GREGORIUS NYSSENUS. ADDENDA ET CORRIGENDA

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The Addenda comprise a) additional material for the Fortuna and Bibliography, b) a number of new translations and commentaries, and c) additional manuscripts and printed editions of translations and commentaries already known. Particular thanks are owed to Virginia Brown for her helpful suggestions and assistance in many areas. Paul Oskar Kristeller gave generously of his expertise in reading difficult passages in some manuscripts and brought to my attention many useful references. He also supplied material from unpublished volumes of his Iter when the Addenda were in the early stages of preparation. F. Edward Cranz kindly provided information on some editions which were not easily available to me. Without the help of these scholars the Addenda could not have been completed.

The Addenda et Corrigenda are arranged in the order of the article on Gregorius Nyssenus in CTC V, 1–250.

vol. V, 18b3ff. Insert:

P. Maraval has recently called attention to important quotations from the Vita Macrinae which were included in the Vita Eutychii (Patriarch of Constantinople 552–565 and 577–582) written by his contemporary Eustratius. See P. Maraval, “Un lecteur ancien de la Vie de Macrine de Grégoire de Nysse,” Analecta bollandiana, CIV (1986), 187–90.

p. 21a30ff. Insert:

An example of indirect transmission to Western scholars by way of Arabic versions is seen in the case of Ps.—Nyssenus, De anima ad Tatianum. Both a long and a short Arabic version are extant, the former has come to light only recently. These translations attribute the text variously to Aristotle, Gregorius Thaumaturgus, and in one instance to Avicenna where it is erroneously described as an abridgement of Aristotle’s famous treatise. In the tenth century Qustā ibn Lūqā (d. 912) compiled, from a variety of sources, a treatise De differentia spiritus et animae; in ch. III he included passages from Ps.—Nyssenus, De anima. In the twelfth century Johannes Hispalensis, who was associated with Dominicus Gundissalinus at the School of Toledo, produced a Latin version of De differentia . . . which was widely read; eighty–two manuscripts of his version are extant and an edition was published in 1878. The direct debt to our De anima is obvious in ch. III, 131.12–133.20. See Bibliography, p. 302 below.

p. 21b10ff. Add:

Discovery in the last few years of sizeable portions of additional works of Gregory of Nyssus in Coptic manuscripts dating from the ninth and tenth centuries testifies to a wider knowledge of Nyssenus in Egypt than was previously thought. De anima et resurrectione and In Ecclesiasten were obviously read in Coptic monasteries in that era along with the two previously known works. See Bibliography, p. 302 below.

p. 22a8. Add:

Golubinsky (Historia . . . IV, 135) lists translations into Slavonic of Orationia catechetica and Contra Eunomium, Joseph of Volokolamsk (1439–1515) made versions of Vita Gregorii Thaumaturgi and In annuntiationem (Praecedenti Dominica . . .). To Maximus Graecus (1480–1576) is attributed a translation of De oratione Dominica, Or. II, IV, V. A Table of Contents of Archbishop Makarios’ Menetii Chetii, based on the most complete copy, the Uspensky, is printed in Cheteniya IV (Moscow, 1847), 1–78. Some of Nyssenus’ works not mentioned by Geerard in CPG are listed here: De anima et resurrectione, In annuntiationem (Praecedenti Dominica), In s. Meletium, De opificio hominis XXV–XXVII, Vita Macrinae. In 1976 V. A. Kuchkin published a detailed

p. 33a30. Add:
Following the death of Heinrich Dorrie in 1985, Friedhelm Mann of the Münster Forschungsstelle became coordinating editor of GNO X.1 published in 1990.

p. 33b24. Add to the General Bibliography:
Bibliographie zu Gregor von Nyssa. Editionen-Übersetzungen-Literatur (Leiden, 1988), prepared by M. Altenburger and F. Mann, provides valuable lists of printed editions of Nysenus’ works, including recent versions in modern languages. It does not list Latin versions preserved only in manuscript form; for these, the volumes in the GNO series (where published), CTC V, and these Addenda must be consulted.

p. 36a14. Add:


COMPOSITE EDITIONS

p. 41b5ff. Add:
The Latin versions are preceded by an Epistola dedicatoria and an Epistola ad . . . lectorem. The edition also contains Vossius’ translations of twenty-three other patristic works including some of Basilii Caesariensis, Johannes Chrysostomus, Pachomius, Leo I, Patricius Hibernicus and Notae on them by Vossius.

A.II.1. ANONYMUS A

p. 48a35. Add under 1551 edition:

A.II.2. ANONYMUS B

pp. 48b–49a. Add under 1558 (?) edition:

p. 56b27ff. Add:
VII. **Epistolae xxvi—XXVIII**

These letters also appear in the correspondence between Basilius Caesariensis and Libanius; see PG XXXII. **Epistolae sancti Basilii** CCCXLVII (1092B–C), CCCXLVIII (1092C–1093A), and CCCXLI (1088A–B).

VIII. **Epistola ad Philippum**

p. 57a47ff. Add under Editions:


B.II. **De anima per capita disputation ad Tatianum**

p. 64a26. Read: 8 (1906).

p. 64b11. Add:

(*) 1574, Venetiis (Venice): apud Z. Zaltemium. In *Aurea ac divina quaedam trium Gregoriorum... opera a Petro Francisco Zino... latinitate donata*. BN (Cat. BN LXIV, 161).

p. 64b41–43. Omit this edition.

p. 65a38ff. Add translations:

3. Anonymus (s. XIII ex.)

An anonymous Latin version of *De anima ad Tatianum* appears in one manuscript, Cracow, Bibl. Jagiellońska 1292, s. XIII ex. (see p. 304 below regarding its date). This translation occurs among selections from works attributed to Maximus Confessor (ca. 580–662) which deal with the soul.

The text lacks the introductory address to Tatian. However, only one Greek manuscript assigning the treatise to Maximus contains this address (Paris gr. 1019A, s. XV), but in that case it is directed to “Anianos” (see Lebreton, “Le traité...,” 75 n. 3). The Cracow manuscript contains a number of other works in addition to the selections from Maximus: writings of Latin authors such as Augustine and Boethius; translations of Greek authors, e.g., Dionysius Areopagita, Johannes Damascenus, Gregorius “Nissenus” (sc. Nemesis Emenes). The “Nissenus” material is in the version of Burgundio Pisanus (see CTC VI, 52a–b). Works attributed to Maximus (although the manuscript does not so state) occupy fols. 356–370 and include *De anima ad Tatianum* on fols. 356ra–358ra11. Fols. 358ra12–370r contain selections from other works of Maximus concerning the soul; I have identified passages from the *Ambigua*, *Mystagogia*, and *Epistolae*. No translator’s name is evident.

The attribution to Maximus, although somewhat more plausible than that to Thaumaturgus or Nyssenus, is improbable. Several passages resembling portions of his authentic writings and occurring in this *De anima* may well have been entered in the margin of a copy by a reader or scribe who noticed the similarity. They might then easily have been copied as an integral part of the text by a later scribe. The ideas involved are far from unique and can be found in other authors. The question of authorship must remain as J. Lebreton described it in 1906: the treatise is the work of an anonymous compiler who lived, probably in Greece, sometime in the period between s. V and s. VII. The first sentence in the anonymous version corresponds to PG X, 1137.27 and XCI, 353.1, summarizing the content of the work. The section beginning with “Noticiam” (fol. 356ra5–9) may be the translator’s own brief statement of the contents. As in the case of other translations, some passages found in the standard printed editions are omitted, which indicates that our translator’s exemplar lacked them (for example, the paragraph in PG XCI, 360.4–13). It may be noted as well that the anonymous version concludes at a point corresponding to PG XCI, 361.4. The additional material appearing in the Combes and Migne editions of Maximus is found in a single Greek manuscript.

On the great variation of the opening portion of the treatise in various Greek manuscripts, see Lebreton, “Le traité...,” 77.

Text (Cracow, Bibl. Jagiellońska 1292). [Inc.]: (fol. 356ra; no title) Quoniam entia omnia aut sensu apprehenduntur aut intellectu indagantur, notitiam vero rerum quomodo, sensu vel intellectu, perscrutans primo an sit rimatur...
... [Expl.]: (fol. 358ra). Praecogitatum enim animae nihil aliud est quam ratione agere univer-
sa. Anima in hoc distinguitur a sensibus; rationalis ergo est.

**Manuscript:**
(micro.) Cracow, Bibl. Jagielońska 1292, s. XIII ex. (G. Verbeke’s dating in Némesius d’Emèse, De natura hominis, traduction de Burgundio de Pise [Leiden, 1975], cxix; s. XIII–XIV according to Wisłocki, Cat. Bibl. Jagiel-
lońska, 325). I am indebted to Dr. Marian Zwiercan, Deputy Director of the library, for generously providing a microfilm of fols. 356–370 of ms. 1292.

I am also grateful to Virginia Brown for providing the following translation of the Polish language entry in Wisłocki’s catalogue: “The manuscript is written by different hands. The title, De celesti gerarchia (Ps.–Dionysius Areopagita) of the first work is added on an empty leaf at the beginning by the hand of Jan Dabrowka. He also added on the cover, ‘Libri magi-
gistri Johannis de Dabrowki theologie et decere-
torum doctoris, pro Universitate Cracovienisi per ipsum assignatur et reponentus in libraria Colle-
gii artistarum. Oretur pro eo.’”

4. Georgius Valla

A Latin translation of De anima ad Tatianum appears in Book XLVI of Georgius Valla’s monumental De expetendis et fugiendis rebus (see CTV VI, 55). The version is almost certainly Valla’s own. The topic of Book XLVI concerns the soul (De anima). Most of ch. I and the latter part of ch. IX contain Valla’s version of Nemesius Emesenus, De natura hominis, chs. II and III (first half), a portion of the treatise commonly referred to as De anima (see CTC VI, 34–35). The text of the anonymous (Ps.–Thaumaturgus, Ps.–Nyssenus, Ps.–Maximus) treatise De anima begins toward the end of Val-
la’s ch. I, following the quotation of a passage in Nemesius, ch. II, in which opinions of various philosophers about the soul are summarized. The quotation of the anonymous De anima con-
tinues, with insertion of other material, particu-
larly from Augustine, through most of ch. VIII. Valla’s brief introductory sentence attributes this De anima to a “Graecorius” [sic], whether Thau-
maturgus or Nyssenus we cannot tell. Valla in-
cludes no title or addressee, and he omits the

prefatory material found in many manuscripts (i.e., “tussisti, praestantissime Tatianae . . .” in Vossius’ version). This omission is not surpris-
ing since the material does not, as previously mentioned, appear in all manuscripts. More-
over, it could serve no purpose in the context in which Valla wished to use the material. Valla does give the usual chapter headings for sections of the treatise. However, what is normally ch. I (“Deprehensio de anima”) is by Valla labelled ch. II since it refers to ch. II of his De expetendis, Book XLVI, not to the chapter of the work itself. Thus Valla’s final chapter is labelled ch. VIII, not VII.

