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TRANSLATIO UNIVERSITATIS DE LOCO IN LOCUM.

A. 1.
B. 1.
C. 1.

Contestantibus plerisque chronicis, multa loca per orbis climata variis temporibus variarum scientiarum studiis floruisse leguntur; omnium autem inter Latinos nunc extantium studiorum Universitas Oxoniensis fundatione prior, quadam scientiarum pluralitate generalior, in veritatis Catholicæ professione firmior, ac privilegiorum multiplicitate præstantior invenitur.

The antiquity and celebrity of the University of Oxford.

Prioritatem¹ suæ fundationis insinuant historiæ Britannicæ perantiquæ: fertur enim inter bellicosos quondam Trojanos, qui, cum duce suo Bruto, insulam tunc Albion, postmodum Britanniam, ac demum dictam Angliam, triumphaliter occuparunt, quosdam philosophos adventantes locum habitationis sibi congruæ in ipsa insula elegisse, cui et nomen videlicet Grekelade. Iidem philosophi, qui Græci fuerunt, usque in præsentem diem quasi sui vestigium reliquerunt. A quo quidem loco non longe municipium Oxoniæ noscitur esse situm, quod, propter

The legend of Brutus and the Trojans,

and of the founding of a school at Cricklade or Grekelade.

¹ *prout*, B. and C.

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Oxford formerly called Bellesitum.

The universality of the studies pursued there.

The zeal of the University for the faith.

The privileges and honours conferred upon her by popes, bishops, and kings.

The privileges, statutes, &c. of the University should be carefully registered.

How the Masters are bound to observe them.

annium, pratorum et nemorum adjacentium amoenitatem, Bellesitum olim antiquitas, postmodum Oxoniam, a quodam vado vicino sic dictam, populus Saxonicus nominavit, et ad locum studii prælegit. Scientiarum quippe exuberantior pluralitas ibidem evidentius eo cernitur quo in aliis studiis uni pluribusve scientiis sic insistitur, ut tamen aut plures, aut saltem earum aliqua, videatur excludi;¹ Oxoniæ vero singulæ sic docentur, ut scientia quæ illic respuitur, nullatenus licita censeatur. Catholicæ siquidem veritatis sinceritas ita in doctrinis, divina favente gratia, est ibidem hucusque servata, ut hæresis illic aliquoties pullulantis memoria non existat, quam in sui ortu non occiderit Catholicorum doctorum sollertia et præsentium vigilis cura. Hanc insuper Universitatem, Romanorum Pontificum ac Diocesanorum privilegiis multimodis adornatam, sic celsitudo regia sublimavit, ut scholasticorum ditioni etiam loci municipes obnoxii multipliciter videantur. Licet autem [propter]² difficilem maris transitum, ac situm insulæ, fama et notitia hujus studii sit quibusdam distantibus regionibus minus nota, non minori tamen noscitur prærogativa gaudere.

Ne igitur tam antiqui, tam generalis, tam Catholici, tam privilegiati studii statuta, privilegia, libertates et consuetudines ignorentur, decet et expedit ea modosque earum, quibus scholasticorum vita constringitur, diligenter et fideliter registrari. Imprimis est siquidem advertendum statuta, privilegia, libertates, et consuetudines, conscientias Magistrorum singulorum, ea easque jurantium, sic ligare ut nullis singulariter impune liceat ea scienter transgredi quoquo

¹ *quo in aliis studiis, uni de pluribus scientiis sic insistitur ut tamen aut plures, aut saltem major pars earum, videatur excludi*, is the reading in B.; and over the text in A. there are corrections in a later hand

inserting *de* between *uni* and *pluribus*, and erasing *ve* after *pluribus*. C. follows A., except that *major pars* is written in the margin.

² Omitted in A. and C., and inserted by a later hand.

