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MS 482.12 Italy, s. XII¹

Bible, Zacharias

f. 1ra //lucernis qu erant super caput illud ... uerbum domini ad me di//[cens]

Zacharias 4.2 - 8. The upper portion of the leaf is missing with loss of text.

f. 1rb [plum]//bi portabatur. Et ecce mulier ... de medio duorum montium; montes//

Zacharias 5.7 - 6.1. The upper portion of the leaf is missing with loss of text.

The verso has been completely erased.

Parchment. 1 folio. 200 x 260 mm (written space originally ca. 386 x 245 mm). 2 columns. 14 lines remaining of original ca. 48. Ruled in dry-point on the hair side. Single vertical bounding lines.

Written in Caroline minuscule. The hand is very similar to that of MS 481.63, and it is possible that this leaf is from the same original codex as MS 481.63. The script, decoration, and preservation of the leaves (same trim size, ca. 200 x 260 mm, and one side erased -- suggesting they were both reused in the same later binding) is very similar. The leaves of MS 481.63 are ruled for the same width of columns as 482.12 (245mm); no other original measurements of either can be determined. The number of lines originally on each leaf of MS 481.63 must have been about 51 or 52, whereas MS 482.12 had only about 48 lines. This difference is perhaps not inconsistent with the degree of variation within a single book, especially considering that MS 481.63 (from Acts) would fall later in the volume than MS 482.12 (Zacharias), and the number of written lines seems generally to increase further into a book. 1-line initials are brown rustic

capitals, with round E and minscule h, and are not set apart from the text. Traces of an initial, ca. 2 lines high, set apart from where the text should be, in red ink, on verso. Punctuation consists of the punctus, punctus elevatus and punctus interrogativus.

The number "xxxv" is written in ink in the lower left corner of the recto.

Zinniker 145-2.