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## P R E F A C E

IN 1842 J. O. Halliwell edited for the Camden Society a volume entitled *The Diary of Dr. John Dee*. To the diary itself, which extends with considerable gaps over the years (1554) 1577 to 1601, he appended the catalogue of Dee's manuscript library, taken from an autograph MS. in the Gale Collection at Trinity College, Cambridge (O. 4. 20). This catalogue it is my purpose to reprint here, and to furnish what information I can about the books entered in it.

Bibliographers will readily agree that this is worth doing. They will remember that Dee was not merely an alchemist and spiritualist, but a really learned man, and one who had done his best, by petitions and otherwise, to stimulate interest in the rescuing of MSS. from the dissolved monastic libraries and to induce the sovereign to establish a central national collection of them. They will also be aware that we have but very few sixteenth-century English catalogues of manuscript collections, and that the investigation of the destinies of a dispersed library may be made to throw much light upon the formation of the collections which still exist.

It will be as well, before we embark upon the examination of the catalogue, to have before us the leading dates in the life of the owner of the books. John Dee was born in 1527. When the Diary begins, we find him living at Mortlake. In 1583 (on September 21) he left England, with the impostor Edward Kelly, for Bohemia and Poland, whence, after a most unsuccessful and detrimental sojourn, he returned to Mortlake in December 1589. In 1595 he was made Warden of Manchester College (now the cathedral): in 1604 he came back to Mortlake; and in 1608 he died there in poverty.



Our catalogue was made on September 6, 1583, just a fortnight before he started for the Continent. As soon as he was fairly off, a raid was made upon his house by the less respectable residents in Mortlake (among the better sort he seems to have been popular and well-liked), his books were, to some extent, dispersed, and valuable scientific instruments broken or stolen. On his return six years later he was able to recover, it is said, three-fourths of the books, but the apparatus was gone for ever. The cause of the raid was no doubt Dee's dealings with spirits, which not unnaturally earned for him the reputation of being a sorcerer.<sup>1</sup>

The catalogue of 1583, then, cannot be regarded as a full record of the manuscripts which Dee possessed at the time of his death. Some volumes will be entered in it which were lost or destroyed soon after it was made, and, on the other hand, during the twenty-five years that elapsed between its making and Dee's death, it is not to be supposed that he did not make additions to his collection. There are, in fact, volumes in exis-

<sup>1</sup> The marginal notes written by Dee in the MS. of this catalogue at Trinity College relate in some cases to this spoliation. One such, which occurs only once in the list of MSS., but very often indeed in that of the printed books, is 'J. Davis spoyle'. There are variants of this: e.g. on f. 3 of the MS. apropos of a work of Cusanus, 'Jo. Davis toke (w<sup>th</sup> others) by violence out of my howse after my going', followed by the sentence, through which Dee has drawn a line, 'He hath got the Mathematicall part of Cusan.' Again, 'Jo. Davis sent me one volume home, the other lacketh.' 'Jo. Davis spoyle he hath not yet restored, as may appere by his letters.' Other like notes are 'Mr. Jak restored', 'Widdow Gardiner (*or* Gardiner's Widdow) restored'. Davis, Gardiner, and Jak are all mentioned in the *Diary*. In Oct. 1579 Davis figures as one of the persons who are continually being 'reconciled' to Dee: in Feb. 1583 he is one of a group who confer with Walsingham about the North-West Passage, and in March he goes off to Devonshire. Robert Gardiner in May 1582 has revelations vouchsafed to him about the philosopher's stone, and seems to have been in Dee's employment. In May 1590 Thomas Jack restores to Dee part of his 'magnes stone', and in July sends him back a hammer.



tence which contain his name, with dates of acquisition long subsequent to 1583.

He may have parted with some of his treasures under stress of poverty during the years immediately preceding his death: his biographers say that he did: but the fact is not of great importance as regards our investigation. It is of more interest to learn what happened to the library when he was gone. Upon this some light is thrown by Archbishop Ussher's correspondence. Sir Henry Bourghier, writing to Ussher in 1624 (sixteen years after Dee's death), speaks of 'Dee's library, which hath been long litigious, and by that means unsold' (*Works*, x| 227). In another letter (March 23, 1624-5) he says 'Vettius Valens in Greek is Mr. Selden's now, but was sometimes Dr. Dee's, but the rest of his books will be had very shortly, as many as are worth the having'. In October 1626 Dr. Bainbridge, Professor of Astronomy at Oxford, writes to the Archbishop: 'I am bold to enter your grace's *bibliotheca* with the humble request that I may have the names of such mathematical books as were Dee's.' He adds that he had seen in London a list of bare titles of Dee's books, and had been to Sir Robert Cotton, but *his* books were not yet ordered in a catalogue. From these passages I gather that litigation (consequent most likely on Dee's debts) had prevented the dispersion of the library until 1625 (probably February 162 $\frac{5}{8}$ ), and that, when it was finally sold, Ussher and Cotton had made considerable purchases. Selden, we see, also bought at least one book. We find Dee books, too, in the collections of Digby, Ashmole, Savile (Sir Henry, who died before Dee): but there is a yet more important purchaser. The number of volumes from this source which have made their way to Corpus Christi College, Oxford, cannot fail to arrest attention: it constitutes by far the largest portion of Dee's library that is to be found in any one place.

Now a document exists (C.C.C., Oxford, MS. 280, p. 235)



6. *Manuscripts formerly owned by Dr. John Dee*

which shows that a number of Dee's MSS. were offered for sale to the College by Brian Twyne, the famous Oxford antiquary, who was a Fellow of the society. The purchase was declined, but the books were ultimately bequeathed by Twyne to the College.<sup>1</sup>

Twyne's special reason for buying the books I can only conjecture; but my conjecture takes this form. John Twyne, his grandfather, schoolmaster, mayor, and antiquarian, of Canterbury, had procured a good many MSS. from the dissolved library of St. Augustine's Abbey there, and these had afterwards come into Dee's hands: Brian Twyne knew this, and desired to recover and keep together his grandfather's collections. Certain it is that many of the Dee-Twyne-Corpus Christi books are from St. Augustine's,<sup>2</sup> less certain that they were owned by John Twyne. Brian Twyne, by the way, did not succeed in securing all the St. Augustine's MSS. that Dee owned: the most important one, the catalogue of the Abbey library, went to Ussher, and is now at Dublin. This is all that I can learn

<sup>1</sup> The documents are as follows:

(a) An acknowledgment of £15 due to John White, bookseller in Little Britain, for MSS. bought by B. Twyne for the use of the President and Scholars of C. C. College in Oxon. to be paid before 14 March. Dated 22 Feb. 1625: signed Th. Amyan, President.

(b) A similar acknowledgment by the same of £3 6s. due to J. White. Dated 23 Feb. 1625.

(c) Notes by Twyne, viz.: 'I made a generall catalogue of these bookes at London, & when they were brought downe to y<sup>e</sup> Coll: y<sup>e</sup> company would not consent that any money shuld be layd out for them. Br. Twyne.

They were returned vpon y<sup>e</sup> President.

They were parcell of Dr. Dees bookes & some of them very rare: & all worthy of y<sup>e</sup> buyinge for y<sup>e</sup> Coll: Library, if they had byn more.'

<sup>2</sup> Several entries, to which I can as yet find no corresponding extant MS., answer to entries in the St. Augustine's Catalogue, viz. Nos. 20, (59), 68, 107, 120, (138), 159, 171, (173). Of the extant MSS. sixteen can be traced to St. Augustine's.

Similarly one or two books may have come from the Austin Friars at York (see the catalogue in *Fasciculus J. W. Clark dicatus*), viz. Nos. 72, 75.



or guess as to the destinies of Dee's MSS. immediately after their dispersion. We find stray volumes making their way into the libraries of Pepys, Gale, Harley, and Sloane (one at Lambeth must have been bought by Bancroft before Dee's death). I have found but one for certain in a foreign library, and that belonged to Kenelm Digby. Two others, doubtful, are among Queen Christina's MSS. in the Vatican.

There is more, however, to be said about the growth of the collection. We have two lists of Dee's MSS. earlier than 1583. One (List A) is in a small notebook of his at Corpus Christi College, Oxford (MS. 191). This book contains :

1. List of MSS. owned by Dee in 1556.
2. List of MSS. borrowed by him from Peterhouse, Cambridge, to be returned in 1558.<sup>1</sup>
3. Contents of a MS. borrowed from Dr. Hathar.
4. Contents of a MS. borrowed from Queen's College, Oxford.
5. List of MSS. bought by him from John Leland's library in 1556, and from other sources.
6. Alchemical books read by him in 1556. This last item does not concern our present investigation.

The other (List B) is contained in the British Museum MS. Add. 35213 (formerly Phillipps 10701), to which Mr. J. P. Gilson and Mr. J. A. Herbert kindly directed my attention. It is the volume from which Mr. Gilson printed the very interesting catalogue of the MSS. of Long Harry Savile of

<sup>1</sup> Of the books (six in number) borrowed in 1556, five are still to be found in the catalogue of 1583. But we must not be hasty in accusing Dee of dishonesty. One of the borrowed MSS. (now Ashmole 424) has a note in Dee's hand to the effect that it was presented to him by Peterhouse in 1564 in exchange for a gift of printed books. Dee parted with it before his death: in 1606 a 'Dominus Hysley' gave or sold it to P(atrick) Saunders. These same names occur in another of the books, Ashmole 1471, also with the date 1606.



Banke (d. 1617).<sup>1</sup> On ff. 1-4 it contains a roughly-written list of Dee's books, written and printed, in his autograph, the MSS. being entered on ff. 3 *b* and 4. This list cannot be far removed from A in date, but it is not clear to me whether it is a little the earlier or a little the later of the two. List A is, in any case, of greater importance, since it shows the sources whence some of Dee's MSS. came.

My chief object in this investigation is to identify the extant remains of Dee's manuscript library. With this in view I have examined a great many collections at London, Oxford, Cambridge, and elsewhere, as occasion offered: and not without success. Halliwell gave identifications (not always correct) of 22 MSS.: mine, certain and doubtful, number over 120. The means of identification vary. Sometimes we have Dee's signature in full; but often we have to depend on subsidiary marks: autograph notes are not uncommon; other books bear a  $\Delta$  or the astrological sign of Jupiter thrice repeated  $\text{♃} \text{♃} \text{♃}$ , or a mark like a small ladder. Sometimes names of owners, like P. Saunders, whom we know to have been Dee's associates, combine with the contents of a MS. to ensure an identification. Often the contents of the MS. are the only guide. The list itself will afford the reader the means of judging of the weight of the evidence in each case.

I have collated Halliwell's text of O. 4. 20 with the MS. without finding any important differences. One feature, it is true, Halliwell has omitted to notice, and I cannot wholly explain. With few exceptions the entries of MSS. up to no. 67 have a T prefixed to them. The others have in most cases the letters Fr. These same letters, T and Fr., are prefixed to the entries of printed books, which of course fill the greatest part of the MS. For Fr. I can suggest an interpretation. At the very beginning of the volume is this note in Dee's hand, minutely written and somewhat injured:

<sup>1</sup> *Trans. Bibliogr. Soc.* vol. ix. 1907.



Andreas Fremonshemiꝯ | Birkmannorum Colo|niensium in  
Anglicos (?) | Distractor Librorum | siue Bibliopola . . . | exscri-  
psit Mortlaciꝯ | ipsos omnes . . . | singulos libros | considerans.

The Fr. then may indicate Fremonshemius, the agent of the Birkmanns, who perhaps contemplated buying the library, but cannot ultimately have done so. Who T was I cannot now guess—not Twyne, at any rate. Happily the letters seem to have no value as indicating the present whereabouts of the books.

