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MS 481.44 Western Germany, s. XI²

Priscian, Institutio Grammatica

f. 1r //itane est madida ... sine ulla causa//

Priscian, Institutio grammatica, Book VII.78-9; Keil, 2:354.12-355.9. The upper margin has been trimmed with loss of text. Some letters have also been trimmed off in the inner and outer margins.

f. 1v //ducum a patre ... huius hominis his//

Institutio grammatica, Book VII.80-2; Keil 2:355.23-356.22. The upper margin has been trimmed with loss of text. Some letters have also been trimmed off in the inner and outer margins.

f. 2r [passiu]//as quoque pro actiuis ... se pati demonstrant; [words cut out] multos
domina//[ta]

Institutio grammatica, Book VIII.26; Keil 2:393.10-394.7. The inner and lower margins have been trimmed with loss of text.

f. 2v //quod et quoitur ... numero et numeror. m[ino] et minor. meridi//[o]

Institutio grammatica, Book VIII.28-9; Keil 2:395.8-396.11. The inner and lower

margins have been trimmed with loss of text.

Parchment (three original holes on fol. 2). 2 folios. 195 x 147 mm (written space originally ca. 245 x 145 mm). 1 column. Fol. 1 has 17 and fol. 2 has 15 lines of an original 30 lines.

Dry-point ruling on the flesh side. Double vertical bounding lines.

Written in Caroline minuscule. 2-line initial "S" ("Sunt") in brown is set apart from the text between double vertical bounding lines. 1-line initials are in brown rustic capitals with occasional use of an enlarged minuscule n and m. One "L" ("Lucanus") has a hollow shaft that is filled with brown cross strokes. Punctuation consists of the punctus, punctus elevatus and punctus versus.

Three other leaves from the same manuscript are preserved as Lambach, Stiftsbibliothek, Fragment 12 (see Holter [1989], 212, cat. no. IX.11). These leaves measure ca. 310 x 210 mm and preserve text from Book VII.35-9 and VII.51-55. The Beinecke leaves were used in the binding of a volume measuring ca. 195 x 138 mm. The Beinecke fragments and the related leaves in Lambach are not listed in M. Gibson, "Priscian, 'Institutiones grammaticae': a Handlist of Manuscripts," *Scriptorium* 26 (1972): 105-24 nor in M. Passalacqua, *I codici di Prisciano* (Rome, 1978).

A modern hand has written in pencil in the lower right corner the number "62" on fol. 1r and "63" on fol. 2r. Another modern hand has identified the text as "Grammatik" in pencil on the recto of both leaves.

Fol. 1 was formerly Beinecke MS 482.62, Zinniker 59.1; fol. 2 was Zinniker 230.

Bibliography:

Babcock, *Reconstructing a Medieval Library*, 100 and fig. 25.