

Mason Tung: *Variorum Edition of Alciato*.

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Emblem 133.

1531	C1v	1567	(20)
1534	45	1577	449
1547	43	1583	442
1551	144	1621	568

Ex literarum studijs immortalitatem acquiri.¹









Neptuni² tubicen, cuius pars ultima³ cetum,⁴
Aequoreum facies indicat esse Deum,⁵
Serpentis medio Triton compranditur⁶ orbe,⁷
Qui caudam inserto mordicus ore tenet.
Fama uiros⁸ animo insignes⁹ praeclaraq; gesta,
Prosequitur,¹⁰ toto mandat & orbe legi.

Textual Variants

¹31]EX LITERARVM STVDIIS / immortalitatem acquiri. ²21]NEPTVNI
³47,51,67,77,83,21]vltima ⁴83]cetum ⁵31]deum. 51,67]Deum:
⁶31,47,51,77,83,21]comprenditur 67]comprehenditur ⁷31]orbe ⁸47,51,67,77,83,21]viros
⁹47,51,67,77,83,21]insignes, ¹⁰51,67]Prosequitur: 77,83]Prosequitur;

Commentary

PICTURE variant: 31 shows Triton biting his own tail. In 34 Triton is encircled by a snake biting its own tail. 47/83 has Triton blowing on a conch inside the snake circle. This design is followed in the rest of the editions.

Emblem 133.	Ex literarum studijs immortalitatem acquiri.	Neptune & serpent-ring.
		
1531, f. Clv.	1534, p. 45.	1546 (nonexistent).
		
1547, n. 41, p. 43.	1551, p. 144.	1567, n. 20, p. 20.
		
1577, n. 132.	1583, n. 132, p. 442.	1621, n. 133.