

A MEDICAL BOOKSELLER'S CATALOGUE OF 1695

THE recent account in the *Journal of The History of Medicine* (1959, xiv, 74–8) of William London's Catalogue of 1657 in which 145 books on 'Physick and Chyrurgery' and 227 on 'Mathematicks' are listed has reminded me that there is another seventeenth-century bookseller's catalogue which deserves to be brought to the notice of all who are interested in the history of medicine and science. Unlike London's catalogue, it is devoted entirely to medical and scientific books of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries and contains no less than 3,864 titles. Although the catalogue of one dealer's stock (prices are not marked as these were left open for discussion), it is also, as it was intended to be, a contribution to scientific bibliography.

The man responsible for it was Wolfgang Moritz Endter (1653–1723) member of an important dynasty of Nuremberg publishers and booksellers who also carried on the crafts of bookbinding and papermaking in that city from 1590 to 1740.* Wolfgang's father died when he was only two years old, but he was brought up in the family business and inherited it when he reached the age of twenty-one in 1674. Four years earlier his name was linked with his uncle's in the issue of a catalogue of a more general character, a copy of which is preserved in the Munich State Library. This has the title: 'Catalogus/Librorum officinae Norimbergensis/Johannis Andreae Endteri, & Wolfgang Junioris Haeredum.'

The foreword begins: 'Catalogus ecce! non universalis omnium, qui in Bibliotheca nostra Norimbergae extant, librorum, sed eorum tantum, quos instantes Nundine Monacensis exhibebunt vendibiles.'

It is dated 1 July 1670. Of the 3,427 titles which it lists 628 are books on medicine or chemistry.

The younger Endter was evidently greatly interested in medicine and science and when he took over control of the business he must have added considerably to the older medical stock. He became official publisher (at his own risk) of the *Miscellanea Curiosa* for the Academia Caesarea Leopoldina in 1683. When the second decade was completed in 1692 Endter considered how useful it would be to have a general index to the first twenty volumes and after much labour and expense this was published in 1695. The catalogue appeared as an appendix in this index volume, the author-list occupying 159 pages and the subject-index 44 pages. An amusing Latin preface tells of the banquet of many courses provided by the Ephemerides. If they are still hungry, then the two indices to his own book-stock which follow are the larders where they can satisfy their appetites. There they will find new as well as old dishes, the finest as well as the everyday, together with trifles which are the kickshaws and sauces for the feast.

Most of the great names are indeed to be found there, Colombo, Fuchs, Vesalius, Paracelsus, and Cesalpino, as well as Harvey, Boyle, and Malpighi. Most of the texts are in Latin, but some are in German or French. None is in English, although there are a number of London imprints. As will be seen from the specimen illustrated, the author's name is printed in italic, followed by the title in roman (in italic if French, in Gothic if German) with the names of editors or translators given in italic. Town and year of publication is given, but not the name of the publisher. A notable feature

* See Friedrich Oldenbourg, *Die Endter, eine Nürnberger Buchhändler-Familie (1590–1740)*. Monographische Studie. München und Berlin, R. Oldenbourg, 1911. 116 pp.



WOLFFGANG MORITZ ENDTER,
Buchhändler in Nürnberg,
Natus d. 1. Martij A. 1653. Den. A. 1723. d. 28. Febr.

Fig. 1

WOLFGANG MORITZ ENDTER
(1653–1723)

