

## PARIS LAT. 12598 (contd.).

motifs, particoloured in green, light yellow or pink ( foll. 62, 86v, 103v ). Parchment yellowish. Ink brown; foll. 63-69 were retraced shortly after the writing. Script is mostly an elegant pre-Caroline minuscule, by several hands, recalling that of MSS. lat. 12240, 12241 ( also ~~of~~ <sup>from</sup> the Corbie Library), using two forms of g and uncial and minuscule n; some parts with many Merovingian cursive ligatures including te, tu and xi for the hard and soft sound of ti; foll. 47-53, one quire, in quite different writing from the main MS., are in a squarish heavy minuscule with ti and other ligatures although not the least cursive, foll.

47v and 49<sup>v</sup> being ~~in another hand, semi-cursive and~~ showing a b <sup>cursive element put to calligraphic use in</sup>  
 with horizontal tag prolonging the bow, a habit which originated <sup>(and a correction or erasure</sup>  
 in the ~~of~~ <sup>on</sup> the Corbie ut-script; fol. 22v, originally blank, has on fol. 5<sup>v</sup> are

~~a few lines in pure Maurdramus type. Notae Tironianae passim.~~

as the various types of script suggest and contents confirm -  
 Origin Northeast France. Besides palaeographical reasons, most of the saints  
 mentioned are from  
 Provenance Corbie : <sup>at the foot of</sup> on fol. 109v stands the entry (sec. XVII) : North East France  
 Corbeiensis monasterii. Later at St. Germain des Prés / number  
 N. 1045 olim 671 ( see <sup>on</sup> fol. 2, eighteenth-century entry).

Our plate from fol. 62 (I have)

→ Lorne has 49<sup>v</sup>

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40<sup>v</sup> — good

62

== 50 (I have)