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SUMMARY: The collection consists of ninety-five manuscript and printed volumes, in their original bindings, created and accumulated by four members of the Wijnpersse family, relating to their scholarly careers at the Universities of Utrecht, Leiden and Groningen. Included are the major works of Dionysius van de Wijnpersse on logic and metaphysics in various annotated editions, and writings related to them in manuscript form; the annotated books and manuscripts of Samuel Johannes van de Wijnpersse; several volumes of lecture notes by Dionysius van de Wijnpersse, Jr., and his thesis which was published in Leiden in 1822; and the thesis, published before 1815, of Cornelius Adrianus van de Wijnpersse.

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Processing Information

This collection received a basic level of processing, including rehousing and organization. Descriptive information is drawn in large part from information supplied with the collection and from an initial survey of the contents. In most instances, titles have been transcribed from the volumes.

Wijnpersse Family

Biographical notes drawn from *The Dictionary of Seventeenth and Eighteenth-Century Dutch Philosophers* (Bristol, England: Thoemmes Press, 2003), s.v. Dionysius van de Wijnpersse and Samuel Johannes van de Wijnpersse.

Dionysius van de Wijnpersse (1724-1808)

Dionysius van de Wijnpersse, one of the most influential philosophers in The Netherlands during the second half of the eighteenth century, was born at Middelburg in 1724. He studied philosophy in Utrecht from 1741, and after 1747 he studied theology at Leiden University, attending lectures in the humanities and social sciences as well. After his studies, Van de Wijnpersse became a minister in 1749, and as soon as 1752, he was appointed Professor of Philosophy at Groningen. In the same year of his appointment, Groningen University made him Doctor of Theology h.c. In 1758-1759, he was *Rector magnificus*. In 1769, he was appointed in Leiden, where he taught metaphysics, ethics, and eventually philosophia experimentalis. Van de Wijnpersse's teaching left six theses and two frequently reprinted manuals to posterity.

Samuel Johannes van de Wijnpersse (1759-1842)

Samuel Johannes van de Wijnpersse was born in Groningen on 11 June 1759. He was the son of Dionysius van de Wijnpersse and Anna Diederica Thiens. He matriculated from Leiden in 1770 and 1775, and received his PhD in 1780. His life was divided between philosophy and theology. He was a Reformed minister in the villages of Nieuwveen (1782) and IJsselmonde (1784) before being appointed as Professor of Philosophy at Groningen University. He left after two years to become a minister in Amsterdam, but was deposed in 1796 for refusing to sign a declaration of approval of the new political regime. In 1803, he was appointed as *Professor extraordinarius* of philosophy in Leiden. In 1822, he was granted his superannuation which he enjoyed until his death in Leiden on 22 November 1842.

Dionysius van de Wijnpersse (1799-1870)

Dionysius van de Wijnpersse was the son of Samuel Johannes van de Wijnpersse.

Cornelius Adrianus van de Wijnpersse

Cornelius Adrianus van de Wijnpersse was either a cousin or brother of Dionysius van de Wijnpersse (1799-1870).

Scope and Contents

The collection consists of ninety-five manuscript and printed volumes, in their original bindings, created and accumulated by four members of the Wijnpersse family, relating to their scholarly careers at the Universities of Utrecht, Leiden and Groningen. Included are the major works of Dionysius van de Wijnpersse on logic and metaphysics in various annotated editions, and related writings in manuscript; the annotated books and manuscripts of Samuel Johannes van de Wijnpersse; several volumes of lecture notes by Dionysius van de Wijnpersse, Jr., and his thesis which was published in Leiden in 1822; and the thesis, published before 1815, of Cornelius Adrianus van de Wijnpersse.

Arrangement

The collection is organized into four series: I. Dionysius van de Wijnpersse (1724-1808), 1746-1806; II. Samuel Johannes van de Wijnpersse (1759-1842), 1788-1821; III. Dionysius van de Wijnpersse (1799-1870), 1812-1822; and IV. Other Papers and Unidentified Material, 1815.

Collection Contents

Series I: Dionysius van de Wijnpersse (1724-1808), 1746-1806

Arranged into two subseries: Manuscript material and Printed material.

