## Harvard College Library and the Libraries of the Mathers

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WHILE we rightly recognize in the tercentenary of the Harvard College Library the importance of the public or institutional book collections of colonial America, the private library was a coeval phenomenon of even greater importance for the ministry and for the general culture of our seventeenth century predecessors. These were parallel streams, and the present paper is to indicate how they overflowed into each other, in the case of the College on the one hand and of one of the most notable of the colonial families on the other.

"The Libraries of the Mathers" was the subject of an excellent historical and bibliographical essay presented before this Society some thirty years ago by Julius Herbert Tuttle.<sup>1</sup> He sketched the descent of the books from about 1610 when Richard Mather, the first of the family to settle in New England, began to collect them, through the time of Samuel Mather and Mather Byles, who both died about 175 years later; and he included among others a list of the books belonging to Increase Mather in 1664, a list of the books he received from Mrs. Usher in 1676, and modern lists of books belonging once to the Mathers but now either in the Massachusetts Historical Society, or in other libraries, together with a "Catalogue of Dr. Cotton Mather's Library purchased by Isaiah Thomas and given by him to the American Antiquarian Society" in 1814.<sup>2</sup>

The present article, without repeating this interesting material, aims merely to add some data of the relation of Harvard to these

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Proc. Am. Antiq. Soc. vol. 20, pp. 269 ff.

<sup>\*</sup> Ibid., pp. 313-356.

libraries, a relation which happily can be shown to be somewhat reciprocal.

## I. FROM HARVARD TO THE MATHERS

As I have mentioned more than once in other connections Harvard College early in its history had to meet what other libraries meet, the problem of duplicates. This problem is mentioned in the Corporation records as early as 1667,<sup>1</sup> but in 1682 definite provision was made for listing and selling "the double books." The listing was done by Noadiah Russell, according to his own diary, the items were then severally priced, and finally each item in the whole list was assigned to one or another of a limited number of purchasers, especially the Fellows of the College.

Two copies of this list are preserved in the Massachusetts Historical Society:

A. One is arranged alphabetically under each size category of books listed. A specially interesting feature of this list is that certain of the books marked G or M were evidently derived from two of the most recent and largest private libraries given to Harvard, that of Theophilus Gale and that of Sir John Maynard respectively. The names Gale and Maynard are written in full at the first occurrence of each on the list.

B. The second is also divided into classes—folio, quarto, octavo, etc., but is not alphabetical. It contains all the 165 items on the previous list and about 200 besides. It has, however, two important features: the price for which each was sold and the initials of the buyer. The latter can mostly be identified, from our knowledge of persons connected with the College in 1682. Small purchasers were Noadiah Russell,<sup>2</sup> William Brattle, Samuel Willard, John Leverett, Nathaniel Gookin, Joseph Capen; but about 200 of the titles are assigned to four of the Fellows of the College:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Pub. Col. Soc. Mass. vol. 15, p. 195.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Cf. list in New. Eng. Hist. Gen. Reg. vol. 7, p. 57.

Nehemiah Hobart, Samuel Andrew, John Cotton, and-for our present purpose the most important-Increase Mather.

C. Of Mather's selections (we do not know whether the books were disposed of at auction or otherwise) there is also a separate list at the American Antiquarian Society, very nearly identical with the items marked "I M" in list B. They amount to about one hundred titles, arranged according to size but not alphabetically. The prices are included and agree with those in list B. But the purchaser's name is now not Increase but his son, in the heading: "Books Bought of ve Colledge Library, per C. Mather." Since the list has been reproduced in photograph and also in print with tentative identifications.<sup>1</sup> the titles are reproduced here for convenience of reference as briefly as in the original list and arranged alphabetically. As most of the volumes are folio, only the sizes of the others are indicated. The letters M and G, if they appear in list A, are added here in full as "Maynard" or "Gale." Variants between the lists, if important, are noted, and where there is known to be in existence a copy of the items that by reason of probable Mather ownership may claim to be the actual volume secured from the Harvard duplicates, that information is also added.

Ambrosius, Opera. 2 vol.

A copy of Ambrosius, Opera Vols. 4 & 5 Basil, 1567, with the stamp of Sir John Maynard, was in the Mather Collection at the American Antiquarian Society until 1924, when it was given to Harvard. See below.

Ames, Fresh suit against ceremonies. Gale. 4°

A copy of this work published in London, 1633, and marked "S. Mather's 1750" is in the Mather collection in the American Antiquarian Society.

Andromachus, etymologicum magnum græca. Gale

Aquinas, Thomas. (Summæ) Conclusiones. 8°

Aquinas, In Aristotelem

Aquinas, In Aristotelem de Interpretatione. 2nd vol.

<sup>1</sup> By C. S. Brigham in Publ. Col. Soc. Mass. vol. 18, pp. 407-417.

