

# [Il Petrarca con la spositione di m\[isser\] Giovanni Andrea Gesvaldo](#)

## ENTRY TYPE

Printed Edition

## Details

### PLACE OF PUBLICATION

Venice  
Italy

### PRINTER

[Domenico Giglio](#)

### DATE OF PUBLICATION

1553

### MODE OF EXEGESIS

[Commentary](#)

[Life](#)

[Tools for the reader](#)

### DEDICATEE

[Bernardo Priuli](#)

### RELATED TO PETRARCH'S

*RVF, Triumph*

## Descriptions

### PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: TEXTBLOCK

paper; Petrarch's poems and commentary in italic type; printed numbering; Petrarch's poems printed with one verse per line on left, followed by commentary printed next to it in the same line and then distributed across the page beneath them, and prose texts; six rectangular-box woodcuts, two portraits, and title page between architectural frame.

### PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: FORMAT

4°; 2 parts: aa-bb<sup>8</sup>, cc<sup>6</sup>, A<sup>4</sup>, B-Z<sup>8</sup>, AA-VV<sup>8</sup>, XX<sup>4</sup>, a-i<sup>8</sup>; [22], 346; [72] fols.

## TITLE PAGE

[Medallion portraits of Petrarch and Laura] | IL PETRARCHA | CON LA SPOSITIONE DI | M[ESSER] GIOVANNI ANDREA | GESVALDO. | AL MAGNIF[ICO] M[ESSER] BERNARDO | PRIVLI, FV DEL MAGNIFICO | M[ESSER] GIACOMO | PER DOMENICO GIGLIO

## INTERNAL DESCRIPTION

First part:

aa1r: title page;

aa1v: blank;

aa2r: papal brief dated 15 February 1530 ('Clemens Papa VII');

aa2r-aa2v: Domenico Giglio's dedicatory letter to Bernardo Priuli ('Al magnifico messer Bernardo Privli, fv del magnifico m[esser] Giacomo, patron svo honorandissimo Domenico Giglio s[crive]');

aa3r-bb6v: Gesualdo's life of Petrarch ('La vita del Petrarca'); bb7r-bb7v: Gesualdo's life of Laura ('La vita di madonna Laura');

bb7v-bb8v: note on the order and partition of *RVF* ('L'ordine e la divisione de l'opra');

bb8v-cc1r: note on the quality of verses ('La qvalita de versi'); cc1r: note on the moral benefit provided by Petrarch's work ('L'vtilitate');

c1v-c4v: passages from Petrarch's work on which the biography is based ('I lvoghi del Petrarca, onde lo spositore ha raccolto qvanto ha qvi scritto di lvi');

cc5r-cc6v: alphabetical index of the first lines of *RVF* poems (under each letter of the alphabet, poems are listed in order of appearance) ('La tavola de sonetti e de le canzoni');

A1-NN1v: *RVF* 1-266 with Gesualdo's commentary ('I sonetti et le canzoni del Petrarca colla spositione del Gesvaldo');

NN2r-XX6r: *RVF* 267-366 with Gesualdo's commentary ('I sonetti, et le canzoni del Petrarca in morte di madonna Lavra');

XX6v: blank;

Second part:

a1r: title page: I TRIONFI | DEL PETRARCHA, | CON LA SPOSITIONE DI M[ESSER] | GIOVANNI ANDREA | GESVALDO DA | TRAIETTO | M. D. LIII.;

a1v: blank;

a2r-a2v: overview of *Triumphs*'s content ('Il soggetto de Trionfi del poeta');

a3r-i7v: *Triumphs* with Gesualdo's commentary; each triumph is preceded by a rectangular-box woodcut: *Amoris* (a3r), *Pudicitie* (d5r), *Mortis* (e4r), *Fame* (f5v), *Temporis* (h7r), *Eternitatis* (i3v);

i8r: register and colophon: In Venetia per Domenico Giglio. M D LIII.

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#### NOTES

The oval frame surrounding Petrarch's portrait contains verses *RVF* 347, 10-11: 'mai non volsi altro da te che 'l sol de li occhi tuoi'. The one surrounding Laura's portrait contains the verse *Triumphus mortis* II 151: 'teco era il cor, a me gli occhi rivolsi'. Within the cartouche above, *Triumphus cupidinis* II, 40: 'non mai si dolce fiamma in duo core arse'.

#### ONLINE REFERENCES

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