There is a second MS. of the catalogue of 1583, viz. Harley 1879: it is in the same hand as the Gale MS., but does not contain the letters T and Fr., nor any marginal notes by Dee. It has, however, prefixed to the catalogue on f. 19<sup>b</sup> of the whole volume (which contains several catalogues) a note in Dee's hand (I think) which is not without interest, though it does not bear directly on our subject:

'In the Book of St. Aug<sup>ten</sup> of Canterbury . being a large Foll. Book in an old red cover containing 385 leaves.

The beginning of the book is in a latter hand then most of the book and is an Exemplification and Confirmation of all the charters of the Kings proinde (?) to Ed. the sonn of Edward mad in the time Radulphi Abbatis.

In the first leaf of the old hand, after the former Exemplification, and vnder the charter of King Aethelbert and priueledg of St. Aug<sup>ten</sup> anglorum apostoli, there is wrytten thes words following in a rud secretary hand

Liber Johannis Twyne de grayes Ine ex dono patris sui  
Johannis Twyne Teste Humfrido Jurdano Rectore  
ecclesie de Sturmowthe. per me John Twyne

The sam is wrytten in pag. of the sam book 212 over a deed of 3 roods and a half of land in Newland

This book is now in the hands of on Mr. Wylford of Kent an[d] old gentellman being in fette(r) layn a recusant.'

The book here described is doubtless the Cotton MS. Claud. D. x.



We find more of it in Clark (*Wood's Life and Times*, iv. 91, *Oxf. Hist. Soc.*). Brian Twyne (xvi. 407) cites: Thomas de Thanet (vixit 1272) *Matricula scil. de variis chartis libertatibus ac privilegiis et possessionibus monasterii S. Aug. Cant. Init.* In nomine domini J. C. notum sit omnibus tam praesentibus quam posteris quod ego Adhelbertus. It was given by John Twyne of Canterbury (but query of Gray's Inn: see above) to Thomas Smyth high-customer of London, and was afterwards in the hands of Richard James of C.C.C. Oxford: a thick 4to with a red cover.

The notes have some interest as recording the fact that John Twyne owned yet another St. Augustine's book.

Of the general character of the collection a few words must be said. It is in the main a special one, got together to assist Dee in his peculiar studies. Had it survived intact it would have been a first-class repository of mediaeval science books excluding medicine. Alchemy, astrology, astronomy, physics, geometry, optics, mathematics are all very copiously represented; and Dee appears to have given special attention to collecting the works of two great writers, Roger Bacon and Raymund Lull. There is very little theology, and no ancient poetry. Among the classical MSS., one containing the versions of Plato's *Phaedo* and *Meno*, which was made in Sicily for Frederick IV—see Val. Rose's articles on it in *Hermes*, vol. i—is of special interest. History, British and English, is perhaps the subject best represented next to Natural Science. One Welsh MS. occurs.

Few of the MSS. which can be identified are very old. Perhaps the oldest is the Lauderdale Orosius, now at Helmingham, which is not in the catalogue. The Priscianus Lydus (A. 15), Isidore (94), Boethius (114), Aethicus (9,80) are of respectable antiquity.

I have not attempted to collect here notices of MSS. of Dee's own writing.





I

LIST A

C. C. C. Oxford, MS. 191.

§i. J. Dee. Libri antiqui scripti quos habeo anno 1556.

1. Anthologia Vectii Valentis | Aristoxeni Musica | Alypii Musica | Cleomedes de Mundo | Tractatus de astrolabio | Hipparchus in Aratum et Eudoxum. Grece compacti. = C. 43.
2. De musica libri varii | Perspectiua Baconis | Albion | Canones Jo<sup>is</sup> de Lyneriis | Prophatius Judeus de quadrante cum aliis libris. = C. 72.
3. Magnum opus 20 variorum authorum<sup>m</sup> in chymicis.
4. Ars Sintrillia | Ars Notaria | Problemata varia | Geberi scientiae particulares in Philosophia | Iordanus de planisphaerio cum aliis astrologicis fragmentis.
5. Specularia Euclidis | Iordanus de ponderibus.
6. Iordanus de ponderibus | Euclidis perspectiua | Fragmentum Euclidis de leui et ponderoso (graui B) | De maxima capacitate circuli et sphaerae (+ sec. ess. Isopi B).
7. Philotechnie Jordani s. de triangulis. = C. 32.
8. Geometria practica breuis | De leui et ponderoso opusculum elegans | Arati filii Joseph (Jos. B.) de proportione et proportionato (proportionalitate B).
9. Sphaerica Theodosii | Data Euclidis | Archimedis circuli dimensio. = C. 98.
10. Perspectiua communis Alhacen (Cro .. B). = C. 83 or 102.
11. Arismetica Boetii cum aliis opusculis eiusdem | Thebith super Almagestum Ptolemaei | Theodosius de locis habitabilibus | (B. Liber demonstratus. om. A) | Chiromantia Gallice | De interpretationibus somniorum | Physionomia Thome de Aquino | Chiromantia Petri de Abano cum aliis variis libris. = C. 137.
12. Antiquus scriptor de speculis quoquo modo comburentibus. = C. 44.
13. Tractatulus de auro potabili.
14. Solinus de mirabilibus mundi. = C. 172.
15. Prisciani fragmentum de hiis de quibus dubitauit Cosroe rex persarum [not in C. Brit. Mus. Vesp. A II].
16. Thome Bravardini de proportione fragmentum. = C. 181?
17. Bachon de graduatione rerum compositarum, seu linea intensionis ac remissionis cum expositione. = C. 19.
18. Modus fabricae materialis speculi comburentis (combustibilis B) cum aliis (et aliis B) | De signis implentibus locum | De Magnete (om. B.)



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19. Summa naturalium Alberti Magni. = C. 55  
 20. }  
 21. } Perspectiua Alhacen.  
 22. } Cf. C. 65, 83, 102, 111.  
 23. Sphaerica Milei compacti. = C. 1.  
 24. Porphyrii fragmentum graece in quadripartitum Ptolemaei.  
 25. Perspectiua Bachonis | De multiplicatione specierum Bacon. = C. 41.  
 26. Perspectiua Alhacen 4<sup>m</sup> exemplar | Alpetragius de 'omocentricis | Alfraganus. = C. 86.  
 27. Bachonis magnum opus communium naturalium. = C. 27.  
 28. Commentum in Martianum Capellam. = C. 116?  
 29. Franciscus Cataneus in Aristotelem de Caelo (Cat. B) compact. = C. 93.  
 30. Tractatulus Linconiensis de Iride | Fragmentum Jordani de ponderibus | Euclidis optica. Specularia | Algorismus demonstratus | Iordanus de triangulis | Theodosii Sphaerica | Alfraganus. = C. 186?  
 31. Obseruationes quaedam Jo. de Lineriis cum aliis. = C. 138?

§ ii. Reddenda anno 1558 in festo Michaelis. Antiqua exemplaria quos habui a Coll. S. Petri Cantabrigiae 1556 6 Maii.

32. (1) Arithmetica Jordani . . . (16) Algorismus demonstratus per Jordanum ut creditur. = C. 91.  
 33. Vitellionis perspectiua elegantissime scriptum. = C. 97.  
 34. Albertus de universalibus lib. 5 . . . de aere aqua et regionibus. = C. 24.  
 35. Expositio theoricarum . . . tract. proportionum Bradwardini. = C. 37.

§ iii. Recepti a doctore Hathar eodem tempore reddenda in festo Michaelis 1556 (? 1558) ea quae sequuntur ut catalogus prefixus enumerat.

36. Euclidis lib. 4 cum expositione Campani | Perspectiua Pecham | Quaestiones bonae super perspectiuam | Moralizatio Visus secundum Bakon | Allkabitii Introductio | Canones ad Almanak perpetuum Profacii Judei | 4<sup>or</sup> Capitula Albionis etc. | Sphaera Pithagorica | Will. Anglicus de non prius visa | Flores Albumazar | Ptolemaeus de 9 stellis caudatis | Quaestiones super tractatum de sphaera | Ioh. de Sacrobosco de sphaera | Theoricae Planetarum Campani | Quaestiones nouae super 4<sup>or</sup> libros Meteoron | Quaestiones breues super Autorem de causis | Expositio super sphaeram | Kalendarium Planetarum | Quatuor iudicia data | Summa Astrologiae abbreviata | De dispositione aeui quoad plurima | Exafranon de



pronosticatione temporis | Bakon de commendatione utilitatis astronomiae | Tabula Ptolemaei docens naturas 7 planetarum | Tabula Mag. Willelmi Rede | Canones ad Kalendarium Planetarum.

§ iv. Libri quos habeo in uno volumine in Collegio Reginali Oxoniae anno 1556 18 Maii M<sup>ro</sup> Morreno et M<sup>ro</sup> Carie mecum praesentibus. Et M<sup>r</sup> Knipe eiusdem collegii socius nobis tradidit, ita quod dicti magistri et episcopus Lond: pro eiusdem voluminis redditione onus omne in se susciperent.

37. Arithmetica cum commento . . . Vitelionis libri 4<sup>or</sup> primi. = C. 109.

§ v. Ex bibliotheca Laelandi emi pro 30 solidis hos sequentes libros 1556.18 Maii Londinii.

38. Mineralium Alberti lib: 5 | Rob. de Kilwardby de ortu scientiarum | Tract. de tempore | Tract. de relationibus.

39. Urso de commixtione elementorum | Aphorismi Ursonis cum aliis.

= C. 3.

40. Summa Anglicana Jo<sup>is</sup> Eschuyden.

= C. 89

41. Haly haben ragel de Judiciis.

= C. 99.

42. Messa halah de astrolabio . . . Practica geometrie cum aliis variis in medicina.

= C. 157.

[*In paler ink*]

43. I borrowed one volume of master bruern written in parchment in 4<sup>to</sup> two ynches thik in which are many and good bokes and Jordan de datis numeris and Gerardus Brussellensis de motu which I never saw elsewhere and mr bruarn's name is written on the back. = C. 13?

44. [*on next page*]

Bachon summa ad Clementem cum aliis

I bought at Sarrisbury (?).

= C. 26.

45. [*on next page*]

Duo magna volumina astrologica in lingua hebraea scripta | Alchimia Salomonis in carmine Teutonico | De pleno et vacuo. = C. 62.

§ vi. [*Later in the book is a list of*] Authores alchymici quos perlegi anno 1556 a mense Julii.

[*It occupies nearly 4 pages : the scripti libri occupy about 2½ pp., beginning*]

O venerande pater

Averroes super . . .



II

LIST B

(Brit. Mus. Add. 35213, f. 3<sup>b</sup> col. ii.)

Libri scripti.

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|--|----------------|
| 1. Perspectiva alacen arabis compactus.                                    | = A. 20 or 21. |
| 2. Perspectivae alacen aliud exemplar.                                     | = A. 22.       |
| 3. Perspectivae alacen 3 <sup>m</sup> exemplar   Alpetragius   Alfraganus. | = A. 26.       |
| 4. Perspectiva Bacon   Bacon de multiplicatione specierum. compacti.       | = A. 25.       |
| 5. Sphaerica Milei compact.  | = A. 23.       |
| 6. Baconis magnum opus communium naturalium compact.                       | = A. 27.       |
| 7. Commentarius in Marcianum Capellam de astronomicis cum aliis.           | = A. 28.       |
| 8. Franciscus Cataneus in Aristotelem de Cat. compact.                     | = A. 29.       |
| 9. = A. 30.  |                |
| [f. 4 <sup>b</sup> , col. 1, has printed books.]                           |                |

[f. 4, col. 2] Secundi fasciculi. Libri Scripti.

10-28 = A. 1-19.

29. Jo. Dee de usu globi caelestis ad Edwardum 6<sup>m</sup> Anglie Regem.

30. = A. 24.

