**Edited Complutensian Texts (Open to Genesis 8)**

MS Annotations on Hebrew

* + Category: Tools
  + Window Title: Learning God’s Language
  + Subtitle: Polyglots make widespread study of Hebrew more available
  + Image: VAULT Wing folio ZP 538 .F9284, p. SOMETHING
  + Caption Metadata:
    - Johann Forster
    - Dictionarium Hebraicum nouum
    - Basel, Switzerland
    - 1557
  + Narrative
    - By making available definitive texts of the Bible in its original languages, polyglot scholars hoped to inspire other intellectuals to learn to use these languages on their own, so that the quality of Christian scholarship would grow. We can see this in action in the Newberry’s copy of the Complutensian; an early user wrote Latin translations over the Hebrew words in this copy that are different from the Vulgate, which suggests that he used the book to learn Hebrew. In the process, he may have made use of a Latin-Hebrew dictionary like the one compiled by the scholar Johann Forster, who proudly claimed that his dictionary was based solely on biblical sources, which the Complutensian provided in abundance.
  + Persistent Link to Catalog: <https://i-share.carli.illinois.edu/nby/cgi-bin/Pwebrecon.cgi?DB=local&v1=1&BBRecID=182836>
  + Other Sources:
    - Bell, Dean Phillip. *Jews in the Early Modern World*. New York: Rowman & Littlefield, 2008, 227-230.