweyne schal be suget to oþer, for now we beep here al⁸
 "alone:⁹ hit is a foule¹⁰ þing for a kyng to iangle moche¹¹ at
 "þe feste and nouȝt fiȝte¹² in batayle." Kynadius was
 aschamed,¹³ and fil down to Edgar his feet, and prayed hym for-
 ȝifnesse of þat symple word þat he hadde i-seide in his game.
 Everich somer after he wolde gadre¹⁴ schippes to gidres, and
 departe hem afoure, and sette hem in þe foure parties of Enge-
 lond. Þanne wiþ þe weste navey he wolde seile¹⁵ into þe norþ
 contray,¹⁶ wiþ þe norþ navey he wolde seyle into þe est¹⁷
 contray, wiþ þe est navey he wolde seille into þe souþ contray,
 and wiþ þe souþ navey into þe west¹⁸ contray. In þat doynge

Ab urbe. to kyng Edgar of the seyenge of Kynadius, whiche kepyng MS. HARL.
 thys secrete from his servautes, rysyng from the feste where 2261.
 Kynadius was, toke him into a wode by a goode space from any
 place, takenge to hym oon of ij. swerdes that he brouȝhte with
 hym, seyenge, "Nowe y ȝiffe to the licence to prove thy man-
 "hode and myȝhte whiles we be allon, and we schalle see wheþer
 "of us awe to be subiecte; for hit is a fowle vice in a kyng to
 "be talkatyve in a feste, and not manfulle in a felde." Kynadius
 the kyng of Scottes confused felle downe to the feete of
 kyng Edgar, preyenge forȝifnesse of those wordes seide in
 disporte. This kyng causede alle his schippes to be gedrede
 to a certeyne place in somer after Ester, whom he sende to iiij.
 partes of Ynglonde; whiche saylede with schippes in the weste
 unto the northe, and with schippes in the northe unto the este f. 307 b.
 partes of Yngelonde, and with schippes in the este unto the
 sowthe, and with the schippes per unto the weste partes of

¹ fore] om. Cx.; vore, γ.
² From α. (not β. and Cx.);
 vore, γ.
³ he aros, β.
⁴ bote aros vram, γ.
⁵ ver, γ.
⁶ kipe, β.; kype, γ.
⁷ assaye] from β.; stryngþe and
 assaye, γ.; essay, Cx.; assaile, MS.
⁸ al] om. γ. and Cx.
⁹ here aloon, β.

¹⁰ voul, γ.
¹¹ myche, β.
¹² vyȝte, γ.
¹³ abasshyd, Cx.
¹⁴ gaddre, γ.
¹⁵ seyle, β.
¹⁶ cuntray (quater), β.
¹⁷ est] from α., β., γ., and Cx.;
 west, MS.
¹⁸ west] from α., β., γ., and Cx.;
 est, MS.

pius in hoc explorator, ne piratæ quid turbarent. Hieme vero per provinciam¹ equitando judicia ministrorum exquirebat, violati juris severus ultor, sed in utroque rei publicæ utilis consultor. Veruntamen ipse Dacorum petitionibus inconsulte faventi vix fuit in Anglia viculus quo non cohabitarent Daci cum Anglis. Negotium hoc bono animo toleratum summæ calamitati peperit eventum, nam Daci a natura potatoes potissimi² hoc unum predicabile perpetuum³ reliquerunt Anglis,⁴ ut jam Anglorum probitas toti præjudicet mundo in calicibus epotandis. Quamobrem ipse rex Edgarus clavos in crateris infigi⁵ fecit,⁶ ut per emensos scyphorum⁷ terminos biberent ad mensuram. *Willelmus de Regibus et Pontificibus*,⁸ libro secundo.⁹ Hic igitur Edgarus ex Elfreda cognomento Candida genuit primogenitum suum Edwardum postea regem et martyrem. Deinde

Edwardus
rex et
martyr filius
Edgari
regis.

<p>¹ <i>provincias</i>, B. ² <i>fortissimi</i>, A. ³ <i>fortissimi unum prædicabile perpetuum</i>, B. ⁴ <i>Anglis</i>] om. A. ⁵ <i>effigi</i>, A.</p>	<p>⁶ <i>jussit</i>, B. ⁷ <i>ciphorum</i>, MS. ⁸ <i>et Pontificibus</i>] om. B. rightly. The reference is the same as the two previous ones. ⁹ See note 3, page 466.</p>
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he was a mylde aspie for see¹ þeves² schulde nouȝt greve in water noþer in londe. In þe wynter tyme he wolde ryde aboute in þe lond, and enquere and aspye for see þeeves and³ þe domes and dedes of his ministres. He wolde take cruel⁴ wreche of hem þat trespassed aȝenst⁵ þe law. At al tyme he was a profitable⁶ counsaillour for þe comynte; but he favored þe Danes unwisely in hire axynge, ffor unneþe was þere oon street in Englonde but Danes woned þerynne with Englische men. Þat was i-suffred wiþ a good herte, but þerof com a wel⁷ grevous ende, for þe Danes were grete drynkers by kynde,⁸ and lefte wiþ Englisshe men þat oon doynge þat is i-knowe⁹ and dureþ alwey, so þat now þe doynge of Englisshen men dop preiudice¹⁰ to al þe world in emptynge¹¹ of cuppes.¹² Þerfore kyng Edgar made stike nayles in þe cuppes,¹³ and marked¹⁴ so þe cuppes, for þey schulde drynke by mesure anon to þe nayles. *Willelmus de Regibus et Pontificibus, libro 2o.* Þan þis Edgar on his wif Egelfeda, þe white by hir surname,¹⁵ he ghat¹⁶ his eldest sone Edward, þat was aftirward¹⁷ kyng and martir. Þan oon Alfritha, þe duke his douȝter of

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Ab urbe. Ynglonde, serchyng in the wyse leste schippe scholde do eny hurte. Also in the wynter he did ryde thro his provinces, inquirenge of the disposicion of his ministres, schewyng crudelite to men despisinge the lawes. Neverthelesse this kyng favored so moche the peticion,¹⁸ that there was not oon towne or street in Englonde unnethe in whom the Danes did not inhabite, mixte with Ynglische men. For the Danes, grete drynkers of nature lefte memorialles to Ynglishemen that thei be callede now the gretteste drynkers in the worlde amonge alle other peple; wherefore kyng Edgare made nayles to be fixede in his masers and peces, that men scholde drynke by measure. *Willelmus de Regibus, libro secundo.* This kyng Edgare gate of Egelfeda Edwarde his firste sonne, after this kyng and martir; and he gate of Alfrida, doȝhter of Edgare

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The Danes lefte in Ynglonde a memorialle.

¹ see] þe, β.; se, γ.² espye for the theves, Cx.³ for . . . and] om. α. and β.⁴ cruwel, β. and γ.⁵ trespaside aȝenus, β.⁶ profithabel, γ.⁷ wel] ryght, Cx.⁸ kunde, γ.⁹ knowen, β.¹⁰ pryjudice, Cx.¹¹ amtyng, β.¹² wort in amtyng of coppes, γ.¹³ coppes, γ., bis.¹⁴ merked, β.¹⁵ surname] om. Cx.¹⁶ gate, β.; bygate, Cx.¹⁷ Edward, add. Cx.¹⁸ Sic in MS.

ex Alfritha filia Ordgari ducis Dovaniae¹ ²genuit Edmundum, qui ante patrem suum obiit, et Egeldredum, qui post sanctum Edwardum regnavit. Tandem de sancta Wylfritha genuit sanctam Editham virginem.² Hanc autem Wylfritham non vere sanctimoniam, sicut opinio vulgaris delirat, sed timore regis Edgari eam illicite concupiscentis se velantem constat regioque cubili sic subactam.³ Unde⁴ rex quod foeminam illam attigisset quae vel umbratice⁵ sanctimonialis putabatur, a beato Dunstano redargutus septennem exegit penitentiam. Illa quoque partu explicito voluptati renuncians religiose vixit sanctaque celebratur apud Wyltoniense monasterium et asseritur.⁶ De filia quoque⁷ Editha traditur quod et illa apud Wyltoniam sanctimonialis effecta cultioribus aliquando⁸ vestibus quam sua professio deposceret aliquotiens ornata, et ob hoc a sancto Ethelwoldo increpata, respondisse fertur nec inepte quidem nec⁹ facete. "Infallibile," inquit, "Dei

Penancia
Edgari septennis.

¹ *Devonensium* is the reading of Willelmus, and *Elfthrida* is the name of the wife there, and in a later sentence *Elfrida*.

² *pro cujus insano amore, maritum suum Ethelwoldum, Estanglorum ducem, in foresta de Werwella occisi fecerat, genuit Eadmundum et Etheldredum. Tandem de sancta*

Wilfritha genuit sanctam Editham virginem. Will., lib. 2., C.D.

