

A D L E C T O R E M .

**N**on te fugiat, cādidiſſime lector, quædā nō incōueniēter pro totius huiusce ſequētis opis tam introductiōe, q̄ etiā iſtructiōe p̄mitēda ēē. Nēpe ipa talia ſunt, q̄bus p̄parat via, oſtiūq; referat, q̄ ad oīm fermē cōſilijs ac reliquoꝝ arce domiciliis utiq; lucidius faciliusq; q̄ an pueniri poterit. Nōne peregrinat̄ plurimū oblectabit, ſi q̄s illi ea p̄ mōſtre terrā, quā fit petitur, cui⁹ diuitijs ditari ſe ſperat? Veꝝ hāc talis diues opū prouincia ſalubris ē, & admodū delectabilis, in quā nāc tales tāq; p̄tioſe aduecte ſunt merces, vt aia illis nra & refici ſpūlter, & mores coponi ſalubriter, & fides roborari poſſit validi⁹. Hinc oīm virtutū ditati bonis, ad æternātādē gaudia, deo Opt. Max, auſpice, feliciter pueri. In hiſ naſc̄ tomis duob; euāgelica ſiſ & ap̄licā doctrinā luce clar⁹ explicat. Igit nō te p̄tereat hic nō labor, in hiſ ſacratiſ, libris verfare, in hiſ te occupa, q̄ cæteris q̄bus post ſacrae biblike volumē, post ſacratiſ, euāgelica verba, post ap̄licā doctrinā, dubio procul p̄ferēdi ſunt. Porro, iucūdissimā erit, huic nō ſolumini, ſtudioſum ac catholicū inſudare lectorē, qđ à multis milib; tu inepiti, tē mēdiſ (q̄bus anteā ſcatebat) repurgatū, ex inutili proſtruſ ac ſcaboſo, factū eſt viuſ ac p̄clar. Nā ſi q̄ ſedā locos recēſere vellet oēs, intolerabiliſ ac plane infiniti ſubir et laborare. Ad vitādū ergo hoc incōmodū, q̄ voluerit huiuſce rei veritatē agnoscere, cōferat opus iſtud cū imprefiōe Parrhisiē, atq; eriam Colonien̄, & id qđē de verbo ad verbā, & experiet, nō minore illoꝝ & n̄fog nūc recēſe xditioꝝ codicū, q̄ noītis ac diei ēē differetā. Fateor tñ, q̄ p̄ter ea, p̄ſertim, vbi in margi nibus locuſ obſcuris, vel corruptuſ, aut ſiſe poſitū eſt, plura adhuc ēē haud ſatis caſtigata, ex eo, q̄ vetuſtissima exēplaria (q̄bus vndiq; collectiſ viſ ſumus) adeo deprauata fuere, vt etiā accedētibus eximis doctiſ, probatissimisq; magiſtriſ ac doctořibus, eorumq; reguliſ ad hāc cōſilijs, reſtitui minime poſuerint. Nec vere tutū ſuifet, aut parui pōderis res, ex cōſectu ſola ea voluſile immutare, imo cōſultuſ iudicari eſt, poſteris etiā quædā relinque, q̄ vel p̄ingens limpidae, aut p̄ exemplarij & correctioꝝ ad eptionē, iſpiſ reſtitueſ re poſſent. Oro p̄teſte lectorē, mihi in oībus veniā ſimparti, ſi nō ſint ſingla ad amuſiū ſeſtituta etiā in epatū ſignatioꝝ, vbi nō paruſ labor appoſitus ē. Exēplarioꝝ q̄ppe q̄ tuor aut qnq; tāta erat diuersitas, vt licet adhibita fit oī ſoga ex Ptolomeo, Plinio, Strabo ne, Antonino, & Solino, imo ex oīm diocēſiſ Chriſtianitatis catalogo, Romæ, rpe Innocēti⁹ papæ quarti, anno videlicet incarnationis dñi, M. CC. LII, ab ecclēſia recepto, reſtitui tō illa vix poſuerint. Etia hoc breuiter adnotare placut, negliq; etiā chalco graphoꝝ in textu quādoq; poſitū, cū nota paréthesiſ, quod cū nota, alias, in margine debuſſer ſcribi. Marginaleſ quoq; additioꝝ p̄ hoc verbū, alias, nō incōſulto adieciſimus, nec ſine ſyncero ſtudio id actū eſt, nepe ideo, vt libroꝝ, q̄ ad nfas manuſ puenerūt, in veris ſentēth, & diuerſitas, & numerofit agnoscere, licet plerisq; in locis eadē ēē ſiſ ſiveſ. Potuſſemus tamen copioſiorē lectionis varietatē adieciſſe, modo id cuiquā profutuſe credidifſemus.

Illud etiā addere placut, q̄ vbiq; in vītis pontificū ſummoꝝ legiſ, illos celebraſſe duas, tres, qnq; per mēſem Decēbrē, ordinatioꝝ, nō eſſe ita intelligēdu, q̄ in Decēbri vniuſ anni toti ordinationes celebrauerint, ſed p̄ diuerſos annos ſucciuſos mēſe tali. Ex oībus itaq; p̄missis attēde lector, duos hoſce cōſilioſ, tomos nihil aliud eſt, q̄ apothecā quādam oīm aromatiſ ſpūlū, mira ſuauitate redolentē. Cuius rei pericula, q̄ facere voluerit, illos diligēter reuolat, ac tabellas nfas hic ſubsequētes ſedulo intueat. Poſtemo, te illeſ, ſud latere nō volumus Lector ſtudioſiſſime, q̄ quā in vna extabulis ſtatim ſubsequentiſ bus, loca quædā euemeramus, ex q̄bus veſtifiſimos, ac maxime approbatos accepimus codices, nos propterea nō credere, neq; etiā opinari, in exteris natib; & p̄claris vniuerſitatiſbus, tales inueniri non poſſe, aut minime haberit. Tu etiā beneuolētia ex eadē illa tābella hoc inſerre non debet, nos non plura loca, aut plures ciuitates ac bibliothecas perluſtraſſe, q̄ ibi exp̄ſſerimus. Perluſtrauiſus proſecto, per diuersa regna, & id q̄ dem non ſi ne maximo labore, plus q̄ quinqueſ bibliotheſas, ex q̄bus ea quoq; oīa excepimus, que ad totum hoc noſtrum concilioꝝ negotiū conduceat videbant, ſicut in fine ſecundi Toꝝ mi ſatis ſuperiorē ex preſum reperiſ. Fecimus quantum in nobis fuit. Fecimus (inquam) quod in hunc vſq; diem (vt citra iactantiam loquamur) fecit. Si igitur, vel Romæ, vel Venetijs, vel Bononijs, vel in alijs remotiſiſmis a nobis locis, meliora, aut caſtigationa quæ p̄iam inuenierit, ea a te in lucem prodi non prohibemus. Vale, Lector feliciter, Colos XXXVIII, duodecimo Kalendas Septembres,

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