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modo. Sic autem ipsam Universitatem non arctant quin ipsa, cœtu Magistrorum regentium et non-regentium adjurato, statuta corrigere, eis addere seu detrahere, licite valeat, quatenus major pars Universitatis et sanior, deliberatione prævia, duxerit ordinandum: solent tamen Regentes sine Non-regentibus, propter fatigationes et vexationes frequentes in vocatione Non-regentium evitandas, gratiose cum personis aliquibus, certis ex causis, contra statuta aliquoties dispensare, dum tamen omnes et singuli rite vocati fuerint et sufficienter ac legitime expectati, ad minus videlicet dum campana, ad quam vocantur Magistri, more pulsetur solito sine fraude, et omnes et singuli, quicumque¹ in illa congregatione præsentis fuerint, gratiæ consentiant concedendæ, statutis tamen ipsis quoad alios in suo robore duraturis.

The power to alter them.

¹ *qui tunc*, C.

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A. 6. QUID SPECIALITER CAVENDUM A PROCURATORIBUS.
C. 27.

The Proctors are responsible for the due performance of masses for the souls of benefactors.

*Nota.*¹ Hoc specialiter a Procuratoribus caveatur, ut in omni missa communi dicantur illæ tres collectæ, “*Deus, qui inter apostolicos,*” etc., “*Quæsumus, Domine, pro tua pietate,*” et “*Inclina,*” etc., pro benefactoribus diversarum cistarum. *Statutum factum apud Ebor:*² in tribus septimanis S. Michaelis, anno regni regis Edwardi duodecimo.

Of the mass for the soul of WALTER DE GREY.

Missa pro anima Walteri de Grey, et pro animabus omnium benefactorum Universitatis, et pro animabus omnium benefactorum in crastino S. Martini, cum “*placebo*” et “*dirige,*” in die S. Martini: et *consuetudo est*, quod ista missa sit cum diacono et subdiacono, et ad istam missam tenentur Regentes omnes esse, et etiam ad exequias a principio usque ad finem, et hoc per fidem. Similiter ad istam missam tenentur Regentes offerre de pecunia Universitatis; et *consuetudo est*, quod sacerdos celebrans missam habeat pro labore suo tres denarios, diaconus vero duos, et clericus unum; et quilibet bedellus unum denarium, et quilibet magister bedellus pro suo famulo unum denarium, et clericus pro pulsatione *ignetegii* sex denarios.

All Regents are bound to attend thereat.

The payment of the priest and other officials.

Of the prayers for benefactors in every school on the eve of Martinmas.

Item, in vigilia S. Martini unus sacerdos circueat³ scholas Magistrorum, et orabit pro animabus omnium benefactorum Universitatis.

Of the mass for the soul of KING HENRY III.;

Missa pro anima regis Henrici in die S. Edmundi Confessoris.

for the soul of COUNTESS OF WARWICK;

Missa pro Comitissa de Warwyke, videlicet pro anima dominæ Elæ de Longespe, in die S. Clementis Papæ: missa illa erit de Omnibus Sanctis cum diacono

¹ *Nota* not in C.

² The remainder in A. only.

³ *circuet*, C.

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et subdiacono, sequentia et symbolo solemniter adoretur.

Missa pro anima dominæ Elianoris, quondam reginæ for QUEEN ELEANOR; Angliæ, consortis regis Edwardi, in vigilia S. Andreae Apostoli.

Missa pro anima domini Johannis de Pontisera, for JOHN PONTISERA and JOHN MAUNSEL. Episcopi Wynton: et pro animabus Johannis et Johannis (sic) Maunsel in vigilia S. Nicholai, cum “*placeto*” et “*dirige*” præcedente.

DE FESTIS IN KALENDARIO SERVANDIS.

Item, festa et vigiliis Sanctorum in Calendario assignata tenentur observare, ita scilicet quod, si non legant in crastino, in vigilia non disputent; si autem in crastino legant, tunc lectionem aliquam de libro aliquo non usitato, secundum quod placuerit diebus festiuis appropriatam sibi constituent; vel si lectiones ordinarias legant, tunc non omnes legant, sed unam in decretis et legibus et duas ad plus in artibus; et hoc computando pro lectione “*summam*” vel “*determinationem sophismatum vel questionum*,” si illo die contigerit “*summam*” legi vel “*sophisma*” vel “*questiones*” determinari. Of the observance of feasts and fasts, and the studies allowed at such seasons.

De diebus festiuis in quibus Magistri festine legant.