Manuscript material

b. 1	Dictata Cl. van de Wynpersse in Metaphykiam Ontologia	undated
b. 2	Dictata Clarissimi Professoris Leidensis D. van de Wynpersse [...] in primam Metaphysices [...] Insitutiones Ontologicas	1776-77
b. 3	Dictata Clarissimi Professoris Leidensis D. van de Wynpersse [...] in secundum Metaphysices [...] Psychologiam	undated
b. 4	Dictata Clarissimi Professoris Leidensis D. van de Wynpersse [...] in tertiam Metaphysices [...] Theologiam Naturalem	undated
b. 5	Dictata Clarissimi Professoris Leidensis D. van de Wynpersse [...] in quartam Metaphysices [...] Cosmologicas Institutiones	undated
b. 6	D. van de Wynpersse, Dictata in Metaphysicam, tom I, sive Dictata in Ontologiam	undated
b. 7	D. v. d. Wynpersse, Dictata in Metaphysicam, tom II, sive Dictata in Psychologiam	undated
b. 8	D. van de Wynpersse [...] Dictatore in Metaphysicam, tom III, Dictata in Theologiam Naturalem	1777
b. 9	D. van de Wynpersse [...] Dictatorum in Metaphysicam, tom IV, Dictata in Cosmologiam	1777
b. 10	Dictata ad Artem Logicam [vol. 1]	undated
b. 11	Dictata ad Artem Logicam [vol. 2]	undated
b. 12	Dictata ad Artem Logicam [vol. 1]	undated
b. 13	Dictata ad Artem Logicam [vol. 2]	undated
b. 14	Dictata ad Pufendorfium, tom I	undated
b. 15	Dictata ad Pufendorfium [vol. 2]	undated
b. 16	Dictata ad Pufendorfium [vol. 3]	undated
b. 17	Dictata ad Pufendorfium [vol. 4]	undated
b. 18	Dictata ad Pufendorfium [vol. 5]	undated
b. 19	Dictata ad Pufendorfium [vol. 6]	undated
b. 20	Notae in Ill. Sam. Pufendorfi	undated
b. 21	Notae in Ill. Sam. Pufendorfi [vol. 2]	undated
b. 22	Dictata in Astronomiam, dictatore in usum globum	undated

Manuscript material (continued)

b. 23	Dictata in Astronomiam, dictatore in cognitionem atque usum globorum	undated
Printed material		
b. 24	Specimen Philosophico-Morale de Libertinismo and five other titles (with manuscript interleavings and annotations)	1746
b. 25	Specimen Philosophico-Morale de Libertinismo and five other titles	1746
b. 26	Specimen Philosophico-Morale de Libertinismo	1746
b. 27	Oratio de Recentiorum Meritis	1759
b. 28	Institutiones Metaphysicae in Usum Academicum	1764 [1770 written above in manuscript]
b. 29	Institutiones Metaphysicae in Usum Academicum	1770
b. 30	Institutiones Metaphysicae in Usum Academicum	1789
b. 31	Institutiones Logicae in Usum Academicum	1767
b. 32	Institutiones Logicae in Usum Academicum	1779
b. 33	Institutiones Logicae in Usum Academicum	1806
b. 34	Onderwijs in de Redenkunde, ten dienste zijner, Academische Lessen	1780
b. 35	Oratio de Recta Philautia	1780
b. 36	Betoog der waare en eeuwige Godheid, van onzen heere Jesus Christus	1794

Series II: Samuel Johannes van de Wijnpersse (1759-1842), 1788-1821

Arranged into two subseries: Manuscript material and Printed material.

Manuscript material

Includes volumes of lecture notes.

b. 37	Excerpta ex dictis S.J.v.d.Wijnpersse ad Institutiones Metaphysicas (Metaphysica, vol. 1)	1816-18
b. 38	Excerpta ex dictis S.J.v.d.Wijnpersse ad Theologiam Naturalem (Metaphysica, vol. 2)	1816-17
b. 39	Dictata in Philosophia, moralis	1817-18
b. 40	Notae breviores ad Institutiones Religionis Naturalis (Notae)	1820-21
b. 41	Institutiones Religionis Naturalis (Comp.)	1820-21

Printed material

b. 42	Oratio Inauguralis, de Regimine Idearum Connexarum Prudenter Instituendo	1788
b. 43	'Nagelaaten Leerreedenen' by H.D. Portner; bound for S.J. van de Wijnpersse	1791, 1798
b. 44	Oratio Inauguralis de amore dei erga (1 of 2 copies)	1803
b. 45	Oratio Inauguralis de amore dei erga (2 of 2 copies)	1803
b. 46	Institutiones Philosophiae Moralis, in usum academicum (with manuscript interleavings and annotations)	1808
b. 47	Institutiones Philosophiae Moralis, in usum academicum	1808

Series III: Dionysius van de Wijnpersse (1799-1870), 1812-1822

Arranged into two subseries: Manuscript material and Printed material.

Manuscript material

Includes volumes of lecture notes.

Volumes with like bindings have been grouped together and then arranged either alphabetically or chronologically.