Valla’s translation follows very closely a Greek text resembling that which Vossius later used. But Valla at times omitted a phrase or one or more sentences, e.g., Ἀναδιδέξει . . . λόγου δεντιτιθεν (PG X, 1140.10–19). In other in-
stances he inserted material that suited his pur-
pose. This is especially evident in ch. VII (“An

sit immortalis anima” — Valla’s ch. VIII) where the first sentence corresponds to the opening portion of Vossius’ Greek text, but is followed by a short passage from Nemesius, ch. II (p.
124.3–15, ed. Matthaei; p. 37.21–38, ed. Mo-
rami) and passages taken from Augustine, De

immortalitate animae, chs. X–XII (PL XXXII, 1029C–1031C). He concludes our treatise De

anim a on line 20 of his ch. VIII (= PG X, 1145.23). His own ch. VIII concludes after fur-

ther quotations from Augustine, De quantitate

animae (PL XXXII, 1048A).

Text (ed. of Venice, 1501). [Inc.]: (Georgius Valla, De expetendis et fugiendis rebus, Book XLVI, cap. 2, line 39; no page numbers visible on photo from DLC) ... his denique congestis multorum de anima sententiais, superest ut quidam constituentum nobis videatur explosio multorum opinionibus ostendamus, quod ut ef-
ficiamus Divi Graecorii, Divi Augustini et quo-
rundam aliorum, ut nobis succurrét dissensent-
bus, sententiam referamus. [Translation of De

anim a begins here.] Primo itaque inspiciemus quo pacto atque iudicio animam possimus depre-
hendere. Secundo unde ostendatur esse vel non
esse. Tertio essentiane an accidens sit. Quarto sitne corporea an corporis expiry. Quinto sim-
plex an composita. Sexto mortalisme an immor-
talis. Septimo ac ultimo rationalisme an ratione

expers. Haece enim fere sunt quae de anima quae solent quo ad eius proprietatem ex-
quirendam possimus pervenire ac ut instantibus occurramus expeditiorque sit intelligenta, hinc incipiendo texemus syllogismos.

Deprehensione de anima iudicii. cap. ii . . . / . . . [Expl.]: (An rationalis sit anima nostra, cap. viii, line 19): An animae proloquium esse, nihil aliud est quam duce ratione cuncta administrare, eo namque a sensibus modo distinguetur proinde rationalis esse demonstrata anima est.

Edition:
(photo) 1501, Venetiis (Venice): in aedibus Aldi Romani, impensa ac studio Io. Petri Vallae filii pientissimi, mense decembris. De expetendis et fugiendis rebus opus. Adams V–147; NUC. BL; BN; Cambridge University Library; Trinity College; (DLC; MH; OU).

Biography:
See CTC I, 126a.


5. Claudius Anancerus

Claudius Anancerus (Anancerus, Anchaneerus) made a Latin translation of De anima ad Tatianum under the title De animo seu animi immortalitate ad Tatianum, probably in the last quarter of the sixteenth century. His version is preserved in a single manuscript (autograph): Vienna, Österreichische Nationalbibliothek 11662.

Anancerus dedicated this work to Ferdinand Hofman (also spelled Hoffmann in the manuscript), baron of Grünspuhle and Strechaw, counselor and historian of Emperor Rudolph II.

The dedication begins in the manner of so many of the treatises “De anima” with a summary of the views on the subject held by ancient philosophers from Thales and Pythagoras to Plato and Aristotle. Anancerus goes on to mention Lucretius and Cicero and also Averroes (“philosophiae facile princeps” among the Arabs); he appears to be familiar with the writings of these authors and not simply to be quoting various compendia.

After the introductory remarks Anancerus turns to the De anima ad Tatianum (fol. 3r): “Hunc igitur de animi immortalitate libellum mihi probatum, quod ea rationum momenta contineat, quibus Platonici utuntur in asserenda humanae mentis aeternitate, habeatque scholasticum et minime ambitiosum disputandus genus, latine verti et in tuo multo amplissimo et ornatisimo nomine, Præses Illustriissime, divulgavi. . . .” He found his Greek exemplar in the library (“omni lectissimorum librorum genere referata bibliotheca”) of Rudolphus Coraduccius, royal counselor and friend of both himself and Hofman. After further laudatory remarks, Anancerus raises the question of the treatise’s authorship (fol. 4r): “Libellus Gregorii nomen praefert. An vero sit is Gregorius cuius libros de anima Nemesis in Epitomen redigit, incertum. Quis quisque est, certe non obscure constat Christianum theologumuisse et de animo sicut illius ordinis paene omnes cum divino Platone sensisse. . . .” In the adjacent margin Anancerus has jotted down his thoughts on the problem: “fieri possit ut praeter illud maiorum vigiliarum opus, in gratiam Tatiani amici scholasticum hoc de animo opusculum conscripserit.” Since modern scholars also ponder the authorship question, Anancerus’s observations are very interesting as well as puzzling.

It is not possible to identify “the Gregory of whose books De anima Nemesis made an epitome.” Gregory Thaumaturgus, to whom the treatise has often been attributed, can probably be ruled out. Quotations from Nemesis of Eumes (ca. 400) included in the work make his authorship unlikely. Chapters II and III of Nemesis, De natura hominis, dealt with “de anima,” but the entire treatise was also, at times, referred to by this title (see CTC VI, 32). Our De anima contains passages from Nemesis’ De natura hominis, but, unlike those from Maximus Confessor, they seem to be an integral part of the text. A further complication in interpreting Anancerus’ statement is that the De natura hominis of Nemesis was, with a few notable exceptions, known in Western circles until 1565 as a product of Gregorius Nyssenus. As late as 1615 a new Latin version of just these two books was published (CTC VI, 67b–68b) under Nyssenus’ name. In all extant manuscripts of the Greek text containing only chs. II and III, both are assigned to Nyssenus. These chapters could roughly be called an epitome, although they do not touch upon the medical material which makes up much of the rest of the work. There are extant several Greek epitomes of Nemesis’
De natura hominis; none is the work of a Gregory (see M. Morani, La tradizione manoscritta . . . di Nemésio [Milan, 1981], 62–63).

Finally, Anacantherus’ speculations on the authorship of our De anima might have been influenced by his stay in Padua (about which little is known). Nicasius Ellebodius, who produced the first widely circulated edition of De natura hominis under the name of its true author in 1565, had been a professor of medicine at Padua in the 1560s and returned briefly in 1571. At present there is no information proving that the two scholars were acquainted, but the possibility bears further investigation.

The concluding portion of the dedication (fol. 4v) sheds light on Anacantherus’ personal situation at the time he composed it. He laments that others were jealous of his position (as court historian?) and that envy led them to disseminate untrue rumors about him with a view to removing him from his position (“vix pedem intuli . . . et ecce invidentiae turbo contra me excitatus, et dissipati sermones atrociissimae contumeliae pleni . . .”). not wanting him “ad aliquam famam et existimationememerger.” In colorful language he begs Hofman to oppose their requests.

(Note: Prof. Otto Mazal, Director of the Manuscript and Rare Book Division of the Österreichische Nationalbibliothek, has informed me that fol. 5r–v is blank; the translation begins incomplete on fol. 6r, at PG X, 1140.15. It is possible that a folio was lost before the leaves were numbered.)


Text: [Inc.]: (fol. 6r) Cum autem brevitate gratia utilitatisque causa in praesens syllogismis dumtaxat utemur, qui demonstrationem habent ad necessitatem rei quasieae id est ad rem necessariam inferandam . . . / . . . [Expl.]: (fol. 9v) Axioma autem vel effatum ipsius animi nihil aliud est quam ratione omnia efficere; ea scilicet etiamsi a sensibus est, animum esse rationis participem demonstratum est.

Manuscript: (micro.) Vienna, Österreichische Nationalbibliothek 11662, s. XVI, fols. 1r–9v (Tabulae codicum manuscriptorum prael græcorum et orientales in Bibl. Palatina Vindobonensi asservatorum VII, 27).

I am indebted to Paul Oskar Kristeller for his generous assistance in transcribing my copy of this manuscript. Anacantherus’ hand varies greatly; his many changes from his original translation, made either immediately or, more likely, after completing the entire version, are written in a careless hand, sometimes overlapping his first translation of a passage which he had crossed out.

Biography:

Few details are known about the early life of Claudius Anacantherus (Ancanterus, Anchanterus). He is reported to have come from a family of Barrois and was probably born near the middle of the sixteenth century. His education included studies in Greek and Latin as well as in medicine. He pursued his interest in the latter subject in Padua. Poetry also attracted Anacantherus, and he became a friend of the French poet and fellow Protestant, Boissard, with whom he later spent some time in Metz. A manuscript in Brescia (Biblioteca Civica Queriniana
G. VI. 13) contains a letter addressed to Ancantherus in 1590 by Ludovicus Ronconius whose poems occupy fifty-two folia of that codex (see Kristeller, Iter, I, 36). A letter in verse by Octavius Plovenus termed Ancantherus “medicinum doctorem excellentiissimum et omni genere vi- rum clarissimum.”

His various talents led to his appointment as physician and historiographer to Emperor Rudolph II in Vienna. As a scholar his interests were very broad. Many volumes in the Nationalbibliothek in Vienna bear his thoughtful notes in the margins. Both his prose and poetry were written in elegant Latin, and some of his historical pieces relate to Rudolph II and his circle. Ancantherus’ knowledge of ancient languages, along with his love of the poetic form and of history, led him to translate into Latin several other Greek works, including Paulus Silentiarius, *Iambics on Epic Themes*, on which he had earlier written a dissertation. His latest dated work is from 1598, and it may be assumed that he died not long after that time.


