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Vergilianorum poematum recensiois quam intra annos 1854/60 eruditorum usui obtuleram exemplaria cum deficerent, redemptor iterari quidem, sed quae sunt studiorum optimorum hac tempestate angustiae, in artius contracta et modestiore pretio parabilia proponi voluit. cui consilio quamvis recoquendi vetera minime cupidus tamen obtemperare malui quam demetendas mercenaria opera segetes meas aliis relinquere.

Rescidi igitur ex varia quam subieceram lectione quidquid ad verba ipsa poetae certa fide constituenda nullius momenti esse intellexerem, planos et vulgares dico librorum errores, tritas orthographici generis quisquilias, quidquid denique olim in prolegomenon, quae non repetenda erant, horreis ad cognoscendam librorum indolem farraginis congereram. retinui eas scripturas, quae ad ipsius poetae consuetudinem scribendi pertinere viderentur; pauca semel enotavisse satis habui. sed quoniam in hoc cribrandi opere vel fastidio motus vel aliis curis distractus non ita raro pausas passus sum intercedere, facile inconstantia quadam non tam consilii quam calami fieri potuit, ut intactas hic illic minutias aliquas relinquerem, quas alibi oblitterare non dubitassem. contra spondere audeo, nihil a me omissum esse quod intra fines supra constitutos scitu vere dignum esset. plenam quidem de singulis codicum litteris et versibus sive integris sive mutilatis memoriam hauriat si quis volet ex vasta prioris editionis congerie. accessit ad ceterorum, quos olim adhibui, codicum auctoritatem Pragensis (π) a Ioanne Kvičala conlatus, cuius hic illic saltem mentionem feci.

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Testimoniorum vero veterum struem deminuere, ne textus fidei detraherem, ita veritus sum, ut paucissimos magistellorum noviciorum locos omitterem, alios autem partim neglectos olim, postea prolegomenon p. XVI—XXX coacervatos, partim non ita multos novis e fontibus haustos adderem. nam glossaria raro laudavi, si quid ad firmandam memoriam conferre viderentur. ceterum testimonia omnia ad recentiorum optimarumque editionum auctoritatem et numeros, quantum commodum videretur, revocavi. atque in toto hoc testimoniorum colligendorum excutiendorumque labore fastidii pleno idoneus adiutor mihi adfuit **Eugenius Dittrich**, Lipsiensis. idem in doctorum hominum de emendando poeta coniecturis perquirendis operam mihi praestitit. quae tamen cum magna ex parte vel inutiles vel adeo ineptae visae sint, paucas sive nominis auctoritate sive ingenii lumine quodam insignes selegi, ceteras silentio praetermisi. ipse in recensendo textu, qui quam dubius multis locis sit, testes satis fatentur, nec superstitionis ignaviae nec novarum rerum libidini indulgere constitui.

Restat, ut **Georgio Goetz**, collegae Ienensi coniunctissimo, gratias agam, qui plagulas corrigendas amice perlustravit.

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ψ ceterorum librorum vel omnes vel plerique.
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ω auctorum, quorum testimonia laudantur, boni
libri plerique omnes.
φ eorundem boni libri aliquot.
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