among the Curiosities in the Anatomy School Oxon .21

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The Representation of a sight at Venice to the Doge being men getting upon each other's shoulders in a strange manner sent by Mr Francis Povey the English Consul at Padua. Under which he has putt the following Inscription

Dum Venetiis agerem ultimis hisce Bacchanalium Feriis, inter quam plurima elegantiora spectacula, quibus celebrata est insani Festi solennitas, nihil me majori vel voluptate affecit, vel admiratione perculit, quam Ακροβατικὰ [illegible] ...rum accurate expressum, [illegible] mihi

afficit, vel admiratione percellit, qu[illegible]
illa ludicra, quorum typum accurate expressum,
novitatis gratia tibi submisi. Vereor autem ne tu mihi
fidem non habeas, cum vel ipse quidem stupenda
hæc nisi propriis oculis conspecta fuissent, vix unquam
credidissem. Rarum sane atque audax facinus, homines
in aperto Theatro unos in aliorum deinceps humeros,
tam pernicit[er] quasi in cœlum usque ascendere; et hoc
quoque manuum tantum virium nisu, absque omni alio
præterea adminiculo. Oblongus enim ille baculus, qui
sustentaculo esse videtur, admotus demum fuit, cum in
eam in qua conspiciuntur, altitudinem singuli propria
prius agilitate evherentur. Et quod insuper miseris,
spectaculum hoc non edebant Mimi ex professo
circumforanei, sed bini artificum ordines, qui sese invicem
æmulantes, studia sua, plebi talium avidæ, sine pretio

... Scholars ; which might be in som[e]

St John Baptist Coll: 41. 10

exponebant. USQUE ADEO OMNES, IPSOS ETIAM MECHANICOS, PLURIMUM EFFERT GLORIA.

The Exact Effigies in Stone of <u>Cornelius</u> and + <u>Joh. de Witt</u>. About them is writt.

CORNELIUS DE WITT NAT. A. 1625.

Behind the latter is <u>integer vitae</u>, and the former <u>scelerisque purus</u>. Under them: <u>Hic armis</u> (for <u>Cornelius</u>] <u>maximus, ille togis</u> [<u>for John</u>)

Near which is the representation of their Murder in Stone. About which thus:

<u>Nunc redeunt animis ingentia consulis acta,</u>
<u>Et formidati sceptris oracla ministri.</u>

underneath

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ORE TRUCIDAT. XX AUGUSTI.