³ *sublatam, C.D.*

⁴ *et, B.*

⁵ *umbrate, C.D.*

⁶ *sepelitur, C.D.*

⁷ *ejus, A.B.*

⁸ *aliquando] om. A.*

⁹ *inquit, inserted here by B.*

Devenshire, he gat Edmond þat deide tofore his fader, and Egelredus þat regnede after seint Edward. At þe laste¹ on seint Wilfritha he gat seint Edithe þe mayde. Þis Wilfritha was nouȝt verrayliche² a mynchoun,³ as þe comoun⁴ sawe madliche menep, but for drede⁵ of kyng Edgar, þat desirede here unlawfulliche,⁶ sche took⁷ mynchene⁸ cloþynge, but so sche⁹ was i-brouȝt to þe kynges bed : and for þe kyng lay by þat womman þat was i-hold and semede a mynchoun,¹⁰ he was i-blamed of seynt Donston, and dede penaunce sevene ȝere. Also whan sche¹¹ hadde childe sche¹¹ forsook flescheliche¹² likinge and manis companye, and lyvede religiousliche,¹³ and is i-holde a seynt in þe abbay of Wiltoun, so it is i-seide. Also of here douȝter Edithe it is i-seide þat while sche was a mynchoun¹⁴ at Wiltoun sche¹⁵ used ofter¹⁶ gayer cloþes þan here professioun axede,¹⁷ and sche¹⁵ was perfore i-blamed of seint Ethelwold,¹⁸ and sche¹⁵ answerde noþer unkovenabeliche¹⁹ noþer ful curteisliche :²⁰ " Goddes dome," quod sche,¹⁵ "[pat]"²¹ may

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Ab urbe. duke of Devonschire, Edmund, whiche diede afore his fader, and Egelrede whiche reignede after seynte Edward ; and he gate at the laste of seynte Wilfrithe seynte Edithe virgyn. This Wilfrithe was not a myncheon as peple reherse ; but sche toke the habite of a myncheon for cause that kyng Edgare hade inordinate luffe to here, and ȝitte the kyng toke his pleasure of here. Wherefore seynte Dunstan causede the kyng to do penaunce by vij. yere ; and sche, delyverede of childe, forsakede the worlde and lyvede religiously, and is callede a seynte, restynge at the monastery of Wilton. Hit is redde of Editha her doȝhter, made a myncheon at the monastery of Wilton, and werynge clothes of gretter rychesse then were conveniente to a religious woman, and blamede perfore of Ethelwoldus bischoppe, to have ansueryde in this wise : " The infallible

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gracione.Of seynte
Editha.¹ laste] om. β.² verreylyche, γ ; verely, Cx.³ monchon, β., et infra ; meynchyn, γ. ; menchon, Cx.⁴ comyn, β. and γ.⁵ deede, Cx.⁶ unlawefollych, γ.⁷ heo toke, β.⁸ monchon, β. ; nonnes, Cx. ; he touk meynchene, γ.⁹ heo, β. ; hue, γ.¹⁰ meynchen, γ. ; nonne, Cx.¹¹ heo, β., bis, et infra ; hue, γ., bis.¹² vleyshliche, γ.¹³ relygyously, Cx.¹⁴ menchon, Cx. ; hue was meynchen, γ.¹⁵ hue, γ., quater.¹⁶ ofte, Cx.¹⁷ axide, β.¹⁸ Ethelwold, α.¹⁹ uncovenablich, β. ; unkuvenabeliche, γ. ; uncovenably, Cx.²⁰ curtously, Cx. ; fol corteyslyche, γ.²¹ From α. and Cx.

“ iudicium sola operitur conscientia. Puto ergo quod tam
 “ sancta et incorrupta mens poterit latere sub istis
 “ vestibus deauratis sicut sub tuis discissis¹ pellibus.”
 Hanc aliquotiens Dunstanus dum ecclesiam quandam
 consecraret viderat pollicem dextrum frequenter pro-
 tendere et signum crucis fronti suæ imprimere. Ex
 quo delectatus Dunstanus ait, “ Nunquam putrescat hic
 “ digitus;” continuoque inter missarum solemnia Dun-
 stanus in lacrimas prorupit sic inquiring, “ Cito hæc
 “ florida rosa post sex hebdomadas marcescet :” quod et²
 ita contigit; nam corpore postmodum de terra levato
 repertum est totum in pulverem resolutum præter
 digitum præfatum³ et alvum cum secreto inferiori.
 Hujus rei causam⁴ Dunstano super hoc meditante ipsa⁵
 per visum exposuit, dicens, “ Ne mireris quod incorrupta
 “ sim in inferioribus corporis mei partibus, cum crapulæ

¹ *decisis*, B.

² *et]* om. A.

³ *prædictum*, add. B.

⁴ *Sancto*, add. A.B.

⁵ *ita*, B.

“ nouȝt faille, he¹ is i-pleded onliche wiȝ conscience ; perfore
 “ I trowe þat as clene a soule may be under þis² clopes þat
 “ beep arayed wiȝ golde, as under þyn slit furroure³ skynnes.”
 In a tyme while Donston halowed⁴ a chirche, he sigh⁵ þis⁶
 mayde crouse ofte here owne forhede wiȝ here riȝt þombe.
 Donston was glad þerof, and seide: “ I praye God þat þat
 “ þombe mote nevere roote.”⁷ And anon at þe masse Donston
 gan to wepe,⁸ and seide, “ Anon after sexe wokes þis faire⁹ rose
 “ schal folwe:”¹⁰ and so it byfel.¹¹ For afterward whan here
 body was i-take up of þe erþe it was i-founde¹² al i-roted¹³ and¹⁴
 i-torned into powder,¹⁵ out take þe¹⁶ thombe and here wombe
 wiȝ þe prive chose bynepe. Donston hadde þerof greet won-
 der, and þouȝte moche þerynne, and why it myȝte be. Þanne
 sche¹⁷ appered to hym, and tolde hym þe cause, and seide:
 “ Wonder þow riȝt nowt þey I¹⁸ be hole¹⁹ and sownde in þe
 “ neper partie²⁰ of my body, for I²¹ was nevere gilty²² of out-

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Ab urbe.

“ iuggemente of God is coverede oonly in the conscience; MS. HARL.
 “ wherefore y suppose that is hooly a mynde and incorrupte 2261.
 “ taryethe and remayneth under these clothes of golde as under
 “ thy furrede clothes.” Seynte Dunstan halowenge a chirche in
 a tyme, see that virgyn makege the signe of the crosse in his²³
 forehede with hir fynger, wherein he havyngre grete delecta-
 cion seide, “ Y pray God that fynger never roote:” and at the
 masse tyme seynte Dunstan did wepe, seyenge, “ That florisch-
 “ enge roose schalle fade after vj. weekes y-paste.” And hit
 happede soe, for the body of that virgyn taken from the
 erthe was founde resolvede into powdre, the fyngre excepte
 and the secrete partes of here wombe. Seynte Dunstan
 beyngre in meditacion and thenkyngre þeron, sche apperyde to f. 308 a.
 hym, seyenge, “ Have noo mervayle that y am incorrupte in the
 “ inferialle partes of my body, sithe y was never gilty in sur-

A transmi-
gracione.¹ he] om. a., β., γ., and Cx.² þues, γ.; these, Cx.³ slyt forour, β., γ., and Cx.⁴ halewide, β.⁵ syȝ, β.⁶ þues, γ.⁷ rotte, a., β., and γ.; rotte, Cx.⁸ weope, β.⁹ þues veyre, γ.¹⁰ welweye, β.; wolwe, γ.; wel

wydre, Cx.

¹¹ hit byfel, β.¹² yvounde, γ.¹³ founden al rooted, β.¹⁴ i-roted and] om. γ.¹⁵ to pouþere, a.¹⁶ þat, a.¹⁷ heo, β.; hue, γ., and to the end
of the chapter.¹⁸ þouȝ ich, β.; þeyȝ ich, γ.¹⁹ hool, β.; hol, γ.²⁰ partyes, a. and γ.; parties, β.;
partes, Cx.²¹ ich, γ.²² gulty, γ.²³ Sic in MS.

“ et libidinis semper fuerim immunis.” Item de ista sancta legitur quod dum rex¹ Canutus, qui parum dilexerat sanctos Angliæ, semel in quodam festo Pentecostis apud Wyltoniam convivans solemnes cachinnos in sanctam Editham effunderit, dicens se nunquam crediturum quod filia Edgari libidinosi et tyranni sancta foret. Contradixit Ednotus archiepiscopus² ibi præsens, qui statim sepulcrum defunctæ virginis aperuit, ubi illa cingulotenus se erigens in contumacem regem impetum facere visa est. Quo metu rex turbatus³ quasi exanimis cecidit, sed tandem respirans lætus erubuit quod pœnitentiæ reservatur.⁴

¹ *rex*] om. B.