6. Gulielmus Tockerus

A Latin translation of *De anima ad Tattianum* made by William Tocker (latinized as Tockerus on fol. 15r), dean of Lichfield and chaplain to James I, is contained in London, British Library, ms. Royal 16.C.v (s. XVII in.). The work is ascribed to Gregorius Thaumaturgus, but a later hand has drawn a line through his name. The manuscript also contains the Greek text in the hand of the well-known copyist, Jacobus Dias- sorinus.

The first page contains a Greek dedication to James I in a hand very different from that of Diassorinus (perhaps that of Tocker himself?). A Latin dedication to James I follows; its content differs from that of the preceding Greek dedication, and it is signed by “Maiestatis tuae humillimi- mus capellanus.” The hand is more careless than that which wrote the Latin version, but it is still presumably Tocker’s. The leaf which follows (now numbered 2v) was inserted later and bears the date “Londini Cal. Nov. 1622.” It is generally accepted that the *Nota* on this page was the work of Patrick Young (Junius), the well-known scholar who was influential in acquiring Greek manuscripts for the royal collection and was also deeply interested in Latin translations, especially of patristic works, from the Greek. At this time Young was prebendary of St. Paul’s, London, and was shortly to become Latin secretary. The *Nota* concerns a Greek manuscript belonging to Metrophanes Critopulus (see Young’s correspondence, pp. 124ff.). Critopulus had arrived in London in 1617 under the auspices of James I and the Patriarch of Constantinople. By mid-1623 he had returned to the East, and in 1636 he became Patriarch of Alexandria. The manuscript is certainly Royal 16.D.i, s. XII, in which *De anima ad Tattianum* was ascribed to Gregorius Nyssenus and appears among many of his authentic inscriptions. One can deduce that it was Young who drew the line through Thaumaturgus’ name in the inscription of Royal 16.C.v, since he also wrote variants in the margin of the Greek text used by Tocker. Warner and Gilson, in their catalogue of the Royal manuscripts, state, “Patrick Young’s note of the (equally ill-founded) attribution of the treatise to Gregory of Nyssa is in a manuscript belonging to Metrophanes Critopulus, now Royal 16.D.i, the readings of which Young has noted in the margin (i.e. of 16.C.v).”


*τῷ ὑπερέχοντι καὶ πάνυ ἀξιωματικῷ διὰ [βοήθειαν] θείας χάριτος βασιλεῖ Ἰακώβῳ μεγάλῃ βρετάννωδος καὶ τῶν νήσων παρακειμένων μονάρχῃ εντευβεστάτῳ καὶ δικαιώτατῳ ἥ ενδαιμονία.*
To the high and most excellent King James, by the grace of God King of Great Britain and its surrounding isles, most holy and just monarch, felicity.

(fol. 2r) Manuscriptum hunc de anima librum multiretro ab his saeculis scriptum et a me Latinitate donatum commentariorumque rationibus logici et theologici conscriptum, paulo post editum, de bibliothecis extricatam tamquam hospitium in Bibliothecam Regiam magnificentius hospitium, serenissime ac potentissime Rex, transfero, nec minus meipsum quam mea omnia litteraria civilia ecclesiastica officia obsequia servilia maxima mediocria minima ex animo maiestati vestrae offero. Atque utinam animam meam, sicut os vultumque cernis, maiestatis tuae amantissimam, dignitatis regiae incolumtitasque regiae symbolis studiosissimum, virtutis ac pietatis tuae admiratricem ac utinam imitatricem exterioribus oculis videre potuisses. Vive ac vale Christiane Rex ac Britannorum monarcha potentissime. Maiestatis tuae humillimus capellanus W. . . . (surname illegible, but probably Tooker/Tockers).

Nota (fol. 2v). Codex ms Metrophanou Critopuli operum Gregorii Nysseni, qui in pergamento antiqua satis manu scriptus est, Nysseno hunc tractatum de anima adscibit. Nos ex eius codice variantes ad oram libri nostri adscripsimus. Londini Cal. Nov. 1622. (No signature, but generally agreed to be in the hand of Patricius Junius.)

Greek text of De anima ad Tatiannum follows (fols. 3r–14v).

Text. [Inc.]: (fol. 15r) Gregorii Thaumaturgi Neocaesariensis (line drawn through last two words) ad Tatianum de anima liber manuscriptus a Graeco Latine redditus ad Tochero decano Lichfeldensi. Commentationem de anima, Reve rende Tatiane, iubebas tibi demonstratione exaratam ad te transmitti; et id ipsum fieri oportuisses putabas nequaquam adhibitis sacrae scripturae testimonii . . . . [Expl.]: (fol. 24v) Luidicium animae non est aliud praestantis quam omnium cum ratione peragere: hoc enim anima discrepat a sensu. Ostenditur itaque quod rationis maxime particeps sit anima.

Manuscript: 

Biography: William Tooker (Tucker) was born at Exeter in 1557 or 1558, the son of William and Honora Tooker. After an early education at Winchester he attended New College, Oxford, from which he graduated in 1579. He continued his studies, eventually acquiring a doctoral degree in 1594. He was appointed perpetual fellow in 1577, and in 1580 canon of Exeter. During the next few years Tooker held various ecclesiastical appointments; in 1580 he was made chaplain to Queen Elizabeth I. After the accession of James I in 1603, Tooker became (in 1604) dean of Lichfield and then chaplain to James I. He died in Salisbury (where he is buried) in 1620.

Tooker was apparently a good Latin scholar, but he published only a few works. His extant literary efforts reflect the use of his talents in the service of the Crown and the English Church. His writings deal largely with controversial subjects. His Charisma sive Donum sanationis (1597) was used as proof of the validity of the succession of Elizabeth I. Another work attacked Puritan support of ecclesiastical democracy. Yet another piece decried the Jesuit Martin Becanus’ criticism of the ecclesiastical sovereignty of the English Crown.

Works: In addition to his Latin version of De anima ad Tatiannum: Charisma sive Donum sanationis; Of the Fabrique of the Church and Churchmens Livings; Duellum sive Singulare certamen cum Martino Becano Jesuita.

Bibliography: DNB XIX, 978–79.

On Patrick Young (Patricius Junius), see: DNB XXI, 1300–1301; J. Kemke, Patricius Junius (Sammlung bibliothekswissenschaftlicher Arbeiten XII, ed. K. Dziatkö, Leipzig, 1898) (including Young’s correspondence regarding Metrophanes Critopulus’ manuscripts).

B. IX. 2. In Ecclesiasten

HOMILIAE

p. 88a29. Correction: read 158a22ff.

B. X. I. Epistola canonica ad

LETOIUM

p. 90b29ff. Add under Editions:

(*) 1575/6, Paris: in M. de la Bigne, Sacra
bibliotheca sanctorum patrum I (reported by
F. E. Cranz). See T. Ittig, De bibliothecis et
catenis patrum... tractatus (Leipzig, 1707),
30–32, and also 48–49 (for clarification of
the dates given for the first edition of La Bigne’s
work). NUC. BL; BN; (MH; NCd).

(*) 1589, Paris: in M. de la Bigne, Sacrae
bibliothecae sanctorum patrum... tomi nouem
III. NUC. (CSmH; NIC). See Ittig, De bibli-
thecis... 79.

B. XIII. I. Contra Fatum

p. 105b24ff. Insert:

Jacob Gretser, in his edition of Anastasius
Sinaiticus, Quaestiones et responsiones, did not
quote the translation of 1596; instead, he adapted
that of Gentianus Hervetus, first published in
the 1575 edition of Anastasius, Quaestiones in
Sacra bibliotheca sanctorum patrum, ed. M. de
la Bigne (Paris), in vol. VIII under Quaestio
XVIII where the author’s name is given as “An-
astasius Nicenus.”

J. A. McDonough, editor of the critical text
of Contra fatum in GNO III.2, has called atten-
tion to the significance of the Anastasius pas-
sages from Contra fatum (GNO III.2, LXVI–
LVIII). He points out that Hervetus’ Latin was
based on an unknown manuscript, superior to
that which Gretser used. Gretser did not realize
that it represented an earlier and more accurate
text (see Anastasius, Quaestiones et responsio-
nes [Ingolstadt, 1617]; reprinted in J. Gretser,
Opera omnia, XIV [Regensburg, 1734], 164–
65 and text 275–77). Migne later reprinted this
text in PG LXXXIX, 514–18; here the version
was Gretser’s own adaptation of Hervetus’ trans-
lation.

Gretser’s method of dealing with the Greek
text of the Quaestiones was not consistent. In the
case of a quotation from Nyssenus, De oratione
dominica, in Quaestio I he took over verbatim
the Latin of Laurentius Sifanus’ 1562 edition
of Nyssenus’ works. On the other hand, when he
studied the Greek text of the long excerpts from
Nemesius Emesenus, De natura hominis
included by Anastasius, he chose to add portions
of the text which Anastasius had omitted since
they were not pertinent to the question under
consideration (see M. Morani, La tradizione ma-
noscritta... di Nemesio [Milan, 1981], 121ff.
for an analysis). The resulting version was
Gretser’s alone. In the case of Contra fatum,
where words or phrases were omitted by Anas-
tasius, Gretser did not attempt to supply them.

If Gretser had made the 1596 translation,
would he not have used it in the case of the
Contra fatum excerpt here? McDonough (who
believes that Gretser is the author of the 1596
translation) has suggested that “the pressure of
time limits” for a busy writer and teacher may
have led him to make use of Latin versions he
had at hand, rather than search for a copy of his
own translation which, for some reason, he had
never acknowledged making.

Note: I wish to thank James E. Walsh of
the Houghton Library, Harvard University, for
supplying a copy of the excerpts from Contra
fatum in Hervetus’ version of 1575 as found in
La Bigne’s Sacra bibliotheca sanctorum patrum
published in that year.

