

Letter 153a: 17 February 1523, Anspach, Mariangelo Accursio to Capito

A reference to this letter, now lost, appeared in the catalogue of the Paris art dealer Benjamin Fillon, who offered it for sale in July 1878 (see BNF Richelieu Facs. 8o 275, catalogue item # 823). The letter was written from Anspach, Bavaria, and is described in the catalogue as “[une] belle lettre ou il lui donne des témoignages d’amitié et parle de son protecteur, l’empereur Charles-Quint.’ Accursio (or Accursius, d. 1546), well known for his epigraphical and philological studies, was at the time tutor of Albert’s relatives, Johann Albrecht and Gumpert of Hohenzollern. In 1522 he travelled with them in Germany and Poland; in 1523 he returned with them to Italy. Capito may have contacted him for help in securing the provostship at Strasbourg or asked him to carry letters to Rome (cf. above Ep. 153).