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Aquinas, Quæstiones disputatæ (de polestate dei) Aquinas, Summa. Gale Aristoteles, Tomus 2dus. Maynard Arriaga, Disp. (Arriaga 2 vol.) Athanasius, Opera. 2 vol. Augustinus, Opera. 5 (?8) vol. Bannes, In primum Thomæ Aquinatis Bellarminus, De Christo. 7 Verbis (not in B). 12° A Copy of De Septem Verbis a Christo in Cruce prolatus by R. Bellarmin, Cologne, 1618, is in the American Antiquarian Society Collection, marked "Cromwell Upwood 1628" and "Samuel Mather's Book 1727 perlegi." Biblia polyglotta. 6 vol. Cotton Mather had two sets of this work and sold one of them to Thomas Prince, which is now in the Boston Public Library. Bradshaw, Preparation for the Sacrament. 4° (8° etc.-C) Bradwardin, De causa dei Burgess, Of original sin Burroughs, Irenicum. 4° Burroughs, Jewel of Contentment Buxtorf. De abbreviaturis Hebraicis. 8° An octavo volume published in Basle, 1610, in the Andover Theological Seminary Library and inscribed "Cotton Mather Liber 1682" is probably this identical copy. See below. Buxtorf, Florilegium Hebraicum. 8° Buxtorfius, Lexicon Chaldaicum & Syriacum. Gale. 4° Calepinus, Dictionarium 11 linguarum Castellus, Lexicon. vol. I Castellus, Lexicon. part 2 Chemnitius, Harmonia evangelica. Maynard A copy of this work published at Frankfurt in 1605 formerly owned by Cotton Mather and given by him in 1690 to his son Samuel is in the Andover Theological Seminary Library. See below. It is, however, quarto rather than folio, and it has no stamp of Sir John Maynard. Chrysostomus, Opera (Greek) 8 vol. Gale. Maynard (Cole) Of God's (alias-divine) Sovreignty. 4° Cooperus, Dictionarium

Cornelius a Lapide, In Matthæum

In Matthæum In Lucam & Johannem { ("opera 8 vol."-C)

Cornelius a Lapide. 6 vol.

Three folio volumes of the commentaries of Cornelius a Lapide. dated Paris, 1631, are in the American Antiquarian Society, and though without autographs may have belonged to the Mather Collection.

Mavnard Davenantius. Determinationes.

A copy of this work, published in Cambridge in 1634, and bearing the stamp of Sir John Maynard and the signature of Cotton or Increase Mather or both, was presented to Harvard in 1924 by the American Antiquarian Society. See below.

Demosthenes, Orationes. 4° (8°-C)

A copy inscribed "S. Matheri 1740" of the edition printed at "Augustæ Munatianæ," 1620, is in the Collection of Mather books at the Antiquarian Society.

Dionysius Areopagita, Opera. Mavnard

("Mr. Andrew will let him have it"-B)

Duns Scotus in quatuor part

Epiphanius, Contra 80 hereses Græca

16° Gale. Erasmus Colloquia.

A copy of this work, published at Amsterdam without date of imprint, is in the Mather Collection of the American Antiquarian · Society.

Erpenius, Gramm. Arab. (C only).

Gassendus, Astronomicæ Institutiones.

Gerardus, Loci communes. 4 vol.

A copy of this work, four volumes bound in one, 4th edition, Geneva, 1639, marked "Cottoni Matheri Liber 16834" was in the Mather Collection of the American Antiquarian Society until 1924, when it was given to Harvard. See below.

Gerhardus, Meditationes. 16°

Glassius, Christologia.

4° Glassius, Philologia sacra, 2 vol.

4° Graserus, In Apocalypsin.

Greek Testament. τ6°

Gregorius Nazianzenus, Opera. (also Tomus 2dus) Maynard Grynæus, In Haggæum. 4°

4°

Gunter, Works. 4°

A copy of the fifth edition of this work (London, 1673) once owned by Mather Byles, is now in the Harvard College Library. See below.

Hebrew Pentateuch cum ("with"-C) Targum. 4°

Herodotus, Græca

Hilarius

Horatius cum Persio et Juvenale. 8°

Hornius, On Psal. 101. 4° (8° etc.-C)

Irenæus, Adversus hæreses (alias opera)

A copy of this work in one folio volume, published at Cologne in 1596 and bearing the stamp of Sir John Maynard, was in the Mather Collection of the American Antiquarian Society until 1924, when it was given to Harvard. See below.

Jermin, In Ecclesiastem & Proverbia. (Jermin on Eccles.-C.) Gale A copy of Michael Jermin's Commentary upon Ecclesiastes, London, 1649, inscribed "Matheri" is in the Mather Collection in the American Antiquarian Society (fly leaf wanting).

Juelli, Joannis, vita et mors. Gale. 4°

A copy of Laurence Humphrey, Joan. Juelli Vita et mors, 1573, is in the Mather Collection of the American Antiquarian Society. It is marked "Samuelis Matheri Liber 1731" and "S. Matheri 1746."

Leigh, Of religion and learning

Lombardus Petrus, Distinctiones. 8°

Longus, Franciscus, Summa conciliorum (De conciliorum historia-C)

Luther, Opera. 7 vol.