Si autem eis per servientem publicum denunciatur diem festum ita simplicem fortassis instare, ut festine legere debeant, non disputent illo die; si autem secundum Kalendarium dies legibilis non existat, tunc lectionem aliquam de libro aliquo non usitato, aut de aliqua parte libri ad lectiones extraordinarias specialiter reservata, secundum quod placuerit diebus festiuis approbata sibi constituent.

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In die S. Ambrosii non legant.

Item, memorandum, quod non legant die S. Ambrosii, prout ordinatum est a Regentibus, quousque revocetur.

Item, statutum est, quod non legantur lectiones ordinariæ in festis visitationis Beatæ Mariæ, et depositionis S. Osmundi; præmittitur tamen quod in vigiliis eorundem festorum possunt haberi disputationes.

A. 7.

C. 28.

D. 87.

Masses for the souls of WALTER NEEL,

the COUNTESS OF WARWICK.

Missa pro anima Walteri Neel, in die S. Vincentii martyris, cum diacono et subdiacono, cum "*placebo*" et "*dirige*" in vigilia.

Missa¹ pro anima dominæ de Lungespe, in die qui dicitur "Cathedra S. Petri Apostoli," cum "*placebo*" et "*dirige*" in vigilia, et missa erit cum diacono et subdiacono, ut patet in ordinatione secunda ejusdem dominæ.²

ARCHBISHOP GREY.

Missa pro anima Walteri de Grey, in die Sanctorum Philippi et Jacobi, cum³ "*placebo*" et "*dirige*" in vigilia.⁴ Obiit Dominus Archiepiscopus W. Grey, qui nobis domos ante portam de Smythegate, pro quibus in anno providit Universitas pleno servitio solemnium. . . .⁵

HENRY GUILD-FORD.

Missa pro anima Henrici de Geldeford, die S. Gregorii Papæ, cum "*placebo*" et "*dirige*" in vigilia.

REGINALD LE BEDEL.

Missa pro anima Reginaldi servientis, quarto die post festum S. Johannis ante portam Latinam, cum

¹ *de requiem* added in C.² This sentence is added in C.³ Obliterated in A.⁴ The remainder is not in C., which, however, adds *et ad missam cum diacono et subdiacono, eodemque die tenentur Magistri de pecuniâ Universitatis offerre ad missam, et**consuetudo est quod sacerdos celebrans missam pro labore suo habeat tres denarios, diaconus duos, et clericus duos, et quilibet bedellus pro famulo suo unum, habeat etiam clericus pro pulsatione ignetegii sex denarios.*⁵ *cetera desunt in MSS*

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“ *placebo* ” et “ *dirige* ” in vigilia : ad istam missam servetur eadem forma de oblationibus et aliis, et hoc de pecunia antiquæ cistæ Universitatis, quæ in ultima missa est observanda de pecunia Universitatis.

Missa pro anima Gilberti de Roubyry, quarta feria GILBERT ROUTHURY.
post festum S. Trinitatis.

Missa, in die S. Augustini, pro Magistro Gilberto de GILBERT S. LEOFARD.
S. Leofardo, quondam episcopo Cicestriæ.

Missa pro anima Magistri Henrici de Harklay, in HENRY HARKLAY.
crastino nativitatis S. Johannis Baptistæ, cum exequiis præcedentibus.

Statutum factum apud Ebor : in tribus septimanis S. Michaelis, anno regni regis Edwardi, filii regis Edwardi, duodecimo.

Missa pro Magistris Humfrido de Cherletone ¹ . . . HUMPHREY CHERLETONE.

Missa pro illustrissimo rege Edwardo tertio, in festo KING EDWARD III.
conversionis S. Pauli.

¹ A large blot obliterates the remainder.

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- B. 37. ¹ STATUTA UNIVERSITATIS CONCERNENTIA GRADUANDOS ;
C. 2. ET PRIMO PONUNTUR STATUTA COMMUNIA LEGENDA
 AB ALTERO PROCURATORUM CUILIBET PROCEDENTI :
 ET PRIMUM LEGATUR CUILIBET INCIPIENTI PROUT
 INFRA SCRIBITUR, PRÆTERQUAM THEOLOGO, CUI
 DICETUR “*Magister, tu jurabis ad observandum,*”
 etc., PONENDO MANUM AD PECTUS.