B. XXII. I. De opificio hominis

p. 123b21. Add:

This manuscript was previously no. 108 in
the medieval catalogue of Lobbes. See A. Siegmund,
Überleierung... 17–18; H. Omont,
“Catalogue des manuscrits de l’abbaye de Lob-
bes (1049),” Revue des bibliothèques, I (1891),
11; F. Dolbeau, “Un nouveau catalogue de ma-
nuscrits de Lobbes au XIe et XIIe siècles,” Re-
cherches augustiniennes, XIV (1979), 191–
248, esp. 203.

p. 123b34. Add:

(*) s’Gravenhage, Koninklijke Bibliothek 78
J 61, s. XII (Cat. codicum Konin. Bibl., 95, no.
403; Kristeller, Iter, IV, 342b).

p. 124a32. Add:
(*) Paris, Bibliothèque Nationale, lat. 18095, misc., fols. 40v–45v, s. IX–X (Bibliothèque de l’École des Chartes, XXXI [1871], 540–41; Kristeller, Iter, III, 268b).

p. 124a41. Add:
See Kristeller, Iter, IV, 631a–b for a more complete account.

B.XXVI.1. De professione Christiana ad Harmonium

p. 149b31. Add:

Manuscript:

(*) Paris, Bibliothèque Nationale, lat. 12293, misc., fols. 108r–222r, s. XVII (Bibliothèque de l’École des Chartes, XXVIII [1867], 369; Kristeller, Iter, III, 253a).

B.XXXVII. De Pythonissa ad Theodosium episcopum

p. 151a28ff. Add translation:

2. Flaminius Priamus Lucensis

Flaminius Priamus Lucensis made a copy of the Greek text and a Latin translation of Nysenus, De Pythonissa; it is found in Madrid, Biblioteca Nacional, ms. 9642, dated “Hispali (Seville), Kal. Maii, 1607.” Priamus does not indicate where he found his Greek exemplar, but it was probably in the Vatican Library where, as he stated elsewhere, he had found sermons of Basil of Seleucia. Four of that author’s works are also found in the Madrid manuscript along with De Pythonissa (here the Nysenus text alone is accompanied by the Greek text).

The Greek exemplar used by Priamus belonged to the same family as Vallicelliana gr. 125 (= R 26) (s. XVI) and Laur. Ashburnhamianus 1283 (s. XVI). All three exhibit, e.g., the lacuna μὲν ... τελειομένους (GNO III.2, 107.10–12), which occurs in both the Greek and Latin text in the Madrid codex. Fronto Ducaeus, the other known translator of this work, used the latter manuscript, as has been demonstrated by H. Hörner (GNO III.2, clxii ff.). Both translators recognized a problem with their Greek text as it stood; and both wrote notes on it (Ducaeus, PG XLV, 114A and note, 1348–49; Priamus, fol. 29r, lines 4ff. and Nota VI).

It is not certain whether Priamus’ Latin version of De Pythonissa was made during his stay in Rome, or when he went to Seville at some time after January 1596, the date of the last manuscript associated with Rome. In the dedication of the Madrid manuscript he says only that he had translated “haec opuscula sanctorum virorum (= Nyssenus and Basil of Seleucia) superioribus diebus.” If all five works are indicated, which is the most likely case, the versions were probably made in Rome. Of the four works of Basil of Seleucia in the Madrid manuscript, three had previously been copied in one or the other of two codices dated Rome 1595–96. But the dedication can have been composed only after Maximilian, archbishop of Santiago de Compostela, had assumed this office (August 1603). Previously he had held episcopal sees in Cádiz and Segovia.

The dedication raises questions which, given the present lack of biographical details on Priamus, cannot be answered adequately here. Priamus laments that precious manuscripts lie hidden behind walls like the buried talents of the Gospel; they would be of more benefit if they were more accessible. Yet he himself obviously had access to the Vatican Library. The dedication concludes with praise for the nobility of the archbishop’s family, his religious piety, and his encouragement of the arts. Priamus begs him to look with favor on this small work (“hunc exiguum laborem”).

Dedication (Madrid, Biblioteca Nacional 9642, fol. 2r). Ill.mo et Rev.mo D. Domino Maximiliano ab Austria Archiepiscopo et Domino Compostellano Regio Consiliario, Notario maiori Regni Legionensis ac Capellae Regiae maiori capellano, etc. Flaminius Priamus Lucensis pl. fel. [Inc.]: (fol. 2r) Sanctorum patrum ac praeceps graecorum ut multa divini spiritus veraeque plena eruditionis habeamus, vero tamen interdum ne multo plura sint quae exciderunt quam ea quae hoc tempore eorum scriptorum diciturum velutamus. Nescio enim qua hominum incuria vel infelicitate potius factum sit, ut tam pretiosi thesauri, ex quibus ecclesiae potissimum divitiae hauriuntur, in abiectis parietibus occultandur ac paene nullo honore, pretio nullo digni reperentur. Sanctorum enim scripta veluti evangelica illa talenta, si muris obiecta ac recondita conservetur, nullum lucrum afferunt;

Greek text follows (folis. 5–18).

Text. Sancti Gregorii Nyssae episcopi Epistola De Pythonissa ad Theodosium episcopum . . . [Inc.:] (fol. 19r) Ille qui discipulis suis dixit: quaerite et invenietis (Mt. 7:7; Lc. 11:9), dabit omnino inveniendi quoque facultatem ipsis qui cupiditate discendi ex Domini praecepto abscondita mysteria perscrutatur atque vestigant . . . [Expl.: (fol. 30v) Extremum autem eorum capitum quae requisita sunt, de illo schilicet dico, quomodo adit spiritus ante baptismum, quoniam perscrutazione atque animadversione maiore indiget, cum de eo privato sermone scripserimus, venerationi tuae, Deo vente, mittemus.

Manuscript:
(photo) Madrid, Biblioteca Nacional 9642, A.D. 1607, misc.: with works of Basiliius Seleuciensis), fols. 19r–30v; Notae on De Pythonissa only, fols. 84v–87r (Loewe–Hartel CXIII, p. 227; Gallardo, p. 32; Kristeller, Iter, IV, 564b–565a).

Biography:
Flaminius Priamus was born in Lugo, Spain, and should not be confused with Flaminius Nobilis (Nobiliss) Lucensis, a native of Lucca, Italy, who also translated works from the Greek but who died, at the latest, by 1590. There is at present no information on Priamus’ life, education or career apart from what can be inferred from the prefaces to his writings.

His only published work was his reedition in 1593 of the Greek grammar first published in 1529 in Louvain by Nicolaus Clerdus (Cleynaerts). On September 13, 1595, Priamus dedicated from Rome to Cardinal Franciscus Toletus, S.J. (Francisco de Toledo) his Latin translations of two sermons by Basil of Seleucia (In Chananaeum et In illud: Navigabant discipuli) and one sermon by John Chrysostom (De consummatione saeculi) (Rome, Pontificia Università Gregoriana, ms. APUG 1130; see Kristeller, Iter, II, 138a). The dedication speaks of a victory in some matter of concern to the circle in which he participated; this victory may refer to the impending acceptance by the pope of Henry IV’s abjuration of Protestantism a few days later (September 17, 1595). On the calends of January 1596 he dedicated from Rome to Henry IV his translation of four sermons by Basil of Seleucia (In centurionem, In illud: Dic ut sedeant, In Herodiadem, In illud: Navigabant), and of the same sermon by Chrysostom (Paris, Bibliothèque Nationale, ms. Coisl. 373; see R. Devreesse, Le fonds Coislin. Catalogue des manuscrits grecs [1945], 357–58). (Priamus’ translation of Chrysostom’s sermon is also found in Paris, Bibliothèque Nationale, ms. suppl. grec 533 [undated]; see M. Vogel–V. Gardthausen, Die griechischen Schriever des Mittelalters und der Renaissance [Leipzig, 1909; rpt. Hildesheim, 1966], 440, where the reference to translations of works of “Basilii d. Gr.” should read “Basilii Seleuciensis”, and also H. Omont, Inventaire sommaire des manuscrits grecs de la Bibliothèque Nationale III [Paris, 1888], 274.)

On the calends of May 1607, Priamus dedicated from Seville to Maximilian of Austria, archbishop of Santiago de Compostela, the Latin version of De Pythonissa and of four sermons of Basil of Seleucia (In Chananaeum, In centurionem, In illud: Navigabant discipuli, and In sanctos infantes ab Herode trucidatos), some of which he had previously dedicated to Cardinal Toletus and to Henry IV (Madrid, Biblioteca Nacional 9642).

The latest manuscript (Braga, Biblioteca Pública 126) is dated from Seville, June 4 (“prid. Non. Ian.”), 1607, with a dedication to Archbishop Augustinus de Jesu of Braga. It contains three more sermons of Basil of Seleucia translated into Latin by Priamus, all accompanied by the Greek text (Kristeller, Iter, IV, 445a–b).

Works: Latin translations mentioned above; reedition (Naples, 1593) of Nicolaus Clenardus,
Institutiones linguae graecae (originally published in Louvain, 1529).

Bibliography: Cosenza, Dictionary of Italian Humanists IV, 2956 and V, 1480 (on Priamius as possibly an Italian, but see Note below); J. A. Fabricius, Bibliotheca latina Mediae et Infimae Aetatis (pt. Graz, 1962), V–VI, 316; Encyclopedias ilustrada XXXI, 578 (on Lugo, Spain); Kristeller, Iter, II, 138a; IV, 445a–b and 564b–565a.


On Francisco de Toledo: A. Astrain, Historia de la Compañia de Jesus (Madrid, 1904), II, 64–65; III, 569ff. and 597ff.; IV, 56–59; Dictionnaire de théologie catholique XV, 1, 1223–25; L. Koch, Jesuiten-Lexicon, 1760–61; C. Sommervogel, Bibliotheque de la Compagnie de Jesus VII, 64–82.


Note: I should like to thank dott.ssa Giovannella Morghen of the Catalogo unico delle biblioteche italiane and dott.ssa Silvana Palermo of the Dizionario biografico degli italiani, both of whom responded to my inquiries regarding possible unpublished information. Neither institute, however, has any data concerning an Italian Flaminius Priamius Lucensis. I am also grateful to p. Vincenzo Monachino, S.J., for providing a copy of the dedication of ms. APUG 1130.

p. 151b1ff. Add commentary:

b. Flaminius Priamius Lucensis

Priamius wrote notes on six passages of the Greek text of De Pythonissa. In each case they explain his choice of Latin words. Nota III demonstrates Priamius’ careful assessment of his exemplar. Only Nota VI might be classified as a commentary.