Lyranus. 6 vol.

Malderus, In primam secundæ Thomæ. Maynard (Malderus, Opera. Malderus, De virtutibus theologicis 2 vol.-C)

Marloratus, In Isaiam

Oecumenius & Arethias Greek in NT (Opera). 2 vol. (Oecumenius with Arethas, in 2 vol.-C)

Pagninus, Thesaurus linguæ Hebrææ. (Lexicon-C). Gale

Pareus, Commentaria. 2 vol. (Opera, vol. 3-A)

Two folio volumes of David Pareus, Operum Theologicorum, Venice, 1628, are in the Mather Collection of the American Antiquarian Society.

Perkins, Works. 3 vol. (vol. 1 & 3-A.) Maynard. Gale

A copy of this work printed at Amsterdam in 1629 and inscribed "S. Matheri 1759" is in the Library of the Harvard Divinity School. See below.

Photius, Bibliotheca, (Epistola-A)

A copy of this work printed in 1611 with the stamp of Sir John Maynard and the bookplate of Isaiah Thomas was given by the American Antiquarian Society in 1924 to the Harvard College Library. See below.

Picus Mirandula, Franciscus Picus Mirandula, Johannes 2 vol.

Pineda, De rebus Solomonis

A copy of this work, published in Venice in 1611, marked "S. Matheri 1735" is in the Library of the Harvard Divinity School. See below.

Plutarch, Lives English. 2 vol. (Vitæ & moralia Vol. 2-A)

Prynne, Quench-coal(e).

4° Rainolds, On Psalm 110.

12° Rolloc, De vocatione. (Not in A or B).

Rutherford, De providentia. 4°

Rutherford, Influence(s).

A copy of the London, 1659, edition of Samuel Rutherford's Influences of the Life of Grace is in the Mather Collection of the American Antiquarian Society (fly leaf wanting).

Sanctius. In Cantica. ۸°

> A copy of Sanctus Gasparis, Canticorum Commentarii, Lyons, 1616, is in the American Antiquarian Society, apparently a Mather book without a signature.

Sanctius in Acta Apostolorum. 4°

> A copy of Sanctus Gasparis, Commentaria in Actus, Lyons, 1616, is in the American Antiquarian Society, apparently a Mather book without signature.

Sanctius, Comment in 4 libr. Reg. . . in Isay . . . in Jobum (obliterated in part-A). (Opera 6 vol.-B) (Opera 7 vol.-C) Maynard Gale.

Seven volumes of commentationes of Gaspar Sanchez printed at Lyons from 1615 to 1628, some of them with the stamp of Sir John Maynard, were in the Mather Collection of the American Antiquarian Society until 1924, when they were given to Harvard. See below.

Sayrus, Casus conscientiæ.

Sleidanus, Commentaria. 4°

The Harvard College Library has a copy of Joannis Sleidani Commentariorum de statu religionis, Argentorati c. 1616—which has been in the library at least since 1723 and was probably the copy not offered for sale in 1682.

Schindlerus, Lexicon pentaglottum

Smith, Select discourses (alias Sermons). 4

A copy marked "Cotton Matheri Liber 1683" of John Smith, Select Discourses, London, 1660, is in the Mather Collection at the American Antiquarian Society. Other inscriptions are: "C. Matheri Liber"; "Cotton Mather 1686"; "Zech. Brigden"; and, partly inked over, "Alex. Nowell His Booke 1663"; "C. Cottoni." Stephanus, Concordantiæ Novi Testamenti

List B assigns to J[ohn] C[otton] as purchaser. The Maynard

copy of this work is in the Harvard Divinity Library. See below.

Stephanus, H. Lexicon (Thesaurus-C). 3 vol.

Suarez, Metaphysica. Maynard

Thuanus, Historiæ. 4 vol.

Tregoss, The Life of. 4°. (8° etc.-C)

Usher, Answer to Jesuit. 4°

An edition of London, 1625, inscribed in the hand of Samuel Mather, "Matheri," is in the Mather collection at the American Antiquarian Society. Notes in the hand of Increase Mather on the inside front cover.

Valla, Laurentius, De puritate sermonis latini. 8°

Vedelius, De arcanis Armin. pars 2da. 4°

Nicolaus Vedelius, Arcanorum Arminianismi pars secunda (Leyden, 1633), inscribed "COTTONI MATHERI Liber, 1683," is in the Mather collection in the American Antiquarian Society.

