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SURGERY. One of the most beautiful scientific books of the Renaissance is Guido Guidi's *Chirurgia e Graeco in Latinum conversa* (Paris, 1544). Printed at the private residence of Benvenuto Cellini, its

more than two hundred woodcuts depict many of the instruments and surgical procedures of the early Christian period. Its text is a rendering into Latin of a Byzantine manuscript containing surgical works of Hippocrates, Galen, and Oribasius, to which Guidi added commentaries of his own, Guidi was a Florentine surgeon who served on the faculty of the University of Paris, where one of his pupils was the young Vesalius. This very rare book was considered a rarity even in the sixteenth century. Gift of John Martin, M.D.

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