Abstract: The adnotatio on Laurentianus 70.5, f. 5^r is an important testimony of the textual tradition of Appian's Historia Romana. Aubrey Diller (1962), followed by several scholars, proposed to consider it a mere abridge-

ment of Photius' Bibliotheca, cap. 57; but a cross-comparison with Photius and Appian's internal evidence seems to show an independent origin of this adnotatio.

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