Wilcox, In Psalmos, Cantica &c Rom. (Works-A). Gale

Xenophon, Græce-Latine. 2 vol. Maynard

Zuingerus, Opera (Theatrum-C). 4 vol. Maynard

## II. FROM THE MATHERS TO HARVARD

For more than two centuries books of the Mathers have been coming into possession of the College, reversing the process of 1682. In the list that follows are given such books as I have found in the Libraries at Harvard which there is reason to believe belonged to some member of the Mather families. Some of them are almost certainly the books which were secured in 1682 by Cotton Mather. How they and others came from the Mathers to Harvard is not always clear. Some were obtained by John Barnard from his contemporary, Cotton Mather, and were included in the gift of 260 volumes made by John Barnard of Marblehead shortly after the old library was burnt in 1764. Some were given by Samuel Mather in a gift recorded in 1774. This group includes several author presentation volumes of A. H. Francke, and it may be noted that these probably replaced after the fire an earlier "present of Dr. Frankius's works to the College Library" for which the President and Fellows thanked Dr. Samuel Mather on Sept. 6, 1736.<sup>1</sup> It may also be noted that upon the death of Samuel Mather the Corporation ordered an examination of his books with a view to purchasing some of them for the College. I have no evidence, however, that any of them were acquired in this way.

At least two books acquired in 1790 by private purchasers at the sale of the library of Mather Byles subsequently found their way to the College, while other books given by him to the Second Congregational Society were included in a considerable gift made to the newly established Theological School at Harvard by that church when Henry Ware was its pastor. But many of the books have had their individual histories. No doubt other books exist

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Publ. Col. Soc. Mass. vol. 16, p. 650. John Langdon Sibley, long librarian at Harvard and careful student of the library records, has usually marked on such books as contain the name of John Barnard, "The gift of the Reverend John Bernard of Marblehead, 1764-70," and on such books as contain the name of S. Mather, "The gift of the Reverend Doctor Samuel Mather of Boston. Recorded January 31, 1774," or the like. These references, often confirmed by contemporary lists of donations now extant, I have not repeated here. The reader can make them for himself.

in the huge collection. I need hardly say that I have not attempted to search throughout the Library for Mather books.

Meanwhile various books owned by the Mathers had come into the possession of Andover Theological Seminary, which was founded in 1807; and when its library was joined with that of Harvard Divinity School in 1911, they were brought to Cambridge, where they are still to be found in the Andover-Harvard Theological Library.

In 1924 an attempt was made at the American Antiquarian Society to identify such books in their Mather collection as might reasonably be supposed to have been secured as duplicates from Harvard in 1682. For this purpose the manuscript list written by Cotton Mather of the books he purchased in 1682, and the first printed catalogue of the Harvard College Library, dated 1723, were used. Some 17 titles in 27 volumes were then listed<sup>1</sup> and seven titles in 17 volumes were then given to Harvard and supplied with a special bookplate.<sup>2</sup>

The evidence of all this later history of the Mather books is given in detail in the list below. Of their earlier history there is less evidence, though some of them bear marks, like Mather books elsewhere, of purchase by Increase Mather during his stay in London, 1688 to 1692. Particularly interesting are the books with the ownership stamp of Sir John Maynard. The Donation Book of Harvard College records: "1682, Sir John Maynard, Sergeant at Law, gave eight chests of books, valued at £400." As already noted several of these were at once passed on as duplicates, some of them to Cotton Mather. Perhaps few of them entered the Harvard Library then; certainly none that did so survived the fire of 1764. One, a copy of Josephus that was in the Library in 1723 (as its catalogue marking shows), was somehow removed before the fire, later found its way to the American Antiquarian Society, and returned to the University in 1924; but though so regarded then and therefore listed below, it has no real claim to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Proc. Am. Antiq. Soc. vol. 34, pp. 16-19. These and others since discovered are noted above.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ibid., pp. 3-4, 19.

have been a Mather volume. A few other books with Maynard's stamp are now in the Harvard Library, which were also disposed of as duplicates in 1682. Besides the stamp—an inked impression made usually both on the title page and also on the leaf following most of these Maynard books have a manuscript monogram TB in the upper corner of the title page. This may refer to a still earlier owner, as indeed does the inscription in two of them, "Josephi Maynard."

This opportunity may be used to call attention to an unexplained feature of some of the Mather books at Harvard—the removal of the publisher's vignette from the title page. This can hardly be accidental or sporadic. In most cases these printer's designs have been cut out by knife or scissors, and not torn. Since many of the Mather books at the American Antiquarian Society show the same defect, which there has been usually repaired by a blank paper patch, this feature goes back to a relatively early period before the Mather books became separated. It is to be hoped that at some time in the future the occasion for this curious mutilation may be clarified.

The following key is used in designating the ownership of copies in this collection:

HCL=Harvard College Library ATS=Andover Theological Seminary HDS=Harvard Divinity School

ACTA ET SCRIPTA Synodalia Dordracena Ministrorum Remonstrantium in Foederato Belgio. Herderwiici: 1620. HCL "Crescentius Matherus [A.B. Harvard 1656] his Booke, 1668:" "S. Matheri. [A.B. Harvard 1723] 1734"

Alsted, Johann Heinrich, Thesaurus Chronologiæ. Editio secunda. Herbornæ Nassoviorum: 1628. "Matheri" "Saml. Matheri"

ALLEINE, JOSEPH, An Alarme to Unconverted Sinners. London: 1678.

HCL

"M. Byles." (A.B. Harvard 1725 or 1751) "James Humphreys [A.B. Harvard 1744?] Book 1790" From the Library of Frederick Lewis Gay, 1916.

