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Provincial law of Jutland;

Jutske lagboken. Denmark, 14th century, Danish

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1 (ff. 1r:1-134v:11) Jyske Lov. Provincial law of Jutland

1.1 (1r:1-3v:14) Incipit: "Mæth logh skal land byggjæs. æn wilde hwær man oruæs ath siit eghæt oc latae man nytæ iafnæth." Explicit: "ok ther til mæth allæ bæstæ mæns rath ther i hans riki wæræ."

1.1 (ff. 2v:14-134v:11) Rubric: "Incipiun t capitula pri mi libri ." Incipit: "Swa taker thæn fyrstæ bok vp vm arf." Explicit: "the ægher ther a then by mark bo sum the eld war fyrst i saat gialdæ æftær then skatæ æller legghæ ut then ther eld sattæ i hetæ" [*Kong Valdemar den Andens Jydske Lov og Thord Degns Artikler*. Samling af gamle danske Love. J. L. A. Kolderup-Rosenvinge (ed.) København. 1837. III Variant readings from the manuscript in the apparatus, signatur: L *Jyske Lov*. Danmarks gamle Landskabslove. Peter Skautrup (ed.) København. 1933. II The manuscript is used in the apparatus. Signatures: M2 (Fortalen) and H2 (Jyske Lov).]

2 (ff. 134v:11-140r:14) Erik Klippings nyborgske forordning for Sjælland af 26. maj 1284. Rubric: "Thænnæ logh gaf kuning erik i nyborgh æftær allæ danæ rath. først um husfrith." Incipit: "Hwa sum rither mæth gørth rath. hem til ænnæn mansz hws oc dræpær hanum i sin eghæn garth" Explicit: "thusænd wintær ok tw hundræth wintær. ok firtwgh wintær. ok a fiarthæ wintær æftær at war hærræiesuscristus war fød" *Den danske rigslouvgivning indtil 1400*. Erik Kroman (ed.) København. 1971. pp. 132-144. Variant readings from the manuscript in the apparatus, signature Af2.

3 (ff. 140r:14-143v:16) Erik Klippings nyborgske forordning for Nørrejylland af 21-27. maj 1284. Rubric: "Um kunin g eriks logh" Incipit: "Thennæ logh gaf kuning erik kristofor søn. æftær at war hærræiesuscristus war fød" Explicit: "forthy at the aghæ bathæ then ræth ther then man hawær broth til. ther frithlæs man hwsær r r r." *Den danske rigslouvgivning indtil 1400*. Erik Kroman (ed.) København. 1971. pp. 107-123. Variant readings from the manuscript in the apparatus, signature Aa5.

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Support: Parchment.

Extent: ff. 161; 144-161 modern paper.

Size: 147 × 100 mm.

Collation: 18 quires: I: 8 (ff. 1-8), II: 8 (ff. 9-16), III: 8 (ff. 17-24), IV: 8 (ff. 25-32), V: 8 (ff. 33-40), VI: 8 (ff. 41-48), VII: 8 (ff. 49-56), VIII: 8 (ff. 57-64), IX: 8 (ff. 65-72), X: 8 (ff. 73-80), XI: 10 (ff. 81-90), XII: 6 (ff. 91-96), XIII: 8 (ff. 97-104), XIV: 8 (ff. 105-112), XV: 8 (ff. 113-120), XVI: 8 (ff. 121-128), XVII: 8 (ff. 129-136),

XVIII: 7 (ff. 137-143). Two additional paper quires of modern paper (18 unwritten leaves) have been inserted behind the original book block.

Layout: One column; crayon ruling; pricked (visible on ff. 1, 2, 17, 18, 19 et al.); 16 lines; written area: 100 x 72 mm.; rubricated.

Script: Two hands: Hand 1, a later gothic book script, has written 1r-72v (quire I-IX). Hand 2, a later gothic book hand, has written 73v-143v. The corrections of the Jutish Law such as of > om, æth > ættr, ængi > ængin and graphemic changings such as u to u with a superscript vertical stroke are made by a younger hand.

Decoration

Except for the numerous red and blue simple lombards, usually 2 lines in height, there are four decorated initials of varied size:

at f. 1r initial (M), 6-line, red and blue with simple ornamentation

at f. 6r intarsiated 4-line initial (B), red and blue where intended filigranated decoration was never executed

at f. 42v large red initial (S) of somewhat square appearance with void central ornament and with filigranated filling in blue and red and surrounded by filigranated ornamentation, the lower serif extended with pen flourishing below mid page

at f. 99r intarsiated initial (T) in blue and red with filigranated filling and outer border in red with blue details

Style: The geometric design is somewhat idiosyncratic, but well in accordance with the rather crude panscandinavian standard idiom.

Binding

Blind-tooled and gilt panel-stamped brown calfskin binding, most likely Germany or the Netherlands 16th century. Size: 165 x 110 x 47 mm.

Brown calfskin over bevelled beech boards. One (of two) engraved hook-clasp fastening at fore-edge, catch plate missing. Rounded spine with three raised double bands. Originally tight back, now cracked at the joint of the upper cover and detached from spine. Defect paper label with manuscript title in second compartment and a blind-tooled library label in top compartment of the back. Stuck-on white and brown endbands embroidered over parchment lining and cord now in part detached. Red edges. Plain paper pastedowns. On the pastedown of the upper board the librarian August Palm (1826-1907) has given the content and dating of the book. Jutske Logh. Erik Glipings Nyborgs stadga 1284. Från 1300-1400-talet. Pastedown of lower board, foliated 161, is detached thus making visible four straps of reused parchment with Latin text. Two additional paper quires of eight leaves each at the end of the textblock, one of the quires with the leaves cut to a stub. All along packed sewing on three double cords laced through the boards.

The covers are blind-tooled into a frame made of multiple triple fillets and a blind roll of arabesques and heads-in-medallions. The centre is blocked with a gilt panel and the top and bottom compartments stamped with two gilt foils each. The panel-stamp of the upper cover (75 x 35 mm.) depicts Christ as a child treading on a snake; the inscription reads: EMA[N]AUEL. The inscription of the lower cover panel-stamp reads: INOBEDIENTIA, and depicts The Fall within a architectural framework: Adam seated holding an apple and Eva standing to the right reaching up towards the tree. The back is blind-tooled with double fillets next to the bands.

Foliation

Foliated in pencil by modern cataloguer in upper right corner of the original book block ff. 1-143, the additional paper leaves ff. 144-161.

Condition

The first leaf has been cut in upper margin.

HISTORY

Origin

According to the dating in Danmarks Gamle Landskabslove the Jutish Law text was written around 1400 , Erik Klippings nyborgske forordning for Sjælland c. 1400 and Erik Klippings nyborgske forordning for Nørrejylland in the first half of the 15th century , (cf. Den danske rigslovgivning indtil 1400, pp. 133 and 107).

Acquisition

Acquired in 1704 when Lund University Library purchased the Meck book collection.

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