



Catalogue of Constitutions and Rules

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Introduction

Constitutions and Rules

Reference code: GB-0298-LC/A3

1600-1890

Extent: 3 files

Repository: Ushaw College Library

Creator: Lisbon College

Language of material: Mostly Latin and Portuguese

Contents

Constitutions and rules of the college. The earlier items are mainly constitutions of other seminaries but the bulk of the collection concerns the college's own constitutions, their interpretation and their revision.

About the creator

The English College of SS. Peter and Paul at Lisbon (or, as it is more commonly known, Lisbon College) was founded by Pedro Coutinho in 1624 as a college for English students training for the priesthood and mission work in England. As a pontifical college it was awarded the same privileges and rights as other colleges centrally controlled by Rome, such as the English College in Rome, whose aim was the maintenance of the Catholic faith in England, Scotland and Ireland. The driving force behind the college in its early years was William Newman. Although he was never to become president, Newman founded the college from property entrusted by the estate of the late Nicholas Ashton, a Catholic chaplain in Lisbon. Initial progress was slow until the arrival of a group of English students and teachers from the English College at Douai in 1628. The first president, albeit briefly, was Archdeacon Joseph Haynes who died the following year. The reputation of the college as a centre of academic excellence and its relevance as an English institution in Lisbon attracted patronage from varied sources during the seventeenth century, including Pedro da Costa and Maria de Oliveira Leitoa who transferred important funds to the College in exchange for daily masses for their special intention. In 1679, Pope Innocent XI granted the College the privilege of being considered as a High Altar of Christ on the Cross. In spite of its wealthy benefactors and papal patronage, the college faced a number of challenges in the following centuries. In 1755, Lisbon was shaken by a terrible earthquake in which 20,000 people died and 60,000 houses and 60 palaces and convents were destroyed. The college suffered badly both in terms of the physical devastation of its buildings and the mental well-being of many of its students and superiors who, like most of the population of Lisbon, chose to live under tents in the gardens of the college rather than risk being inside in fear of another quake. The college suffered another setback when it was occupied by French forces during Napoleon's invasion of Portugal in 1807 and, just days before the second French invasion, the president decided to close the college down, with all students being sent to an Anglo-Portuguese school in England until the war ended in 1814. The college was finally closed in 1973. Since the passing of the Roman Catholic Relief Act in Britain in 1829, the college's *raison d'être* had ceased to exist although its high reputation as a teaching and training establishment enabled it to survive for another 144 years.

Accession details

Lisbon College closed in 1973 and this collection, along with the rest of the Lisbon Archive and Library, was transferred to Ushaw College by Mgr James Sullivan the following year.

Arrangement

The papers follow the original arrangement of the collection which is broadly chronological.

Conditions of access

Open for consultation.

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Finding aids

Calendared card catalogue

Form of citation

The form of citation should use the code GB-0298-LC/A3, or the collection name Constitutions and Rules, followed by the *reference number*

To order items in the searchroom, use the collection reference code(s), derived by removing the repository code (GB-0298-), followed by the reference number. Citing the section of the finding aid is useful.

LC/A3/1 28 September 1599

Copy of the constitution of the English College in Douai entitled "Constituiones atque ordinationes quaedam observanda in Collegio Anglorum Duaceno"

Copy formerly owned by Thomas Haberley

Language: Latin

12f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 298

LC/A3/2 [?1600]

Copy of the constitution of the Venerable English College in Rome entitled "Constitutiones et regulae collegii Anglorum de Urbe quae alumnis hujus collegii singulis mensibus praelegi solent in mensa"

Language: Latin

4f

LC/A3/3 1600

Copy of the rules for the masters of Poetry, Syntax and Grammar

Language: Latin

2f

LC/A3/4 1600

Copy of the constitution of the English College in Valladolid

Language: Latin

5f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 106

LC/A3/5 2 June 1630

Guide by P. Coutinho for those responsible for drawing up the Lisbon College rules

2f

LC/A3/6 May 1634

Copy of the superior's comments on the inquisitor's questions etc. about the draft constitution
With a further inquisitor's copy followed by amendments in Portuguese

Language: Portuguese

5f//6f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 297

LC/A3/7 July 1634

Copy of the superior's comments on the first two paragraphs added by the inquisitor to the
draft constitutions

Language: Portuguese

2f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 322

LC/A3/8 2 October 1635 - 1638

Copy of the first, second and fourth visitations made by the protector, Don Francisco de
Castro, inquisitor general

Language: Portuguese

4f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 292

LC/A3/9 2 October 1637 - 9 July 1638

Abstract of rulings of the first three visitations

Language: Latin

1f

LC/A3/10 [1780]

Copy of "Regimina studiorum" (1639)

This copy was made in c.1780

Language: Latin

10f

LC/A3/11 [1780]

Transcript by Thomas Caton [1780] of "Regimina circa omnem gubernationem domesticam..."
(1639)

Language: Latin

28f

LC/A3/12 [?1630 x 1639]

Lisbon College constitutions in draft/translation

Language: Portuguese

24f

LC/A3/13 [?1640]

"Regimina circa victum"

Language: Latin

2f

LC/A3/14 1635 - 1646

Barnard's abstract of the protector's rulings in the course of visitations between 1635 and
1646

Language: Latin

6f

LC/A3/15 1690

Howard, Philip Thomas, *Constitutiones Collegii Pontificii Anglorum Duacensis, de mandato Clementis VIII. Pont. Max. per S. R. E. Cardinales Camillum Burghesium & Odoardum Farnesium ordinatae ac confirmatae; et auctoritate apostolicâ per Emum. ac Revum. Dom. Philippum Thomam Howard ... Cardinalem de Norfolcia, ejusdem Collegii Protectorem, recognitae, & in multis auctae* (Douai, 1690)

Language: Latin

53p

LC/A3/16 [?1700]

Rules to be observed for the prefect of the Sacristy

2f

LC/A3/17 [1760]

Petition by the superiors to the inquisitor to suspend the rule on the different rising times in the winter and summer months and to dispense from the examination in Latin on scripture reading in the refectory

Signed: G. Bernard, J. Preston, C. Hodgson, J. Allen, C. Croucher and J. Blevin

Includes an additional copy

Language: Portuguese

3f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 326

LC/A3/18 [1818]

Drafts for revision of the constitution

Language: English

10f

LC/A3/19 1819

Constitutiones et Regulæ Collegii Anglorum Ulyssiponensis, tituli Sanctorum Apostolorum Petri et Pauli, fundati a Perillustri D. D. Petro Coutinho (Lisbon, 1819)

Language: Latin

66p

LC/A3/20 1870

Printed galley proofs for *Constitutiones et regulæ Collegii Anglorum Ulyssiponensis tituli Sanctorum Apostolorum Petri et Pauli* (Lisbon, 1870)

Language: Latin

7f

LC/A3/21 1890 - 1921

Rules for the game of "Quat", with later additions up to 1921

Language: English

40f

LC/A3/22 [early 19th century]

English translation of the Lisbon College rules

Language: English

17f

LC/A3/23 [19th century]

Draft copy entitled "Regulations for the country"

Language: English

2f

LC/A3/24 [19th century]

Rules for precedence in the use of the bowling ground

Language: English

1f

LC/A3/25 [19th century]

Rules for the dormitory

With an additional copy

Language: English

2f

LC/A3/26 [19th century]

Rules for the billiard room

Language: English

1f