

whare on my Lorde's bokes to stand," and "Item, 2 pare of sloppes of yellow cotten,"—the books then forming his Library are enumerated as follow.—"Item, thone part of Tullie.⁵² Item, Locci [? "Flacci," meaning Horace] et Aeneadas.⁵³ Item, Anthonius Luscus.⁵⁴ Item, a boke to play at Chistis, in Aglishe. Item, a boke to speake and write Frenche. Item, 2 bokes of Cosmografye. Item, a old paper boke. Item, Hormans Volgaries [Vulgaria]. Item, the Kyngis Grammar. Item, Sidrack and King Bockas.⁵⁵ Item, a plaine declaration of the Crede.⁵⁶ Item, Carmen Bucu Colphurnii [Bucolicum Calphurnii].⁵⁷ Item, a paper boke. Item, Epistles from Seneca to Paule. Item, aponapis[?] of Mr. Monsons. Item, a Frenche boke of Christ and the Pope. Item, a boke of Arthmetik in Lattyn. Item, a Tragidie in Anglishe of the unjust supremicie of the Bisshope of Rome. Item, a Play of Love [by John Heywood]. Item, a play called the 4 pees [P's by Heywood]. Item, a play called Old Custome. Item, a play of the Weither [by Heywood]. Item, a boke to write the Roman hand. Item, a paper boke of Synonimies. Item, a Greke Grammar. Item, a Catachismus. Item, Apothegmata. Item, the Debate between the Heraldes [? temp. Richard II., recently published]. Item, Tullies Office. Item, Sententiae Veterum Poetarum. Item, a boke of Phisick, in Greeke. Item Aurilius Augustinus. Item, a boke of Conceits. Item, a Italian boke. Item, a Italian boke. Item, ad Herenium. Item, a Terence. Item, an Exposition of the Crede, in French. Item, a Testament in Frenche, covered with black velvet. Item, an Anglishe Testament. Item, 3 little tables." Against these books, the consecutive numbers, 2, 4, 8, 16, are placed, denoting the shelves probably on which they stood [? folio, quarto, etc.].⁵⁸

It will be noticed that the solid works here are schoolbooks, presumably accumulated for one or more of the children. There is nothing to indicate any particular interest in any other form of learning or literature. Northumberland doubtless felt it to be the proper thing to see that his children had the polite drubbing of the day, and in accord with his official duty Ascham makes the most of the fact as he performs the rhetorical honors of the occasion. No doubt Soranzo was quite correct as to Dudley's real interests, and as to his management of Edward.

⁵² Probably one volume of a two-volume set of Cicero.

⁵³ The Virgil item is evidently an abbreviation of some such title as "P. Vergilii Maronis Bucolicorum, Georgicorum, et Aeneidos," etc., the "Locci" being probably some form of abbreviation of "Bucolicorum;" it is not likely that Horace is involved (cf. B. M. Catalogue for such an edition at Basle in 1534, the only one of this type there given).

⁵⁴ Most likely "Anthonij Luschi Vicentini. . . Inquisitio sup xi. orationes Ciceronis ad fratrem suum."

⁵⁵ "Sidrach le grant philosophe Fôtaine de toutes sciences Contenant mille nonante & quatre demâdes et les solutiôs dicelles," etc.

⁵⁶ Probably Erasmus, D., "A playne and godly expositiō or declaratiō of the cōmune Crede" (U. M. *1098 from Cambridge University Library; S. T. C. 10504).

⁵⁷ Calpurnius Siculus, *Carmen Bucolicum*.

⁵⁸ *Hist. MSS Comm.*, Second Report, Appendix, p. 102b from a MS now in the Bodleian.