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& Dño. D. Iohanni, Ducis Saxonie, Sacri Ro. Imperij
Archimarscalco, Principi Electori, Turingie,
Lantgrauio, ac Misnæ Marchioni, Ioan-
nes Cockeus, S. P. D.



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eps, & Dñe, Posteaq in has terras Aquilo-
naires, vbi latissima ditione imperas, migra-
ui, Rheni amenitate relicta, vt sub Illustriss.
ac Pientiss. Principe, & Dño. Dño GEOR-
GIO, Duce Saxonie, &c. Patruele tuo, D.
& Patrono meo Clementiss. ac plurimum
gratiolo, & Deo seruam deuote, & Ecclesie
obediam fideliter, ac Illustrissimè Domui vestre pro virili gra-
ta prestem obsequia: Nihil mihi visum est, vel necessarium ma-
gis, vel commodius, magisq proficuum, q Illustrissime, D. T.
ita depingere, & ob oculos ponere Martinum Lutherum,
Qui renouatis reproborum hominum dogmatis, terras Princi-
patusq vestros conturbat, vt apertissime videoas tandem, quid
boni ex doctrina eius, vel sperare, vel promittere queas. Cre-
dere quidem debueras Illustriss. Cæsari nostro, ac reliquis sacri
Roma, Imperij Principis & proceribus, quando Vuorma-
tiae in publico Edicto affirmabant. Vnicum istum, non hominē,
sed tanq Diabolum in specie humana sub habitu Monachali-
plurimorum Hæreticorum summe damnatas hæreses, diu ab-
sconditas, in unum lacum foetidum congregasse, ac de novo
aliquas excogitasse. Neq cōtemnendū prorsus erat, dirū illud
portentum, quod post Edictum Cæsaris in Saxonia visum est,
dum nasceretur vitulus cucullatus, quem ego in typo Minotau-
rum Saxonicum, Bohemicæ Pasiphæs filium, si non elegan-
ter, probabiliter certe dixi. Atq isto tamē in eum carmine, non
ioco sane sed serio iussi, ante tot cædes ac seditiones, quæ por-
tentum istud sequutæ sunt.

Edictum Cæ-
saris.

Minotaurus
Saxonie

Monstra bouemq cano, Boreæ, qui primus ab oris
Teuthonicas terras profugus conspurcat, & omnē
Sub specie Monachi violat pacemq fidemq, &c.

Quod si mea qualiscunq admonitio iure contemptibilis vide-
batur, profecto non debebat penitus negligi, a nobis grauis