

Juv152. Juvenal, with the commentary of J. Britannicus, Persius with five commentaries, and the Scholia of C. S. Curione

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Title page: †1^r: IVNII IVVENALIS, | ET A▷ PERSII FLACCI. SATYRAE CVM
DOCTISSIMORVM VIRORVM COMMENTARIIS | atq; Annotationibus, omnium
quorum in hūc diem aliquid editum extat, | quorum nomina uerfa pagina declarabit. His
acceffere CAELI Secun|di Curionis noua Scholia, quibus tum praeterita ab alijs explicantur,
tum | male intellecta corriguntur: quinetiam Graeca quibus Britannicus in Iuue|nalis
commentarijs ufus est, Latinorumq; autorū loci, quae | omnia miris modis corrupta fuerant,
re|ftituuntur. | Additus est Index copiofiffimus, & utiliffimus. | [device: Heitz 55] |
BASILEAE M▷ D▷ LI▷

Variants: A: M▷ D▷ LI▷ [with spaces and triangular stops] (BL; BSB A.Lat.a.322;
Folger);

B: M D LI [with spaces but no stops] (BSB A.Lat.a.175 and A.Lat.a.71;
Cambridge UL; Cambridge, Peterborough); Oxford, Merton College;
Sheffield, UL.

C: M.D.LI. [without spaces] (Harvard).

Section title: A1^r: ♁ AVLI FLACCI | PERSII, SATYRICI INGENIOSISSIMI | ET
DOCTISSIMI SATYRAE SEX, CVM QVINQVE COMMENTA|toribus, & eorum in
fingulas Satyras argumentis: scilicet | [13 lines]

Colophon: Hh6^r: BASILEAE APVD HIER. FROBENIVM | ET NIC. EPISCOPIVM | ANNO
M. D. LI

Collation: Super-chancery 2^o: †⁴, a–z⁶ &⁶ ?⁶, A⁶ B⁴ C–Z Aa–Hh⁶, 338 leaves, pp. [8] 1–645
[23].

Contents: †1^r title page; †1^v list of commentators; †2^r *Caelius Secundus Curio Abrahamo
Sbaski S.*, dated on †3^r *Basileae Idibus Iulij. M D LI.*; †3^v Britannicus's letter, *De Satyra*,
and *Vita Iuuenalis*; on †4^v Crinitus's Life of Juvenal.

a1^r 'IOANNIS BRITAN–|NICI COMMENTARIA | IN SATYRAS IVNII | IVNII |
IVVENALIS. | [commentary on three sides of the text] | IVNII IVVENALIS AQVI–|natis
Satyra prima. | *Prima docet Satyrae causam, formamq; libelli.* | S⁶[init]EMPER ego auditor
tantum? | nunquam ne reponam? | Vexatus totiens rauci Thefeide | Codri? |'; on ?6^r
'SEXDECIM SATYRARVM IVVENALIS | CVM COMMENTARIIS FINIS.' ?6^v blank.

A1^r section title; A1^v preliminaries to the Persius (Beroaldus, Badius, Britannicus,
Plautius, Nebrissensis, Murmellius, Crinitus); B4^v Argumenta; C1^r 'ALIQVOT
DOCTO–|RVM IN SATYRAS A. PER▷|SII FLACCI COMMENTARIA. | [the
commentaries surround the text]'; on Gg1^r *Errata*; Gg1^v *Index*; on Hh6^r colophon; Hh6^v
device: Heitz 57.

Typography: 91R; 78R; 78It; 91Gk; 78Gk; 19 mm and 27 mm ornamental initials; 245(254)
× 147(152) mm; 74 lines of commentary; signed \$–\$ 4; page catchwords; running titles
'IVVENALIS || SATYRA I' (etc.) and 'AVLI PERSII || SATYRA PRIMA' (etc.)

Paper: Super-chancery paper (estimated sheet size 46 × 35 cm): largest recorded page size
32.8 × 21.5 cm (Peterborough), 31.5 × 22 cm (British Library).
169 edition sheets.

First edition with the Scholia of C. S. Curione

A large folio edition, typical of Basel scholarly publishing in the mid-century. The Juvenal is based on an edition with Britannicus's commentary with brief notes by Celio Curione (which are not related to the *Annotatiuncula* derived from Valentin Curio's 1524 edition, Juv109). Curione's prefatory letter (†3^r) is clearly describing a new venture; the title page to the Persius also describes Curio's Scholia as 'nunquam antea edita'.

Signing preliminaries with an obelus (†) is very unusual in Basel at this time (R. A. Sayce, 'Compositorial practices', *The Library*, 5th s., xxi (1966) p. 6).

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