² *tunc*, A.B.

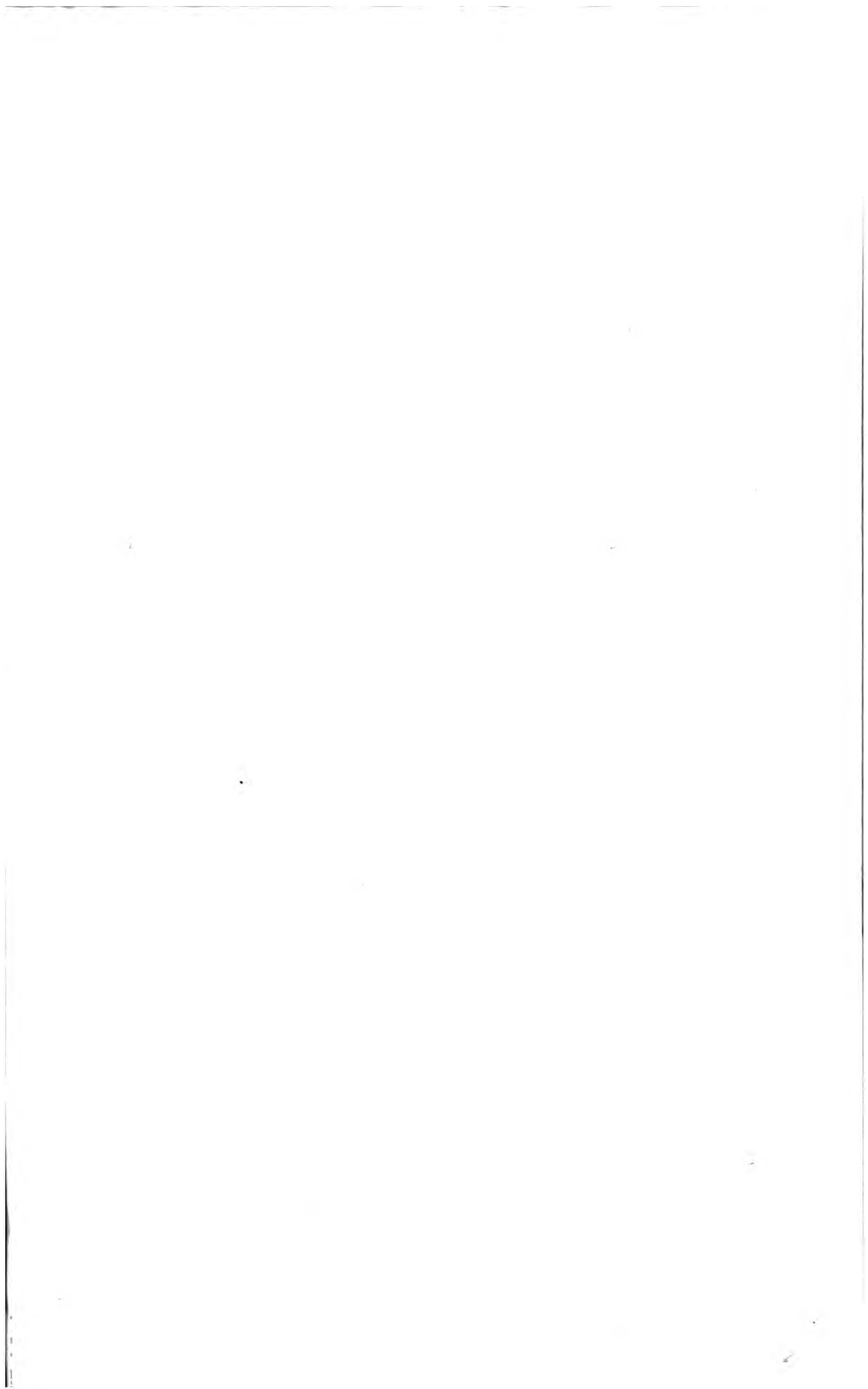
³ *humi*, add. A.B.

⁴ *reservatus sit*, B.

“rage of mete and drynke, noþer of flescheliche likynge.” **TREVISIA.**
 Also of pis holy mayde it is i-rad þat while¹ kyng Canutus lyvede litel² on³ seyntes of Engeland, ones in a Witsontyde at Wiltoun at a feste he made open⁴ mowes, and scornede seint Edithe, and seide þat he wolde nevere trowe þat of Edgar his children,⁵ þat was leccherous and a greet tyraunt, schulde be a seynt. Ednotus þe archebisshop wipseide, þat þo was present pere,⁶ and opened anon þe grave of þe mayde. Þanne sche⁷ arered here self up [to]⁸ þe girdel stede, so þat it semede as þeyʒ sche schulde⁹ have i-resed on þe rebel kyng. For¹⁰ þat drede¹¹ þe kyng was astonyed,¹² and fil¹³ down to þe grounde as þeyʒ he were i-sowe,¹⁴ and drowʒ breth at þe laste, and was aschamed, and glad þat he was i-saved and i-kept¹⁵ to do worpy penaunce.¹⁶

Ab urbe. “fette or in lecchery.” Also hit is redde of this holy virgyn **MS. HART.**
 Edithe that Canutus the kynge, whiche hade litelle devocion to **2261.**
 seyntes, scholde say in Pentecoste at Wilton to the derision of **A transmi-**
 this holy virgyn, seyenge that he wolde never beleve that the **gracione.**
 doʒhter of leccherous Edgarus and a tyraunte scholde be a seynte; but Ednotus archebisshop þen presente seide contrary. Whiche goynge to the beryalle of that holy virgyn, openede hit, and sche arysede anon, and as if sche scholde have made resistance to hym. Canutus trowblede soore of that siʒhte, lay on the grownde as dedde; whiche revivynge, was gladde that he was reservede to lyfe that he myʒhte do penaunce.

¹ wile, β.	⁹ schulde] wolde, β.; wold, Cx.
² lovede lyte, α. and γ.; loved litel, β.; loved lytel sayntes, Cx.	¹⁰ vor, γ.
³ on] om. α., β., and γ.	¹¹ dede, Cx.
⁴ oppen, γ.	¹² astoneyed, γ.
⁵ chyldern, γ.	¹³ vul, γ.
⁶ pere present, α. and β. heo, β., et infra. From β. and γ.	¹⁴ a swowe, β.; y-swowe, γ.; in a swoun, Cx.
	¹⁵ entended, Cx.
	¹⁶ penauns, γ.



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This is a metrical translation of a Latin Prose Chronicle, and was written in the first half of the 16th century. The narrative begins with the earliest legends, and ends with the death of James I. of Scotland, and the "evil ending of the traitors that slew him." Strict accuracy of statement is not to be looked for in such a work as this ; but the stories of the colonization of Spain, Ireland, and Scotland are interesting if not true ; and the chronicle is valuable as a reflection of the manners, sentiments, and character of the age in which it was composed. The peculiarities of the Scottish dialect are well illustrated in this metrical version, and the student of language will find ample materials for comparison with the English dialects of the same period, and with modern lowland Scotch.

7. **JOHANNIS CAPGRAVE LIBER DE ILLUSTRIBUS HENRICIS.** *Edited by the* Rev. F. C. HINGESTON, M.A., of Exeter College, Oxford. 1858.

This work is dedicated to Henry VI. of England, who appears to have been, in the author's estimation, the greatest of all the Henries. It is divided into three distinct parts, each having its own separate dedication. The first part relates only to the history of the Empire, and extends from the election of Henry I., the Fowler, to the end of the reign of the Emperor Henry VI. The second part is devoted to English history, and extends from the accession of Henry I. in the year 1100, to the year 1446, which was the twenty-fourth year of the reign of King Henry VI. The third part contains the lives of illustrious men who have borne the name of Henry in various parts of the world.

Capgrave was born in 1393, in the reign of Richard II., and lived during the Wars of the Roses, for the history of which period his work is of some value.

8. **HISTORIA MONASTERII S. AUGUSTINI CANTUARIENSIS,** by THOMAS OF ELMHAM, formerly Monk and Treasurer of that Foundation. *Edited by* CHARLES HARDWICK, M.A., Fellow of St. Catharine's Hall, and Christian Advocate in the University of Cambridge. 1858.

This history extends from the arrival of St. Augustine in Kent until 1191. Prefixed is a chronology as far as 1418, which shows in outline what was to have been the character of the work when completed. The only copy known is in the possession of Trinity Hall, Cambridge. The author was connected with Norfolk, and most probably with Elmham, whence he derived his name.

9. **EULOGIUM (HISTORIARUM SIVE TEMPORIS) : Chronicon ab Orbe condito usque ad Annum Domini 1366 ; a Monacho quodam Malmesbiriensi exaratum.** Vols. I., II., and III. *Edited by* F. S. HAYDON, Esq., B.A. 1858-1863.

