



One of three known copies (height of binding 178 mm)

Rebuffi, Pierre

Baillargues (Montpellier) 1487 – 1557

Pronomi'ai [in Greek] seu privilegia universitatum, collegiorum, scolasticorumquè, & bibliopolarum, atque omnium, qui istis ministrant, que què studiosis omnibus necessaria ad scientiae & virtutis perfectionem, cum elucidatione Authen. habita C. ne filius pro patre Authore domino Petro Rebuffo de Montepessulano iurium doctore & comite, in inclita Parisiorum universitate publico professore.

Paris, 'Venales comperiuntur in vico Amigdalarum, iuxta Collegium Remense apud Stephanum Guiot', 1549

OCTAVO (175 x 110 mm), (307)ff. signed a–c⁸ (– blank c8, cancelled) a–z⁸ &⁸ A–K⁸ L⁴ M⁸ and paginated (46) 1–567 (1). Woodcut initials from several alphabets.

PROVENANCE Magister Georg Munding (Preceptor of the Grafen von Helfenstein),¹ his note of purchase, dated 1589, on front pastedown — Fürstlich-Fürstenbergische Bibliothek at Donau-eschingen, shelfmark on paste-down (written in red ink, possibly by Baron Joseph von Lassberg), but without the library's inkstamp — Reiss & Sohn, 'Auktion 70: Aus einer Süddeutschen Fürstenbibliothek, Teil 2', Königstein im Taunus, 4 May 2000, lot 1650

Droplets of ink in margins of pp.100–101, otherwise an immaculate copy.

BINDING contemporary flexible vellum.

A **COLLECTION OF LAWS**, statutes, and privileges relating to universities and colleges, together with those governing booksellers and stationers, who in mediaeval times were members and under control of the university corporation. It is a 'Curieux traité, où l'auteur aborde un grand nombre de problèmes concernant la vie scolaire et universitaire' (*Dictionnaire de Droit Canonique*, Paris 1965, vii, col.477).

The author had studied at Montpellier, Toulouse, and Cahors, where he took his doctorate *in utroque jure*. In 1527 he was teaching at Poitiers, in 1529 in Bourges, and in 1533 in Paris, where he was one of six doctors regent appointed to lecture on

¹ Hermann Mayer, *Die Matrikel der Universität Freiburg i. Br. von 1460–1656* (Freiburg im Breisgau, 1907), p.631: 21 January 1588 'Georgius Munding Understehensis [?] dioc. Constant. mgr. artium ut asserit, comitum eorundem praeceptor'.

canon law. He published on some of the most vexed and sensitive legal questions of his day, including treatises on the law concerning ecclesiastical benefices, the rights of possession, royal duties and prerogatives, war, and the lordship of castles.

The first part, comprising ‘Scolasticorum priuilegiorum’ (180 in number), had been published in 1540 under a royal privilege granted to Guiraud Rebuffi, ‘Marchand libraire de Montpellier’, on 11 March 1530/1531.² The second and third parts, entitled ‘Scolastica necessarium’ (‘De His quae necessaria sunt literarum studiosis’ and ‘De interpretatione autenticae constitutionis habita’), appear in print here for the first time, under a privilege granted in August 1547. The three texts were reprinted together as *Privilegia universitatum, collegiorum* at Frankfurt in 1575 and 1585, and at Antwerp in 1583.

The publisher, Etienne Guyot (Guillot, Guiot), a ‘libraire et relieur de livres’ in the rue des Amandiers, is documented 1549–1561, and was deceased by 1561.³ Only two copies of his edition can be located

- Châlons-en-Champagne, Marne, Bibliothèque municipale, AF14360 • Paris, Bibliothèque Interuniversitaire de la Sorbonne, U6=34 (‘Ex libris ms. Bibliothecae Colbertinae’).

REFERENCE Wilhelm Erman and Ewald Horn, *Bibliographie der deutschen Universitäten* (Leipzig & Berlin 1904–1905), no. 3167

² *De Scolasticorum bibliopolarum, atque caeterorum universitatum omnium ministrorum, iuratorumque priuilegiis* (Paris: Pierre Vidoue, 1540); see *Inventaire chronologique des éditions parisiennes du XVI^e siècle, V: 1536–1540* (Paris 2004), no. 1928.

³ Philippe Renouard, *Documents sur les imprimeurs, libraires... ayant exercé à Paris de 1450 à 1600* (Paris 1901), p.118; Philippe Renouard, *Répertoire des imprimeurs parisiens* (Paris 1965), p.194.