31. Bachon de speculis comburentibus.

32. Fragmentum de Albion | Thebith de 8<sup>a</sup> sphaera | Obseruationes quedam  
Jo<sup>is</sup> de Lyneriis ad fixas et planetas & = A. 31.

III

LIST C

Catalogus Librorum Bibliothecae Externae Mortlacensis D.  
Ioh. Dee A 1583 6 Sept.

Libri Manuscripti

- T. 1. Milei sphaericorum tractatus tres. 4<sup>o</sup> perg. = A. 23 B. 5.  
[Cf. Bodl. MS. Digby 178, f. 112. Part of the same volume is C. 29.]



- T. 2. Theoricæ planetarum | Iordani de triangulis, ubi de quadratura circuli | Eiusdem de perspectiva | Eiusdem de speculis, crepusculis, ponderibus, speculis comburentibus lib. ii. 4° scripti perg.
- T. 3. Compendium de vitis philosophorum anonymi | Ursonis ('in Cotton' added) de commixtionibus elementorum | Eiusdem aphorismi. 4° perg. = A. 39.  
[Trin. Coll. Camb. O. 2. 50. From the Dominicans of London. Bought from Leland's Library.]
- T. 4. Avicenna de anima mundi cum aliis, videlicet | Liber cuius initium est: *Inspector præcedentis libri Avicennæ* | Expositorius Rogeri Bachonis | Liber de ponderibus | Morienus ad regem Calid | Rasis libri quinque de decem (*marg. : 70 :*) | Hermetis libri septem | Rosinus ad Euthesiam | Dicta sapientis | Turba philosophorum | Distinctionum sapientium liber | Epistola Alexandri regis Persarum | Aristoteles de 30 verbis | Socratis liber | Effrey Efficensis liber | Liber Calid | Liber commentatus | Opus philosophorum | Geber de perfecto magisterio. 4° perg.  
[Glasgow Hunter MS. U. 4. 11. From St. Augustine's, Canterbury (no. 1544 in catalogue). Io. Dee 1556.]
- T. 5. Ioh. Duns Scoti quaestiones in Porphyrii quinque voces | Antonii cuiusdam expositio in categorias sex etc. | Rogerii Bachonis de multiplicatione specierum | Eiusdem perspectiva. 4° perg.  
[Perhaps Bodl. MS. Savile 18 (paper and vellum, of cent. xv, in original binding). It contains the names of George and Richard Eden, Edw. Gascoyne, and Knyvett.]
- T. 6. Thomae Aquinatis quaestionum disputatarum volumen. 4° perg.  
[C.C.C. Oxford 225. From the Grey Friars of Cambridge. Io. Dee 1561 Bostoniae. Old press-mark a. 1. Ladder-mark.]
- T. 7. Scintillarium poetarum | Summa chiromantiae | Ovidii metamorphoseos expositio | Tract. de veneno | Valerius ad Ruffinum de non ducenda uxore, cum expositione | Ioh. Wyclif determinatio | Literae fratris Willelmi Fleth | Fulgentii mythologiae cum expositione | Tract. de difficilibus dictionibus Bibliae | Rob. Lincolnensis in oculo morali | Rob. Lincoln. de ratione veneni | Ioh. Walensis breviliquium philosophorum descriptum per Stoctonem Cantabrigiae 1375 | Casus abstracti in iure per Fratrem Hermannum de provincia Saxoniae | Casus episcopo reservati | Expositio salutationis angelicae. 4° perg.  
[Dublin Trin. Coll. 115. Probably from the Grey Friars, Cambridge. Io. Dee 1561 Bostoniae.]
- T. 8. De ponderibus et mensuris medicinalis operationis | Viaticus Constantini Africani libri 7 (*marg. excusi*) | De modo medendi



- experimenta | De origine morborum et eorum cognitione per  
urinam | De electuariis etc. 4° perg.  
[C.C.C. Oxford 189. From Christ Church, Canterbury (no. 452).  
Owned by Io. Holyngborne (monk of Ch. Ch. in cent. xv-xvi).]
- T. 9. Ethici Histri cosmographia ex versione Latina D. Hieronymi. 4° perg.  
One I had with me, and one I left here, which is noted after (no. 80).  
[Brit. Mus. Vesp. B. x. Iohannes Dee 1565 Februarii 21  
Wigorniae ex dono decani ecclesiae magistri Peddar.]
- T. 10. Anonymi Anticlaudianus carmine | Hugonis de Pushac Dunelmensis  
Episcopi Brutus, carmine longa forma, perg.  
[Brit. Mus. Vesp. A. x. Io. Dee 1574 Maii 7 bought vppon a stall  
in London.]
- T. 11. Tract. compendiosus de animalibus. 4° perg.  
[Possibly C.C.C. Oxford 245, Alexander Neckam. It has the  
ladder-mark.]
- T. 12. Wilhelmi Parisiensis fragment. de universis. 4° perg.  
[C.C.C. Oxford 130. From St. Augustine's, Canterbury (not in the  
catalogue). Title written in Dee's hand.]
- T. 13. Euclidis Elementa Geometrica, Optica, et Catoptrica ex arabico  
translata per Adellardum | Theodosii sphaericorum libri | Liber de  
occultis | Ptolemaei planisphaerium | Iordani planisphaerium |  
Archimedis tract. de quadratura circuli | Gerardi de Brussel liber  
de motu | Iordanus de ponderibus | Libri quatuor geometriae  
practicae | Alfarabius de scientiis | Wilhelmi de Conchis philo-  
sophia | Rasis liber de phisiognomia | Anatomia hominis | De  
proprietatibus elementorum cum aliis. 4° perg. = A. 43  
[Phillipps MS. 16345 formerly Libri, 665 in sale catalogue of 1857,  
lot 870 in 1896 Phillipps sale. The entry in the Libri catalogue is :  
Euclidis Geom. Opt. Catoptr. cum figuris | Iordani de algorismo cum  
commento. De minuciis cum commento | Gerardi de Brussel liber  
de motu | Archimedes de quadratura circuli | De curvis super-  
ficiebus et de sphaera liber mag. Ioh. de Tinemue | Theodosii de  
speris libb. iii | Almagestum incerti auctoris | De compositione  
rationum | Euclidis data | Alfrangi astronomiae rudimenta inter-  
prete Ioh. Hispaniensi cent. xii. ff. 209.

*The items common to the two lists are striking and the discrepancies not beyond what may be paralleled in this catalogue. I believe this Phillipps MS. to be the one which Dee borrowed of Bruarn the Oxford professor of Hebrew and momentary Provost of Eton. But if so, the latter part of it—William of Conches, etc.—must have been detached since Dee's time.]*



- T. 14. Augustinus de anima et spiritu | Theoremata de spiritu et anima demonstrata | Algorithmus demonstratus Ioh. de Sacrobosco | Ioh. de Rupella summa de anima | Rob. Lincoln. tract. de sphaera | Ioh. de Sacrobosco tract. de sphaera | Tract. de proportione et proportionalitate Rogeri Bachonis cum aliis. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [C.C.C. Oxford 41. From St. Augustine's, Canterbury (no. 374 John of London).]
- T. 15. Maximi Monachi, Dionisii Areopagitae, Sophronii Solitarii, et aliorum Graecorum fragmenta nonnulla. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>
- Fr. 16. Ramundi Lullii liber de quinta essentia. pap. f<sup>o</sup>  
 Non est Ramundi Lullii, sed collectanea diversa ex Paracelso.
17. Rogerii Bachonis de anima et eius operibus | Eiusdem liber de intellectu et intelligibili. fo. perg.
- T. 18. A. de Villa Nova Apologia de versutiis atque perversitatibus pseudotheologorum et religiosorum | Ioachim Abbatis prophetia contra religiones tenentes ordinem mendicantium | Arnoldi de Villa Nova opus de generibus abusionum veritatis, et de pseudo-ministris Antichristi cognoscendis, et de pastoralis officio circa gregem exercendo | Eiusdem prophetia catholica, tradens artem annihilandi versutias Antichristi et omnium membrorum eius, ad sacrum collegium Romanorum. perg. fo.
- T. 19. Rogeri Bachonis de retardatione senectutis et senii etc. [marg. excusus] | Eiusdem de graduatione medicinarum compositarum etc. perg. f<sup>o</sup>  
 [Art. 2 (cf. A. 17, B. 26) is in C.C.C. Oxford 254, where it comes next to a work of Dee's. There is no mark. Other possibilities are Selden supra 94 and Chetham Library (Manchester) A. 5. 24 (11366), which latter I am informed has no mark of ownership.]
- T. 20. Eiusdem Bachonis metaphisica | Eiusdem oeconomica. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [Cf. St. Aug. Cant. Catalogue, no. 1071.]
- T. 21. Eiusdem (marg. dubito) de animalibus fragmentum. perg. f<sup>o</sup>
- T. 22. Eiusdem Bachonis fragmenta quaedam: videlicet de multiplicatione et corruptione specierum | Item communia naturalia | Epistola ad Clementem per R. de utilitate scientiarum artis experimentalis etc. perg. f<sup>o</sup>
- T. 23. (marg. manuscriptus liber ab ipso Δ) [i.e. written by Dee himself] Rogeri Bachonis pars sexta Operis majoris quae est Scientia Experimentalis ad Clementem Pontif. Romanorum | Eiusdem Operis Majoris pars septima quae est Philosophia Moralis | Eiusd. Alchimiae tract. expositivus ad Clementem P.M.R. | Eiusd. compendium Alchimiae | Avicennae clavis sapientiae seu porta minor seu tract. de anima | Breviloquium Holcot | Rogerii



Bachonis speculum Alchimiae | Quaestiones super librum Iordani de ponderibus | Compendium artis, Raymundi Lullii | Excerpta ex theorica Ramundi Lullii | Rogeri Bachonis tract. de speciebus. pap. f<sup>o</sup>

[*Cf. Dublin Trin. Coll. 381.*]

- T. 24. Alberti Magni de mineralibus libri quinque | Hermetis quadripartitum operis | Rhithmomachia | De lapide bezaar | Ars fusoria et tinctoria lapidum ac gemmarum | Ptolomei liber de lapidibus et sigillis eorundem | Techel de sculpturis lapidum | Galenus de (12 portis) de spermate | Avicennae physiognomia | Commentariolus in Aristotelis physiognomiam | Cheiromantiae fragmentum | Arithmeticae fragmentum carmine | Practica algorismi | Anima artis transmutatoriae Ramundi | Phisica seu medicina Ramundi Lullii | De herbis | De potentiis duodecim signorum et septem planetarum | Epistola accurtationis lapidis philosophorum ad Regem Robertum | Summa cheiromantiae | Albertus Magnus de mineralibus | Physiognomia ex Loxio Aristotele et Palemone (*above*: 'in Cotton') | Albertus de plantationibus arborum et de conservatione vini | Virtutes septem herbarum Aristotelis | Liber Kirimandarum (*marg.*: excusus misere. est mihi MS.) | Philonis fragmentum de aquaeductibus | Quaestiones quaedam naturales | Constantinus Medicus de coitu | Practica puerorum | De natura puerorum | Introductiones astronomicae | Hyppocrates de pharmacis | Hyppocrates de secretis | Hippocratis lex | Hippocrates de humana natura | Hippocrates de aëre aqua et regionibus.

perg. 4<sup>o</sup> = A. 34.

[*Bodl. Ashmole 1471. Formerly at Peterhouse, Cambridge: borrowed by Dee in 1556.*]

- T. 25. Eulogium temporis a condito orbe in annum Christi 1367 monachi cuiusdam Niniani. perg. f<sup>o</sup>  
[*Brit. Mus. Galba E. vii. Joh. Dee 1574 Sept. 25 of the gift of Mr. Dickenson at Popular by London in 155..*]

- T. 26. Rogerii Bachonis summa seu opus tertium ad Clementem P.M. | Eiusdem Bachonis majoris operis pars quarta in qua ostenditur potestas mathematicae in scientiis atque rebus mundi huius | Eiusdem compendium studii theologici | Liber praeceptorum secundum Albertum | Liber de sigillis solis in signis secundum Hermetem | Albertus de sigillo et annulo leonis et eius virtutibus | Arnoldus de Villa Nova de sigillis duodecim signorum.

pap. f<sup>o</sup> = A. 44 (*I bought at sarrisbury (?)*).