This is a Latin Chronicle extending from the Creation to the latter part of the reign of Edward III., and written by a monk of the Abbey of Malmesbury, in Wiltshire, about the year 1367. A continuation, carrying the history of England down to the year 1413, was added in the former half of the fifteenth century by an author whose name is not known. The original Chronicle is divided into five books, and contains a history of the world generally, but more especially

of England to the year 1366. The continuation extends the history down to the coronation of Henry V. The Eulogium itself is chiefly valuable as containing a history, by a contemporary, of the period between 1356 and 1366. The notices of events appear to have been written very soon after their occurrence. Among other interesting matter, the Chronicle contains a diary of the Poitiers campaign, evidently furnished by some person who accompanied the army of the Black Prince. The continuation of the Chronicle is also the work of a contemporary, and gives a very interesting account of the reigns of Richard II. and Henry IV. It is believed to be the earliest authority for the statement that the latter monarch died in the Jerusalem Chamber at Westminster.

10. MEMORIALS OF HENRY THE SEVENTH: Bernardi Andreae Tholosatis Vita Regis Henrici Septimi; necnon alia quædam ad eundem Regem spectantia. Edited by JAMES GAIRDNER, Esq. 1858.

The contents of this volume are—(1) a life of Henry VII., by his poet laureate and historiographer, Bernard André, of Toulouse, with some compositions in verse, of which he is supposed to have been the author; (2) the journals of Roger Machado during certain embassies on which he was sent by Henry VII. to Spain and Brittany, the first of which had reference to the marriage of the King's son, Arthur, with Catharine of Arragon; (3) two curious reports by envoys sent to Spain in the year 1505 touching the succession to the Crown of Castile, and a project of marriage between Henry VII. and the Queen of Naples; and (4) an account of Philip of Castile's reception in England in 1506. Other documents of interest in connexion with the period are given in an appendix.

11. MEMORIALS OF HENRY THE FIFTH. I.—Vita Henrici Quinti, Roberto Redmanno auctore. II.—Versus Rhythmici in laudem Regis Henrici Quinti. III.—Elmhami Liber Metricus de Henrico V. Edited by CHARLES A. COLE, Esq. 1858.

This volume contains three treatises which more or less illustrate the history of the reign of Henry V., viz.: A Life by Robert Redman; a Metrical Chronicle by Thomas Elmham, prior of Lenton, a contemporary author; Versus Rhythmici, written apparently by a monk of Westminster Abbey, who was also a contemporary of Henry V. These works are printed for the first time.

12. MUNIMENTA GILDHALLÆ LONDONIENSIS; Liber Albus, Liber Custumarum, et Liber Horn, in archivis Gildhallæ asservati. Vol. I. Liber Albus. Vol. II. (in Two Parts), Liber Custumarum. Vol. III., Translation of the Anglo-Norman Passages in Liber Albus, Glossaries, Appendices, and Index. Edited by HENRY THOMAS RILEY, Esq., M.A., Barrister-at-Law. 1859–1862.

The manuscript of the *Liber Albus*, compiled by John Carpenter, Common Clerk of the City of London in the year 1419, a large folio volume, is preserved in the Record Room of the City of London. It gives an account of the laws, regulations, and institutions of that City in the twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth, and early part of the fifteenth centuries.

The *Liber Custumarum* was compiled probably by various hands in the early part of the fourteenth century during the reign of Edward II. The manuscript, a folio volume, is also preserved in the Record Room of the City of London, though some portion in its original state, borrowed from the City in the reign of Queen Elizabeth and never returned, forms part of the Cottonian MS. Claudius D. II. in the British Museum. It also gives an account of the laws, regulations, and institutions of the City of London in the twelfth, thirteenth, and early part of the fourteenth centuries.

13. CHRONICA JOHANNIS DE OXENEDES. Edited by Sir HENRY ELLIS, K.H. 1859.

Although this Chronicle tells of the arrival of Hengist and Horsa in England in the year 449, yet it substantially begins with the reign of King Alfred, and

comes down to the year 1292, where it ends abruptly. The history is particularly valuable for notices of events in the eastern portions of the kingdom, which are not to be elsewhere obtained, and some curious facts are mentioned relative to the floods in that part of England, which are confirmed in the Friesland Chronicle of Anthony Heinrich, pastor of the Island of Mohr.

14. A COLLECTION OF POLITICAL POEMS AND SONGS RELATING TO ENGLISH HISTORY, FROM THE ACCESSION OF EDWARD III. TO THE REIGN OF HENRY VIII. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* THOMAS WRIGHT, Esq., M.A. 1859-1861.

These Poems are perhaps the most interesting of all the historical writings of the period, though they cannot be relied on for accuracy of statement. They are various in character; some are upon religious subjects, some may be called satires, and some give no more than a court scandal; but as a whole they present a very fair picture of society, and of the relations of the different classes to one another. The period comprised is in itself interesting, and brings us, through the decline of the feudal system, to the beginning of our modern history. The songs in old English are of considerable value to the philologist.

15. The "OPUS TERTIUM," "OPUS MINUS," &c., of ROGER BACON. *Edited by* J. S. BREWER, M.A., Professor of English Literature, King's College, London. 1859.

This is the celebrated treatise—never before printed—so frequently referred to by the great philosopher in his works. It contains the fullest details we possess of the life and labours of Roger Bacon: also a fragment by the same author, supposed to be unique, the "*Compendium Studii Theologiae*."

16. BARTHOLOMÆI DE COTTON, MONACHI NORWICENSIS, HISTORIA ANGLICANA; 449-1298: necnon ejusdem Liber de Archiepiscopis et Episcopis Angliæ. *Edited by* HENRY RICHARDS LUARD, M.A., Fellow and Assistant Tutor of Trinity College, Cambridge. 1859.

The author, a monk of Norwich, has here given us a Chronicle of England from the arrival of the Saxons in 449 to the year 1298, in or about which year it appears that he died. The latter portion of this history (the whole of the reign of Edward I. more especially) is of great value, as the writer was contemporary with the events which he records. An Appendix contains several illustrative documents connected with the previous narrative.

17. BRUT Y TYWYSGION; or, The Chronicle of the Princes of Wales. *Edited by* the Rev. JOHN WILLIAMS AB ITHEL, M.A. 1860.

This work, also known as "The Chronicle of the Princes of Wales," has been attributed to Caradoc of Llancarvan, who flourished about the middle of the twelfth century. It is written in the ancient Welsh language, begins with the abdication and death of Caedwala at Rome, in the year 681, and continues the history down to the subjugation of Wales by Edward I., about the year 1282.

18. A COLLECTION OF ROYAL AND HISTORICAL LETTERS DURING THE REIGN OF HENRY IV. 1399-1404. *Edited by* the Rev. F. C. HINGESTON, M.A., of Exeter College, Oxford. 1860.

This volume, like all the others in the series containing a miscellaneous selection of letters, is valuable on account of the light it throws upon biographical history, and the familiar view it presents of characters, manners, and events. The period requires much elucidation; to which it will materially contribute.

19. THE REPRESSOR OF OVER MUCH BLAMING OF THE CLERGY. By REGINALD PECOCK, sometime Bishop of Chichester. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* CHURCHILL BABINGTON, B.D., Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge. 1860.

The "Repressor" may be considered the earliest piece of good theological disquisition of which our English prose literature can boast. The author was born

about the end of the fourteenth century, consecrated Bishop of St. Asaph in the year 1444, and translated to the see of Chichester in 1450. While Bishop of St. Asaph, he zealously defended his brother prelates from the attacks of those who censured the bishops for their neglect of duty. He maintained that it was no part of a bishop's functions to appear in the pulpit, and that his time might be more profitably spent, and his dignity better maintained, in the performance of works of a higher character. Among those who thought differently were the Lollards, and against their general doctrines the "Repressor" is directed. Peacock took up a position midway between that of the Roman Church and that of the modern Anglican Church; but his work is interesting chiefly because it gives a full account of the views of the Lollards and of the arguments by which they were supported, and because it assists us to ascertain the state of feeling which ultimately led to the Reformation. Apart from religious matters, the light thrown upon contemporaneous history is very small, but the "Repressor" has great value for the philologist, as it tells us what were the characteristics of the language in use among the cultivated Englishmen of the fifteenth century. Peacock, though an opponent of the Lollards, showed a certain spirit of toleration, for which he received, towards the end of his life, the usual mediæval reward—persecution.

20. *ANNALES CAMBRIÆ. Edited by the Rev. JOHN WILLIAMS AB ITHEL, M.A. 1860.*

These annals, which are in Latin, commence in the year 447, and come down to the year 1288. The earlier portion appears to be taken from an Irish Chronicle, which was also used by Tigernach, and by the compiler of the Annals of Ulster. During its first century it contains scarcely anything relating to Britain, the earliest direct concurrence with English history is relative to the mission of Augustine. Its notices throughout, though brief, are valuable. The annals were probably written at St. Davids, by Blegewryd, Archdeacon of Llandaff, the most learned man in his day in all Cymru.