Inceptors in any
faculty shall
swear that they
will observe the
statutes of the
University;

“*Magister, tu dabis fidem ad observandum statuta,
privilegia, consuetudines, et libertates istius Univer-
sitatatis.*”

*Ista clausula legatur Principali incipienti in
quacumque facultate.*

“*Magister, tu jurabis quod adversantem quemcum-
que² statutis, consuetudinibus,³ aut aliis Universitatis
nostræ juribus, non fovebis consilio, auxilio, nec
favore, sed ea, quantum in te est, observabis pariter
et fovebis.*”

*Juramentum pacis.*⁴

that they will
not disturb the
peace thereof.

“*Jurabis etiam quod pacem istius Universitatis per
te non perturbabis, nec per alium vel alios [qualiter-
cumque perturbari procurabis, nec perturbatorem vel
perturbatores aliquem vel aliquos in perturbatione
pacis ope⁵ vel consilio juvabis, nec impedies, per te
vel per alium vel alios],⁶ quominus de pacis pertur-
batore vel perturbatoribus fiat justitia : et, si aliquem
vel aliquos noveris de perturbatione pacis probabi-
liter suspectum vel suspectos, ipsum vel ipsos Can-
cellario denunciabis.*”

¹ This is the copy in B. In C., immediately after the *prefatory history*, “*contestantibus,*” &c, we read, *Istam clausulam sequentem dicet Procurator publice cuilibet incipienti præterquam, &c.*, as in B.

² *quicumque*, MS., which some one has altered into *quacumque*.

³ *consuetudines*, MS.

⁴ Erased and rewritten in B. ; in the copy in C., after *resumas*, p. 375, line 3, there is a rubric, *Ista clausula non legatur nisi Theologo.*

⁵ *opere*, MS.

⁶ The passage in brackets is omitted in C.

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“¹ Jurabis etiam quod in ista facultate alibi in Anglia, quam hic et Cantabrigiæ, lectiones tuas solemniter tanquam in Universitate non resumes: ² nec in aliqua facultate sicut in Universitate solemniter incipies: nec consenties quod aliquis alibi in Anglia incipiens hic pro Magistro in illa facultate habeatur.”

that they will not recognize any other University beside Oxford and Cambridge;

“*Item*, specialiter, Magister, tu jurabis quod inter nullas communitates vel personas istius Universitatis impedies pacem, concordiam, et amorem; et, si aliqua dissensio inter aliquas communitates vel personas exorta fuerit, illam non fovebis penitus vel accendes, nec conventiculis interesse debes, nec eisdem tacite vel expresse consentire, sed ea potius modis quibus poteris impedire.”

that they will not foment disturbances between different societies at Oxford;

“³ *Item*, tu jurabis quod non leges nec audies Stamfordiæ, tanquam in Universitate studio aut collegio generali.”

that they will not lecture or read at Stamford;

“*Item*, specialiter, Magister, tu jurabis quod habes habitum de proprio gradu tuo competentem, et ipsum vel similem sibi observabis quamdiu in Universitate contigit te morari, donec ad gradum vel tribunal altius advoceris, ad effectum quod non solum in eo actus scholasticos poteris exercere, verum etiam Universitatem matrem nostram in processionibus, consiliis, et aliis, cum vocatus et præmonitus fueris, cum eodem valeas honorare.”

that they are provided with a suitable academical dress, and will wear the same;

“*Item*, tu jurabis quod cum ad Librariam Universitatis communem accesseris, libros ibi contentos et quos inspexeris modo honesto et pacifico pertractabis, nulli librorum hujusmodi per turpitudinem aut rursus abolitionesve foliorum ⁴ præjudicium inferendo.”

that they will use the books in the library carefully

¹ This is written in a much later hand, apparently of the 17th century, over an erasure; but the matter of it makes it plain that it must have been copied from an older copy of the Statutes.

² *resumas*, MS.

³ This statute, or rather oath, is also in a late hand, in B., written over an erasure.

⁴ *seu foliorum*, MS.