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- ST. AMBROSE, Opera. Vols. 4 & 5 bound together. Basil: 1567. HCL
  Stamp: "Sr: John Maynard "I. B"
  "15 dollars" Restored by the A.A.S. in 1924.
- AMES, WILLIAM, Utriusque Epistolæ divi Petri Apostoli explicatio analytica. Amstelodami: 1635. HCL "Crescentius Mather" (A.B. Harvard 1656)
  "Increase Mather"
  "Mather Byles" (A.B. Harvard 1725 or 1751)
  "Joseph McKean [A.B. Harvard 1794], Harvard College, Cambridge, August 23d. 1791. The gift of Alexr. C. Wyllys"
  "J. Ferris 1819 Feby. .75 New York"
  ARIAS MONTANUS, Biblia Hebraica, cum interlineari interpretatione Latina Xantis Pagnini Lucensis. Raphelengii: 1613. Vol. i. ATS "I Mather [A.B. Harvard 1656] 1686"
- ARIAS MONTANUS, Novuum Testamentum Græcum, cum vulgata interpretatione Latina Græci contextus lineis inserta . . . Antwerp: 1584. HCL
  - This Bible is said to have been owned by:
  - Richard Mather (d. 1669)
  - Increase Mather (A.B. Harvard 1656), whose initials—"I M"—are stamped on both covers.
  - Cotton Mather (A.B. Harvard 1678)
  - Mather Byles (A.B. Harvard 1725)
  - Mather Byles (A.B. Harvard 1751)
  - Sarah Byles Desbrisay
  - M. B. Desbrisay
  - S. B. Desbrisay
  - W. A. Debrisay [sic]
  - Abraham B. Valentine
  - Stamped in red ink: "Mather Byles: D.D."
  - Stamped in black ink: "M. B. Desbrisay Reg Coll"
  - The gift of Abraham B. Valentine, 1875.
  - Bound with:
- BIBLIA HEBRAICA. Eorundem Latina Interpretatio Xantis Pagnini Lucensis, Recenter Benedicti Ariæ Montani . . . collato studio . . .

Accesserunt . . . Libri Græcè scripti, qui vocantur Apocryphi . . . Antwerp: 1584. HCL

"Matheri Byles, Liber"

"Desbrisay" added to above signature

Stamped in red ink: "Mather Byles: D.D."

Stamped in black ink: "M. B. Desbrisay Reg Coll"

ARIAS MONTANUS, Novuum Testamentum Græcum, cum vulgata interpretatione Latina Græci contextus lineis inserta . . . Petrus de la Rouiere [Geneva]: 1609. HCL

"Samuel Mather's [A.B. Harvard 1723] book 1727"

"Crescentius Matherus" (A.B. Harvard 1656)

Bound with:

BIBLIA HEBRAICA. Eorundem Latina interpretatio Xantis Pagnini Lucensis, Benedicti Ariæ Montani . . . collato studio . . . Accesserunt Libri Græce scripti, qui vocantur Apocryphi . . .] Pierre de la Rouiere: Geneva: [1609]. HCL

ARISTOTLE, Commentarii Collegii Conimbricensis, Societatis Iesu, in Ouatuor Libros de Coelo, Meteorologicos & Parva Naturalia, Aristotelis Stagiritæ. Cologne: 1603. HCL

"Cottonus Mather [A.B. Harvard 1678] 1676"

"Johanis Barn[ard] [A.B. Harvard 1700] Liber 1697/8"

BATTISTA, GIOVANNI, Portæ Neapolitani, Magiæ Naturalis Libri Viginti. in Ouibus Scientiarum Naturalium diuitiæ, & deliciæ demonstrantur. Hanover: 1619. HCL

"Byles"

"prt-0-3-0"

- "Crescentius Mather [A.B. Harvard 1656] 1676:"
- "Crescentius Matherus 1675"

The gift of Charlotte L. Ware, 1879.

BEZA, THEODORE, and others, Poemata. Editio secunda. n.p. H. H. Stephanus: 1569.

HCL

"Patricius Coplandus 1626" "Matheri"

"S. Matheri 1748"

<sup>&</sup>quot;Price \$7.00"

THΣ KAINHΣ ΔΙΑΘΗΚΗΣ άπαντα Nouum Testamentum.ExBibliotheca Regia.Lutetiæ: 1568.HDS

"S. Matheri [A.B. Harvard 1723]. 1769" "Jonas Clayton"

LA SAINTE BIBLE, Qui Contient Le Vieux et Le Nouveau Testament. Edition nouvelle, faite sur la Version de Genêve, reveuë, & corrigée . . . de Samuel Des Marets . . . & de Henry Des Marets. Amsterdam: 1669. HDS

Vignette partially torn away.

Pasted inside cover is the following note, written by John G. Palfrey, the historian:

"This volume was presented, A.D. 1831, to the Library of Divinity Hall, by the widow of the late Samuel Cobb of Boston. He bought it at the sale of the books of Mather Byles, & understood it to be the copy formerly used in the pulpit of the French Protestant Church in School Street."