21. *THE WORKS OF GIRALDUS CAMBRENSIS. Vols. I., II., III., and IV. Edited by J. S. BREWER, M.A., Professor of English Literature, King's College, London. Vols. V. and VI. Edited by the Rev. JAMES F. DIMOCK, M.A., Rector of Barnburgh, Yorkshire. 1861-1873.*

These volumes contain the historical works of Gerald du Barry, who lived in the reigns of Henry II., Richard I., and John, and attempted to re-establish the independence of Wales by restoring the see of St. Davids to its ancient primacy. His works are of a very miscellaneous nature, both in prose and verse, and are remarkable chiefly for the racy and original anecdotes which they contain relating to contemporaries. He is the only Welsh writer of any importance who has contributed so much to the mediæval literature of this country, or assumed, in consequence of his nationality, so free and independent a tone. His frequent travels in Italy, in France, in Ireland, and in Wales, gave him opportunities for observation which did not generally fall to the lot of mediæval writers in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries, and of these observations Giraldus has made due use. Only extracts from these treatises have been printed before, and almost all of them are taken from unique manuscripts.

The *Topographia Hibernica* (in Vol. V.) is the result of Giraldus' two visits to Ireland. The first in the year 1183, the second in 1185-6, when he accompanied Prince John into that country. Curious as this treatise is, Mr. Dimock is of opinion that it ought not to be accepted as sober truthful history, for Giraldus himself states that truth was not his main object, and that he compiled the work for the purpose of sounding the praises of Henry the Second. Elsewhere, however, he declares that he had stated nothing in the *Topographia* of the truth of which he was not well assured, either by his own eyesight or by the testimony, with all diligence elicited, of the most trustworthy and authentic men in the country; that though he did not put just the same full faith in their reports as in what he had himself seen, yet, as they only related what they had themselves seen, he could not but believe such credible witnesses. A very interesting portion of this treatise is devoted to the animals of Ireland. It shows that he was a very accurate and acute observer, and his descriptions are given in a way that a scientific naturalist of the present day could hardly improve upon. The *Expugnatio Hibernica* was written about the year 1188 and may be regarded rather

as a great epic than a sober relation of acts occurring in his own days. No one can peruse it without coming to the conclusion that it is rather a poetical fiction than a prosaic truthful history.

Vol. VI. contains the *Itinerarium Kambriæ et Descriptio Kambriæ*.

22. **LETTERS AND PAPERS ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE WARS OF THE ENGLISH IN FRANCE DURING THE REIGN OF HENRY THE SIXTH, KING OF ENGLAND.** Vol. I., and Vol. II. (in Two Parts). *Edited by* the Rev. JOSEPH STEVENSON, M.A., of University College, Durham, and Vicar of Leighton Buzzard. 1861-1864.

The letters and papers contained in these volumes are derived chiefly from originals or contemporary copies extant in the Bibliothèque Impériale, and the Dépôt des Archives, in Paris. They illustrate the line of policy adopted by John Duke of Bedford and his successors during their government of Normandy, and such other provinces of France as had been acquired by Henry V. We may here trace, step by step, the gradual declension of the English power, until we are prepared to read of its final overthrow.

23. **THE ANGLO-SAXON CHRONICLE, ACCORDING TO THE SEVERAL ORIGINAL AUTHORITIES.** Vol. I., Original Texts. Vol. II., Translation. *Edited and translated by* BENJAMIN THORPE, Esq., Member of the Royal Academy of Sciences at Munich, and of the Society of Netherlandish Literature at Leyden. 1861.

This Chronicle, extending from the earliest history of Britain to the year 1154, is justly the boast of England; for no other nation can produce any history, written in its own vernacular, at all approaching it, either in antiquity, truthfulness, or extent, the historical books of the Bible alone excepted. There are at present six independent manuscripts of the Saxon Chronicle, ending in different years, and written in different parts of the country. In this edition, the text of each manuscript is printed in columns on the same page, so that the student may see at a glance the various changes which occur in orthography, whether arising from locality or age.

24. **LETTERS AND PAPERS ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE REIGNS OF RICHARD III. AND HENRY VII.** Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* JAMES GAIRDNER, Esq. 1861-1863.

The Papers are derived from MSS. in the Public Record Office, the British Museum, and other repositories. The period to which they refer is unusually destitute of chronicles and other sources of historical information, so that the light obtained from these documents is of special importance. The principal contents of the volumes are some diplomatic Papers of Richard III.; correspondence between Henry VII. and Ferdinand and Isabella of Spain; documents relating to Edmund de la Pole, Earl of Suffolk; and a portion of the correspondence of James IV. of Scotland.

25. **LETTERS OF BISHOP GROSSETESTE, illustrative of the Social Condition of his Time.** *Edited by* HENRY RICHARDS LUARD, M.A., Fellow and Assistant Tutor of Trinity College, Cambridge. 1861.

The Letters of Robert Grosseteste (131 in number) are here collected from various sources, and a large portion of them is printed for the first time. They range in date from about 1210 to 1253, and relate to various matters connected not only with the political history of England during the reign of Henry III., but with its ecclesiastical condition. They refer especially to the diocese of Lincoln, of which Grosseteste was bishop.

26. **DESCRIPTIVE CATALOGUE OF MANUSCRIPTS RELATING TO THE HISTORY OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.** Vol. I. (in Two Parts); Anterior to the Norman Invasion. Vol. II.; 1066-1200. Vol. III.; 1200-1327. *By* Sir THOMAS DUFFUS HARDY, D.C.L., Deputy Keeper of the Public Records. 1862-1871.

The object of this work is to publish notices of all known sources of British history, both printed and unprinted, in one continued sequence. The materials, when historical (as distinguished from biographical), are arranged under the year in which the latest event is recorded in the chronicle or history, and not

under the period in which its author, real or supposed, flourished. Biographies are enumerated under the year in which the person commemorated died, and not under the year in which the life was written. This arrangement has two advantages; the materials for any given period may be seen at a glance; and if the reader knows the time when an author wrote, and the number of years that had elapsed between the date of the events and the time the writer flourished, he will generally be enabled to form a fair estimate of the comparative value of the narrative itself. A brief analysis of each work has been added when deserving it, in which the original portions are distinguished from those which are mere compilations. When possible, the sources are indicated from which such compilations have been derived. A biographical sketch of the author of each piece has been added, and a brief notice has also been given of such British authors as have written on historical subjects.

27. **ROYAL AND OTHER HISTORICAL LETTERS ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE REIGN OF HENRY III.** Vol. I., 1216–1235. Vol. II., 1236–1272. *Selected and edited by* the Rev. W. W. SHIRLEY, D.D., Regius Professor in Ecclesiastical History, and Canon of Christ Church, Oxford. 1862–1866.

The letters contained in these volumes are derived chiefly from the ancient correspondence formerly in the Tower of London, and now in the Public Record Office. They illustrate the political history of England during the growth of its liberties, and throw considerable light upon the personal history of Simon de Montfort. The affairs of France form the subject of many of them, especially in regard to the province of Gascony. The entire collection consists of nearly 700 documents, the greater portion of which is printed for the first time.

28. **CHRONICA MONASTERII S. ALBANI.**—1. THOMÆ WALSINGHAM HISTORIA ANGLICANA; Vol. I., 1272–1381; Vol. II., 1381–1422. 2. WILLELMI RISHANGER CHRONICA ET ANNALES, 1259–1307. 3. JOHANNIS DE TROKELOWE ET HENRICI DE BLANEFORDE CHRONICA ET ANNALES, 1259–1296; 1307–1324; 1392–1406. 4. GESTA ABBATUM MONASTERII S. ALBANI, A THOMA WALSINGHAM, REGNANTE RICARDO SECUNDO, EJUSDEM ECCLESIE PRÆCENTORE, COMPILATA; Vol. I., 793–1290; Vol. II., 1290–1349; Vol. III., 1349–1411. 5. JOHANNIS AMUNDESHAM, MONACHI MONASTERII S. ALBANI, UT VIDETUR, ANNALES; Vols. I. and II. 6. REGISTRA QUORUNDAM ABBATUM MONASTERII S. ALBANI, QUI SÆCULO XV^{mo} FLORUERE; Vol. I., REGISTRUM ABBATIS JOHANNIS WHETHAMSTEDE, ABBATIS MONASTERII SANCTI ALBANI, ITERUM SUSCEPTÆ; ROBERTO BLAKENEY, CAPELLANO, QUONDAM ADSRIPTUM; Vol. II., REGISTRA JOHANNIS WHETHAMSTEDE, WILLELMI ALBON, ET WILLELMI WALINGFORDE, ABBATUM MONASTERII SANCTI ALBANI, CUM APPENDICE, CONTINENTE QUASDAM EPISTOLAS, A JOHANNE WHETHAMSTEDE CONSCRIPTAS. 7. YPODIGMA NEUSTRIÆ, A THOMA WALSINGHAM, QUONDAM MONACHO MONASTERII S. ALBANI, CONSCRIPTUM. *Edited by* HENRY THOMAS RILEY, Esq., M.A., Cambridge and Oxford; and of the Inner Temple, Barrister-at-Law. 1863–1876.

