

ΜΟΛΟΓΟΥΜΕ
ΜΕΤΑΕΣΤΙΝ

it was found in the Convent on
belongs to the sixth century, but is a
earlier date. Besides the Old and
it has the Gospel and Epistles of Barnabas and the Epistle of Hermas.
Gospel are contained in the oldest MS. in the library at Wolfenbützel.
The ancient Greek letters have been scratched off, and a modern text written

that time. The text is from Malachi iv. 6.

As a specimen of the ancient Hebrew letter used about the time that Paul w
liel, here is a copy from a gravestone in the
Crimea, of the year A. D. 6. This style of letter
is like that on the coins of the Maccabees, B. C.
139, and other coins down to A. D. 130.

צִיּוֹן בִּקְוָה
וְעַתָּה יִשְׂרָאֵל
בְּיָמֵינוּ
שָׁנָה שְׁבַע
לְעֹלָמְנוּ

JESUS CHRIST

IN HIS OWN WORDS

ΕΙΣ ΤΗΝ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑΝ
ΤΗΣ ΚΑΤΑΡΤΙΣ

entirely obliterating the ancient writing. The first speci-
i. 6. The next is one which was found at the Convent on
Egypt, and is Luke xx. 9, 10, with a work of Severus of

The oldest *printed* Hebrew Bible (Old Testament) wa
Italy, A. D. 1487, in folio. The Complutensian Polyglot
expense of Cardinal Ximenes in 1514-1522, in 6 vols. fol
dollars. The last specimen on this page is Greek, from th
and is dated A. D. 995. The initial letter is in blue and re

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ΠΡΙΣΤΟΝΕΝΠΑ

It is dated A. D. 550. Both the specimens of writing are
the art. The great price of writing material, skins, parch-
ment and papyrus, caused the loss of many old books, whose
to make room for some new work.

finely "illuminated." The first book printed was the B
the splendid pages of the Mazarin Vulgate, printed by G
in 1455, at Mainz, are not surpassed at this day as specim
And the style of the letter has not been improved upon
elegance of shape or distinctness.

in any language of the
Septuagint, written in Greek, at Alex
c. 286-280. The oldest known copy
written on thin vellum, contains the
is dated in the fifth century; now in
m, and is called

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This specimen is from a copy in the library of Trinity College, Dublin, a pal
to the sixth century. It is from
thew, xix. 26.

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