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MEDIEVAL CANON LAW MANUSCRIPTS IN THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF ST. PETERSBURG, I*

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The Medieval manuscripts of the canon law collections can be found in four different sections of the National Library of St. Petersburg, namely in the Erm. lat., the Lat. F. v. II, the Lat. O. v. II, and the Lat. Q. v. II. Here we would like to focus on the Erm. lat. and the Lat. F. v. II collections which have some remarkable canonical manuscripts from the 7th-14th centuries. Due to the Napoleonic War, the library of the Norbertine Abbey of Weissenau was scattered to several places, including St. Petersburg.¹ In 1932, Paul Lehmann listed those twenty-eight manuscripts of Weissenau which ended up in the Latin collection of the Hermitage (four contain canonical material)² and made the essential part

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¹ P. Lehmann, Handschriften aus Kloster Weissenau in Prag und Berlin, in: *Revue d'histoire ecclésiastique* 57 (1962) 229; U. Winter, Weißenauer Handschriften in der Deutschen Staatsbibliothek Berlin, in: *Über Bücher, Bibliotheken und Leser. Gesammelte Beiträge zum 60. Geburtstag von Horst Kunze*, Leipzig 1969, 237-241; H. Binder, Schicksale der Weißenau Bibliothek nach der Klostersauflösung, in: Ders. (Hrsg.), *850 Jahre Prämonstratenserabtei Weißenau 1145-1195*, Sigmaringen 1995, 489-505; Sz. A. Szuromi, Medieval canonical collections of the Norbertine Abbey of Weissenau in the Hermitage of St. Petersburg, in: *Analecta Premonstratensia* 2011/1-4, 225-239.

² Erm. lat. 11, 12, 25, 26.

of the Erm. lat. section.³ Within the Lat. F. v. II collection are thirteen canonical manuscripts: F. v. II. 1 (*Compilatio IV*), 3 (*Coll. Dionysiana*), 7 (*Summa super titulis decretalium*)⁴, 8 (*Decretales Gregorii IX*), 9 (*Lectura super Clementis*)⁵, 10 (*Summa Decreti Gratiani; Summa Causae Decreti; Tractatus de poenitentia; De ecclesiarum consecratio*)⁶, 12 (*Coll. Dionysiana*), 23 (*Decretum Gratiani*), 24 (*Decretales Gregorii IX*), 27 (*Liber Sextus*), 31 (*Capitularium ecclesiae Halberstadensis*), 223 (*Miscellanea Iuridica*), 224 (*Novella super libri III, V, IV, decretalium*)⁷.⁸ Four of them belonged to the former collection of Peter Dubrowsky who procured many volumes of the famous Abbey of St. Germain des Prés in the last decade of the 18th century.⁹

I. The Rossiyskaya Nationalnaya Biblioteka Ermit. lat. 26 (St. Petersburg)

The Ermit. lat. 26 manuscript¹⁰ is a textual witness of the *Liber Extra*. The volume is covered with nice white leather that had been adorned with clasps. Originally there were four brass mountings on the corners of both covers, and one in the center of the covers. Now there is only one pair of ornamented brass

³ Erm. lat. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 34. P. Lehmann, Verschollene und wiedergefundene Reste der Klosterbibliothek von Weissenau, in: Zentralblatt für Bibliothekswesen 49 (1932) 1–11. Cf. H. Binder, Bibliotheca Weissenaviensis. Aus der Geschichte der Klosterbibliothek, in: P. Eitel (Hrsg.), Weissenau in Geschichte und Gegenwart, Sigmaringen 1983, 231–244, especially 233, 241; E. Wenzel, Die mittelalterliche Bibliothek der Abtei Weißenau (Europäische Hochschulschriften, Reihe XV: Klassische Sprachen und Literaturen, 73), Frankfurt am Main 1998, 114–119.

⁴ By Godefridus de Trano.

⁵ By Guilelmus de Monte Lauduno.

⁶ By Huguccio.

⁷ By Johannes de Lignano.

⁸ Cf. О.Н. Блекина (составитель), Каталог собрания латинских рукописей: право, философия, наука, литература и искусство, Санкт-Петербург 2011, 19–31.

⁹ Lat. F. v. II. 8, 9, 10, 12. About Peter Dubrowsky cf. M. R. James, The Wanderings and Homes of Manuscripts (Helps for Students of History 17), 2009: <http://www.youpublish.com/files/16281/The-Wanderings-and-Homes-of-Manuscripts> (December 30th 2012); Sz. A. Szurómi, Some Canonical Manuscripts in the Collection of the National Library of St. Petersburg, in: Archiv für katholisches Kirchenrecht 179 (2010) 20–36, especially 23.

¹⁰ Wenzel, Die mittelalterliche Bibliothek der Abtei Weißenau (footnote 3), 118.