In the first two volumes is a History of England, from the death of Henry III. to the death of Henry V., by Thomas Walsingham, Precentor of St. Albans, from MS. VII. in the Arundel Collection in the College of Arms, London, a manuscript of the fifteenth century, collated with MS. 13 E. IX. in the King's Library in the British Museum, and MS. VII. in the Parker Collection of Manuscripts at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge.

In the third volume is a Chronicle of English History, attributed to William Rishanger, who lived in the reign of Edward I., from the Cotton. MS. Faustina B. IX. in the British Museum, collated with MS. 14 C. VII. (fols. 219–231) in the King's Library, British Museum, and the Cotton MS. Claudius E. III., fols. 306–331: an account of transactions attending the award of the kingdom of Scotland to John Balliol, 1291–1292, from MS. Cotton. Claudius D. VI., also attributed to William Rishanger, but on no sufficient ground: a short Chronicle of English History, 1292 to 1300,

by an unknown hand, from MS. Cotton. Claudius D. VI. : a short Chronicle, Willelmi Rishanger Gesta Edwardi Primi, Regis Angliæ, from MS. 14 C. I. in the Royal Library, and MS. Cotton. Claudius D. VI., with *Annales Regum Angliæ*, probably by the same hand: and fragments of three Chronicles of English History, 1285 to 1307.

In the fourth volume is a Chronicle of English History, 1259 to 1296, from MS. Cotton. Claudius D. VI. : *Annals of Edward II.*, 1307 to 1323, by John de Trokelowe, a monk of St. Albans, and a continuation of Trokelowe's *Annals*, 1323, 1324, by Henry de Blaneforde, both from MS. Cotton. Claudius D. VI. : a full Chronicle of English History, 1392 to 1406, from MS. VII. in the Library of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge; and an account of the Benefactors of St. Albans, written in the early part of the fifteenth century, from MS. VI. in the same Library.

The fifth, sixth, and seventh volumes contain a history of the Abbots of St. Albans, 793 to 1411, mainly compiled by Thomas Walsingham, from MS. Cotton. Claudius E. IV., in the British Museum: with a Continuation, from the closing pages of Parker MS. VII., in the Library of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge.

The eighth and ninth volumes, in continuation of the *Annals*, contain a Chronicle, probably by John Amundesham, a monk of St. Albans.

The tenth and eleventh volumes relate especially to the acts and proceedings of Abbots Whethamstede, Albon, and Wallingford, and may be considered as a memorial of the chief historical and domestic events during those periods.

The twelfth volume contains a compendious History of England to the reign of Henry V., and of Normandy in early times, also by Thomas Walsingham, and dedicated to Henry V. The compiler has often substituted other authorities in place of those consulted in the preparation of his larger work.

29. *CHRONICON ABBATIAE EVESHAMENSIS, AUCTORIBUS DOMINICO PRIORE EVESHAMIAE ET THOMA DE MARLEBERGE ABBATE, A FUNDATIONE AD ANNUM 1213, UNA CUM CONTINUATIONE AD ANNUM 1418.* Edited by the Rev. W. D. MACRAY, M.A., Bodleian Library, Oxford. 1863.

The Chronicle of Evesham illustrates the history of that important monastery from its foundation by Egwin, about 690, to the year 1418. Its chief feature is an autobiography, which makes us acquainted with the inner daily life of a great abbey, such as but rarely has been recorded. Interspersed are many notices of general, personal, and local history which will be read with much interest. This work exists in a single MS., and is for the first time printed.

30. *RICARDI DE CIRENCESTRIA SPECULUM HISTORIALE DE GESTIS REGUM ANGLIÆ.* Vol. I., 447-871. Vol. II., 872-1066. Edited by JOHN E. B. MAYOR, M.A., Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge. 1863-1869.

The compiler, Richard of Cirencester, was a monk of Westminster, 1355-1400. In 1391 he obtained a licence to make a pilgrimage to Rome. His history, in four books, extends from 447 to 1066. He announces his intention of continuing it, but there is no evidence that he completed any more. This chronicle gives many charters in favour of Westminster Abbey, and a very full account of the lives and miracles of the saints, especially of Edward the Confessor, whose reign occupies the fourth book. A treatise on the Coronation, by William of Sudbury, a monk of Westminster, fills book iii. c. 3. It was on this author that C. J. Bertram fathered his forgery, *De Situ Britannia*, in 1747.

31. *YEAR BOOKS OF THE REIGN OF EDWARD THE FIRST.* Years 20-21, 21-22, 30-31, and 32-33. Edited and translated by ALFRED JOHN HORWOOD, Esq., of the Middle Temple, Barrister-at-Law. 1863-1873.

The volumes known as the "Year Books" contain reports in Norman-French of cases argued and decided in the Courts of Common Law. They may be considered to a great extent as the "lex non scripta" of England, and have been held in the highest veneration by the ancient sages of the law, and were received by them as the repositories of the first recorded judgments and dicta of the great

legal luminaries of past ages. They are also worthy of the attention of the general reader on account of the historical information and the notices of public and private persons which they contain, as well as the light which they throw on ancient manners and customs.

32. **NARRATIVES OF THE EXPULSION OF THE ENGLISH FROM NORMANDY, 1449-1450.**—Robertus Blondelli de Reductione Normanniæ: Le Recouvrement de Normandie, par Berry, Hérault du Roy: Conférences between the Ambassadors of France and England. *Edited, from MSS. in the Imperial Library at Paris, by the Rev. JOSEPH STEVENSON, M.A., of University College, Durham.* 1863.

This volume contains the narrative of an eye-witness who details with considerable power and minuteness the circumstances which attended the final expulsion of the English from Normandy in the year 1450. The history commences with the infringement of the truce by the capture of Fougères, and ends with the battle of Formigny and the embarkation of the Duke of Somerset. The whole period embraced is less than two years.

33. **HISTORIA ET CARTULARIUM MONASTERII S. PETRI GLOUCESTRÆ.** Vols. I., II., and III. *Edited by W. H. HART, Esq., F.S.A., Membre correspondant de la Société des Antiquaires de Normandie.* 1863-1867.

This work consists of two parts, the History and the Cartulary of the Monastery of St. Peter, Gloucester. The history furnishes an account of the monastery from its foundation, in the year 681, to the early part of the reign of Richard II., together with a calendar of donations and benefactions. It treats principally of the affairs of the monastery, but occasionally matters of general history are introduced. Its authorship has generally been assigned to Walter Froucester, the twentieth abbot, but without any foundation.

34. **ALEXANDRI NECKAM DE NATURIS RERUM LIBRI DUO; with NECKAM'S POEM, DE LAUDIBUS DIVINÆ SAPIENTIÆ.** *Edited by THOMAS WRIGHT, Esq., M.A.* 1863.

Neckam was a man who devoted himself to science, such as it was in the twelfth century. In the "De Naturis Rerum" are to be found what may be called the rudiments of many sciences mixed up with much error and ignorance. Neckam was not thought infallible, even by his contemporaries, for Roger Bacon remarks of him, "this Alexander in many things wrote what was true and useful; but he neither can nor ought by just title to be reckoned among authorities." Neckam, however, had sufficient independence of thought to differ from some of the schoolmen who in his time considered themselves the only judges of literature. He had his own views in morals, and in giving us a glimpse of them, as well as of his other opinions, he throws much light upon the manners, customs, and general tone of thought prevalent in the twelfth century. The poem entitled "De Laudibus Divinæ Sapientiæ" appears to be a metrical paraphrase or abridgment of the "De Naturis Rerum." It is written in the elegiac metre; and though there are many lines which violate classical rules, it is, as a whole, above the ordinary standard of mediæval Latin.

35. **LEECHDOMS, WORTCUNNING, AND STARCRAFT OF EARLY ENGLAND; being a Collection of Documents illustrating the History of Science in this Country before the Norman Conquest.** Vols. I., II., and III. *Collected and edited by the Rev. T. OSWALD COCKAYNE, M.A., of St. John's College, Cambridge.* 1864-1866.

This work illustrates not only the history of science, but the history of superstition. In addition to the information bearing directly upon the medical skill and medical faith of the times, there are many passages which incidentally throw light upon the general mode of life and ordinary diet. The volumes are interesting not only in their scientific, but also in their social aspect. The manuscripts from which they have been printed are valuable to the Anglo-Saxon scholar for the illustrations they afford of Anglo-Saxon orthography.