[THE TWENTY-FOUR (books of the Old Testament)] עשרים וארבעה Amsterdam: 1638-39.

"Liber Librorum A Lingua Linguarum hic Includuntur"

- "Gaudeo quod mihi nunc Liber optimus, Lingua optima Ille hominis donum, sed fuit hæcce Dei"
- "Hujus Libri Donatori Benevolentissimo, Reverendissimo, ac Doctissimo Domino Crescentio Mathero Gratias Multas et maximas Agit, Aget, Agatque Donatus Indignissimus Nathaniel Clap [A.B. Harvard 1690] Januarii. 21. 1687/8"

BUCANUS, GULIELMUS, Institutiones Theologicæ. Genevæ: 1625. ATS "Byles"

BURGERSDICIUS, Collegium Physicum, Disputationibus XXXII. absolutum. Leyden: 1642. HCL "Johannis Barnardi [A.B. Harvard 1700] Liber: 1697/8 C: M:" "Johanno Barnard Hunc Librum dedit Cottonus Matherus 1700" "John Barnard His Book 1701" "Lydia Ballantine"

"John Ballatine" (A.B. Harvard 1694)

<sup>&</sup>quot;Ex Libris Eduardi Bass [A.B. Harvard 1744] June 18th 1746"

"Samuell Wade"
"Thankfull"
"His Book John Barnard" (p. 96)
"Know all men by these presents that I John Wharton of Boston in New England Mercht do hold my [s]elf truly bound up to do" (p. 288)
"Nunc Johanne Bernhardo" (p. 306)
"To all Christian people to whome these presents shall come Know yee that I John" (p. 310)
"Book Blockhead Book" (p. 312)
"Sarah Wharton Wharton [sic]" (p. 336)

- "John Ballantine's Book 1705" (p. 352)
- See Publ. Col. Soc. Mass. XXVIII, 395

BUXTORF, JOHN, Biblia Sacra Hebraica & Chaldaica. Basilea: 1620. Vols. I & II. "Crescentij Matheri [A.B. Harvard 1656] Liber. 1688 Pret £5 18 Londini"

BUXTORF, JOHN, Biblia Sacra Hebraica & Chaldaica. Basilea: 1620. Vol. III.

"Crescentij Matheri Liber"

- BUXTORF, JOHN, Biblia Sacra Hebraica & Chaldaica. Basilea: 1620. Tom 4, cum Masora. "Crescentij Matheri Liber"
- BUXTORFI, JOHANN., Institutio Epistolaris Hebraica, Cum Epistolarum Hebraicarum familiarium Centuria, . . Abbreviaturarum epistolicarum succincta explicatio. Basileæ: 1610. 8° ATS "Cottoni Matheri Liber. 1682" "C Burrell"
- BYLES, MATHER, The Glories of the Lord of Hosts, and the Fortitude of the Religious Hero. A Sermon Preached to the ancient and honorable Artillery Company June 2. 1740. 3rd edition. Boston: 1769. HCL "Isaac Storys, the gift of Revd. M[] Author"
  - The gift of Mr. Wm. Aug. Whitwell (A.B. Harvard 1824) of the Theological School in Cambridge, 1825.

<sup>&</sup>quot;H Mather"

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- "Walter Faxon [A.B. Harvard 1871] Cambridge Mass."
- "J. T. Tucker. 1853"
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- CURCELLÆUS, STEPHANUS, Quaternio Dissertationum Theologicarum. Adversus Samuelem Maresium. Amsterdam: 1659. HCL "Byles"
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- DIVINÆ SCRIPTURÆ, Nempe Veteris ac Novi Testamenti Omnia. HDS Francofurti: 1597.

"[[oshua] Gee [A.B. Harvard 1717; Librarian of Harvard College, 1721-22] 1725. Julij 23."

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"Edward Langdon 1748"

- "Edwd. Langdon's Bout. at the Sale of the Revd. Mr. Gee's Books by Auction" (Gee died in 1748)
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- ERASMUS, Adagiorum Chiliades Iuxta Locos Communes Digestæ. HDS Hanover: 1617.

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ESTIENNE, HENRI, (The Cambridge Concordance) Concordantiæ Testamenti Novi, Græcolatinæ. n.p.: 1594. Henr. Stephani. HDS Monogram: "T. B"

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"James Freeman [A.B. Harvard 1777] 1779"

Fox, GEORGE, A Battle-Door for Teachers and Professors to Learn Plural & Singular. London: 1660. HCL "M. Byles"

"What a Mixture of Childish pride and Idleness, and false Grammar? Strange! that so empty and Ignorant a person sho[uld ?] be the Father of so Large a Sect as tha[t] of the Quak[ers]" Title page wanting.

