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Sedulius, Opus Paschale

f. 1 //I titia quis ille nitor effulsit ... domino fabricante plasmati//

Sedulius, Opus Paschale, II.4-6; J. Huemer, ed., CSEL 10 (1885), 200-202.

f. 2r-v //sed abhorrens diuinis ... carpere iam securam.

Explicit liber sedulii noui testamenti secundus.

Opus Paschale, II.17; Huemer, 229-231

ff. 2v-5 Incipit tertius ubi aquam in uinum conuertit.

Prima dominus nuptiis interesse ... Preces s pius sine corde//

Opus Paschale, III.1-10; Huemer, 232-240.

Parchment. 5 folios (fols. 2 and 5 form a bifolium; fols. 3 and 4, originally a bifolium, are now separated; the bifolia 2/5 and 3/4 formed the inner two bifolia of a quire). Fol. 1 measures 215 x 153; fols. 2-5 measure 215 x 145 mm (written space 150 x 105 mm). 1 column. 21 lines. Fols. 2-5 were ruled in dry-point on the flesh side as conjugate leaves before folding. The quire is arranged so that the hair side of a leaf faces the flesh side of the following leaf.

Written in Caroline minuscule, which Prof. Hartmut Hoffmann dated to the first half of the tenth century (letter of 16 October 1992). 2-line initials are in brown uncials and are written between the double bounding lines. 1-line initials are in brown uncials and are not set apart from

the text. Incipits, explicits and chapter titles are written in orange-red rustic capitals.

Punctuation consists of the punctus for major and minor pauses and the punctus versus for the end of sections. A contemporary or slightly later hand has made corrections and marginal notes.

The bifolium 2/5 and fols. 3 and 4, which were originally a bifolium, were used as flyleaves in the binding of Lambach, Stiftsbibliothek, Ccl 245. The shelf number "245" is written in ink on fol. 3v.

A modern hand has written in pencil the number "35" on fol. 1, "33" on fol. 3 and "36" on fol. 4. Another modern hand has indentified the text in pencil.

Fol. 1 was formerly Beinecke MS 482.6A, Zinniker 122; the bifolium 2/5 was formerly Beinecke MS 481.17A, Zinniker 256; fol. 3 was formerly Beinecke MS 481.17B, Zinniker 257; fol. 4 was formerly Beinecke MS 482.6B, Zinniker 141.

Bibliography:

Babcock, Reconstructing a Medieval Library, 92-93 and fig. 26.