Nota III (fol. 84v) on μιλτιξ (GNO III.2, 104.7). Priamius read μιλτίγγων and pointed out that μιλτιξ was “vox... vulgaris Graecorum linguae” for which he had chosen “errorem temporum” as the translation. Ducaeus (PG XLV, 109D) and GNO III.2 read μηνίγγα.ν.

Nota VI (fols. 85r–87r). This note discusses Priamius’ handling of the Greek passage PG XLV, 113B1ff.; GNO III.2, 107.10–12. Like Ducaeus before him, Priamius found that the text of his exemplar expressed ideas which conflicted with the statement of St. Paul mentioned by Nyssenus. Priamius’ observations occupy four pages.

[(Inc.]: (fol. 85v) Videtur totus hic locus mutulis et depravatus ac plane huius sanctissimi viri sententiae et Beati Pauli auctoritati contrarium. . . . . [Expl.]: (fol. 86v) Huissumodi enim nominibus sese vicissim soliti sunt appellare sicut etiam hic idem Auctor initio huius epistolarum dixit: πρὸς τὴν σὴν ἀγαθότητα erga tuam probitatem, et alibi passim apud alios reperitur; cui similis consuetudinem etiam Hodie in Pontificium, Cardinaleium, Legatorum, Antistitum, virorum (fol. 87r) religiosorum et aliorum, qui sunt in dignitate constituti, appellatione retinemus.

B.XXVIII. De eo: Quid sit ad imaginem Dei et ad similitudinem

p. 151b21. Add:

Paris, 1619 and 1624. Some references list Tarnus’ first edition as 1618, but this is the date of the dedication to de Gondi; the edition itself was published in 1619.

p. 152a17ff. Add translation:

2. Johannes Tarnus

Johannes Tarnus (Jean Tarin) made a Latin version of De creatione hominis ad imaginem et similitudinem suam, Sermo I, which was attributed to Anastasius Sinaiticus in his Greek exemplar. Tarnus’ Latin translation was published along with the Greek text in Paris in 1619 and again in 1624 in a collection of works including: Origen, Philocalia; Zacharias Mitylenensis, De opificio mundi; and Δοξαὶ περὶ ψυχῆς (which he attributed to Anastasius and now is believed to be by Michael Psellus). Tarnus’ Greek text corresponds far more closely to that attributed to Gregory Nyssenus than does the text printed by A. Mai in his Sciptorum veterum nova collectio (see M. Geerard, CPG III [1979], no. 7747, p. 455 for a list of parallels with the text of PG LXXXIX).

The works in the volume are preceded by a long dedication to Johannes De Gondy (Jean de
Gordii), dean of Paris at that time, but shortly (1623) to become the first archbishop of Paris. It opens with Tarinus’ statement that those who bring to light and publish “veterrum scriptorum litteras” contribute to the public good, although some manuscripts of works which were intended for the public to read have been kept in private collections. Tarinus laments the current state of scholarship: lives of scholars are in a “gravis enim profecto et misera conditio”; if they deviate (presumably from the opinions held by their patrons), they are treated “inhumane ac inclementer”; gentle persuasion would be more desirable. Tarinus points out that de Gordi’s assistance is vital for the “antiquorum librorum instaurationem.” He himself, although desirous of participating in such projects, is impeded by lack of good health as well as “vitae conditio, laboriosa illa.” Adding that he will omit further complaints, he proceeds to laud the dedicatee, de Gordi, and also the latter’s brother, Cardinal de Retz (Henri de Gordi). He then discusses (in a Note to the Reader) the translations in the present volume and concludes with a final word in praise of Origens and quotations from St. Paul.

Dedication (ed. of Paris, 1619). [Inc.]: (fol. aij; no other numeration) Admodum Reverendo ac Illustri Domino D. Ioanni De Gondy, Parisiensis Ecclesiae Decano, Coenobii S. Albini Andium Abbati Patrono Ioannes Tarinus S.D. Veterum scriptorum litteras, praesul ornatisisse, qui ex situ et pulvere ad lucem splendoremque revocant, ut alii nihil in publicum prosint, hoc uno certe et hominibus suis et posteritati consulere existimo, quod ea quae privae custodia non sine publica quadam injuria continuerunt, publici iuris faciunt. . . . Vitae conditio, laboriosa illa, Deus immortalis, et nisi nos spes solatur in posterum ac bonorum approbatio allevat, ingrata, quae nos homines in id oitum traditos sibi toto affecerit, nec alii cuissum esse addictos operi patiatur. Rei magnitudine et pondus, quod nec satis expense aem cum hoc mihi unus imposuit, et animadvertoiampriderem, ut ne quis graviori animadversione dignum putes, ipsa praec me fero . . . [Expl.]: tum eorum splendor ac dignitas tum liberalis tua in hasce litteras propensio perbenigne ostendit. Vale.

Note to the Reader. [Inc.]: Lector cande, quod meam interpretationem ubique vides, tam a me illa est invito quam temporis angustiis circumscripto. . . . Quod cum in Origene secutus sum, tum in Zacharia et Anastasio tenui. Eclogas illas De anima, quas ut corruptissimis exemplribus turbidissimas defacaere non ita fuit promptum, quia id expetere nec ab Anastasi argumento multum differre videbantur, relicquere ab illis suis quasi comitibus distractis religiouni duxi . . . [Expl.]: Immortalis de- nique divini Apostoli voci acquiescas: πάντα δοκιμάζετε, . . . τὸ καλὸν κατέχετε (I Thess. 5:21). Vale.

Text. [Inc.]: (p. 561) Anastasii presbyteri in Sina Monte De hominis creatione a Deo et ad imaginem et similitudinem suam Liber (Gr.-Lat.). Qui vultis sui perfectam a Deo pulchritudinem intelligere volunt, non in alió quam in purissimo quodam speculo imaginem . . . [Expl.]: (p. 586) Qui enim ad Dei erat imaginem factus et nunc est, in eo qui simul Deus et homo est et qui prius imaginis Dei particeps erat, imaginem suam cum Deo communicavit.

Editions:
1619, Paris: sumptibus Petri de Forge. (Gr.–Lat.) Origenis Philocalia de obscuris s. scripturae locis a SS. PP. Basilio Magno et Gregorio Theologo ex variis Origenis commentariis excerpta. Omnia nunc primum graece edita ex Bibl. Regis opera et studio Io. Tarini Andegavi, qui et latine fecit et notis illustravit. NUC. BN; (CU; DLC; Jefferson College).
1624, Paris: apud S. Cramoisy. (Gr.-Lat.) Another edition of the above. NUC. (CU).

These editions also include Tarinus’ Greek text and Latin versions of works of Zacharias Mitylenensis, homilies of Anastasius Sinaiticus, Secundum imaginem, and the Δόξα περὶ ψυχῆς of Psellus (here assigned to Anastasius).

Biography:
Johannes Tarinus (Jean Tarin) was born in Beaufort, Anjou, in 1586. His parents kept a vineyard and were of such modest means that he received little education during his early years. When he was eighteen he entered the Jesuit school at La Flèche where he made rapid progress. By 1615 he had won the chair of rhetoric at the Collège d’Harcourt; then that of Greek and Latin oratory at the Collège Royal. In 1625–26 he was rector of the University of Paris. In 1626 he was instrumental in the condemnation of a treatise by the Jesuit Santarelli, in which the latter subordinated the power of the crown
to the papacy. For his efforts he received a congratulatory letter from Louis XIII, the appointment as "lecteur du roi" and the offer of an episcopate. Instead of accepting these honors, he preferred to give up the ecclesiastical state and marry. He died in Paris in 1666.

Works: Tarin was a scholar, but not a prolific writer. In addition to the texts and Latin translations of works of Origen, Psellus, Zacharias Mitylenensis and Anastasius Sinaiacus mentioned on p. 312 above, he also composed some Latin poetry, together with four other works: Laudatio funebris P. card. de Gondiaco; Virtuti regis invictissimi deditio maxima et summo viro cardinali duci de Richelieu soteria maxima; Eminentissimo et incomparabili cardinali duci soteria: Quod bonum, faustum, felix ac sempiternum salutare sit regi reginaeque christianissimis, natale munus; Reditus optatissimus, sive dies una et vicesima decimi mensis.

Bibliography: Goujet, Histoire du Collège Royal; Hoefer XLIV, 880; Michaud XLI, 18.

The problem of distinguishing among the various Anastasii is beyond the scope of this article; see M. Geerard, CPG III (1979), 453 and 455, esp. the Bibliography offered there. Unfortunately, the presence of Homilia I in Tarinus’ volume (pp. 561–89) is not mentioned.

On de Gondi and de Retz, see: Michaud XVII, 555–56 and XXXV, 472–73.

B. XXXIV. In Verba: FACIAMUS HOMINEM . . .


Prof. Hadwig Hörner has brought to my attention the fact that my statement, "She too believes that Gregory may well have had a hand in their final editing," does not correctly represent her conclusions. I regret any confusion this may have caused with regard to her position. On pp viii–ix of the præfatio to her critical edition of In verba: Faciamus (GNO Supplementband I [Leiden, 1972]), Prof. Hörner clearly states that she believes Gregory’s words υἷς ὡς νοθευόμενας . . . ἐπιφημιζόμενον λόγους alude to the fact that the two treatises In verba: Faciamus were already circulating at the time Nyssenus was preparing the De opificio hominis (his addition to Basil’s In Hexaëmeron), and that he considered those who were responsible for putting the works out under Basil’s name were dishonoring the memory of the great man by this action.

B. XXXVI. Vita S. MACRINAe

p. 181b17–25. Replace with:

1. Petrus Balbus (?)

Petrus Balbus (1399–1479) made a Latin version of Nyssenus, Vita Macrinae and also of De anima et resurrectione, a dialogue with his sister, Macrina. The manuscript containing Balbus’ translation is now lost. For information on the date and circumstances, see pp. 65b–66a.

However, a fragment of his translation of the Vita Macrinae corresponding to the Greek in PG XLVI, 997D–1000A (= GNO VIII.1, 413.17–414.3) may survive in Florence, Biblioteca Medicea Laurenziana sup. 16 (a patristic and humanistic miscellany, including also a text of Plutarch). The fragment is found on fol. 78r, at the end of item XV (a Latin version of the “De sacerdotio Christi,” an excerpt from Suidas that begins on fol. 76r and is dated 1471). Although the translator of the Suidas excerpt is not named, he has been identified as Lauro Quirini (ca. 1420–80/81), a Venetian patrician born in Crete, who dedicated his translation to Pope Nicholas V (see G. Mercati, Ultimi contributi alla storia degli umanisti, 70–85, esp. 71–74).