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- FRANCKIUS, AUGUSTUS HERMANNUS, Idea Studiosi Theologiæ, et Monita Pastoralia Theologica. Halæ Magdeburgicæ: 1723. HCL "S. Matheri [A.B. Harvard 1723] ex Dono D. G. A. Franckii. 1736"
- FRANCKIUS, AUGUSTUS HERMANNUS, Meditatio de Gratia et Veritate. Halæ Magdeburgicæ: 1733. "S. Matheri ex Dono Carissim. D. G. A. Franckii. 1736"
- FRANCKIUS, AUGUSTUS HERMANNUS, Prælectiones Hermeneuticæ, ad Viam Dextre Indagandi et Exponendi Sensum Scripturæ S. Theologiæ Studiosis Ostendendam, in Academia Hallensi. Halæ Magdeburgicæ: 1723.

FRANCKIUS, GOTTHILF AUGUSTUS, Programmatum in Academia Fridericiana Publice Propositorum Pentas. Adiectæ sunt B. Augusti

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Hermanni Franckii Reliquiæ Programmatum et Aliorum Opusculorum. Halæ Magdeburgicæ: 1735. HCL

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GERHARD, JOHN, Harmoniæ Evangelistarum Chemnitio-Lyserianæ. Pars prima. Jena: 1626. HDS

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sive Anthonii Grelloti Prodromus in D. Joannis Apocalypsin. Lugduni Batavorum: 1675.

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From the Library of Charles Eliot Norton, 1905.

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HARRIS, ROBERT, Peters Enlargement upon the Prayers of the Church. London: 1624. HCL

"Richard Mather" (father of Samuel, A.B. Harvard 1643, and of Increase)

The gift of James W. Harris, 1875.

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HOSPINIAN, RUDOLPH, De Origine, Progressu, Ceremoniis et Ritibus Festorum Dierum Judaeorum, Græcorum, Romanorum & Turcarum Libri tres. []. ATS "T. B." monogram. "Sir John Maynard" stamp (bis) Vignette cut out of title-page. "Jas Murdock 1804" "Ezra Bradley" (bis)

Hulsius, A., Nomenclator Biblicus Hebræo-Latinus. Bredæ: 1650. 12°. "Byles" (Probably Mather Byles, A.B. Harvard 1751)

IRENÆUS LUGDUNENSIS. Divi Irenæi, Lvdgvnensis Episcopi, et Martyris, Aduersus Valentini, et similium Gnosticorum Hæreses, Libri quinque: Cologne: 1596. "Sr. John Maynard" stamp "Mather" "2 dols. 50 Cts" "Cologn" Mutilated signature Restored by the A.A.S. in 1924.

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KECKERMANNUS, BARTHOLOMAUS, Systema Physicum, Septem Libris Adornatum, et Anno Christi MDCVII. publice propositum In Gymnasio Dantiscano. Hanover: 1623. HCL

"Nathanielis Matherj [A.B. Harvard 1685] Liber 1681"

"Samuelis Dunbar [A.B. Harvard 1723] Liber 1724. Donum Samaclii []"

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"Nathanielis Mathers Liber. 1682"

"Samuelis Dunbar Liber 1728"

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LUBIENIECIUS, STANISLAUS, Historia Reformationis Polonicæ. Freistadii: 1685. "Crescentij Matheri [A.B. Harvard 1656] Liber. Londinj. maij. 23. 1689. pret. 2s. 6d."

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MATHER, COTTON, Tela Prævisa. A Short Essay, on Troubles to be Look'd for. Boston: 1724. ATS "Catharine Byles the Gift of her Father. May 1st. 1767." (hand of Mather Byles) "I heaue read outt this book 44 times [s]o thatt I may be prepored

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MATHER, INCREASE, A Discourse Concerning the Grace of Courage, Wherein The Nature, Beneficialness, and Necessity of that Vertue for all Christians, is described. Delivered in a Sermon Preached at Boston in New-England. June 5th. 1710. Boston: 1710. ATS "Elizabeth byles my book giuen mee by my honnored father" "Mather Byles" (A.B. Harvard 1725) "Eliz byles"

MATHER, INCREASE, A Disquisition Concerning Ecclesiastical Councils. Proving, that not only Pastors, But Brethren delegated by the Churches, have equally a Right to a decisive Vote in such Assemblies . . . Boston: 1716.

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MATHER, INCREASE, [Necessity] of Reformation . . . Agreed upon by the . . . Synod at Boston in New-England, Sept. 10. 1679. Boston: 1679. HCL

"I Mather" (A.B. Harvard 1656)

"Cha. Lowell" (A.B. Harvard 1800?)

MATHER, SAMUEL [A.B. Harvard 1643], The Figures or Types of the Old Testament. n.p.: 1683. HCL

"For Mr Cotton Mather at Boston in New England"

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"Mather Green [ ]"

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MONTAIGNE, Essay Written in French . . . Done into English, according to the last French edition, by John Florio. London: 1613. HCL "S. Mather's [A.B. Harvard 1723]. 1721." "W. S. Thayer, 1904" From the library of William Sydney Thayer, 1933.

