

49. A COMPLIMENT: TO MARCUS TULLIUS CICERO



most fluent of Romulus's descendants,
that are, that have been, that will be
through all the years, *Marcus Tullius* [p. 206],
Catullus sends you the warmest thanks,
the least of all the poets, as much
the least of all the poets, as you
are the greatest of all lawyers.



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