b. 48	Dictata in Anthropologiam (notes taken from lectures by S. J. Brugmans)	1818-19
b. 49	Dictata ad Antiquitates, Graecas (notes taken from lectures by J. Bakii)	1817-18
b. 50	Dictata in antiquitates Romanas (notes taken from lectures by A.D. Wyttenbach)	1815-16
b. 51	Dictata in historiam antiquam, media partem (notes taken from lectures by A.D. Wyttenbachii)	1815-16
b. 52	Dictata in historiam mediam et novum (notes taken from lectures by Wyttenbachii)	1816-17
b. 53	Dictata in historiam Philosophiae (notes taken from lectures by A.D. Wyttenbachii)	1816-17
b. 54	Dictata in Historiam Philosophia (notes taken from lectures by E.A. Borgeri)	1818-19
b. 55	Dictata in Aeschinis, orationem contra Ctesiphontem (notes taken from lectures by J. Bakii)	1818-19
b. 56	Dictata in Ciceronem de legibus (notes taken from lectures by A.D. Wyttenbachii)	1815-16
b. 57	Dictata in Ciceronem de officiis (notes taken from lectures by D. Wyttenbachii)	1815-17
b. 58	Dictata in Ciceronem de divinatione (notes taken from lectures by J. Bakii)	1817-18
b. 59	Dictata in Ciceronis oratorem (notes taken from lectures by J. Bakii)	1818-19
b. 60	Dictata in Demosthenem, vol. I (notes taken from lectures by J. Bakii)	1816[?]
b. 61	Dictata in Demosthenam, vol. II (notes taken from lectures by J. Bakii)	1816[?]
b. 62	Dictata in Homeri (notes taken from lectures by H. Tollius)	1815-16
b. 63	Dictata in Homeri (notes taken from lectures by J. Bakii)	1815-16
b. 64	Dictata in Homeri (notes taken from lectures by J. Bakii)	1816-17
b. 65	Dictata in Euripidis, Hecubam and Orestem (notes taken from lectures by J. Bakii)	1816-17
b. 66	Dictata in Plutarchi (notes taken from lectures by J. Bakii)	1816-1817
b. 67	Dictata in Sophoclis (notes taken from lectures by J. Bakii)	1817-18

Manuscript material (continued)

b. 68	Dictata in Encyclopædiam et methodologiam juris universi (notes taken from lectures by A.H.G. Tydeman)	1817-18
b. 69	Dictata ad J.A. Bachii historiam juris (notes taken from lectures by H.A. Tydeman)	1817-18
b. 70	Dictata ad Institutiones Juris Rom (notes taken from lectures by H.A. Tydeman)	1817-18
b. 71	Dictata in Jus Criminale, secundum codicum Gallicum poenale (notes taken from lectures by J.M. Kemper)	undated
b. 72	Dictata in H[ugonis] Grotii opus de Jure Belli et Pacis (notes taken from lectures by J.M. Kemper)	undated
b. 73	Dictata ad Jus Hodiernum, civile et criminale, [notes taken from lectures by N. Smallenburg]	1819-20
b. 74	Dictata in Jus Natura (notes taken from lectures by J.M. Kemper)	1818-20
b. 75	Dictata in Oeconomiam Politicum (notes taken from lectures by A.H.G. Tydeman)	1818-19
b. 76	Dictata ad Pandectus Justinianas [Digest of Justinian] partem primum (notes taken from lectures by N. Smallenburg)	1818
b. 77	Dictata ad Pandectus Justinianas [Digest of Justinian] partem secundum (notes taken from lectures by N. Smallenburg)	1818-19
b. 78	Dictata ad Pandectus Justinianas [Digest of Justinian] partem quartum (notes taken from lectures by N. Smallenburg)	1819
b. 79	Ius Naturae apud Prof. S[eerp] Gratama	1812
b. 80	Oratio de Viriatho [...] Lugduni Batavoriam in templo Gallicano a D.v. d. Wijnpersse	1815
b. 81	Historia Iuris Romani	1816
b. 82	De Encyclopaedia Juris	1817
b. 83	Ius Criminale	1818
b. 84	Institutionum Liber I	undated
b. 85	Institutionum Liber II	undated
b. 86	Lib. XXV [de legibus]	undated
b. 87	Institutionum. Brevis Expositio [ad legem Romanum]	undated
b. 88	Ius Publicum	undated
Printed material		
b. 89	Disputatio Juridica Inauguralis, ad locum juris Romani, qui est de fideicommissis, sive de fideicommissorum Romanorum historia	1822

Printed material (continued)

b. 90	Dissertatio Literaria Inauguralis de Xenocrate Chalcedonio, Philosopho Academico	1822
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Series IV: Other Papers and Unidentified Material, 1815, undated

Arranged into two subseries: Manuscript material and Printed material.

Manuscript material		
b. 91	Generale Remarques Wegens de Practyk (in Dutch)	undated
b. 92	Dictata in Philosophiam Practicam, Joh. Franc. Buddei ("D. Wynpers" given on spine)	undated
b. 93	Adversaria (index of terms, probably created by Dionysius van de Wijnpersse, Jr.)	undated
b. 94	Index Biographicus Virorum doctrina illustrium, praesertim aevi recentioris (Dionysius van de Wijnpersse, Jr.?)	undated
Printed material		
b. 95	Specimen Medicum Inaugurale, exhibens animdaversiones atque observationes nonnullas medicas by Cornelius Adrianus van de Wijnpersse	1815

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects

Ethics
Logic
Metaphysics
Ontology
Philosophers -- Netherlands -- 18th century
Philosophers -- Netherlands -- 19th century
Philosophy, Dutch -- 18th century
Philosophy, Dutch -- 19th century
Philosophy and religion

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