[*Brit. Mus. Tiberius C. v. Bryan Twyne mentions this MS. in MS. Arch. Selden supra 79, p. 90. 'Notandum quod inter libros Doctoris*



- Iohannis Dee manuscriptos extitit opus minus Rogeri Bacon in cuius fine habetur liber Hermetis de sigillis solis in signis. Et in fine illius, Tractatus Alberti commentatoris de sigillo et anulo Leonis et eius virtutibus qui sic incipit Ego Albertus commentator in omni experientia expertus etc.']
- T. 27. Rogerii Bachonis communium naturalium libri duo, quatuor sectionibus distincti. perg. f<sup>o</sup>. In bordes with clasps. = A. 27, B. 6  
[*Paris. Bibl. Mazarine* 1271. *Io. Dee, Kenelm Digby.*]
- T. 28. Alpetraugii de verificatione motuum coelestium liber | Thebith de his quae indigent expositione antequam legatur Almagestum Ptolomaei | Liber florum Albumasar | Liber experimentorum Albumasar | Liber practicum geometriae | Iacobi Alkindi liber de aspectibus | Petri de Dacia commentum super tractatum algorismi | Ioh. de Sacrobosco super tract. de sphaera | Eiusd. computus ecclesiasticus | Wilhelmus de Aragonia in Ptolomaei centiloquium | Ars algorismi de fractionibus | Scripta utilia super compositum manualementem | Ioh. de Sicilia in canones Arzachelis de tabulis Toletanis | Quaestiones mathematicales. perg. f<sup>o</sup>  
[*Brit. Mus. Harley* 1. *From St. Augustine's, Canterbury, no. 1147. (John of London). Io. Dee* 1557.]
- T. 29. Richardi Walyngforde Abbatis S. Albani de scientiis demonstrandis libri iv. perg. f<sup>o</sup>  
[*Bodl. MS. Digby* 178, art. 7-10.]
- T. 30. Iohannis Massoni monachi epistolae | Epistolae de somnio Pharaonis, seu Pharaonis et Ioseph epistolae | Alani Enchiridion de planctu seu conquestu naturae prosa et versu | Bernardi Silvestris Cosmographia. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>.  
[*Bodl. MS. Rawlinson C. 7. From St. Aug. Cant. no. 954.*]
- T. 31. Bartholomei Anglici breviarium seu de proprietatibus rerum (*marg. The boke of Physik & Chirurge.*) perg. f<sup>o</sup>.  
[*Brit. Mus. Harley* 3. *Joannes Dee emit a<sup>o</sup> 1573 Augusti 3 a vidua M<sup>ri</sup> Carye. From the Dominicans of London. See N. Moore, Medicine in the British Isles, pl. 1.*]
- T. 32. Iordani Nemorarii Φιλοτεχνη sive de triangulis liber primus, sexaginta quatuor propositiones continens. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>. = A. 7, B. 16.
- T. 33. Rabbi Mosis liber de venenis | Summa brevis Galeni de cura ethicae senectutis | Alberti de Colonia tract. de incisionibus arborum et de plantationibus earum | Unguentum ad omnem scabiem tollendam quod dicitur *Veni mecum* etc. | Tract. de ornatu faciei | Hermetis liber de septem planetis etc. | Rogerii Bachonis nonnulla secreta | De factura saxonis Gallici | Liber de tincturis pannorum | Liber de coloribus illuminatorum uel pictorum | De diversis operationibus



- ignium | De diversis tincturis | Hermetis secreta | Item multa alia notabilia | Item turba philosophorum. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [C. C. C. Oxford. 125. From St. Aug. Cant., no. 1277 444 Joannes Dee.]
- T. 34. Experimentorum diversorum liber (*marg.* Gerlaci ut puto) | De vernisio quo utuntur scriptores | Secreta philosophorum | De usu virgae visoriae et huiusmodi secreta multa. pap. 8<sup>vo</sup>  
 [*Trin. Coll. Camb. O. 7. 23. Has the name of G. Carew.*]
- T. 35. Arnaldi de Villa Nova thesaurus secretus operationum | Hermetis liber de lapide philosophorum | Alfredi liber de spiritu occultato | Rasis practica | cum aliis viginti quinque libris variorum autorum consimilis argumenti. pap. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [*Brit. Mus. Sloane 2327. Joannes Dee 1559.*]
- T. 36. Ptolomaei quadripartitum, Lat. | Albumazer introductorium | Isibradi calendarium | Profacii Judaei almanach | Zaëlis electiones | De significationibus planetarum cum aliis tractatibus. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>
- T. 37. Expositio theoricarum | Thebith de motu octavae sphaerae | Iordanus de ponderibus cum quaestionibus notabilibus super eundem | Iacobus Alkindus de radiis seu de causis reddendis | An futura possunt per astra praesciri | Nicolai Oresmi liber divinationum | Thomae Brarardini geometria | Perspectiva communis Ioh. de Pecham | Dominici de Hassia quaestiones super perspectivam communem | Euclides de speculis | Iacobus Alkindus de umbris et causis diversitatum aspectuum | Dominici de Claraso practica geometriae | Demonstratio aequalitatis lineae ad peripheriam circuli | Quadratura circuli | Expositio tractatus de sphaera cum quaestionibus | Algorismus in integris Joh. de Sacro Bosco | Algorithmus in minutiis Ioh. de Lineriis | Thomae Brarardini tract. proportionum. (perg.) = A. 35.  
 [*Lost? Formerly at Peterhouse: see my Catalogue, p. 285: no. iii of the MSS. given to the College by Roger Marchall.*]
- T. 38. Ioh. de Pecham canticum pauperum | Ioh. Walensis communi-  
 loquium | Eiusd. Walensis dietarium, locarium, itinerarium | Eiusd. brevilloquium | Tract. cuius initium est *Supra tribus sceleribus* | Aristotelis liber de secretis secretorum. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [*Dublin Trin. Coll. 331.*]
- T. 39. Liber Physiologi de natura animalium et bestiarum. perg. 8<sup>o</sup>  
 [*? Trin. Coll. Camb. O. 2. 14. Has the mark 444.*]
- T. 40. Gualteri Burlaei tract. de potentiis animae. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [*C. C. C. Oxford. 293. 6. Jo. Dee 1557.*]
- T. 41. Rogerii Bachonis perspectiva | Eiusdem de multiplicatione specierum. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>. = A. 25, B. 4



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*In paste bords with strings.*

- [*Magd. Coll. Camb. Bibl. Pepys 1207. Jo. Dee 1554.*]
- T. 42. Tractatuli tres de lapide philosophorum, quorum primi initium est  
*Dicit philosophus etc.*
- T. 43. Vectii Valentis Anthologia ( *marg. quare*) | Aristoxeni musica |  
Alippii musica | Cleomedes de mundo | Expositio astrolabii |  
Hipparchus in Aratum et Eudoxum. Graece omnes. pap. f<sup>o</sup>  
= A. 1, B. 10  
[*Art. 1 is Bodl. MS. Selden Gr. 20, the rest Selden Gr. 22. Mentioned  
by Sir H. Bourghchier writing to Ussher (see p. 5).*]
- T. 44. Libellus antiquissimus de speculis comburentibus (above: 'in cot-  
toniana') cuius initium est *De sublimiori etc.*  
perg. 4<sup>o</sup>. = A. 12, B. 21.  
[*Brit. Mus. Vesp. A. ii. art. 12. Ioannes Dee 1555.*]
- T. 45. Iordanus de ponderibus cum scholiis cuius initium est *Omnis ponderosi.*  
perg. f<sup>o</sup>
- T. 46. Raymundi Lullii liber de quinta essentia. perg. f<sup>o</sup>  
[? *C. C. C. Oxford 124. No mark, and title not in Dee's hand.*]
- T. 47. Boethius de consolatione philosophiae in Graecam linguam conversus  
a Maximo Planude | Catonis disticha cum scholiis Planudis etc.  
Graece | Aphthonii progymnasmata Graece. pap. f<sup>o</sup>  
*I gave this Booke to Cracovia Library A<sup>o</sup> 1584 July 28.*
- T. 48. Porphyrii philosophi Isagoge in Aristotelis logicam Graece.  
pap. f<sup>o</sup>. Cf. A. 24, B. 30
- T. 49. Naupegia Itali cuiusdam cum figuris. pap. 4<sup>o</sup>
- Fr. 50. Dionysii Zecharii opusculum de lapide philosophorum Gallice.  
pap. 4<sup>o</sup>
- T. 51. Roberti Gloucestrensis chronica rythmo Anglico. pap. f<sup>o</sup>  
( *marg. : 'I think it is in y<sup>e</sup> Cotton : It beginneth at Will: y<sup>e</sup> Conq.'*)  
[? *Camb. Univ. Libr. Ec. 4. 31. Contains the names of Will. Cliffe  
and Hugh Cooke.*]
- T. 52. Hystoria Britannicorum principum a Cadowaladro Rege ad Leolinum  
per Humfredum Lluyd collecta, Anglice. pap. f<sup>o</sup>  
[*Bodl. Ashmole 847. Given to Dee in 1575 by his cousin Oliver Lloyd.*]
- T. 53. Variarum compositionum aquarum mercurialium et alia experimenta  
chemica Anglice cuius initium est *He that will make etc.* pap. 4<sup>o</sup>
- T. 54. Varia experimenta chimica Anglice quorum initium est *For to make  
white lead.* perg. f<sup>o</sup>
- T. 55. Alberti Magni summa naturalium cuius initium est *Philosophia  
dividitur.* pap. 4<sup>o</sup>. = A. 19, B. 28  
[*Brit. Mus. Harley 536.*]



- T. 56. Rogerii Bachonis annotationes super Aristotelis tract. de secretis secretorum. perg. f<sup>o</sup>  
 [C. C. C. Oxford 149. Io. Dee 1561 Feb. 20 Londini.]
- [57. Phillippi Ulstadii coelum philosophorum. impressum f<sup>o</sup>]
- T. 58. Inventa quaedam geometrica. pap. f<sup>o</sup>  
*My owne hand, of Richard Changlor (Chancylor?) and Thomas Topely.*  
 [Cf. C. C. C. Oxford 254. 7.]
- Fr. 59. Dumbyltoni summa. perg. f<sup>o</sup>  
 [Cf. St. Aug. Cant. no. 1323-4. Perhaps Magd. Coll. Oxford 32, which came from Brian Twyne and formerly belonged to Clare College, Cambridge. Clark: Wood's Life and Times, iv. 203 note.]
- Fr. 60. Beda de gesis Anglorum. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [? C. C. C. Oxford 279, given by B. Twyne, without mark; or Trin. Coll. Dublin 492.]
- Fr. 61. Euclidis geometrica | Rogerii Bachonis perspectiva | Aristotilis problemata | Campani theorica planetarum. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [Articles 2, 3 are perhaps Bodl. MS. Digby 77. 1, 2.]
- Fr. 62. Volumina duo magna Hebraice de astrologicis judiciis | Alchimia Salomonis. pap. f<sup>o</sup> 2 vol. = A. 45.
- Fr. 63. Roberti Groshed Lincolniensis episcopi Dicta quorum initium est *Spiritus sanctus per os Salomonis* etc. | Eiusd. tract. de cessatione legalium | Eiusd. tract. de oculo morali una cum aliis variis. perg. f<sup>o</sup>
- Fr. 64. Isaac Judaei Logica cum aliis variis consimilis argumenti Hebraice. pap. 4<sup>o</sup>
65. Alhazen perspectiva etc. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
*John Davis spoyle.* Cf. A. 20-22, B. 1, 2.
- T. 66. Ramundi Lullii testamentum | Eiusd. cantilena | Eiusd. codicillus sive vade mecum | Eiusd. anima transmutatoria | Annotationes super testamentum Ramundi | Lapidarius Raymundi | Quaestiones de Paulina Ramundi | Quaestiones de Olympiade Ramundi | Declaratio tabularum figurae 5 Ramundi | Repertorium Raymundi | Tract. de consideratione lapidis | Philosophia cuiusdam Ramundistae | Ioh. Dastini chimici somnium seu visiones Anglice | Ramundi Lullii distinctio tertia | Anima artis juxta exemplar in Anglia repertum | Apocalypsis spiritus secreti (*marg. forte Alfredi*) | Ars conversionis Mercurii et Saturni in aurum et argentum seu de aquis Theuthidis | Aristotelis lumen luminum | Raimundi Lullii quaestionarius arboris philosophalis | Quaestionarius figurae quadrangularis | Quaestionarius figurae 5 | Tertia distinctio juxta aliud exemplar | Aphorismi. Accurtatio. | Practica secreti occulti | Opus magnum sive opus regale | Considerationes operis minoris | Cantilena Catalanice cum commento | Ars brevis etc. pap. f<sup>o</sup>



