

MEDIAEVAL & RENAISSANCE MANUSCRIPT COLLECTIONS AT OXFORD COLLEGES

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Overshadowed for too long by the glories of the Bodleian, the libraries of the older college foundations in Oxford are emerging as a rich and little explored source for mediaeval scholars. The illuminated manuscripts certainly deserve to be better known; they include fine miniatures by the Oxford illuminator de Bralles as well as a good range of French and English Psalters, Books of Hours, Bibles and Law texts. Bequests of Greek mss. from Archbishop Wake, Humanist texts, many of them Italian, from William Gray are also outstanding. But given the nature of the mediaeval curriculum, it is not surprising to find that theological and patristic works form by far the largest group of mss. and that many of these were written by contemporary Oxford scholars.

Since many of the colleges preserve large proportions of their original mediaeval holdings and founding bequests, these collections present vital evidence for our understanding of the intellectual life of one of the world's oldest universities. These are the complete mediaeval manuscript collections of these colleges, and each college may be purchased separately.

Classified by Subject:—

I. Biblical Texts and Studies. II. Illuminated Mss. III. Theology: General and Patristics. IV. Law. V. Medical and Natural Sciences. VI. Humanistic Studies. VII. Classics.

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The Old Testament texts and commentaries include a number of early mss, many in Greek and Hebrew. There are few works by later theologians but the collection does contain two important Biblical Texts. The Bible, Ms 2 from St Albans contains fine initials and marginal notes by Matthew Paris, whilst the Gospels Ms 122 from Bangor has initials which demonstrate the continuation of Celtic influence as late as c. 1140.

CC1	2	Bible. (St Albans). 12th c.
CC2	4	Bible. In English. 15th c.
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	50	Gregory the Great. Moralia in Job. 12th c.
	122	Gospels. (Bangor). c.1140
CC11	193	Richard Rolle. Commentary on the Psalter. etc. 15th c.
	331	John Reynolds. Lectures on the Apocrypha. 16th c. Vol I
CC12	331	John Reynolds. Lectures on the Apocrypha. 16th c. Vol II
	388	Psalms. Arabic. 15th c.