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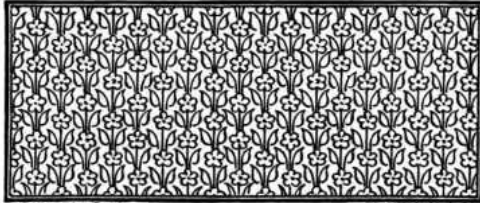
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### Monitum

**E**lector benivole! Philobiblon Ricardi tibi trado e codicibus puris et fontalibus ductum ut inde aquas potes videntes ad spiritum refocillandum. ♣♣♣♣

**H**ic tractatus pulcherrimus quasi testamentum non libros solum sed amorem etiam librorum posteris commendans, quot vicissitudines, quas injurias, quæ indigna per prolapsum temporis est passus! Quomodo Ricardus, etiamsi fuisset propheta, fata sui libelli perspicacius providere potuisset? Nam ejus verba de querimoniis librorum statim audies: Heu!

quam falsis scriptoribus nos errandos committitis, quam corrupte nos legitis et quotiens medicando necatis quos pio zelo corrigere credebatis! Interpretes barbaros sustinemus multotiens, et qui linguarum idiomata nesciunt, nos de lingua ad linguam transferre præsumunt; sicque proprietate sensus ablata fit sententia contra sensum auctoris turpiter mutilata. *Hæc Ricardus. \*\*\*\*\**

**I**mpollutus ac purus ad nos descendisset textus, si nullatenus transcriptores quidam Germani eum sæculo quindicesimo contaminassent. At hic absuit quin illi, studio plumbeo auctoris ad sensum ipsorum emendandi potius quam quæ Ricardus scripsisset conserbandi, Philobiblon et Philobiblon expulissent; insuper etiam quas injurias tulerunt transcriptores propagabere impressores. Sin autem alias contigisset et permansisset ea codicum in Anglia scriptorum integra et vera traditio, tunc proculdubio vero textu nunquam caruissent lectores. @@@@@@@@@@@@

**M**ortuus est Ricardus, at quasi non mortuus, similem enim reliquit sibi post se, ut

dei verba adaptemus Ecclesiastici. **H**ic filius  
unicus et superstes est Philobiblon. Imago  
super tumulum Ricardi ex aere pulchre sculpta  
iam dudum perit, manerius quoque in quo com-  
posuit Philobiblon est dilapidatus et ex illa  
bibliotheca splendida quis liber adhuc manet?  
**S**olus Philobiblon amorem Ricardi erga libros  
nobis hodie testificatur. **Q**uem pio zelo curabi-  
mus ad puritatem pristam restituendum, ut **Ri-**  
**cardus** mortuus resuscitetur et exhortans, confortans,  
delectans, immo etiam inspirans iterum nobis de  
amore librorum loquatur. ††††††††††††††††††††††