[Probably this was the MS. sold at Sothebys, lot 160, 17 Nov., 1902, thus described:

Lullius (Raymundus). Opera chemica et alchemica. De lapide philosophorum. De generatione et compositione metallorum. Cantilena. Liber prophetiarum. Magna Magica. De quinta essentia. Testamentum. Compendium artis etc. MS. on Paper (319 ff. 11 x 8 in.) with diagrams, old calf, saec. xv.

Said to have been written in St. Bartholomew's Priory, London; to have belonged to Sir George Ripley (1473), passing from him to Sir Robert Greene of Welbe (1523), a famous alchemist, who has added some signed recipes; from him to Dr. Dee. When the latter's house was sacked, his MSS. were thrown into the mud, of which treatment the present one bears evidence.]

- T. 67. Ramundi Lullii (above: Bachonis) speculum alchimiae | Eiusd. liber de quinta essentia | Eiusd. lapidarius scilicet de gemmis | Ioh. Dastini liber de compositione lapidis | Eiusd. donum Dei | Liber radicum | Liber administrationum | Eiusd. Dastini speculum philosophorum | Rasis de duodecim aquis etc. pap. fo  
 [With 66, 67 cf. C.C.C. Oxford 244. It has a date 20 Feb. 1584 (when Dee was out of England).]
- Fr. 68. Aneti filii Abraham practica medica | Scarsati practica medicinalis una cum aliis. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [Cf. St. Aug. Cant. no. 1248.]
- Fr. 69. Eathelredi Abbatis Rievallis de vita Edowardi Regis Anglorum et Confessoris. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [Brit. Mus. Harley 200. Joannes Dee 1575.]
- Fr. 70. Roberti ep. Lincoln. tract. in' lingua Romana, hoc est veteri rithmo Gallico de principio creationis mundi, de medio et fine etc. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [C.C.C. Oxford 232. Has the ladder-mark on f. 1. Cf. Lambeth 522, which was St. Aug. Cant. no. 1510.]
- Fr. 71. Wilhelmi de Northfeilde expositio super librum de differentia spiritus et animae | Eiusd. expositio super diversa opuscula Aristotelis phisicorum. perg. 1<sup>o</sup>  
 [C.C.C. Oxford 235.]
- Fr. 72. Mag. Franconis regulae musicales cum additionibus aliorum musicorum collectae a Roberto de Handlo | Rogerii Bachonis perspectiva una cum aliis geometricis et astrologicis. perg. fo  
 [? Brit. Mus. Tiberius B. ix. 3-5. Add. MS. 4909 is a copy. Perhaps from the Austin Friars, York.]
- Fr. 73. Gualtheri Burlei notabilia super Porphyrii praedicabilia et Aristotelis praedicamenta una cum aliarum notationum libellis. pap. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [C.C.C. Oxford 230.]



- Fr. 74. Boetii Musica | Hermannus Contractus de compositione astrolabii  
et de eius utilitatibus. perg. 4°  
[*Brit. Mus. Royal 15. B. ix. Contains a note apparently in the  
writing of Hen. Fowler, Rector of Minchinhampton (J. P. Gilson).*]
- Fr. 75. Chronica de imperatoribus, seu compendium historiarum in (a?)  
prima monarchia Babiloniorum in annum Christi 1266 | Ioh. de  
Bononia summa pontificum Romanorum et imperatorum in annum  
Christi 1313 | Alexandri Magni ortus et res gestae. perg. 4°  
[*Cf. Dublin Trin. Coll. 448 from Thorney Abbey.*]
- Fr. 76. Wilhelmi Wodford ordinis Minorum opusculum quaestionum qua-  
rundam contra dialogum Ioh. Wycklyf a Thoma Cantuar. archiep.  
condemnatum | Thomas Palmere tract. de imaginibus cum aliis  
variis. pap. 4°  
[*C.C.C. Oxford 183, pt. II, art. 5.*]
77. Collectanea quaedam chimica Siberti Rhodii. pap. f°
- Fr. 78. Roberti Holcot quaestiones super iv libros Lombardi sententiarum |  
Eiusd. quaestiones de astronomia. perg. 4°  
[*C.C.C. Oxford 138.*]
- Fr. 79. Arnaldi de Villa Nova liber de alchimia cuius initium est *Scito fili  
quod in hoc libro una cum aliis eiusdem opusculis.* pap. 4°  
[*Trin. Coll. Camb. O. 2. 47. J. Dee on f. 1.*]
- Fr. 80. Ethici philosophi cosmographia per D. Hieronymum Stredonem Lat.  
conversa. perg. f° (*Marg., lined through: I had two of this.*)  
[*(Cf. no. 9.) ? Dublin Trin. Coll. 371 from Christ Church, Canterbury,  
no. 137. It has the mark 444.*]
81. Rogerii Bachonis epistolae tres sive scripta tria ad Ioh. Parisiensem,  
in quibus latet sapientia mundi | Kalid Rex ad Morienum |  
Gebri et Avicennae chimica. pap. 4°
82. Euclidis elementorum geometricorum libri decem | Eiusd. perspectiva  
etc. Lat. pap. 4°  
[*? Bodl. MS. Savile 19, but this is on vellum.*]
- Fr. 83. Alhazeni perspectiva, libri septem Lat. perg. f°. Cf. A. 20-22, B. 1, 2.  
[*C.C.C. Oxford 150, marked 444. Old press-mark M. 11.  
Formerly belonged to Clare College, Cambridge.*]
84. De fabrica speculi ustorii fragmentum | Urso de effectibus qualitatium  
primarum | Liber vaccae | Alberti dona | Thomas aquinas de  
essentiis rerum. perg. 4°  
[*Bodl. MS. Digby 71. Urso is noted as 'transcriptus manu J. D.  
1557, 30 Maii', ended '4 Junii'.]*]
- Fr. 85. Ricardi Hampole liber qui dicitur Incendium amoris Anglice. perg. f°  
[*C.C.C. Oxford 236. Bought from Leland.*]



86. Alhazeni perspectiva Lat. | Item Alfraganus etc. Lat.  
 perg. f<sup>o</sup>. = A. 26, B. 3.
- Fr. 87. Albumazar de judiciis astrologicis. perg. f<sup>o</sup>  
 [C.C.C. Oxford 248. From St. Aug. Cant. 1145. Ladder-mark.]
88. Iacobi Fabri Stapulensis conclusiones phisicae etc. ex Aristotele  
 excerptae. pap. f<sup>o</sup>
89. Ioh. Eschindi summa Anglicana seu medicinalis.  
 perg. f<sup>o</sup>. = A. 40. [Bought from Leland.]
- Fr. 90. Bartholomaeus Anglicus de proprietatibus rerum. perg. f. grandiori.  
 [C.C.C. Oxford 249. Joh. Davy of M. Aldon 1545. Has the  
 ladder-mark.]
91. Iordani Nemorarii arithmetica cum commento | Algorithmus in  
 integris Ioh. de Sacrobosco | Algorithmus in minuciis Ioh. de  
 Lineriis | Campani theorica planetarum | Nicholai Oresmi tract.  
 de proportionibus proportionum. Marg. scripsit Bacon de propor-  
 tione etc. | Iordani tract. de commensuratione coelestium | Ger-  
 vasiai algorithmus proportionum | Demonstrationes conclusionum  
 astrolabii | Tract. de torqueto et eius usu | Tabulae Alfonsi  
 regis Castellae | Canones tabularum Alfonsi per Ioh. de Saxonia |  
 Ioh. de Lineriis canones tabularum primi mobilis | Iacob Alkindus  
 de impressionibus aëris | Rogerii Bachonis de utilitate arithmeticae |  
 Campani compostus ecclesiasticus | Iordani algorithmus demon-  
 stratus. perg. f<sup>o</sup>. = A. 32.  
 [Magd. Coll. Camb. Bibl. Pepys. 2329. Formerly at Peterhouse.]
92. Helinandi Monachi Cistercien. chronicorum mundi libri xxx hoc est  
 pars prima. perg. f<sup>o</sup>  
 [? Brit. Mus. Claud. B. ix. Has JD on f. 138 a.]
93. Francisci Catanei Diacetii paraphrasis in Aristotelem de coelo etc.  
 perg. f<sup>o</sup>. = A. 29, B. 8.
- Fr. 94. Isidori Hispalensis liber de natura rerum cum glosulis | Prisciani  
 institutio | Bedae versus de die iudicii. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [Brit. Mus. Domitian A. 1. From St. Aug. Cant. no. 434.]
- Fr. 95. Tract. de figuris stellarum in octava sphaera | Gebri libri novem de  
 astronomia | Almagesti libri sex abbreviati | Iordani libri de  
 triangulis | Plures conclusiones Almagesti abbreviati | Archimedis  
 liber de curvis superficiebus | Tract. Albeonis | Tabula pro locis  
 planetarum | Tract. Zaphei Arzachelis etc. | Capitula libri  
 Almagesti | Compendium musices ex Boetio | Euclidis elementa  
 geometrica | Gebri conclusiones de astronomia | Theodosii  
 sphaerica | Milei de figuris sphaericis et triangulis libri tres |  
 Tabulae planetarum de radicibus et motibus | Machumeti Bagdedini  
 liber divisionum. (Marg: Δ. Curavi imprimi Urbini in Italia per



- Fedricum Comandum exemplari descripto ex vetusto isto Monumento per meipsum.*) | Tract. de quinque corporibus regularibus | Tract. de speculis comburentibus | Tabula domificandi pro latitudine Oxoniens. | Tabulae plurium latitudinum secundum Bachecumbe. | Thebith tract. de motu | Tract. de proportione circumferentiae circuli etc. | Tabulae quatuor solis. perg. f<sup>o</sup>  
 [Is this Vatican. Regin. 1151? (Montfaucon, Bibliotheca Bibliothecarum.)]
96. Rogeri Bachonis tract. de virtutibus et actionibus stellarum. pap. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 97. Vitellionis perspectiva. perg. f<sup>o</sup>. = A. 33.  
 [Bodl. Ashmole 424. From Peterhouse. Has a note by Dee on the exchange with Peterhouse (1564), and also: P. Saunders 1606 a Domino Hypsly.]
98. Theodosii sphaerica | Euclidis data Lat. | Archimides de quadratura circuli. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>. = A. 9, B. 18.  
 Fr. 99. Haly de iudiciis astrorum. perg. f<sup>o</sup>. = A. 41.  
 [C.C.C. Oxford 151. Formerly at Peterhouse. Bought from Leland.]
- Fr. 100. Boetius de consolatione philosophiae cum commento | Scripta super plures libros geometriae | Iordanus de speculis | Iordanus de ponderibus | Archadii demonstrationes de quadratura circuli | Tract. Hermanni de astrolabio | Liber de similibus arcibus | Archimedes de figuris isoperimetris | Archimedes de curvis superficiebus. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [Bodl. MS. Digby 174. From St. Aug. Cant. no. 987.]
- Fr. 101. Avicenna de prima philosophia i. e. de causa causarum, vel metaphisica Lat. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 Fr. 102. Alhazeni perspectiva. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>. Cf. A. 10, 20-22, B. 19.  
 Fr. 103. Ricardi de Pophis (Pophis) summa epistolarum (quasi ars quaedam notariatus) secundum consuetudinem Romanae curiae. perg. f<sup>o</sup>  
 [C.C.C. Oxford 55. No mark.]
- Fr. 104. Arzachelis tabulae astronomicae. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [? Govv. and Caius 456. St. Aug. Cant. no. 1150.]
105. Chronicon Angliae Anglice manuscriptum. perg. f<sup>o</sup>  
 [? Dublin Trin. Coll. 506.]
106. Aristotelis commentum in astrologiam (fragmentum quoddam). perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 perg. 4<sup>o</sup>
- Fr. 107. Alberti Magni minerarium. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [Cf. St. Aug. Cant. no. 1077.]
- Fr. 108. Haly de iudiciis astrorum | Liber novem iudicum in astrologia | Iasar de imbribus | Messahala de nativitatibus | Aristotelis liber de iudiciis universalibus | Hani Benhanna liber de geometria | Guido Bonatus de astrologia. pap. f<sup>o</sup> magno.



