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LEGES HOWELDA AT CANTERBURY: A FURTHER NOTE

(see vol. XIX, pp. 340-4)

IN printing the library catalogue of St. Augustine's, Canterbury, M. R. James omitted the alphabetical index on the grounds that 'it appears to add nothing to the information derivable from the catalogue' (*The ancient libraries of Canterbury and Dover*, 1903, p. 196). My thanks are due to Dr William Urry for pointing out to me the unreliability of James's edition and in particular for sending as evidence a print of f. 19^v of the manuscript, Trinity College Dublin 360. Listed in the index on this page we find *Leges Howeldi Wallici*: confirmation therefore that Peniarth 28 was at St. Augustine's and was still there at the end of the fifteenth century.

At least one Welshman noticed this strange item in the St. Augustine's catalogue. TCD 360 belonged to John Dee. In the margin beside the entry *Leges Howeldi* Dee wrote *Leges Howelis Da*. This indirect connection of John Dee and Peniarth 28 somewhat strengthens the suggestion that Dee did not (at least when he made the note) own Peniarth 28 itself. I should like to thank Mr William O'Sullivan for confirming from the manuscript that the hand of the note is Dee's.

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