<i>Phil. Jac. Hartmanni</i> De generatione Mineralium, Vegetabilium & Animalium in Aëre, occasione Annorum & Telæ cœlestis delapsarum Anno 1686. in Curonia. Exstant cum Appendice Ephemerid. Acad. Natur. Curios. Germ. Dec. II. Ann. VII. Noriberg. 1689. 4	<i>Job. Lud. Havenreuter</i> in Libros Meteorologicorum. Francof. 1605. 8
--- Descriptio Anatomico-Physica Xiphiz Piscium sive Gladii. Exstat cum App. Ephem. Nat. Curios. Dec. III. Ann. II. Noriberg. 1695. 4	--- De Anima. Ibid. 1605. 8
<i>Dan. Hartnacci</i> Admiranda Physica. Lipsi. 1677. 8	<i>Aug. Hauptmanni</i> Epistola Præliminaris Tractatui de viva Mortis Imagine mox edendo sacrata. Francof. 1650. 8
<i>Gibiel. Harvati</i> de Motu Cordis & Sanguinis in Animalibus Exercit. Anatomica. Francof. 1623. 4	--- Scripsum Collisivum contra Dethardingii scriptum elisivum, d. i. Rothwendige Wiederlegung wegen D. Johann. Agricoltz <i>Auripotabilis</i> , wider die Käyser-Schrifft Georg. Detharbingss. Leipzig 1646. 8
--- Exercit. de Generatione Animalium, quibus accedunt quædam de Partu, de membranis ac humoribus uteri, & de Conceptione. Amstelod. 1662. 12	--- Hornhäusischer Gnaden-Trunn. Leipzig 1647. 8
--- Tr. de motu Cordis & Sanguinis circulo cum Refutatione Æmilii Parisiani & Primerosii. Lugd. Batav. 1633. in 4. & Recentiorum disceptationes de Motu Cordis. Lugd. Batav. 1647. 4	--- Altralter Boldensteinischer Badumb Wasser-Schlag. Leipzig 1657. 8
--- Exercit. Anatomicæ de Motu Cordis & Sanguinis circulatione, nec non dissertatione de Corde Jacobi de Baek. Rottrod. 1661. 12	--- Neues Chymisches Kunst-Projekt und sehr wichtiges Berg-Bedencken. Leipzig 1658. 8
<i>Nich. Havenmanni</i> Geometria. Francof. 1650. 4	<i>Christ. Haunold</i> de Anima sensitiva. Diling. 1645. 12
--- Altra five compendium Sideralis Scientiæ. Francof. 1650. in 4. 1684. 4	--- de Anima rationali. Ibid. 1645. 12
<i>Clopt. Havers</i> Osteologia nova sive novæ observationes de Ossibus, & partibus ad illa pertinentibus, quarum occasione ossium concretio & Nutritio &c. novum quoque glandularum mucilaginosarum dictarum genus, nec non Affectus quidam corporis humani exponuntur, in Latinum ex Anglico vertit Melch. Fried. Geuder. Francof. & Lipsi. 1692. 8	<i>Job. Habkins</i> Disc. de Melancholia Hypochondriaca. Heydelb. 1633. 4
<i>Job. Lud. Havenreuter</i> de Cælo. Francof. 1605. 8	<i>Georg. Habensfrei</i> Pentas questionum Medicopoliticarum. Tubing. 1627. 12
	<i>Job. Heckeri</i> Ephemerides. Gedan. 1662. 4
	--- Supplementum Ephemeridum. Gedan. 1670. 4
	--- Mercurius in Sole. Gedan. 1672. 4
	<i>Ben. Hedrai</i> Astrolabium Geometricum. Lugd. Batav. 1643. 8
	<i>Henr. ab Heer</i> Spadacrene h. e. Fons Spadanus accuratissimè descriptus; accessit observantium rariorum manipulus. Lugd. Batav. 1645. Lugd. Batav. 1685. 12
	<i>Mart. Heer</i> Consilium antidysentericum, Beschreibung von der Epidemischen rothen Ruhr. Görlitz 1680. 4
	<i>Adr. Heerebord</i> Philosophia naturalis. Amstelod. 1663. 8
	<i>Anton. de Heyde</i> Experimenta circa Sanguinis Missionem Fibras motrices, urticam marinam; accedunt ejusdem Authoris observationes Medicæ & Anatomie Mytuli. Amstelod. 1656. 8
	(h) 3 <i>Anton.</i>

Fig. 2
Specimen page from
Endter's Catalogue of 1695

is the analytical list of contents of *opera omnia* and other composite works, a most useful piece of information often difficult to find today. The subject-index is simplicity itself, with the subject headings in roman and the author's names in italic.

Not many of Endter's books were of the sixteenth century, but those that were are now of great rarity, and outstanding among many seventeenth-century treasures is the 1628 *De motu cordis*, shown on the page illustrated. For its time, Endter's catalogue is a most worthy effort which deserves to be rescued from its present obscurity and occasionally put to use in checking the bibliographies of seventeenth-century authors.

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A NOTE ON THE BIBLIOGRAPHY OF GREGOR MENDEL

IN the April 1959 issue of *Medical History* (III, 87–99), Sir Robert Platt published an excellent paper on 'Darwin, Mendel and Galton'. In this paper, Platt regrets that it is extremely difficult to get hold of either the original German text or of the English translation of Mendel's papers. The Brünner Verhandlungen are indeed fairly rare, but reprints of the German text and translations into English may be found in almost any scientific library. The trouble is that they are difficult to locate since most of these re-issues and translations are found in publications which hardly any library would catalogue under 'Mendel'. Therefore this bibliographical note is presented to facilitate locating Mendel's text; I hope that it will induce librarians to place some cross-reference cards in their catalogues.

Mendel published two papers, the first one of which: 'Experiments on hybrids of plants' will be designated by *A* in the following bibliography and the second one: 'On some hybrids of Hieracium, obtained by artificial insemination' which will be designated by *B*.

The following bibliography was compiled from material available in the Los Angeles Public Library, the Library of the University of California in Berkeley, and from entries in the catalogue of the Library of Congress in Washington.

It is quite certain that this bibliography is not complete.

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1. Gregor Johann Mendel,
Versuche über Pflanzen-Hybriden.
Verhandlungen der Naturforschenden Verein in Brünn, IV, 3–47, 1865.
2. Gregor Johann Mendel,
Über einige aus künstlicher Befruchtung gewonnene Hieracium-Bastarde.
Verhandlungen der Naturforschenden Verein in Brünn, VIII, 26–31, 1869.
3. Gregor Mendel,
Versuche über Pflanzenhybriden, zwei Abhandlungen (1865 und 1869).
Herausgegeben von Erich Tschermak.
W. Engelmann, Leipzig, 1901.
This is No. 121 of 'Ostwald's Klassiker der exacten Naturwissenschaften'. It contains *A* and *B*. (L.O.C. catalogue).
4. Gregor Mendel,
Versuche über Pflanzenhybriden.
Flora, oder Allgemeine Botanische Zeitung, LXXXIX, 364–403, 1901.
Contains paper *A*.