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- [*Bodl. MS. Savile 15. Ladder-mark. Ioannes Dee 1564. P. Saunders.*]
- Fr. 109. Algorithmus integrorum cum commento | Algorithmus fractorum cum commento | Summa utriusque arithmeticae Boetii | Arithmetica compilata ex multis scientiis | Liber de figuris numerorum | Practica memorandi | Tract. de speculo combustorio sec. sectionem Mukesii | Euclidis geometricorum libri 15 cum commento | Archimedes de curvis superficiebus cum commento | Archimedes de quadratura circuli cum commento | Archimede(s) de figuris ysoperimetrorum | Theodosii sphaerica | Rob. Lincoln. ep. de luce calore et iride | Vitellionis perspectivae libri quatuor  
perg. 4<sup>o</sup> = A. 37
- [*Borrowed from Queen's College, Oxford.*]
- Fr. 110. Rob. Lincoln. ep. Constitutiones pro sua diocesi videl. in decalogum etc.  
perg. 4<sup>o</sup>
- [*? Bodl. MS. Barlow 2.*]
- Fr. 111. Perspectiva Algazet, forte Halazen. Lat.  
perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
Cf. A. 20-22, B. 1, 2.
- Fr. 112. Annales regulorum Cambricorum a Cadowaladro ad Leolini tempora, lingua Brytannica sive Cambrica.  
pap. 4<sup>o</sup>
- Fr. 113. Perquisita et alia quae pertinebant ad Winchecumbe Abbatiam.  
perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
[*? Brit. Mus. Cleop. B. ii. Sir John Dutton had a register of Winchcomb Abbey. Hearne, Coll. viii. 329.*]
- Fr. 114. Boetii arithmetica.  
perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
[*Lambeth 67. From Bury St. Edmund's. 1558, 30 Maii, Londini.*]
- Fr. 115. Quaestiones erudite disputatae super librum meteororum Aristotelis.  
perg. 4<sup>o</sup>
- Fr. 116. De Indorum et Persarum annis astronomicis | Annotationes in Martianum Capellam.  
perg. 4<sup>o</sup>. = A. 28, B. 7
- Fr. 117. De potentiis animae | Auberti Remensis philosophia | Oliveri philosophia | Petrus Hispanus de morte et vita et causis longitudinis et brevitatis vitae | Albertus de divinatione | De spiritu et inspiratione | De signis aquarum ventorum et tempestatum | Ramundus Massiliensis de cursu planetarum | Alexander Aphrodiseus ad imperatores Antoninum et Severum de fato | Quaestiones de intellectu | Quaestiones de anima | Hermannus Secundus de essentiis | Platonis Phaedon sive de anima | Commentum super Platonis Timaeum | Platonis Menon. Lat.  
perg. 4<sup>o</sup>
- [*C.C.C. Oxford 243. Belonged to Humphrey, Duke of Gloucester, 1557 a moy Jehan Dee, que ie achetay par le poys payant pour chacune lettre (? livre) un gros.*]



- Fr. 118. De administratione principum liber. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [St. John's Coll. Camb. 12, Pt. II.]
- Fr. 119. Isidori Hispalensis etymologiarum fragmentum magnum. perg. fo
- Fr. 120. Tabulae astronomicae ad annos decem cum canonibus | Algorithmus demonstratus cum minuciis | Alfraganus de annis | Alcabitii astrologia | Tabulae de numeris proportionalibus | Computus cum calendario. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [St. Aug. Cant. no. 1154.]
121. Polychronica. perg. fo  
 [Queen's Coll. Oxford 307. St. Aug. Cant. no. 936. Given by Dee to Blomefelde (? vice versa) in 1561.]
122. Polychronica. perg. fo minori.  
 [St. John's Coll. Camb. 12, Pt. I. Io. Dee 1573 Nov. 13.]
- Fr. 123. Hystoriae Britannicae et Anglicae fragmentum Gallice conscriptum. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [C.C.C. Oxford 293. 3. Title, as above, in Dee's hand.]
- Fr. 124. Guido Bonatus de iudiciis astrorum. perg. fo
- Fr. 125. Passionale. desunt quaedam. perg. fo
126. Astronomici libelli cuiusdam fragmentum cuius initium est *A philosophis astronomiam sic definitam accepimus.* perg. 4<sup>o</sup>
- Fr. 127. Expositio quaedam super Cantica Canticorum | Ars fidei secundum Ambionensem. Is cut out and to be answered for. | Macrobius in Somnium Scipionis. perg. fo?  
 [? Austin Friars, York.]
- Fr. 128. Matricula sive catalogus bibliothecae Cantuariensis. pap. fo  
 [Dublin Trin. Coll. 60. St. Augustine's, Canterbury.]
- Fr. 129. Authoꝝ de causis cum demonstrationibus. perg. fo
- Fr. 130. Alchimicus libellus Anglice cuius init. est *Take limale.* pap. 4<sup>o</sup>
131. Libellus chemicus Latine | Varii tractatus super capitulum Hermetis quod dicitur *Clavis Sapientiae Maioris.* perg. fo
- Fr. 132. Sidrach philosophi liber Gallice. Anglice nomine Sidrach et Bocchus excusus carmine. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [? C.C.C. Oxford 293. 1. The volume contains other Dee books.]
- Fr. 133. Kalendarium | Quaedam de computu ecclesiastico Latine et Saxonice | Alphabetum somniale | Preces quaedam piaae. [? Brit. Mus. Vitellius E. xviii (burnt) or Julius A. vi.]
134. Lectiones cuiusdam super Ecclesiasten. perg. fo  
 [See on 152.]
- Fr. 135. Commentarius bonus in definitiones quinti libri Euclidis | Euclides totus ex Campani traditione | Explicatio bona Archimedis de quadratura circuli. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [C.C.C. Oxford 234. I. Dee 1557.]



- Fr. 136. Cicero de natura deorum | Catonis liber ad Varronem | Euclidis liber cum commento | Praeceptum canonum Ptolomaei | Tract. astrolabii duplicis cum practica | Tabulae astronomicae | Aristotelis epistola de rectitudine vitae ad Alexandrum | Henrici Britton philosophia | Oliveri Britton philosophia | Philosophia Remensis et aliorum | Liber de speculis | Liber de visu et quaedam alia. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [C.C.C. Oxford 283. From St. Aug. Cant. no. 1009.]
- Fr. 137. Boetii arithmetica | Eiusd. de Trinitate libri | Eiusd. de duabus in Christo naturis | Eiusd. de hebdomadibus | Rob. Grostesti Lincoln. ep. de arte algorismi communi | Eiusd. alius tract. magis in speciali | Thebith super Almagistum Ptolomaei | Theodosius de locis habitabilibus | Theoria planetarum cum tabulis necessariis | Commentum super Centiloquium Ptolomaei | Ars cheiromantiae in Gallico sermone | De interpretationibus somniorum | De significationibus tonitruorum | Physiognomia sec. Thomam Aquinatem | De prognosticationibus tempestatum | De pluribus necessariis ad casus inquirendos sec. algorismum | Cheiromantia Lat. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>. = A. 11, B. 20.  
 [Dublin Trin. Coll. 441. Io. Dee 1553 Jan. 18.]
- Fr. 138. Astronomica, astrologica, et arithmetica | Observationes quaedam planetarum et fixarum Petri de Sancto Audomaro et Ioh. de Lineriis. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>. = A 31, B. 34  
 [Dublin Trin. Coll., now lost. From St. Aug. Cant. no. 1148 or 1158.]
- Fr. 139. Tabulae astronomicae cum canonibus. perg. 8<sup>o</sup>  
 [Dublin Trin. Coll. 444. From St. Albans. Io. Dees 1553, 28 Ian. ex dono M<sup>ri</sup> Doctoris quondam Abbatis S. Albani.]
140. Libellus de natura locorum. perg. 8<sup>o</sup>
- Fr. 141. Ivonis Carnutensis varii tractatus ecclesiastici, et volumen epistolarum diversorum ad diversos etc. perg. f<sup>o</sup>  
 [C.C.C. Oxford 137.]
- Fr. 142. Boetii Musica | Expositio Simonis de Bredon super duos libros arithmeticae Boetii. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [C.C.C. Oxford 118. Io. Dee 1573. Also: Robert Grene de Welbe.]
- Fr. 143. Calcidius in Platonis Timaeum. perg. 4<sup>o</sup> long.  
 [Brit. Mus. Royal 12. B. xxii. Io. Dee 1557 4 Maii Londini.]
- Fr. 444. Marii de elementis libri duo | Liber qui dicitur Prenonphysicon | Alardi Bathoniensis quaestiones naturales | Physiognomia sec. tres authores videl. Loxum Aristotelem et Palemonem | Liber spermatis | Soranus de re medica | Constantini liber de herbis



