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EMINENTISSIMO,
ET REVERENDISSIMO PRINCIPI
CAROLO ROSSETTO
S. R. E. CARDINALI
Episcopo Faentino

Marcus Antonius Bernia felicitatem.



HABES in volumine hoc, EMINENTISS. PRINCEPS, Ornithologiam, eam videlicet, quam de Avibus scripsit historiam Ulysses ille Aldrouandus, cui ad eam scribendam omnes certatim volucres suas ambizioso obsequio pennas obtulisse visæ sunt, non alia tamen vsurus ipse, quam Aquilæ tuæ, si coeuntibus sæculis potuisset ab illa scriptio- nis suæ & instrumentum, & argumentum excerpere, adedq. & mihi gratias è cineribus habiturus, qui volumini suo ab eadem Aquila ad arduum gloriæ vola- tum non vnam pennam, sed alas integras coaptaui. Habes, inquam, Ornithologiam, non amplius Aldrouandi, sed Tuam, hoc est (sic liceat græcum nomen interpretari) vocalem auium Rempublicam, aligerumque Senatam Aquilæ Tuæ plenis comitijs, & suffragijs omnibus Imperium aeris deferentem. Quidni enim adorent, Reginamq; suam concordi fremitu consalutent; quā & nascendi prærogatiua, & oculorum acies, & examen solis, & indefessus alarum vigor, & exhibitum Romano Ioui fidelissimum ministerium, ad huius honoris eminentissimum verticem extulerunt? Vix illam implumem adhuc, volandiq; rudem ignea generosi pectoris indoles patrio è nido propulerat, iam scientiarum cam- pos celeriter peruolabat ingenio, anteibat auras, sapientiæ solem pleno bibeat oculo, nim- bisq; spretis arcem syderum cogitabat. Vix in volandi certamine inter eruditas volu- cres palmam meruit, secundoq; excepit frementium aurarum applausus, iam obstetri- cante virtute in ipso Iouis sinu meritorum suorum ponebat oua, & ne inuidiæ paterent flatibus, sed in speratum gloriæ maturescerent partum, in ipsa Vaticani Rupe tutissima nificabat. Quid cum ex illo vertice Romanarum æmula Aquilarum, laboris prædam in extremis Magnæ Britannæ litoribus conspicata ad illam se toto alarum remigio, demisit, nuntia pacis, non belli, oleam latura, non fulmen, draconem hæreticum euisce- ratura, si posset, vel in egregio conatu præclaram animam positura? Magnum enim- uero fuit illius colubri fallaces spiras eludere, sinuosa volumina declinare. Magnum fuit inter errorum monstra, & rebellantia Cælo capita sui Iouis Maiestatem asserere.

Magnum

Magnum fuit ab ipſo Hæreſeos Regno Fidei intactum decus, Religionis inuiolatum honorem, prudentiæ laudem, ſplendorem gloriæ, ſacerrimæq; dignitatis promeritam Purpuram reportare. In Britannico Oceano, licet tempeſtatibus ſedo, illa natabat Concha, e cuius viſceribus, Eminentiffime Princeps, Aquila tua felici roſtro hunc, quo iam ſplendes purpureum cruorem elicit. Immo tu ipſe dum in cauſa fidei, fidei hoſtibus vel uſq; ad ſanguinem non verebaris reſiſtere, oblato, ſed non dato cruore, candorẽ fidei tuæ in hunc muricem colorabas. Dedit olim iufidelis Anglia Conſtantinum Romæ, Orbis Imperium fide potius domiturum, quam gladio; quis ſcit an Anglia Hæretica te remiſerit pûrputatam Aquilam in ipſo Catholicæ Religionis throno fauſto omine regnaturam? Felicem Europam, ſi huius Aquilæ nidus fieret, reſpiraret utiq; ſperaretque ab hoc bellorum turbine, quo tot iam annos concutitur, illam pacem, quam tu olim Colonię Apoſtolicę Sedis Legatus magnis, ſed armorum ſtrepitu non exauditis vocibus reuocabas, ac veluti triumphali tuarum pennarum curru ſubuectam, ni inuidia temporum obſtiſſet, populis geſtientibus inuehebas. Et nunc quidem vni Eccleſię excubas. vni populo inuigilas, olim fortasſe vniuerſalem Eccleſiam, quã latè porrigitur ab Oriente in Occidentem expanſis teſturus alis, populoſq; & gentes ad vnitatem Romanæ fidei vocaturus. Sanè ſi Romanæ Virbis fundatori proſani augurium Imperij duodeni Vultures detulerunt, tota tibi pennatorum familia hiſce, in paginis coniurata ſacratioris Regni æternam ominatur coronam, quęq; olim Aues Aldobrandina Clementis VIII. ſydera veneratę ſunt, Aquilam tuam iſſdem adſcriptam, ac redimitam ſyderibus, ſi votis ſydera arriſerint, adorabunt. Tu omen cape, Eminentiffime Princeps, & vna cum illo huic volumini nunquam perituris notis impreſſum meæ in te deuotionis, ac fidei perpetuum monumentum.