

AN ANGULAR FORM OF A RARE  
ABBREVIATION FOR '-S'

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S aliter ut nūmī tm . pelles rē indēstī  
P ost quā nullū uir tūsdedit ad mōtū dōs  
I ndignatā noua calliditatē dolos .  
N ābreuī aquā īmer si adēre se cōspōtē lēpālis  
P otēndi facitē p̄bit uindāuā  
V trīb hēccōcū quā sup̄rudenciā m̄id  
C ueceptū uolactū cōp̄licūisse op̄

**V**erū faco . 7 iuueno .

ī clarcūstēti declignatq̄ iuueno .  
A spā mordaci sub sedere colla iugo .  
R ustrā s̄obliqua succidē cor nua filer  
C redidit īstōm dēstēnuī se p̄cus  
C autus īm̄so ē uicē īnētī nātro  
N āq̄ erat hīc cor nū pomaor itq̄ pedē  
S ilicet ut longo pibere ū bā t̄mo  
N eue hictus fualō īngulā euiderē  
S ed post quā ītō dēnāc t̄m uinculā colle  
I nmeritā uicūo cūcē frīgēt hūmū  
C ōtinua eū s̄a pedibz disp̄gū īrēnā  
C uā ferus īctū oīa sequentis agū

#### AN ANGULAR FORM OF A RARE ABBREVIATION FOR '-S'

SOME years ago L. Delisle<sup>1</sup> published a note upon the ordinary form of the abbreviation for *-us* when employed to designate not *-us* but only *-s*, supplementing his own collections by those of DeVries and Traube.<sup>2</sup> The phenomenon was found to occur principally, but not exclusively, in manuscripts written in northern France from the eleventh to the thirteenth century.

I have observed a further variation upon this symbol in a Leyden manuscript, Vossianus Latinus O.89, *saec.* xi-xii, of French origin, at one time in the Petau library, and containing Cato, Avianus, Homerus Latinus, and Theodulus.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> "De l'Emploi du Signe abbatif *g* à la Fin des Mots," *Bibl. de l'École des Chartes*, LXVII (1906), 591-2.

<sup>2</sup> Fifteen manuscripts are there listed, nine by Traube and three each by Delisle and DeVries.

<sup>3</sup> This manuscript has been used and partially described and discussed by L. Müller, *Neue Jahrbücher*, LXXXV (1862), 729-32; E. Baehrens, *Poetae Latini Minores* (Leipzig, 1881), III, 6; F. Vollmer, "Zum Homerus Latinus," *Sitzungsber. der Münchener Akad.*, 1913, 8; M. Boas, *Mnemos*, XL (1914), 28; 31 f. Müller dates it *saec.* xii-xiii, Vollmer *saec.* xi, Baehrens, Mollhuysen, and Beeson, the last named from photographs only, *saec.* xii.