- Dioscorides de virtutibus herbarum Lat. | Oribasius de virtutibus herbarum Lat. | Odonis Adunensis versus de virtutibus herbarum | Isidori Hyspalensis etymologiarum libri | Constantini Medici liber graduum | Euphonis experimenta | Adamarii experimenta | Ioh. Melancholici experimenta | Experimenta Abbatis | Experimenta Wiscardi | Experimenta Picoti | De urina mulieris | Expositio quintae incisionis epidemiarum Hippocratis | Ioh. Melancholici liber de substantia urinae | Palladius de agricultura | Liber de simplici medicina. perg. f<sup>o</sup>
- [*Brit. Mus. Galba E. iv, pt. II, from Bury St. Edmunds, contains the first six articles: the rest are gone.*]
- Fr. 145. Alberti Magni magia naturalis et vera | Idiotae liber auctore Cusano | Contra Iacobellinos in Bohemia | Antonii Barsizii Cauteriarum, comedia, una cum aliis variis. pap. f<sup>o</sup>
- [*Bodl. MS. Savile 55, except Art. 1.*]
- Fr. 146. Aristotelis physicorum libri octo | Eiusd. de generatione et corruptione lib. 2 | De coelo et de mundo libri 4 | Meteor(orum) libri 4 | De vegetabilibus etc. | De anima libri tres | De memoria et reminiscencia | Ethicorum secundus et tertius | De morte et vita et alia eiusd. Aristotelis Latine. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>
- [*C.C.C. Oxford 111. Ladder-mark on f. 1.*]
147. Serapionis de aptatione et repressione seu servitor Serapionis. perg. f<sup>o</sup>
- Fr. 148. Thomae de Aquino de veritate theologica libri septem. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>
- [*? Trin. Coll. Camb. O. 8. 30.*]
149. Alberti Magni tract. de lapidibus | Iacobus Alkindus de radiis. pap. f<sup>o</sup>
150. Historia Anglica cuiusdam anonymi. pap. 4<sup>o</sup>
- [*Cf. Dublin Trin. Coll. 506.*]
- Fr. 151. Euclidis optica catoptrica et geometria Lat. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>
- [*C.C.C. Oxford 251. Has ladder-mark on f. 1. From Leeds Priory, Kent.*]
- Fr. 152. Fragmentum theologicum quoddam in Ecclesiastes. perg. f<sup>o</sup>
- [*? C.C.C. Oxford 239. Has 444 on the fly-leaf: cf. 134.*]
153. Tract. astrolabii | De significatione rei occultae | De aëris dispositione | Tabula pro almanack | Ars notariatus | Aristotelis epistola de conservatione sanitatis | Rogeri Herefordensis computus | Compositio astrolabii | Planisphaerium | Alfraganus | Geber in Ptolomaei almagestum una cum aliis. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>
- [*C.C.C. Oxford 233. From St. Albans.*]
154. Apologia chemicae artis contra Cornelium Agrippam de vanitate scientiarum | De oleis variis medicinalibus una cum aliis multis. pap. 4<sup>o</sup>



155. Alcabicius | Astronomia quaedam iudicialis | Zahelis introducto-  
rium cum iudicii sequentibus | Mathematica Alexandri summi  
astrologi | Iacob Alkindus de iudiciis astrologicis | Albumazar  
de revolutionibus annorum mundi | Summae excerptae ex libro  
Albumazar de revolutione nativitatum | Albohali de nativitatibus |  
Albumazar liber florum | Almanack perpetuum Profacii Iudaei.  
Thomas Aquinas de angelis. perg. 4°  
[*Bodl. Ashmole 369. Contains Dee's name.*]
- Fr. 156. Lamentationes Mathaeoluli carmine. perg. 4°  
[*? Brit. Mus. Cleop. C. ix.*]
- Fr. 157. Hippocratis aphorismi | Eiusd. prognostica | Eiusd. liber de  
regimine acutorum | Eiusd. liber epidemiarum | Eiusd. astro-  
nomia de infirmitatibus | Iohannicii Isagoge in Galeni Tecknin |  
Hypocratis secreta | Tract. de compositione astrolabii | Tract.  
de compositione novi quadrantis | Campani tract. de motibus  
planetarum et de fabricatione equatorii instrumenti per quod  
certa loca planetarum inveniuntur | Petri Perigrini tract. de  
magnete | Iordani liber planisphaerii | Euclidis liber de speculis  
Iordani tract. de ponderibus | Practica geometriae.  
perg. 4° = A. 42.  
[*Dublin Trin. Coll. 403. Bought from Leland.*]
- Fr. 158. Rogerii Bachonis calendarium | Tabula ad sciendum quis planeta  
dominetur omni hora cuiuslibet diei | Tabula multiplicationis |  
Liber de naturis rerum abreviatus | Marbodeus de sculpturis  
gemmarum | Liber de lapidibus filiorum Israel | Hippocratis  
signa in infirmo | Unguentum alabastri | De modo faciendi  
olei | De aquis mundificativis oculorum faciei et aliorum  
spiritualium membrorum | Depilatoria | Ut pili nascantur ubi  
volueris | De conservatione vini | Gregorii dialogorum liber  
primus et secundus | Vita S. Nicholai | Vita S. Aegidii.  
perg. 4°
- Fr. 159. Computus ecclesiasticus | Beda de calculatione | Computus. perg. 4°  
[*C.C.C. Oxford 221. From St. Aug. Cant. no. 1170.*]  
[*? St. Aug. Cant. no. 1128.*]
- Fr. 160. Wilhelmi de Conchis philosophia. perg. 4°  
[*St. John's Coll. Camb. 171. From St. Aug. Cant. no. 1485.*  
*Io. Dee 1557 4 Maii . . . Londini.*]
- Fr. 161. Quaestiones super elenchos et alia logicalia. pap.
- Fr. 162. Quaestiones de apparentiis seu fallaciis sophisticis manuscriptae. pap.
- [*C.C.C. Oxford 228.*]



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163. Alberti de Saxonia tract. proportionum 4<sup>o</sup> impressus Rothomagi | Iac. Lupi tract. de productionibus personarum in divinis sec. mentem | Ioh. Scoti 4<sup>o</sup> impressum | una cum aliis tractatibus variarum quaestionum papyro manuscript. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [Also in C.C.C. Oxford 228.]
164. Henrici Beaumundi regimen sanitatis cum aliis variis experimentis tam Anglice quam Latine scriptis. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [New College, Oxford, MSS. 166, 167 are medical books once owned by Henry Beaumund.]
165. Avicenna de naturalibus | Eiusd. de sufficientia | Thomae de Aquino tract. de essentia | Avendauth de quinque universalibus | Alchindi philosophi de quinque essentiis ex verbis Aristotelis abstractus liber | Platonis Timaeus | Isaac de diffinitionibus Lat. | Iacob de rationali in anima | Alexandri Philosophi de intellectu et intelligibili liber Lat. | Algacelis logica | Alchindus de intellectu et intellecto | Amaometh liber introductorius in artem logicam demonstrationis | Averrhois de substantia orbis | Alfarabius de intellectu et intellecto | Liber planetarum cuiusdam discipuli Ptolomaei | Mercurius Trismegistus | Secundus Philosophus de diffinitionibus | Boetius de unitate | Liber de differentia spiritus et animae forte Athelardi | Liber metaphisicae Avicennae qui non est completus
- Fr. 166. De philosophia Salomonis | Fulgentius ep. ad Calcidium grammaticum | Experimenta quaedam alchimica | Cassiodorus de anima una cum aliis theologicis. perg. 8<sup>o</sup>  
 [Brit. Mus. Royal 7. D. ii. From St. Aug. Cant. no. 415. Io. Dee.]
- Fr. 167. Boetii arithmetica | Theorica planetarum et stellarum sec. Alfraganum | Boetii musica | Euclidis geometrica | Propositiones planisphaerii Ptolomaei cum additionibus Maslem arabis. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [C.C.C. Oxford 224. From St. Mary's, York. Has the ladder-mark on f. 1 and notes in Dee's hand.]
168. Disputatio inter militem et clericum. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [? St. John's Coll. Camb. 160, pt. I.]
- Fr. 169. Ioh. Scoti quaestiones super 2<sup>o</sup> et 3<sup>o</sup> libro Aristotelis de anima Antonii Andreae quaestiones in Aristotelis meteora. pap. 4<sup>o</sup>  
 [C.C.C. Oxford 227. No mark.]
- Fr. 170. Isidori Hispalensis liber differentiarum | Ciceronis academicae quaestiones | Eiusd. natura deorum | Eiusd. de divinatione | Eiusd. de fato | Eiusd. paradoxa | Eiusd. Philippicae orationes | Libellus de bestiis avibus et arboribus | Salustius de bello Catilinario et Iugurthino | Vegetius de re militari etc. perg. 4<sup>o</sup>



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171. Computus ecclesiasticus. perg. 8°  
 [Cf. *St. Aug. Cant. no. 1127.*]
172. Solinus de mirabilibus mundi. perg. 4°. = A. 14, B. 23.  
 [? *Dublin Trin. Coll. 425.*]
173. Bona gesta Mariae | Malchus etc. perg. 16°  
 [*The Malchus of Reginald of Canterbury is in Laud Misc. 40 and 500, and Vesp. E. iii. Laud Misc. 40 is from Rochester. Cf. St. Aug. Cant. no. 1494.*]
- Fr. 174. Sortilegia nugatoria. perg. 8°
175. Sortilegia nugatoria. perg. 4°
- Fr. 176. Ioh. Sarisberiensis polycraticum sive de nugis curialium et vestigiis philosophorum libri octo. perg. 4°  
 [*C.C.C. Oxford 222.*]
- Fr. 177. Compotus manualis | cum aliis sexaginta quinque tractatibus variorum autorum in medicinalibus physicis astronomicis et aliis. perg. 8°
178. Gebri summa alchimiae. perg. 4°  
 [? *Bodl. Ashmole 1384.*]
179. Hermetis cuiusdam libellus de rebus universalibus. perg. 4°
- Fr. 180. Imago mundi cuius initium est *Operatio divina*. perg. 4°  
 [*Trin. Coll. Camb. O. 8. 6. Marked 24 and 'fuit D. Ioannis Dee'. Between 181 and 182 is written: Vbi Ciceronis libri aliquot manuscripti. It must refer to 180.*]
- Fr. 181. Thomae Bravardini Anglici propositiones (*above*: proportiones) geometriae. perg. 4°. = A. 16, B. 25.  
 [? *Vatican. Regim. 1161 (Montfaucon) or Bodl. MS. Digby 76, ff. 110-120.*]
182. Macer de virtutibus herbarum. perg. 4°
- Fr. 183. Libellus medicinae et chirurgiae partim Latine partim Anglice partim etiam Gallice. perg. 16°  
 [*C.C.C. Oxford 135. Has Dee's hand in it.*]
184. Ramundi Lulii practica chimica Anglice. pap. 4°  
 [*Brit. Mus. Sloane 2128. Ioannes Dee 1577.*]
185. Alchimica: videlicet tres tractatus alchimici *Volvi lapidem* etc. | De quinta essentia Mercurii | Secretum secretorum Pleri philosophi. perg. 4°
- Fr. 186. Roberti Lincoln. ep. de luce, de iride cum multis aliorum tract. circiter 34. perg. 4°. A thik boke with a labell. ? = 109  
 [? *Bodl. MS. Digby 104.*]
- Fr. 187. Libri diversi astrologici quorum primi init. est *Postulata a Domino* (the first words of the Introductorium of Alchabitius). perg. 4°  
 [*Bodl. MS. Ashmole 191, II.*]



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- Fr. 188. Rogeri Bachonis, Morieni Romani, Ioh. Viennensis, Alberti Magni, Hermetis, Rasis, Hortolani, chimica quaedam. perg. 8°  
 [Trin. Coll. Camb. O. 7. 35. Has a corresponding note of contents in Dee's hand.]
189. Speculum secretorum cum aliis haud contemnendis chemicis fragmentis. perg. 4°
190. Ioh. de Sacrobosco sphaera | Iohannicii glosulae cum aliis tractatibus | Rogeri Bachonis et Rob. Lincoln. ep. etc. perg. 4°
- Fr. 191. Libellus chemicus cuius init. est *Materia lapidis*. pap. 8°
192. Iacobi Alkindi de pluviis, imbris, ventis, et de mutatione aeris. pap. fo
- Fr. 193. Liber duodecim aquarum etc. perg. 4°  
 [C.C.C. Oxford 277.]
- Fr. 194. Aegidii de Wallecers computus, de cometis, de crepusculis | Tabulae domorum et ascensionum | Kalendarium errores | Io. de Pecham perspectiva communis | 30 Arabes qui dicuntur Magistri probationum | Tract. minutiarum una cum aliis. perg. 8°  
 [Bodl. Ashmole 341. From St. Aug. Cant. no. 1130.]
195. Abraham Iudaei liber de iudiciis nativitatum cum aliis variis. pap. 4°
- Fr. 196. Albertus de mineralibus cuius init. est *De mixtione et coagulatione* etc. | Rogerii Bachonis epistola prima ad Ioh. Parisiensem | Summa aurea una cum multorum aliorum tractatibus. perg. 4°  
 In a black cover with clasps.  
 [Bodl. MS. Digby 119. I. Deeus 1581.]
- Fr. 197. Ludus astronomicus. pap. 8°
- Fr. 198. Parisiensis (marg. forte Ioh:) liber cuius init. est *Augustinus de civitate Dei* etc. pap. 4°  
 [C.C.C. Oxford 231.]
- Fr. 199. Pomum Ambrae | Trotulae de ornatu mulierum | Ascarus Philosphus de signis mulierum | De secretis mulierum cum aliis experimentis | Theophilus Monachus de coloribus | Eraclius de coloribus et artibus Roman. | Quaedam experimenta medica cum aliis superstitionis | Compositio et usus astrolabii una cum aliis. perg. 8°  
 [Cf. Brit. Mus. Egerton 823, 840<sup>a</sup> (formerly Trin. Coll. Camb. R. 15. 15). From St. Aug. Cant. no. 1599. Their contents correspond to Arts. 5 sqq. of the above list.]  
 [Among the printed books, under the title Chemicus Libri etc. compacti, occur these manuscripts.]
200. Ramundi Lulii ars generalis cum quaestionibus eiusdem | De medi(c)ina et astronomia eiusdem | Speculum medicinae. 4°