The ink and hand of the scribe are the same in the case of both pericopes, as was verified by Virginia Brown, who inspected the manuscript. This, of course, does not prove that the translations were the product of the same scholar, particularly since there appears to be no connection between the contents of the two pieces. There is a possibility that the scribe chose to fill in the blank space left on fol. 78r after the conclusion of the Suidas excerpt with material he had read in another manuscript at hand. The two are not, as far as is known, found juxtaposed elsewhere. Not only is Quirini’s name not mentioned here, but he is not known to have had an interest in patristic ascetical literature, while there is testimony that Balbus did make Latin versions of both of Nyssenus’ works dealing with Macrina.
Moreover, a number of other works in this manuscript are Latin translations of Balbus: items IX–XII, XXXII, XXXIV, XXXVI, XXXVII. Item XVIII is a letter of Basilius Magnus to his brother, Gregorius Nyssenus, in a Latin translation of an “incertus auctor”; Bandini surmises (“nisi fallor”) that this also was Balbus’ work. L. Mehus, who edited Traversarius’ Epistolae in 1759, stated in his Vita that he thought Balbus might have made the Suidas translation in ms. 89 sup. 16 because the codex contained many of his other translations. Mehus, however, was apparently unaware of Quirini’s version of the Suidas pericope which, by that time, had already appeared in print more than once.

Both Balbus and Quirini lived in the same area in 1471 (the date of item XV in ms. 89 sup. 16). Quirini’s version had long been available. Balbus’ translation of the Nyssenian work must be dated between 1465 and 1473 when the dedicatee was bishop of Vicenza. Balbus’ version of the other Nyssenian work is dated ca. 1471 (see above, p. 66a). The scribe might well have had a copy of the Vita in his hands. Thus, although we cannot prove that the excerpt on fol. 78r is from Balbus’ lost version of the Vita Macrinae, there is a strong possibility that it was taken from that work.

Text (Florence, Biblioteca Medicea Laurenziana 89 sup. 16). [Inc.]: (fol. 78r) De vita Macrinae. Quaecunque autem reliqua eiusmodi ab ills audivimus qui cum ea vixerunt atque apprimere sciebant, non tutum arbitror me addere narrationi. Quippe cum hominum plures ad suam mensuram id iudicant quod credibile in dictis est, quod autem vires audientis excidit tanquam veritatisions expertius suspicione contumeliosi afficiunt, ideoque omino incredibilem illam in tanta caritate et fame agriculturam. Omissu quomodo frumentum triticumque quotidiem magis atque magis expositum ad usum atque necessitatem nihil undique ad sensum diminutionis faciebat, sed perpetuo semper in eodem manebat cumulo.

Manuscripts:

(*) Capua, Cathedral Library: autograph, now lost (see CTC V, 66a).

(*) Florence, Biblioteca Medicea Laurenziana 89 sup. 16, fol. 78r, s. XV, misc. (Bandini, Cat. codd. lat. Bibl. Med. Laur. [Bibl. Gaddiana] III

B.XXXVII. De vita Moysis

[Florence, 1776], 271). Virginia Brown kindly inspected the manuscript, gave detailed information on the hand and ink, and provided a transcription of the text; Paul Oskar Kristeller offered valuable information on the authorship of the Latin version of the Suidas pericope.

Biography:

See CTC II, 139.

C.I. I. **In Abraham et Isaac**

p. 187b47. Add:

*Manuscript:*

(*) Evora, Biblioteca Pública, C X/1–2, s. XVIII, misc., fasc. 1 (a manuscript copy of Statius' edition of 1578) (Cunha 2, 17; 18; 19; 20; 628; 639; 4, 27; Kristeller, *Iter*, IV, 451b–452a).

C.VI. 3. **De dieitate Filii et Spiritus Sancti et de fide Abrahami**

p. 196b19–22. Read:

Siber's translation was first published in 1606. The "Consecratio" was addressed to Christian II, Elector . . . .

p. 197a16. Add under *Editions:*

(*) 1606, Wittebergae (Wittenberg): apud Paulum Helwichium, typis Georgii Mulleri.

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684D contrivit et n.
686C Ascendam (Ex. 3:3) and n.
687D proditum sit Virginis pater (ut ex historia quadam incerti auctoris accepit) fuit insignis . . . . and n.
687D . . . quod de mater Samuelis scriptum est, ad sanctum sanctorum accedit et supplex Deum orat, ne se legis benedictione sinat excidere, cum nihil umquam admetrat contra legem . . . . and n.
691C Prima peccato adidum patetecit: haec ut testamenti pateret aditus, ministra fuit et n.

p. 201b29. Add translations:

4. Gentianus Heretus

Gentianus Heretus translated the long pericope from *In diem natalem* which deals with the apocryphal story of the birth and childhood of Mary and her betrothal to Joseph, etc. (Greek text PG XLVI, 1137D–1141B) as it appears in Simeon Metaphrastes, *Oratio quae tractat a venerando ortu et educatione dominae nostrae Deiparae . . .* (Menologion under August 15).


C.VIII. **In diem natalem**

p. 200a8ff. Add:

1a. Revision of Fronto Ducaeus

Zinus' translation, already subjected to some minor changes by L. Lippomano (above, p. 199b41–44) was further altered by Fronto Ducaeus (above, p. 199b5ff.). Ducaeus' *Notae* for the 1605 (vol. II, 70ff.) edition suggested certain revisions in Zinus' text; none, however, was made by Ducaeus at that time. But in the 1615 edition the text was changed in accordance with his 1605 suggestions, and he revised his notes as well. The resulting Latin text merits the name of a revision. Several examples are offered below:

1615

1134B confregit et n.
1135B Transiens (Ex. 3:3) and n.
1138D . . . quod de mater Samuelis scriptum est, ad sanctum sanctorum accedit et supplicat Deo ne legum benedictione privatur, quae nihil in legem peccasset et n.
1147A Prima peccato adidum patetecit, haec ut iustitiae pateret aditus, ministra fuit et n.

The legend enjoyed wide popularity; many patristic writers commented on it (as Ducaeus remarked in his notes) and often urged caution in accepting its veracity. Metaphrastes' *Menologion* was also widely read. The Greek original of the section where Nyssenus is quoted at length is no longer extant, but Heretus' Latin version indicates that Metaphrastes (s. X) acknowledged Nyssenus as the source of this particular account of the legend. On Heretus' translation of the *Menologion*, see below, p. 240; it can be dated not long after February, 1552.
Although Metaphrastes’ Greek original is no longer extant, it was available at least into the sixteenth century. A sentence in it played a part in a historical episode involving Maximus the Greek (1480–1576). He was given the responsibility of revising the Slavonic versions of the liturgical books of the Russian Church. In 1521 he first translated Metaphrastes’ Menologion from Greek into Slavonic. Maximus’ inadequate knowledge of the language, coupled with opposition on the part of some religio-political figures to any changes in the liturgical books, even for the sake of accuracy, resulted in an accusation of heresy against him. He was convicted and imprisoned as a result of three especially damaging charges, one of which was his rendition into Slavonic, considered irreverent, of the passage from In diem natalem taken from Metaphrastes (PG XLVI, 1140B): ‘H δὲ σωνάξεια μέχρι μνηστείας ἤν.

Text (De probatis vitis sanctorum, ed. of Louvain, 1568). [Inc.]: (vol. I, 231) Iam enim divinus Gregorius in oratione quae de oru Christi ab ipso composita est, haec de ea tractat: Audivi dicens arcanam quandam et occultam historiam de ea haec narrantem: Erat in sensitum in accurata vitae quae est ex lege institutione, et inter optimos apprime notus pater virginis . . . / . . . [Expl.]: (p. 232) Quemadmodum enim umbra ad praecedentium figuram effingitur, sic forma et indicium divinitatis Dei in virtute ipsius qui pariter ostenditur et imago et signum et adunbratio et splendor exemplaris per admirabilem rerum effectionem demonstrabitur.

Editions:
1618, Cologne: in L. Surius, De probatis sanctorum historis VIII, 134–43. NUC. (CU; CLU; ICN).
1864, Paris: in PG CXV, 531–32. NUC. (CU; MB; NCU).

Biography:

Bibliography:

5. Bonaventura Vulcanius
Bonaventura de Smet, who had adopted the name “Vulcanius,” made a Latin translation of a large segment of In diem natalem comprising chapters XXIV–XXVII of Cyrilus Alexandrinus, Contra anthropomorphitas. F. Mann has demonstrated that the inclusion of this portion of Nyssenus’ work in the treatise of Cyril is traceable to one manuscript, Venetus Marcianus gr. II, 122 (566), s. XIV (F. Mann, Die Wochenschreibt . . ., 229ff.), whose scribe inserted the material from Gregory of Nyssa because it was clearly pertinent to the answer to a question regarding the time of the Incarnation. The rest of the Contra anthropomorphitas is made up of two small works of Cyril, plus a letter. Vulcanius published an edition of the Contra anthropomorphitas in Leiden in 1605. Later Aubert included it in his larger edition of works of Cyril, whence it made its way into Migne’s Patrologia graeca (LXXVI, 1065/6ff). Neither Vulcanius nor Aubert identified chapters XXIV–XXVIII as reproducing a portion of In diem natalem of Nyssenus. However, when P. E. Pusey published his edition of the works of Cyril in 1868, he correctly identified Contra anthropomorphitas as a composite work consisting of two short works of Cyril, plus a letter. He omitted the chapters which he had realized were not by Cyril, but taken from Nyssenus.


Editions:
(*) 1605, Lugduni Batavorum (Leiden): ex typographia J. Patii. (Gr.-Lat.) Cyrilli Alexandrini Adversus anthropomorphitas, Liber unus . . . int. Bonaventura Vulcanio, cum notis eiusdem . . . loca ex CYRILLI libris nondum editis sunt inserta. BL; BN.
p. 201b40–42. Delete “(Sifanus) . . . name” and replace with:

The translation of this text which appears in editions of Lippomano–Surius is that of P. F. Zinus (above, pp. 199b–200a). The editions of 1568, 1617, and 1875 contain only Zinus’ version. F. Mann, editor of the critical text in the GNO edition, confirmed in private correspondence (August 24, 1982) that Sifanus’ translation does not appear in editions of Lippomano-Surius.

