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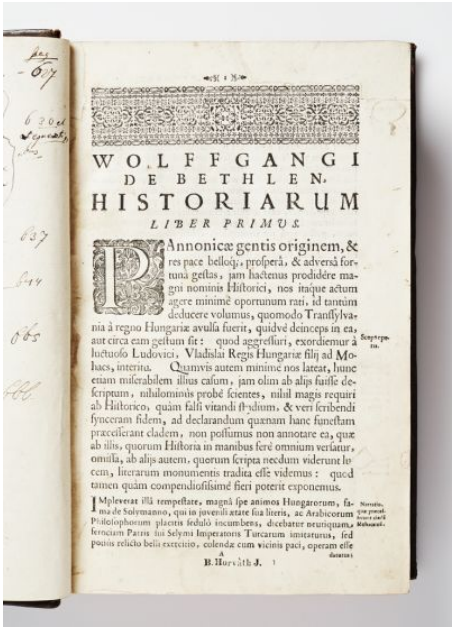
Accession Nr.:	51.93.4
Place of production:	Hungary
Materials:	goatskin; paper; paper board
Techniques:	leather binding
Dimensions:	height: 34,5 cm width: 22,5 cm thickness: 8,5 cm weight: 2135 g





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WOLFFGANGI
DE BETHLEN.
HISTORIARUM
LIBER PRIMUS.

PAnnonicæ gentis originem, & res pacè belloq; prosperâ, & adversâ fortunâ gestas, jam hactenus prodidêre magni nominis Historici, nos iniquè actum agere minimè oportunum rati, ad tantum deducere volumus, quomodo Transylvania à regno Hungariæ avulsa fuerit, quidvè deinceps in ea, aut circa eam gestum sit: quod aggredturi, exordiemur à luctuoso Ludovici, Vladislai Regis Hungariæ filij ad Mohacs, interitu. Quamvis autem minimè nos lateat, hunc etiam miserabilem illius casum, jam olim ab aliis fuisse descriptum, nihilominùs probè scientes, nihil magis requiri ab Historico, quàm falsi vitandi studium, & veri scribendi synceram fidem, ad declarandum quænam hanc funestam præcesserant cladem, non possumus non annotare ea, quæ ab illis, quorum Historia in manibus ferè omnium versatur, omissa, ab aliis autem, quorum scripta necdum viderunt lucem, literarum monumentis tradita esse videmus: quod tamen quàm compendiosissimè fieri poterit exponemus.

IMpleverat illa tempestate, magnâ spe animos Hungarorum, fama de Solymanno, qui in juvenili atate sua literis, ac Arabicorum Philosophorum placitis sedulò incumbens, dicebatur neutiquam, ferocium Patris sui Selymi Imperatoris Turcarum imitaturus, sed potiùs relicto belli exercitio, colendæ cum vicinis paci, operam esse



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