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that they will not maintain the doctrines condemned at the council of London nor any of them;

“¹ *Item*, tu jurabis specialiter quod nullam conclusionem nuperrime, anno Domini millesimo quadringentesimo undecimo, Londoniis in concilio² episcoporum solemniter damnatam, nec alicujus earum sententiam docebis, defendes, aut tenebis efficaciter publice aut occulte, nec aliquem doctorem, defensorem, aut tentorem hujusmodi ope, consilio, vel favore juvabis.”

that they will not maintain the opinions of William Russell.

“*Insuper*, tu jurabis quod nullas conclusiones per fratrem Wilhelmum Russell, ordinis Minorum, nuper positas et prædicatas, contra decimas personales, et in nostra Universitate Oxoniæ, necnon in venerabili concilio³ episcoporum, anno Domini millesimo quadringentesimo vicesimo quinto celebrato Londoniis, solemniter damnatas, nec alicujus earum sententiam tenebis, docebis, vel defendes efficaciter publice aut occulte, nec aliquem doctorem, tentorem, vel defensorem hujusmodi ope, consilio vel favore juvabis.”

All graduates shall before their sermons pray for Humfrey, Duke of Gloucester.

Item, statuit Universitas et decrevit, quod singuli graduati prædicaturi, in suis sermonibus solemnibus infra Universitatis præinctum ad Crucem S. Pauli, seu Hospitale Beatæ Mariæ extra Bysshopgate, Londonii, illustrissimum Principem Humfridum Ducem Gloucestriæ nominatim et expresse in suis orationibus commendare teneantur.

“*Item*, hæc omnia prædicta te fideliter observaturum promittis, sicut te Deus adjuvet et Sancta Evangelia Dei.”

*Ista clausula legatur incipienti sub alio ejusdem facultatis.*⁴

“Idem juramentum quod præstitit Magister N. in persona sua, tu observabis in persona tua, sicut Deus te adjuvet et Sancta Dei Evangelia.”

¹ This statute has been erased, as also the next. The erasure of the former is evidently of early date; that of the latter less so.

² *consilio*, MS.

³ *consilio*, MS.

⁴ Title from C.

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STATUTUM LEGENDUM OMNIBUS LICENTIANDIS IN QUACUMQUE FACULTATE.¹ B. 42.

Cum hactenus nimis fuerit Universitas fatigata per multorum importunitatem, qui in facultatibus diversis cupierunt licentiari, de suis inceptionibus non curantes, *statutum est*, quod si quis licentiatus fuerit in grammatica, artibus, aut medicina, et secundum consuetudines Universitatis Oxoniæ infra annum proximum sequentem suam licentiationem non inceperit, si non promotus triginta solidos, si vero promotus sexaginta solidos, si autem in jure civili, decretis, aut sacra theologia, et non promotus fuerit, quinquaginta solidos, si vero promotus centum solidos, communi cistæ Universitatis, infra octo dies post completum annum a tempore licentiationis suæ, sine contradictione solvere teneatur.

The penalty to be paid by a licentiate failing to incept within a year from the date of his licence.

“ Formam istius statuti observabis in persona tua, si non contingat te incipere infra annum, sicut Deus te adjuvet et Sancta Dei Evangelia.”²

Declaratio prædicti Statuti.

Quia statutum³ prælibatum sub verbis ambiguis editum plures movet in dissidium, ad omnem brigam penitus submovendam, talem duximus eidem declarationem pro futuris temporibus adjungendam; quod qui prius licentiatus fuerit, et infra annum non inceperit, toties quoties sic per suam importunitatem Universitatem pulsaverit fatigandam, antequam incipiat iterum licentietur, lapso anno, lectis sibi statutis, cum hactenus et statutis pacis, ita tamen quod ad statuta de forma suæ facultatis de novo implenda ullatenus teneatur, nec ille hoc juramento iterum constringatur, prævia semper

A fresh licence shall be necessary.

¹ Title not in C.

² Here C. adds as follows: *Tunc Cancellarius dicit: Tu jurabis quod*

non expendes in inceptione tua ultra tria millia Turonensium grossorum.
³ *statutum est*, MS.

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tamen laudabili depositione Magistrorum de moribus et scientia, ut in licentiationibus suæ facultatis fuerat honorifice consuetum.