Ducaeus’ first edition (1615) of Zinus’ version reads, as does the first edition which Zinus himself published (Venice, 1553), “Quamobrem cum voti compos effecta filiam suscepisset, eam vocavit Mariam.”


Sifanus’ version of 1562 reads: “Confirmata autem nutu divino donum quod petitii, acceptit. Cum autem nata esset puella, nomen imposuit ei Mariam.”

It is obvious that Ducaeus’ quotation approximates closely but does not agree verbatim with Sifanus’ translation. Possibly Ducaeus intended to say, “Interpres alter, Sifanus . . .” and quoted from memory.

There remains the version of Gentianus Hervetius (see above, p. 316). Here, too, there is no verbatim agreement: “Cum nutu divino confirmata esset ad gratiam, quam petierat, postquam peperit puellam, eam nominavit Mariam” (Historiae de probatis vitis sanctorum I [Louvain, 1568], 221).

Ducaeus was a meticulous scholar; there seems to be evidence that he knew more than one translation in addition to that of Zinus and quite aside from “interpres alter.” In his 1615 Nota on “Audivi ergo” (PG XLVI, 1221, on 1138D), which differs from his note of 1605, he says, “Alii arcanam et occultam historiam vertunt.” Both Sifanus and Hervetius chose those words for their versions of the passage. (Since Camerarius was a Protestant, his version would not have been included in Lippomano-Surius, and hence is not under consideration here).

C.XIII. In Meletium episcopum

3. Anonymus (s. XV)

An anonymous Latin translation of In Meletium episcopum is contained in Warsaw, Biblioteka Narodowa, Baworowski 74, s. XV. This codex also contains Georgius Trapezuntius’ Latin versions of two orations of Gregorius Nazianzenus and an anonymous translation of six works of John Chrysostom. There is no evidence that Trapezuntius translated any work of Nysenus other than the De vita Moysis (see above, pp. 182bff.). John Monfasani suggests that the absence of any preface to the text, and of any reference elsewhere to it by Trapezuntius himself, points to someone else as the translator. The Latin is, however, that of a writer of this period.

Text (Warsaw, Biblioteka Narodowa, Baworowski 74). [Inc.]: (fol. 50v) Gregory Niseni episcopi oratio in Meletium episcopum Antiochenum feliciter incipit. Auit nobis apostolorum numerum ipse novus apostolatus qui nuper eorum sententia et cum apostolis sortitus est. Traxterunt ad se sancti sibi similem moribus, athletam athletae, coronandum coronati, purum animo mundi corde, praeconem orationis . . . / . . . [Expl.]: (fol. 55v) vinum laetificat cor hominis (Ps. 103:15) ampliori mixtum et abundantioribus spiritualis sermonis calicibus ut nobis rursus in laetitiam exultationemque luctus convertatur unigeniti filii dei gratia per quem et gloria deo patrique in saecula.

Manuscript:
(micro.) Warsaw, Biblioteka Narodowa, Baworowski 74, s. XV, misc., fols. 50v–55v, written in Italy (Kristeller, Iter, IV, 419b–420b;
J. Monfasani, *Collectanea Trapezuntiana*, 75; CTC II, 137b. I am grateful for the assistance of Paul Oskar Kristeller and of Andrzej Piber of the Biblioteka Narodowa in obtaining a reproduction of fols. 50v–55v. I am also grateful to John Monfasani for his useful comments.

C. XXVII. *In sanctum Pascha IV (De sancto et salutari festo Paschae)*

p. 230b24. Add translation:

4. Theodorus Antonius Peltanus

Theodorus Antonius Peltanus made a Latin version of *In sanctum Pascha IV (De sancto et salutari festo Paschae)* which is preserved only in a collection of festal sermons, *Decem et septem excellentissimorum theologorum declamationes*, published in Ingolstadt in 1579. Included in the volume, in addition to the short paschal oration of Nyssenus, were works of Basil of Seleucia and Sophronius of Jerusalem, several in abridged form.

The volume was dedicated to Count Sweikardt von Helfenstein. Peltanus begins his lengthy (twenty-seven and a half pages) *Ad lectorem praefatio* by discussing the value of publishing Latin versions of the writings “veterum theologorum.” The bitter doctrinal controversies of the time were obviously a motivating factor for Peltanus: “quid de hoc vel illo fidei dogmate venerandata antiquitas quondam statuerat, publice docuerit, in quaestionem vocatur.” The Protestants hold that doctrinal disputes should be settled “sola scripturarum auctoritate et analogia.” Peltanus feels that, although Catholic theologians of his own day could confront the “sectariori” by citing Catholic works, it was preferable in the case of intelligent, or even moderately knowledgeable, opponents to provide them with works “veterum theologorum” which they themselves might study. A question then arises concerning the meaning of “veterum”: before or after “beatus Gregorius” (presumably Gregory I [540–604])? In addition, whose interpretation of scripture was to be accepted? That of the “veteres,” or that of Luther, Calvin, Zwingli and their followers? The greater part of the *praefatio* is devoted to examples of doctrinal arguments in the course of which Peltanus quotes several works of Luther verbatim.

Finally he explains his own situation. As long as his health and strength permitted, he continued to teach; now he must pursue work better suited to his physical abilities. In concluding, he explains his procedure in translation. He has tried to interpret faithfully and clearly the mind of the author. If he has accomplished this goal moderately well, thanks are due to God; if he has failed, the fault rests with his own stupidity. Of course he might have been able to make a more accurate version in some cases, had he had at hand a better Greek exemplar. He was apparently no longer able to travel far from Augsburg where he lived after 1574, and had to rely on professional scribes (*mercenarii illi scriptores*) to supply copies of Greek manuscripts. These individuals charged dearly for their work and sold it for the highest price they could get. Thus Peltanus had to be satisfied with only one exemplar in most cases. He feels obliged to make his readers aware of the facts; otherwise this insignificant (*tantillus*) book would not have required such a long preface.


*Text. [Inc.]:* (fol. 141v) Sancti Patris Nostri Gregorii Episcopi Nysseni in sanctum et salutiferum Pascha Oratio. Vera illa Sabbati quies, quae Dei benedictionem suscepit, in qua Dominus ab omni opere cessavit, mortis quiete, quam pro mundi salute Dominus Iesus subit, nunc finem accept . . . . / . . . [Expl.]: (fol. 143v) Cum igitur inimici acies ceciderit, et ille ipse qui in nequissimum daemonum exercitum imperium
tenebat, exsercitavit, evanuerit, et in nihilum redactus sit, dicamus: *Quia Deus magnus Dominus* (Ps. 94:3), et *Rex magnus super omnem terram* (Ps. 46:3) qui benedixit coronae anni benignantis suae (Ps. 64:12) et congregavit nos ad spiritalem hanc chori stationem, in Christo Iesu Domino nostro, cui sit gloria in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

**Edition:**

(photo) 1579, Ingolstadt (Ingolstadt): excudebat David Sartorius. *Decem et septem excellentissimarum theologorum declarationes, etc.* . . . (M. Altenburger and F. Mann, Bibliographie zu Gregor von Nyssa, 38). I am grateful to Prof. Otto Mazal of the Österreischische Nationalbibliothek, Vienna, for permitting the copying of pertinent pages of this edition, and to Doris Schneider of the Abteilung Wissenschaftlicher Information for copying and mailing the pages. A copy of this edition is also in the Biblioteca Casanatense, Rome.

**Biography:**

Theodorus Antonius Pelitianus (Théodore Antoine Van Pelt) was born in 1511 in Overpelt, Belgium; hence his epithet “Pelitianus.” Details of his early life are few. He began his education in his native town. Some accounts suggest that he followed the trade of cobbler before his academic talents were discovered. At some point he went to Cologne to pursue further studies. There in about 1550 he entered the Jesuit order. His progress was very rapid, and late that year he was appointed professor at the new Roman College. Soon he was sent to Naples as professor of Greek, Latin, and Hebrew. After returning to Rome for a brief period, he went to Ingolstadt where he taught Greek, Hebrew, and a course on the Sentences of Peter Lombard. From 1559 to 1561 he was professor at Munich. By 1562 he was teaching theology at Ingolstadt where he remained until 1574. He spent his final years in Augsburg and died there in 1584.

A eulogy of Pelitianus is printed in the 1607 edition of his *In Proverbia Salomonis paraphrasis et scholia*.

**Works:**

Pelitianus wrote numerous works ranging in subject matter from the treatment of doctrinal questions (e.g., heaven, hell, indulgences, sacraments, the process of canonization) to Latin translations from the Greek. The most complete list of his writings is found in C. Sommervogel, *Bibliothèque de la Compagnie de Jésus VI*, 458–66. His Latin translations, many of which appear in Migne’s *Patrologia graeca*, include: *Acts of the Council of Ephesus*; commentary of Gelasius of Cyzicus on the *Acts* of the Council of Nicaea; works of Acacius of Melitene, Andrew of Capadocian Caesarea, John Chrysostom, Nicephorus of Constantinople, Olympiodorus of Alexandria, Titus of Bostra, and Victor of Antioch. Pelitianus’ *In Proverbia Salomonis paraphrasis et scholia* appeared in several editions.

**Bibliography:**

In addition to C. Sommervogel (cited above under *Works*), see: L. Koch, *Jesuiten–Lexicon*, 1398; *Allgemeine deutsche Biographie* XXV, 340; *Biographie nationale de Belgique* XVI, 887; *Dictionnaire de théologie catholique* XII.1, 721; Hurter, *Nomenclator III*, 190–92.

**C.XXXI. De sancto Theodoro Martyre**

p. 236a. Add before line 1:

Further editions are listed in GNO X.1, CLXIX and CLXII n.

**C.XXXIII. De vita Gregorii Thaumaturgi**

p. 237b1. Add:

The volume was published in 1990.

p. 239a–b. Add under *Manuscripts*:

The following manuscripts, with the exception of the codex in Munich, all contain excerpts from the *Vita Gregorii Thaumaturgi* in the Latin of Petrus Subdiaconus (= *Bibliotheca hagiographica latina* 3678). Their importance lies in the testimony they bear to the very widespread use of Petrus’ version, which until the late nineteenth century was neglected by scholars.