36. **ANNALES MONASTICI.** Vol. I.:—Annales de Margan, 1066–1232; Annales de Theokesberia, 1066–1263; Annales de Burton, 1004–1263. Vol. II.:—Annales Monasterii de Wintonia, 519–1277; Annales Monasterii de Waverleia, 1–1291. Vol. III.:—Annales Prioratus de Dunstaplia, 1–1297; Annales Monasterii de Bermundeseia, 1042–1432. Vol. IV.:—Annales Monasterii de Oseneia, 1016–1347; Chronicon vulgo dictum Chronicon Thomæ Wykes, 1066–1289; Annales Prioratus de Wigornia, 1–1377. Vol. V.:—Index and Glossary. *Edited by* HENRY RICHARDS LUARD, M.A., Fellow and Assistant Tutor of Trinity College, and Registry of the University, Cambridge. 1864–1869.

The present collection of Monastic Annals embraces all the more important chronicles compiled in religious houses in England during the thirteenth century. These distinct works are ten in number. The extreme period which they embrace ranges from the year 1 to 1432, although they refer more especially to the reigns of John, Henry III., and Edward I. Some of these narratives have already appeared in print, but others are printed for the first time.

37. **MAGNA VITA S. HUGONIS EPISCOPI LINCOLNIENSIS.** From Manuscripts in the Bodleian Library, Oxford, and the Imperial Library, Paris. *Edited by* the Rev. JAMES F. DIMOCK, M.A., Rector of Barnburgh, Yorkshire. 1864.

This work contains a number of very curious and interesting incidents, and being the work of a contemporary, is very valuable, not only as a truthful biography of a celebrated ecclesiastic, but as the work of a man, who, from personal knowledge, gives notices of passing events, as well as of individuals who were then taking active part in public affairs. The author, in all probability, was Adam Abbot of Evesham. He was domestic chaplain and private confessor of Bishop Hugh, and in these capacities was admitted to the closest intimacy. Bishop Hugh was Prior of Witham for 11 years before he became Bishop of Lincoln. His consecration took place on the 21st September 1186; he died on the 16th of November 1200; and was canonized in 1220.

38. **CHRONICLES AND MEMORIALS OF THE REIGN OF RICHARD THE FIRST.** Vol. I.:—ITINERARIUM PEREGRINORUM ET GESTA REGIS RICARDI. Vol. II.:—EPISTOLÆ CANTUARIENSES; the Letters of the Prior and Convent of Christ Church, Canterbury; 1187 to 1199. *Edited by* WILLIAM STUBBS, M.A., Vicar of Navestock, Essex, and Lambeth Librarian. 1864–1865.

The authorship of the Chronicle in Vol. I., hitherto ascribed to Geoffrey Vinesauf, is now more correctly ascribed to Richard, Canon of the Holy Trinity of London. The narrative extends from 1187 to 1199; but its chief interest consists in the minute and authentic narrative which it furnishes of the exploits of Richard I., from his departure from England in December 1189 to his death in 1199. The author states in his prologue that he was an eye-witness of much that he records; and various incidental circumstances which occur in the course of the narrative confirm this assertion.

The letters in Vol. II., written between 1187 and 1199, are of value as furnishing authentic materials for the history of the ecclesiastical condition of England during the reign of Richard I. They had their origin in a dispute which arose from the attempts of Baldwin and Hubert, archbishops of Canterbury, to found a college of secular canons, a project which gave great umbrage to the monks of Canterbury, who saw in it a design to supplant them in their function of metropolitan chapter. These letters are printed, for the first time, from a MS. belonging to the archiepiscopal library at Lambeth.

39. **RECUEIL DES CRONIQUES ET ANCHIENNES ISTORIES DE LA GRANT BRETAGNE A PRESENT NOMME ENGLETERRE,** par JEHAN DE WAURIN. Vol. I.

Albina to 688. Vol. II., 1399-1422 *Edited by* WILLIAM HARDY, Esq. F.S.A. 1864-1868.

40. A COLLECTION OF THE CHRONICLES AND ANCIENT HISTORIES OF GREAT BRITAIN, NOW CALLED ENGLAND, by JOHN DE WAVRIN. Albina to 688. (Translation of the preceding Vol. I.) *Edited and translated by* WILLIAM HARDY, Esq., F.S.A. 1864.

This curious chronicle extends from the fabulous period of history down to the return of Edward IV. to England in the year 1471, after the second deposition of Henry VI. The manuscript from which the text of the work is taken is preserved in the Imperial Library at Paris, and is believed to be the only complete and nearly contemporary copy in existence. The work, as originally bound, was comprised in six volumes, since rebound in morocco in 12 volumes, folio maximo, vellum, and is illustrated with exquisite miniatures, vignettes, and initial letters. It was written towards the end of the fifteenth century, having been expressly executed for Louis de Bruges, Seigneur de la Gruthuise and Earl of Winchester, from whose cabinet it passed into the library of Louis XII. at Blois.

41. POLYCHRONICON RANULPHI HIGDEN, with Trevisa's Translation. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* CHURCHILL BABINGTON, B.D., Senior Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge. Vols. III., IV., V., and VI. *Edited by* the Rev. JOSEPH RAWSON LUMBY, B.D., Vicar of St. Edward's, Cambridge, Fellow of St. Catharine's College, and late Fellow of Magdalene College, Cambridge. 1865-1876.

This is one of the many mediæval chronicles which assume the character of a history of the world. It begins with the creation, and is brought down to the author's own time, the reign of Edward III. Prefixed to the historical portion, is a chapter devoted to geography, in which is given a description of every known land. To say that the Polychronicon was written in the fourteenth century is to say that it is not free from inaccuracies. It has, however, a value apart from its intrinsic merits. It enables us to form a very fair estimate of the knowledge of history and geography which well-informed readers of the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries possessed, for it was then the standard work on general history.

The two English translations, which are printed with the original Latin, afford interesting illustrations of the gradual change of our language, for one was made in the fourteenth century, the other in the fifteenth. The differences between Trevisa's version and that of the unknown writer are often considerable.

42. LE LIVRE DE REIS DE BRITTANIE E LE LIVRE DE REIS DE ENGLETERE. *Edited by* JOHN GLOVER, M.A., Vicar of Brading, Isle of Wight, formerly Librarian of Trinity College, Cambridge. 1865.

These two treatises, though they cannot rank as independent narratives, are nevertheless valuable as careful abstracts of previous historians, especially "Le Livre de Reis de Engleterre." Some various readings are given which are interesting to the philologist as instances of semi-Saxonized French.

It is supposed that Peter of Ickham must have been the author, but no certain conclusion on that point has been arrived at.

43. CHRONICA MONASTERII DE MELSA, AB ANNO 1150 USQUE AD ANNUM 1406. Vols. I., II., and III. *Edited by* EDWARD AUGUSTUS BOND, Esq., Assistant Keeper of the Manuscripts, and Egerton Librarian, British Museum. 1866-1868.

The Abbey of Meaux was a Cistercian house, and the work of its abbot is both curious and valuable. It is a faithful and often minute record of the establishment of a religious community, of its progress in forming an ample revenue, of its struggles to maintain its acquisitions, and of its relations to the governing institutions of the country. In addition to the private affairs of the monastery, some light is thrown upon the public events of the time, which are however kept distinct, and appear at the end of the history of each abbot's administration. The text has been printed from what is said to be the autograph of the original compiler, Thomas de Burton, the nineteenth abbot.

44. **MATTHÆI PARISIENSIS HISTORIA ANGLORUM, SIVE, UT VULGO DICITUR, HISTORIA MINOR.** Vols. I., II., and III. 1067–1253. *Edited by Sir FREDERIC MADDEN, K.H., Keeper of the Department of Manuscripts, British Museum.* 1866–1869.

The exact date at which this work was written is, according to the chronicler, 1250. The history is of considerable value as an illustration of the period during which the author lived, and contains a good summary of the events which followed the Conquest. This minor chronicle is, however, based on another work (also written by Matthew Paris) giving fuller details, which has been called the "Historia Major." The chronicle here published, nevertheless, gives some information not to be found in the greater history.

45. **LIBER MONASTERII DE HYDA: A CHRONICLE AND CHARTULARY OF HYDE ABBEY, WINCHESTER, 455–1023.** *Edited, from a Manuscript in the Library of the Earl of Macclesfield, by EDWARD EDWARDS, Esq.* 1866.

The "Book of Hyde" is a compilation from much earlier sources which are usually indicated with considerable care and precision. In many cases, however, the Hyde chronicler appears to correct, to qualify, or to amplify—either from tradition or from sources of information not now discoverable—the statements, which, in substance, he adopts. He also mentions, and frequently quotes from writers whose works are either entirely lost or at present known only by fragments.

There is to be found, in the "Book of Hyde," much information relating to the reign of King Alfred which is not known to exist elsewhere. The volume contains some curious specimens of Anglo-Saxon and Mediæval English.