B. 5. JURAMENTUM MAGISTROBUM DEONENTIUM IN ALIQUA FACULTATE.¹

The oath of the Master on presenting a candidate for a degree.

“ Magister, Tu dices in fide Universitati præstita, an
 “ scis aut credis hunc virum aptum et idoneum moribus
 “ et scientia ad eum gradum ad quem præsentatur,
 “ sub forma qua præsentatur, et hoc fide præstita
 “ Universitati.”

JURAMENTUM PRÆSTANDUM AUDITORIBUS COMPUTORUM CANCELLARII, PROCURATORUM, ETC.

The oath of auditors of accounts.

“ N., Tu jurabis quod audies strictum et fidelem com-
 “ putum, nec allocabis nisi quæ allocanda sunt, post-
 “ positis fraude, dolo, amore et invidia; sed duntaxat
 “ id allocabis² quod allocari justum est, idque facies
 “ de omnibus quæ computata erunt, sicut
 “ Deus te³ adjuvabit et Sacrosancta tacta Evangelia.”

JURAMENTUM EXAMINATORUM IN CONGREGATIONIBUS MAGNIS.

“ Magister, Tu jurabis quod hos articulos fideliter et
 “ sincere examinabis, et nec prece, nec pretio, nec odio,
 “ nec amicitia, timore, nec spe propter aliquam promissio-
 “ nem vel remunerationem factam vel faciendam
 “ quicquam dices aut ab aliis dici procurabis; sed, omni
 “ favore personarum [et] commodorum postposito, sen-
 “ tentiam tuam revelabis, sicut te Deus adjuvet, et Sa-
 “ crosancta tacta Evangelia.”

¹ These oaths are all in a late handwriting, but are evidently of ancient date.

² *allocabis*, B.

³ *vos*, MS.

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Cancellarius Oxoniæ cuilibet juranti et deponenti secreta¹ pro incepturo in aliqua facultate, et pro præsentato ad lecturam libri sententiarum, tenetur hæc verba dicere deposituro vel juraturo, coram eo et Procuratoribus, ita occulte ut nullus audiat nisi Cancellarius et Procuratores, et Doctor vel Magister depositurus vel juraturus, per fidem præstitam Universitati. A. 37.

Nota. Verba quæ dicentur a Cancellario ante admissionem inceptorum et Bachilliariorum in sacra Theologia.

“ Doctor vel Magister, fide præstita Universitati, vos The form of presentation for a degree.
 “ dicetis an scitis vel creditis istum præsentatum
 “ esse habilem in moribus et scientia ad gradum, ad
 “ quem præsentatur, an non.”

Si autem præsentatus fuerit ad incipiendum in sacra theologia, tunc dicet Cancellarius cuilibet Doctori in theologia deponenti, “ Doctor, fide præstita Universitati, dicetis an scitis istum præsentatum esse habilem [in moribus et in scientia]² ad gradum, ad quem præsentatur, an non.”

Ex statuto etiam et ex consuetudine Universitatis, nullus potest admitti ad incipiendum in sacra theologia, nisi omnes Doctores in theologia in præsentatione præsentantes jurent [de]³ scire, et si unus sic non deponat, pro anno est rejectus a nova præsentatione qui præsentatur.⁴

¹ *decrete*, MS.

² These words are added in the margin, but in the same handwriting as the text.

³ Sic in MS., but perhaps an error for *se*.

⁴ A later hand has erased the last word, and written *illa die præsentatur*.

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A. 107. *Quale sacramentum debent ascensuri¹ gradum præstare.*

The oath to be made by the person graduating,

Item, statutum est, quod quicumque ascensurus gradum qualemcumque in Universitate, in ejus admissione sacramentum præstet² corporale quod quemcumque adversantem statutis, consuetudinibus, aut aliis Universitatis nostræ juribus, non fovebit consilio, auxilio nec favore, sed ea, quantum in eo est, observabit pariter et fovebit.

and by advocates and servants on admission to their office.

Item, idem observetur in admissione advocatorum et servientium communium.

D. 75. ADDITIO SACRAMENTI VICE-COMITIS OXONIE, QUOD SACRAMENTUM PRÆSTITIT IDEM VICE-COMES CORPORALITER IN CANCELLO REGIS.