5. Petrus Pantinus Tiletanus

Petrus Pantinus (Pierre Pantin) made a Latin translation of Nyssenus, *De vita Gregorii Thau-maturgi*, accompanied by a dedication, poem, and copy of his Greek exemplar. This was done at some time prior to 1597 when the dedication and poem were published in Brussels by Rutger Velpius. The translation and Greek text, however, were never published (GNO X.1, cxi n. 1); they are preserved in Paris, Bibliothèque Ste–Geneviève 2753.

Pantinus stated earlier in connection with the Greek text that he had found his exemplar in the library of Cardinal Granvelle (d. 1586), a patron of scholars and minister of Marguerite of Austria to whom Philip II entrusted the government of the Low Countries in 1559. The Greek title of Pantinus' codex suggests a member in the family of Ms. Vat. gr. 446 (s. XII); recently scholars have determined that his exemplar was Vat. Ottob. gr. 91 (GNO X.1 [Leiden, 1990], cviii–cxi, cxxxi).

There is a comment on the translation of the Greek title in one of two brief glosses copied by the text hand at the beginning of the Latin translation on fol. 89r. (Whether Pantinus is actually the scribe can only be determined by a comparison of the hand of ms. Ste–Geneviève 2753 with a securely identified autograph of Pantinus.) The scholiast questions whether the work was an oratio . . . recitata; it must, rather, have been a vita: "Certe vitam, non laudationem scribit (sc. Nyssenus) since "prolixior haec scriptio est quam ut patientibus auribus a concione excipi potuisse." Modern scholars agree, pointing to internal evidence that the original treatise was reworked for later distribution. The majority of the surviving manuscripts term the work a βιος.

The dedication is addressed to Albert, archduke of Austria and cardinal archbishop of Toledo, who had recently (1595) been appointed governor general of the Low Countries. It is largely devoted to an encomium of Albert, mentioning his qualities of magnanimity, prudence, skill, etc. These, combined with love of the country in his charge, so Pantinus hoped, would bring about a more peaceful state of affairs. He recalls Albert’s ancestors, the Emperor Maximilian, and his grandfather, Charles, of the House of Habsburg, who faced similar difficulties. Knowledge of this lineage should promote
confidence in his ability to surmount current problems. Pantinus goes on to praise Albert’s “pietas,” a point reemphasized in the poem which follows the dedication. Such a virtue, combined with the support of friends, can overcome great odds. Pantinus then draws a comparison with Gideon, David and Ezechiel, and finally an analogy with Gregorius Thaumaturgus. Pantinus continues with a request that Albert accept this “munusculum” and recommend it, particularly because the one who produced it was devoted to the Austrian cause. He concludes with a suggestion that his little volume be hung, as it were, as a gift in the rotunda of Albert’s genius.

In the following poem, also addressed to Albert, Pantinus laments the sad state of Belgium at that time. On the one side it is oppressed by the fury of the English and Dutch; on the other side by France, with the result that its people “give our bare flanks to the enemy.” Italy does not assist, and Germany is so torn by dissension that it can hardly offer any sympathy. The hope of the country rests “in pietate tua . . . Clarissime Princeps.”


Poem (p. 4)
Eiusdem ad eundem.

Fluctuat innumeris nunc Belgica nostra procellis
Fluctuat, et ratio parva salutis adest.
Sic quercus fixis radicibus altius
haeret,
Quo magis ingruerint flamina saeva
Noti.


Manuscript:
(photo) Paris, Bibliothèque Ste–Geneviève 2753, s. XVII in., fols. 1r–4v, Dedication to Albert and poem; fols. 5–8, Suidas’ entry on Gregorius Thaumaturgus, followed by Hieronymus, De viris illustribus on the same; fols. 9–83, Greek text of Vita Gregorii Thaumaturgi; fols. 84–88, Variae quaedam lectiones et connecturae in hanc orationem; fols. 89–179, Petrus Pantinus’ Latin version of the Vita (Ch. Kohler, Cat. Bibl. Sainte–Geneviève II, 492–93). Dr. Françoise Zehnacker, directeur de la Réserve de la Bibliothèque Ste–Geneviève, kindly provided photos of portions of the manuscript.

Edition:
(photo) 1597, Bruxellae (Brussels): apud Rutgerum Velpium, Typ. Iurat. The dedication occupies pp. 1–3; p. 4 contains the poem to Albert. Dr. Françoise Zehnacker also provided copies of portions of this edition.

Biography:
Petrus Pantinus (Pierre Pantin) was born in Tielt, Belgium, in 1556 (hence his epithet Tiletanus). His parents, Jacques and Marguerite Pan-
tin, were of modest means; he was also the
grandnephew of Guillaume Pantin, a well-
known physician of Bruges. He began his formal
education in Ghent and continued it in Louvain,
where he studied under Andreas Schott, a
scholar who was only slightly his senior. A life-
long friendship resulted. In 1576 he left Belgium
in the company of Schott to continue his studies,
first at Douai and later in Paris. There the young
scholars became part of the circles frequented
by such figures as Pithou, Scaliger, and Cujas.
After some years Pantinus returned briefly to
his native land, but soon left because of the
continuing unrest that resulted from the religio-
political wars of the period in which the Low
Countries were torn as Belgium adhered to the
Catholic, and neighboring Holland to the Prote-
tant, side of the disputes.

Pantinus made his way to Spain and, after
visiting several cities, settled in Toledo, where
Schott had already received an appointment to
the chair of Greek at the university. Pantinus,
having been introduced to Antonio Corruvas
and Don Pedro García de Loyasa Girón, soon
became both secretary and librarian to the latter.
He published his first Latin translation from the
Greek (a work of Johannes Damascenus) during
this period. When Schott went on to teach in
Saragossa (1583–84?), Pantinus succeeded him
as professor of Greek in Toledo, which position
he held for twelve years. During this interval
he also became chaplain to Philip II. Yet he
continued to pursue his scholarly interests which
had begun in his early years and lasted to the
end of his life. He searched for, often copied
with his own hand, and translated into Latin a
number of Greek patristic works. He personally
made inventories of manuscripts in various li-
braries. Much of this material was eventually
published, thanks to Pantinus’ having main-
tained close relationships with Belgian printing
houses, particularly with Plantin and Moretus.
In addition he carried on a wide correspondence
with Belgian scholars, including Justus Lipsius.

With the advent of a brief peace in his native
land, Pantinus was able to return in May 1595
(some sources say 1596) in the retinue of the
cardinal-archduke Albert whom Philip II had
appointed governor general of the Low Coun-
tries. It was to him that Pantinus dedicated his
translation of Nyssenus, \textit{Vita Gregorii Thauma-
turgi}. Once in Brussels he was able to assume
the office of Dean of Ste–Gudule, a position to
which he had been appointed in 1592. The chap-
ter had resisted the assignment of a relatively
unknown cleric who had long resided in Spain.
In his capacity as Dean, Pantinus, who had ap-
parently been ordained in Madrid in 1584, offici-
ciated at the marriage of Albert (who had been
laicized at the instance of Philip II) to Isabella
Clara Eugenia, Philip’s daughter, in 1596.

Peace in the region was again fading; in 1601
Pantinus was appointed to fill the vacant post of
vicar general for the armies. In this capacity he
traveled much and carried out his required duties
for six years, although he preferred the life of a
scholarly cleric. Eventually he was able to return
to that life until his death in 1611. He is buried
in Ste–Gudule, whose Dean he had been for
sixteen years.

Pantinus bequeathed his manuscripts and li-
brary to his lifelong friend, Schott, on whose
death they eventually passed to the Bibliothèque
Royale, Brussels. The manuscript of the \textit{Vita
Thaumaturgi} is an exception, although it is ap-
parently not an autograph and may never have
been in Schott’s hands.

Pantinus is described as a man of high princi-
pies, both in political and ecclesiastical circles.
Moreover, like a number of scholars of his day,
he was a person of great tolerance in a time of
religious unrest. His long relationship with
Protestants as well as Catholics is attested in his
letters.

\textbf{Works:}

The list of Pantinus’ writings is sizeable. They
range from a poem on St. Leocadia (his earliest
work) on the occasion of the return of her body
to her native Toledo (1587) to a history of the
royal house of the Goths, many poems, and
a number of Latin versions of Greek texts. A
comprehensive list of Pantinus’ works appears in
the account of his life by J. Fabri in \textit{Bibliotheca
belgica} VI (Brussels, 1964), 214–16; see also A.
Miraes, \textit{Scriptores CLXXIII}. Latin translations
from the Greek in addition to the \textit{Vita Gregorii
Thaumaturgi: Homiliae III SS. patrum episco-
porum Methodii, Athanasii, Amphilochi, Jo-
hannis Chrysostomi; Conciones graecorum pa-
trum; Basilius episcopus Seleuciae, De vita ac
miraculis D. Theclae virginis . . .; Themistius
Euphradae, Orationes aliquot non editae; Michael Apostolius, Paroemiae.

Among other works: a Greek epitaph on Justus Lipsius. Fabri does not list his version of Nyssenus, Vita Thaumaturgi.

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On Andreas Schott see: C. Sommervogel, Bibliothèque de la Compagnie de Jésus VI, 865–912.


p. 246a22ff. Add to Appendix III:


B.II. De anima ad Tatianum. Translation of Nicolas Le Nourry (1647–1724) of text attributed only to a "Gregorius." 1694, Paris in Apparatus ad bibliothecam maximam veterum patrum et antiquorum scriptorum ecclesiasticorum Lugduni editam. NUC. BN; (PLatS).

B.X. Epistola canonica ad Letoium. Edition of William Beveridge, including revisions of both Greek and Latin texts. 1672, Oxford in Synodikon sive Pandectae canonum SS apostolorum et consiliorum una cum scholiis antiquorum singulis eorum annexis et scriptis huc spectantibus . . . Totum opus . . . G. Beveridge recensuit, prolegomenis munivit, et annotationibus auxit (Gr.–Lat.), II.1, 152–64 (Hoffmann II, 186). NUC. BL; BN; (CU–L; NNUT; NPt).