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JACOPO CORBINELLI LETTORE E TESTIMONE
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HISTORY AND POLITICS IN THE LIBRARY
OF JACOPO CORBINELLI.
EXILE AND POLITICAL COMMITMENT IN FRANCE
DURING THE RELIGIOUS WARS

Abstract

Jacopo Corbinelli, famous Florentine humanist exiled in France in the second half of Sixteenth century, has left many testimonies of his studies of Greek and Latin classics, as well as of the vernacular authors. The letters written by Corbinelli to his Italian correspondents, the consulting of his books and other materials recently discovered together with unpublished manuscripts allow the understanding of the great role of historical and political books in his library. The study of these examples highlights the process of research and acquisition of books, the mechanisms of formation of his library, the passion of Corbinelli as reader and publisher of historical and political texts and his commitment as witness of his time. All these aspects are investigated with the aim of reconstructing the personality of Jacopo Corbinelli as intellectual and courtier at the court of Catherine de' Medici and Henry III of France.

Keywords

Jacopo Corbinelli; Giovan Vincenzo Pinelli; Renaissance history; French religious wars.

Nella prospettiva di un più ampio studio sulla figura intellettuale di Jacopo Corbinelli, meritano di trovare spazio una riflessione dedicata agli studi storici e una disamina dei libri – a stampa o manoscritti – che attestano questo suo interesse culturale non marginale; tale interesse si nutre della curiosità

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