The oath relating to the University to be made by the Sheriff of Oxford in addition to the oath relating to his office.

Et aussint, vous jurerez³ qe lez Mestres et Escoler del Universite d'Oxenforde, et lour servantz, dez injures et violences garderes et defenderes, par tout votre force et poaire, et la pees en la dit Universite, quantqe en vous

[TRANSLATION.]

And also, ye shall swear that ye will guard and deferd the Masters and Scholars of the University of Oxford, and their servants, from injury and violence to the best of your power and ability, and that ye will, as far as in you lies, keep the peace in the said University, and that ye will

¹ *assensuri*, A.² *præstat*, but corrected over the line, A.³ *jurez*, MS.

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est, serrez gardes ; et qe vous durrez votre conseil et eide a la Chancellor et Escolers de meme la Universite, pur punir les destourbours de la pees illoesqes, selonc lez privileges et estatutz del dit Universite, tandis ¹ come meistier serra, et aussint vous metterez votre eide par tout votre force a defendre lez privileges, libertes, et coustomes del Universite susdite, et qe vous recevrez,² au tiel serement de Vicecomte, Sous-Vicecomte, et autres votres ministres del³ dit comitee d'Oxenforde, meintenanc come vous serrez venuz al chastel ou ville d'Oxenforde, en presente d'aucun qui serra a ceo deputee depart del dit Universite, a quele chose le roi voet qe votres⁴ ditz ministres soient par vous arceez et compellez, si Dieu vous eide et sez Seintz.

give your advice and aid to the Chancellor and Scholars of the same University, in order to punish the disturbers of the peace therein, according to the privileges and statutes of the said University, when need shall so require ; and also that ye will afford your aid, to the best of your ability, to defend the privileges, liberties, and customs of the afore-said University, and that ye will admit, to such oath of the Sheriff, the Under-sheriff, and other your officers of the said county of Oxford, as soon as ye shall have come to the castle or town of Oxford, in the presence of any person who shall be deputed for that purpose on the part of the said University ; and the king wills that your said officers be by you hereto bound and obliged,—*So help you God and His Saints.*

¹ This word is a conjecture. The reading of the MS., which is the work of a very inaccurate scribe, and is also very faint, is apparently *tont dis*.

² *recevez*, MS.

³ *el*, MS.

⁴ *vous*, MS.

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JURAMENTUM SCISSORUM.¹

A. 46.

B. 83 b.

C. 66.

The price of
Academical robes
according to the
oath of the
tailors of the
University.

Secundum sacramentum scissorum magistrorum fidelium de Oxonia, hoc² statutum est observandum in robis et aliis indumentis scindendis.

Roba sine furrura tres denarii.
 Taberdum furratum³ quatuor denarii.
 Taberdum sine furrura tres denarii.
 Capa furrata sex denarii.
 Capa sine furrura quatuor denarii.
 Roba furrata quatuor denarii.
 Roba furrata cum pallio sex⁴ denarii.
 Tunica cum duplici casura⁵ tres⁶ denarii.
 Et hoc ex gratia Universitatis,
 Chimera tres denarii.

A. 10.

B. 43.

MODUS LICENTIANDI INCEPTUROS IN QUACUNQUE
FACULTATE.⁷

The form of
licensing inceptors.

Cancellarius, assidentibus sibi Procuratoribus, dicet incepturo genuflectenti et ponenti manum super librum,

“ Tu dabis fidem ad observandum statuta, privilegia, consuetudines, et libertates istius Universitatis.

“ *Item*, tu jurabis quod tu proponis incipere infra
 “ annum.

¹ No title in A, only the words *nullo tempore* in rubric.

² *Hæc statuta sunt observanda*, B. and C.

³ *Tabardum furratum*, B. and C., where similar corrections of the spelling are found in the other items.

⁴ *tres denarii*, B.

⁵ *cusura*, C.

⁶ *duodenarii*, B. and C.

⁷ *per Cancellarium etiam dicetur sibi assidentibus Procuratoribus*, added in C.

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“ *Item*, tu jurabis, quod si contingat te incipere in
“ ista facultate, quod tu non incipies alibi¹ quam hic
“ in ista facultate.