201. Ramundi Lulii ars magna cum figuris | Eiusd. ars generalis cum quaestionibus | Eiusd. introductorium sive canones artis generalis | Eiusd. de principiis et medicinae gradibus | Eiusd. de regiminibus sanitatis et infirmitatis. fo  
[*C.C.C. Oxford* 247. *Has the ladder-mark and the name of P. Saunders.*]  
[*There follows in Halliwell's book, pp. 87-9, Elias Ashmole's list (from MS. Ashmole 1720) of such of Dee's MSS. as had come to his hands. They are all records of his intercourse with spirits, and have no bearing on our present subject.*]

Of other MSS. which certainly or probably belonged to Dee, and do not occur in the Catalogue, I have noted the following in various collections: but I have little doubt that the list is incomplete.

**Helmingham Hall, Suffolk. Lord Tollemache's Library.**

The Lauderdale MS. of Alfred's Orosius is recorded to have belonged to Dee, but his name is not to be found in it.

**Lambeth Library.**

598, pt. III. Creton's poem on the deposition of Richard II has the note 'John Dee 1575 gave for this boke a boke of the foundation of (*blank*) in Oxfordshire'.

**London, British Museum.**

Sloane 2325, paper, cent. xv, ff. 33. Ioannes Dee 1557 beginning: Many a regyon & contre y haue y sowte.

Stowe 1070, paper, cent. xv-xvi, ff. 74.

Ioannes Dee.

Patricius Saunders 1606 (?)

G. Theophanes (= Tiffin) 1730.

R. Farmer.

It contains some fourteen alchemical tracts, of which the first are—

1. Tract. Nicholai Comitis.
2. Summa Platonis.
3. Speculum Alkimie Rog. Baconis.

And the last is: Dialogus inter Naturam et filium philosophie.

**Oxford, Bodleian Library.**

Ashmole 1451, pt. II, a paper MS. of 66 ff. in English and Latin, of alchemical tracts mostly by Brixham with marginalia by Dee.



36 *Manuscripts formerly owned by Dr. John Dee*

1492, pt. I, a paper MS. of 6 ff. Io. Dee 1569. Opus expertum Parisiis  
... 1540.

Digby 192 (Raymund Lull) Ars demonstrativa; has a note of Dee's of  
1576.

218, art. 3. Bacon's Opus Minus according to Twyne belonged to Dee.

Oxford, Corpus Christi College.

65. Tacuinus, from Twyne, has some notes of accounts, perhaps in  
Dee's hand.

101. Ptolemy, etc., has a note on f. 1 by Dee (?) and at the end a letter  
of Casimir of Poland to Cracow University.

127, 128. From Twyne; bound together: Bacon de erroribus medi-  
corum and some alchemical tracts: may be Dee's, but have not  
his hand in them.

134. Life of St. Oswin; from Twyne: marked 4; but belonged to  
Savile of Banke.

136. Collectanea Alchemica, Latin and English; belonged to Dee in  
1559.

144. Astronomica, Alanus de Insula, G. Vinsauf: from Twyne.  
Came from Tynemouth Priory (as also 134).

148. Bacon's Greek Grammar: from Twyne.

152 has the ladder-mark and belonged to Dee: see Wood's Life and  
Times, iv. 266-7. It contains works of Nic. Kratzer.

153. Io. Dastin, etc.: from Twyne.

185 has the ladder-mark and apparently Dee's hand on the verso of  
a fragment of a will at the end. Contents alchemical.

191 is Dee's note-book: see above.

223 has the ladder-mark. Bacon, Urso, etc.

226. Marbod, etc., partly by the scribe of 227 (see above, no. 169):  
has a note 'Receyved at Manchester by Col. Arnold from  
Mistres Marie Nevel 1597 Dec. 17'.

237. Life of S. Katherine, etc., in English verse: has the ladder-mark.

238. Alchemical (Rosarium, Ortolanus, Morienus, etc.).

242. Lydgate's Fall of Princes: ladder-mark.

250. In Ciceronis Rhetorica, etc.: ladder-mark and 4.

252. Romance of Marques: ladder-mark.

276 has 4 4 4. Bernard de Gordonio.

278. Mesue, etc.: ladder-mark.

290. Aristotle's Metaphysics: ladder-mark.





## LIST OF MANUSCRIPTS NOTICED

The sign *vac.* means that the MS. in question is not in Dee's own catalogue, but in the supplementary list which follows it.

### Cambridge

#### *University Library*

Ee. 4. 31 = 51?

#### *Colleges*

##### *Gonville and Caius*

456 = 104?

##### *Magdalene*

*Pepys* 1207 = 41

„ 2329 = 91

##### *Peterhouse*

*Lost* = 37

##### *St. John's*

12 = 118, 122

160 = 168

171 = 160

##### *Trinity*

O. 2. 14 = 39?

O. 2. 47 = 79

O. 2. 50 = 3

O. 7. 23 = 34

O. 7. 35 = 188

O. 8. 6 = 180

O. 8. 30 = 148

R. 15. 15, *see on 199*

### Cheltenham

*Phillipps* 16345 = 13

### Cracow

*University.* 47 *given to.*

### Dublin

#### *Trinity College*

115 = 7

331 = 38

360 = 128

371, cf. 80

381, cf. 23

403 = 157

425, cf. 172

441 = 137

444 = 139

448, cf. 75

492, cf. 60

506, cf. 105, 150

*lost* = 138

### Glasgow

*Hunter* U. 4. 11 = 4

### Helmingham

No number *vac.*

### Lambeth

67 = 114

522 = 70?

598 *iii vac.*

### London

#### *British Museum*

##### *Cotton*

Julius A. vi, cf. 133

Tiberius B. ix, cf. 72

C. v = 26



*British Museum: Cotton (contd.)*

- Claudius B. ix = 92  
 D. x, *see Preface*  
 Galba E. iv (ii) = 144  
 E. vii = 25  
 Vitellius E. xviii, cf. 133  
 Vespasian A. ii = 44 and A. 15  
 A. x = 10  
 B. x = 9  
 E. iii, cf. 173  
 Domitian I = 94  
 Cleopatra B. i, cf. 113  
 C. ix = 156

*Egerton* 823, 840<sup>a</sup> = 199

*Harley* 1 = 20

- 3 = 31  
 200 = 69  
 536 = 55

*Royal* 7 D. ii = 166

- 12 B. xxii = 143  
 15 B. ix = 74

*Sloane* 2128 = 184

- 2325 *vac.*  
 2327 = 35

*Stowe* 1070 *vac.*

## Manchester

*Chetham* A. 5. 24, cf. 19

## Oxford

*Bodleian Library*

*Ashmole* 191 II = 187

- 341 = 194  
 369 = 155  
 424 = 97  
 847 = 52  
 1384 = 178?  
 1451 II *vac.*  
 1471 = 24  
 1492 I *vac.*

*Barlow* 2 = 110?

*Digby* 71 = 84

- 76 = 181?  
 77 = 61?  
 104, cf. 186  
 119 = 196  
 174 = 100  
 178 = 1, 29  
 192 *vac.*  
 218 *vac.*

*Laud Misc.* 40 = 173

*Rawlinson* C. 7 = 30

*Savile* 15 = 108

- 18 = 5  
 19 = 82?  
 55 = 145

*Selden gr.* 20, 22 = 43

*supra* 94 = 19

## Colleges

*Corpus Christi* 41 = 14

- 55 = 103  
 65 *vac.*  
 101 *vac.*

- 111 = 146  
 118 = 142  
 124 = 46?

- 125 = 33  
 127, 128 *vac.*

- 130 = 12  
 134 *vac.*

- 135 = 183  
 136 *vac.*

- 137 = 141  
 138 = 78

- 144 *vac.*  
 148 *vac.*

- 149 = 56  
 150 = 83

- 151 = 99  
 152 *vac.*

- 153 *vac.*  
 183 II = 76



*List of Manuscripts noticed*

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Oxford: *Corpus Christi* (contd.)

185 *vac.*  
189 = 8  
191 *vac.*  
221 = 158  
222 = 176  
223 *vac.*  
224 = 167  
225 = 6  
226 *vac.*  
227 = 169  
228 = 162, 163  
230 = 73  
231 = 198  
232, cf. 70  
233 = 153  
234 = 135  
235 = 71  
236 = 85  
237, 238 *vac.*  
239, cf. 152  
242 *vac.*  
243 = 117  
244, cf. 67  
245 = 11  
247 = 201  
248 = 87  
249 = 90

Oxford: *Corpus Christi* (contd.)

250 *vac.*  
251 = 151  
252 *vac.*  
254, artt. 7, 8, cf. 19, 58  
276 *vac.*  
277 = 193  
278 *vac.*  
279, cf. 60  
283 = 136  
290 *vac.*  
293 = 40, 123, 132  
*Magdalen* 32 = 59?  
*New College* 166, 167, cf. 164  
*Queen's* 307 = 121  
borrowed from 109

Paris

*Bibl. Mazarine* 1271 = 27

Rome

*Vatican Regin.* 1151, cf. 95  
1161, cf. 181

Sotheby's

*Sale* 17 Nov. 1902  
lot 160 = 66



## ADDITIONAL NOTE

Dee's own account of the pillage of his library, and of its value, is to be found in the 'briefe note and abstract' of his career (drawn up in 1592) which is printed by Hearne in *Joh. Glastoniensis* (II. 500). Here, on p. 529, we read:—

'The divers bookes of my late library, printed & anciently written, bound & unbound, were in all near 4000: the fourth part of which were the written bookes.' He values them at £2,000. 'And, to make this valuation probable unto your Honour, behold yet here these four written bookes, one in Greek, this great volum; two in French; and this in High Dutch. They cost me and my friends for me 533<sup>lib.</sup> . . . What is then to be thought of the value of some one hundred of the best of all the other written bookes, of which some were the *autographa* of excellent & seldome heard-of Authors? The furniture of the said library was of my getting together in above 40 yeares time from divers places beyond the seas, & some by my great search and labour gotten here in England'. He then gives some account of his mathematical instruments, and of two collections of Irish and Welsh deeds (the latter, apparently, rescued from a half-ruined church). On p. 534 he values his lost books (above 500)—'I mean such as may be gotten for money'—at above £150.

I cannot tell what the four MSS. were which he produced as a sample; but the price paid for them is enormous; and the catalogue of the MSS. shows that in 1583 he did not possess much over 200 MSS., whereas here he reckons them at 1,000. I doubt if we can trust his figures; but the extract deserves to be quoted, and the 'abstract' to be read.

