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MS 482.84 Northern France (?), s. XIII

Bible, Commentary on Wisdom

f. 1 //Sicut patuit quando istam scientiam eis quos repleuit dedit ... dicit dominus
 (dominus expunct. man. alt.) sapiens quia mors nec est nec a condi//

Unidentified commentary on Wisdom 1.8-13.

Parchment. 1 folio. 297 x 197 mm (written space 206 x 144 mm); strip of conjoint folio (without any text) measures 270 x 20 mm. 2 columns. 61 lines. Ruled in lead. Single vertical bounding lines. Prickings in upper and lower margins.

Written in a small gothic script with frequent abbreviations (*littera textualis currens*), below the top line. 1-line initials are in black and are not set apart from the text. Punctuation consists of the punctus. Quotations from Wisdom are underlined in black.

This fragment was used as a wallet binding for a codex measuring 180 x 120 x 15 mm. The number "146" is written on the spine of the volume, possibly referring to Lambach Cml CXLVI. The modern location of Cml CXLVI is unknown, and its measurements are uncertain; however, since the Lambach library was organized by size, Cml CXLVI should measure ca. 180 x 120-140 mm, a range consistent with the size of the book covered by this fragment.

Zinniker 112.

Bibliography:

Babcock, *Reconstructing a Medieval Library*, 114 and fig. 63.