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Neville, Alexander, Academiæ Cantabrigiensis Lachrymæ Tumulo Nobilissimi Equitis D. Philippi Sidneij Sacratæ. London: 1687. "Sam Mather" HCL
PFOCHEN, SEBASTIAN. Diatribe de Linguæ Græcæ Novi Testamenti Pvritate. Amsterdam: 1629. "S. Matheri [A.B. Harvard 1723]. 1759"
Рнотиль, Bibliotheca. Oliva Pavli Stephani: 1611. HCL Mutilated signature "Sr. John Maynard" stamp" "T. B." Arms of Isaiah Thomas on bookplate
PINEDA, IOANNES DE, DE Rebus Salomonis Regis. Venetiis: 1611. HDS "S. Matheri [A.B. Harvard 1723]. 1735"
POLANUS, AMANDUS, a Polansdorf, Syntagma Theologiæ Christianæ. Hanover: 1625. "W. Williams" "£ 105" "St: 14/"

THE PSALMS, HYMNS, & SPIRITUAL SONGS, of the Old and New Testament, Faithfully translated into English Metre. Boston: 1758. HCL "To The Rev Mr Byles of Boston In Token of Great Respect & Gratitude Presented By his affectiont Friend & Brother T. Prince"

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RAINOLDES, JOHN, Censura Librorum Apocryphorum Veteris Testamenti. 4° Oppenheimius. 2 vols. in 1. Hieronymi Galleri: 1611. HCL "S. Matheri. [A.B. Harvard 1723] 1754."

- HADRIANI RELANDI Palæstina ex Monumentis Veteribus Illustrata. Tomus I. Trajecti Batavorum: 1714. "S. Matheri [A.B. Harvard 1723]. 1760"
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- ROBERTSON, WILLIAM, Manipulus Linguæ Sanctæ & eruditorum. Cantabrigiæ, 1683. ATS "Crescentij Matherij Liber. Londinj. Octobr 18. 1689.
- SALMASIUS, CLAUDIUS, De Annis Climactericis et Antiqua Astrologia Diatribæ. Lugd. Bat.: 1648. HCL "Matheri:"

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SALMASIUS, CLAUDIUS, Epistola ad Andream Colvium. Lugd. Bat.: 1644. HCL

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GASPAR SANCTIUS. Gaspar Sanctii Centvmpvteolani, e Societate Iesv Theologi, in Collegio Complvtensi sacrarum literarum Interpretis, in Dvodecum Prophetas minores et Baruch Commentarij cum Paraphrasi. Lugdunum: 1621. HCL

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- SCHURMAN, ANNA MARIA, à, ETKAHPIA seu Melioris Partis Electio. Altonæ ad Albim: 1673. HCL "Matheri:" "S. Matheri"
- SHEPARD, THOMAS, Eye-Salve, Or A Watch-Word From our Lord Iesus Christ unto his Churches. Cambridge (Mass.): 1673. HCL "Crescentius Matherus" "[Joseph] McKean" (A.B. Harvard 1794?)

SIGONIUS, CAROLUS, De Republica Hebræorum Libri VII, ad Gregorium XIII Pontificem Maximum. Frankfort: 1585. HCL

"Crescentius Matherus"

"Liber. Rich. Bligh. pret. i s"

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"Quis quis in hunc librum sua lumina conspirit unquam Nomēn subscripsum. Per legat illi meum Guilielmus Turnerus finis"

SIXTUS SENENSIS, Bibliotheca Sancta. Coloniæ Agrippinæ: 1626. HCL "Matheri"

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SPENCER, JOANNES, De Lebigus Hebræorum Ritualibus. Cantab.: 1685. ATS

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STUBBE, HENRY, The Plus Ultra reduced to a Non Plus. London: 1670.

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WEBSTER, JOHN, The Displaying of Supposed Witchcraft. London: 1677. HCL

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"S. Matheri. [A.B. Harvard 1723?] 1762"

WILLARD, SAMUEL, The Fruitful Vi[ne]. 1680. HCL "Abigail Mather 1680"

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The Agreement of the Associated Ministers of the County of Essex. London: 1658.

"Mather."

"Cost me 10d" (crossed out).

- BAXTER, RICHARD, The Judgment and Advice of the Assembly of the Associated Ministers of Worcester-Shire . . . Aug. 6th 1658. London: 1658.
- A Scheme and Abstract of the Christian Religion. London: 1684.
- BAXTER, RICHARD, An Explication of some Passages in the foregoing Propositions and Profession. London: 1653.
- J. B., Certain Proposa[ls] Humbly Offered, for the Preservation & Continuance Of the truly Reformed Protestant Religion. 1674.
- Heads of Agreement Assented to by the United Ministers In and about London: Formerly called Presbyterian and Congregational. London: 1691.

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- MEAD, MATTHEW, Two Sticks made One: or, The Excellency of Unity. London: 1691.

"Cotton Mather ex dono Authoris. April. 20. 1691."

Free Thoughts Occasioned by the Heads of Agreement Assented to by the United Ministers. London: 1691. "Luk. 6.9."

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- A History of the Union Between the Presbyterian and Congregational Ministers. London: 1698.

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