46. **CHRONICON SCOTORUM: A CHRONICLE OF IRISH AFFAIRS, FROM THE EARLIEST TIMES TO 1135; WITH A SUPPLEMENT, CONTAINING THE EVENTS FROM 1141 TO 1150.** *Edited, with a Translation, by WILLIAM MAUNSELL HENNESSY, Esq., M.R.I.A.* 1866.

There is, in this volume, a legendary account of the peopling of Ireland and of the adventures which befell the various heroes who are said to have been connected with Irish history. The details are, however, very meagre both for this period and for the time when history becomes more authentic. The plan adopted in the chronicle gives the appearance of an accuracy to which the earlier portions of the work cannot have any claim. The succession of events is marked, year by year, from A.M. 1599 to A.D. 1150. The principal events narrated in the later portion of the work are, the invasions of foreigners, and the wars of the Irish among themselves. The text has been printed from a MS. preserved in the library of Trinity College, Dublin, written partly in Latin, partly in Irish.

47. **THE CHRONICLE OF PIERRE DE LANGTOFT, IN FRENCH VERSE, FROM THE EARLIEST PERIOD TO THE DEATH OF EDWARD I.** Vols. I. and II. *Edited by THOMAS WRIGHT, Esq., M.A.* 1866–1868.

It is probable that Pierre de Langtoft was a canon of Bridlington, in Yorkshire, and that he lived in the reign of Edward I., and during a portion of the reign of Edward II. This chronicle is divided into three parts; in the first is an abridgment of Geoffrey of Monmouth's "Historia Britonum," in the second, a history of the Anglo-Saxon and Norman kings, down to the death of Henry III., and in the third a history of the reign of Edward I. The principal object of the work was apparently to show the justice of Edward's Scottish wars. The language is singularly corrupt, and a curious specimen of the French of Yorkshire.

48. **THE WAR OF THE GAEDHIL WITH THE GAILL, OR, THE INVASIONS OF IRELAND BY THE DANES AND OTHER NORSEMEN.** *Edited, with a Translation, by JAMES HENTHORN TODD D.D., Senior Fellow of Trinity College, and Regius Professor of Hebrew in the University.* Dublin. 1867.

The work in its present form, in the editor's opinion, is a comparatively modern version of an undoubtedly ancient original. That it was compiled from contemporary materials has been proved by curious incidental evidence. It is stated in

the account given of the battle of Clontarf that the full tide in Dublin Bay on the day of the battle (23 April 1014) coincided with sunrise; and that the returning tide in the evening aided considerably in the defeat of the Danes. The fact has been verified by astronomical calculations, and the inference is that the author of the chronicle, if not himself an eye-witness, must have derived his information from those who were eye-witnesses. The contents of the work are sufficiently described in its title. The story is told after the manner of the Scandinavian Sagas, with poems and fragments of poems introduced into the prose narrative.

49. *GESTA REGIS HENRICI SECUNDI BENEDICTI ABBATIS. THE CHRONICLE OF THE REIGNS OF HENRY II. AND RICHARD I., 1169-1192; known under the name of BENEDICT OF PETERBOROUGH. Vols. I. and II. Edited by WILLIAM STUBBS, M.A., Regius Professor of Modern History, Oxford, and Lambeth Librarian. 1867.*

This chronicle of the reigns of Henry II. and Richard I., known commonly under the name of Benedict of Peterborough, is one of the best existing specimens of a class of historical compositions of the first importance to the student.

50. *MUNIMENTA ACADEMICA, OR, DOCUMENTS ILLUSTRATIVE OF ACADEMICAL LIFE AND STUDIES AT OXFORD (in Two Parts). Edited by the Rev. HENRY ANSTEY, M.A., Vicar of St. Wendron, Cornwall, and lately Vice-Principal of St. Mary Hall, Oxford. 1868.*

This work will supply materials for a History of Academical Life and Studies in the University of Oxford during the 13th, 14th, and 15th centuries.

51. *CHRONICA MAGISTRI ROGERI DE HOVEDENE. Vols. I., II., III., and IV. Edited by WILLIAM STUBBS, M.A., Regius Professor of Modern History, and Fellow of Oriel College, Oxford. 1868-1871.*

This work has long been justly celebrated, but not thoroughly understood until Mr. Stubbs' edition. The earlier portion, extending from 732 to 1148, appears to be a copy of a compilation made in Northumbria about 1161, to which Hoveden added little. From 1148 to 1169—a very valuable portion of this work—the matter is derived from another source, to which Hoveden appears to have supplied little, and not always judiciously. From 1170 to 1192 is the portion which corresponds with the Chronicle known under the name of Benedict of Peterborough (*see* No. 49); but it is not a copy, being sometimes an abridgment, at others a paraphrase; occasionally the two works entirely agree; showing that both writers had access to the same materials, but dealt with them differently. From 1192 to 1201 may be said to be wholly Hoveden's work: it is extremely valuable, and an authority of the first importance.

52. *WILLELMI MALMESBIRIENSIS MONACHI DE GESTIS PONTIFICUM ANGLORUM LIBRI QUINQUE. Edited, from William of Malmesbury's Autograph MS., by N. E. S. A. HAMILTON, Esq., of the Department of Manuscripts, British Museum. 1870.*

William of Malmesbury's "Gesta Pontificum" is the principal foundation of English Ecclesiastical Biography, down to the year 1122. The manuscript which has been followed in this Edition is supposed by Mr. Hamilton to be the author's autograph, containing his latest additions and amendments.

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A collection of original documents, elucidating mainly the history and condition of the municipal, middle, and trading classes under or in relation with the rule of England in Ireland,—a subject hitherto in almost total obscurity. Extending over the first hundred and fifty years of the Anglo-Norman settlement, the series includes charters, municipal laws and regulations, rolls of names of citizens and members of merchant-guilds, lists of commodities with their rates, correspondence, illustrations of relations between ecclesiastics and laity; together with many documents exhibiting the state of Ireland during the presence there of the Scots under Robert and Edward Bruce.

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The original of this chronicle has passed under various names. The title of "Annals of Loch Cé" was given to it by Professor O'Curry, on the ground that it was transcribed for Brian Mac Dermot, an Irish chieftain, who resided on an island in Loch Cé, in the county of Roscommon. It adds much to the materials for the civil and ecclesiastical history of Ireland; and contains many curious references to English and foreign affairs, not noticed in any other chronicle.

55. **MONUMENTA JURIDICA. THE BLACK BOOK OF THE ADMIRALTY, WITH APPENDICES.** Vols. I., II., III., and IV. *Edited by SIR TRAVERS TWISS, Q.C., D.C.L.* 1871-1876.

This book contains the ancient ordinances and laws relating to the navy, and was probably compiled for the use of the Lord High Admiral of England. Selden calls it the "jewel of the Admiralty Records." Pryme ascribes to the Black Book the same authority in the Admiralty as the Black and Red Books have in the Court of Exchequer, and most English writers on maritime law recognize its importance.

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These curious volumes are of a very miscellaneous character, and were probably compiled under the immediate direction of Bekynton before he had attained to the Episcopate. They contain many of the Bishop's own letters, and several written by him in the King's name; as well as letters sent to himself while he was the Royal Secretary, and others addressed to the King. This work elucidates some obscure points in the history of the nation during the first half of the fifteenth century.

57. **MATTHÆI PARISIENSIS, MONACHI SANCTI ALBANI, CHRONICA MAJORA.** Vol. I. The Creation to A.D. 1066. Vol. II. A.D. 1067 to A.D. 1216. *Edited by HENRY RICHARDS LUARD, M.A., Fellow of Trinity College, Registry of the University, and Vicar of Great St. Mary's, Cambridge.* 1872-1874.

This work contains the "Chronica Majora" of Matthew Paris, one of the most valuable and frequently consulted of the ancient English Chronicles. It is published from its commencement, for the first time. The editions by Archbishop Parker, and William Wats, severally begin at the Norman Conquest.

58. **MEMORIALE FRATRIS WALTERI DE COVENTRIA.—THE HISTORICAL COLLECTIONS OF WALTER OF COVENTRY.** Vols. I. and II. *Edited, from the MS. in the Library of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, by WILLIAM STUBBS, M.A., Regius Professor of Modern History, and Fellow of Oriel College, Oxford.* 1872-1873.

This work, now printed in full for the first time, has long been a *desideratum* by Historical Scholars. The first portion, however, is not of much importance, being only a compilation from earlier writers. The part relating to the first quarter of the thirteenth century is the most valuable and interesting.

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65. THÓMAS SAGA ERKIBYSKUPS. A LIFE OF ARCHBISHOP THOMAS BECKET, IN ICELANDIC. Vol. I. *Edited, with English Translation, Notes, and Glossary, by* M. EIRÍKR MAGNÚSSON, Sub-Librarian of the University Library, Cambridge. 1875.

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