“ *Item*, tu jurabis quod non expendes in inceptione
“ tua ultra tria millia Turonensium grossorum.”

Quibus dictis, dicit Cancellarius, ponendo librum super
caput incepturi,

*Ad honorem Domini nostri JESU CHRISTI*². . . . C. 19.
. . . , et ad profectum sacrosanctæ matris Ecclesiæ et
studii, auctoritate mea et totius Universitatis, do tibi
licentiam incipiendi in tali facultate, legendi, et dis-
putandi, et omnia faciendi quæ ad statum Magistri
in eadem facultate pertinent, cum ea compleveris quæ
ad talem pertinent solemnitatem, In nomine Patris,
et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti. Amen.

³ DE JURAMENTO STATIONARIORUM IN EORUM
ADMISSIONE.

A. 78.
B. 69.
C. 49.

Imprimis jurent stationarii, in eorum admissione, quod administrationem officii sui fideliter et utiliter ad Universitatem et Scholares ejusdem gerent, cistas indemnes suis viribus observabunt, fidelia ratiocinia reddent de bonis quibuscunque cistarum quæ ad eorum manus devenerint, quotiescumque et quandocumque super hoc ad ordinationem Universitatis Regentium per custodes cistarum fuerint requisiti; et quod statuta super iis edita iis notificata, quantum ad eos pertinet, in omnibus suis articulis fideliter observabunt.

Item, quod pecuniam quamcumque de cautionibus cistarum per eosdem receptam, sive fuerit de sorte sive
that they will pay all monies received by them for the sale of

¹ *alibi in Anglia*, B.

² Here is a large blot in the MS., for the purpose, evidently, of obli-

terating the mention of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

³ The title is wanting in A., and supplied from B. and C.

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pledges into the chests within eight days;

de excrescentiis, integre et sine cavillatione seu dilatione ad cistas teneantur deferre, infra octo dies a tempore solutionis hujusmodi pecuniæ receptæ, quum super hoc per custodes cistarum fuerint legitime requisiti; et, si contingat quod per custodes cistarum super hoc minime requirantur, teneantur,¹ in proxima proclamatione iis notificata post receptionem hujusmodi, pecuniam prædictam ad cistas deferre, et custodibus eisdem, sine ulteriori² detentione, integre et fideliter liberare.

that they will not lend pledges for more than ten days;

Item, quod in nulla cautione³ alicujus cistæ ad voluntatem domini seu alio modo venditioni⁴ exposita, extra manus suas alicui tradant pro inspectione habenda, vel alio modo a quoquam Scholari vel alio detineri permittant ultra spatium decem⁵ dierum.

that they will not delay the sale of a pledge beyond the term of three weeks;

Item, quod nullius cautionis de aliqua cista Universitatis legitime extractæ, et in forma consuetudinis et statuti publicæ venditioni expositæ, justam et rationabilem venditionem, aut⁶ plenam receptionem pecuniæ, amore, timore, vel odio alicujus personæ, spe lucri vel commodi dati vel promissi, ultra tres septimanas, a tempore expositionis hujus connumerandas, impediunt, seu alio colore quæsito per se vel per alium vel alios protelabunt.

A. 79.
B. 69.
C. 49.

that they will not themselves buy, either directly or indirectly, any such pledge, without special leave;

Item, quod nullus stationarius⁷ rem venalem alicujus cistæ per se,⁸ alium, vel alios quovismodo emat, nisi de licentia et expresse consensu domini Cancellarii vel ejus Commissarii, Procuratorum Universitatis, et custodum cistæ, cujus extitit cautio memorata.

that they will not meddle with the management of the chests;

Item, quod nullus stationarius claves alicujus cistæ a custode ejusdem, vel alio ejus nomine, recipiat quovis

¹ *teneatur tunc*, B.

² *ulteri*, amended by a later hand,

B.

³ *in nullam cautionem*, B. and C.

⁴ *venditioni*, omitted in C.

⁵ *tecem*, A.

⁶ *ac*, B. and C.

⁷ A. and C. insert *per se*, before *rem*. In B. the two words are erased.

⁸ *vel per alium*, B.