

A COMPLETE SET OF THE HISTORIATED INITIALS
FROM ANDREAS VESALIUS'

De Humanī Corporis Fabrica

1ST EDITION 1543

&

2ND EDITION 1555

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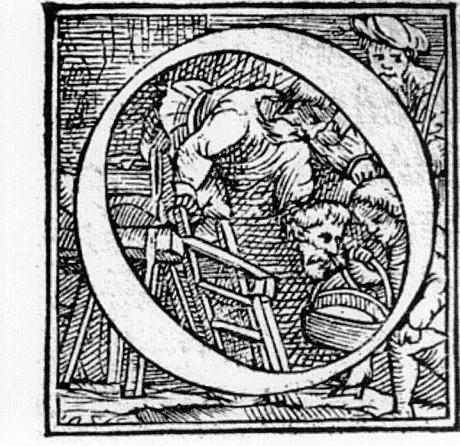
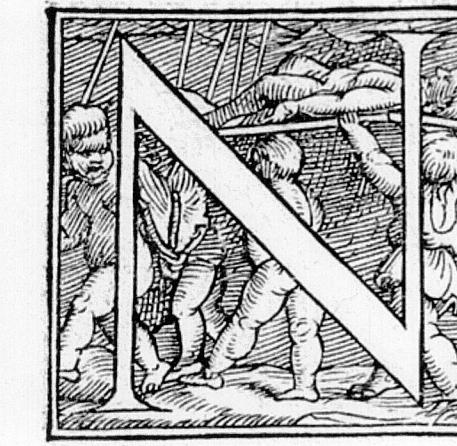
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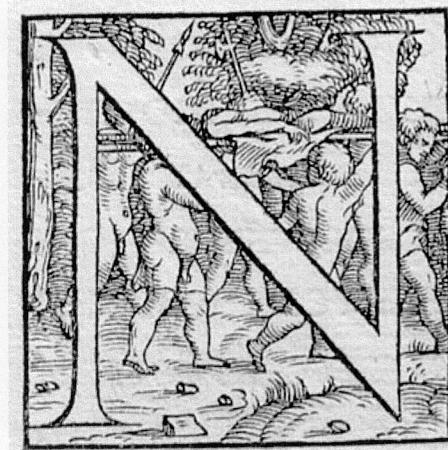
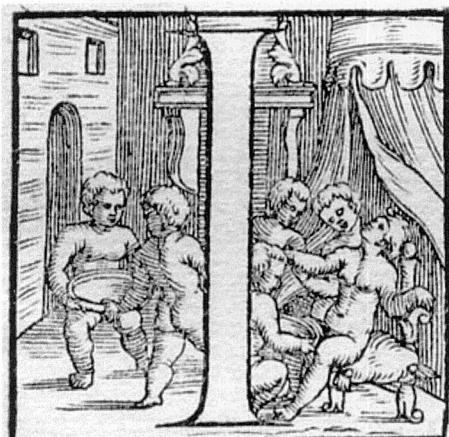
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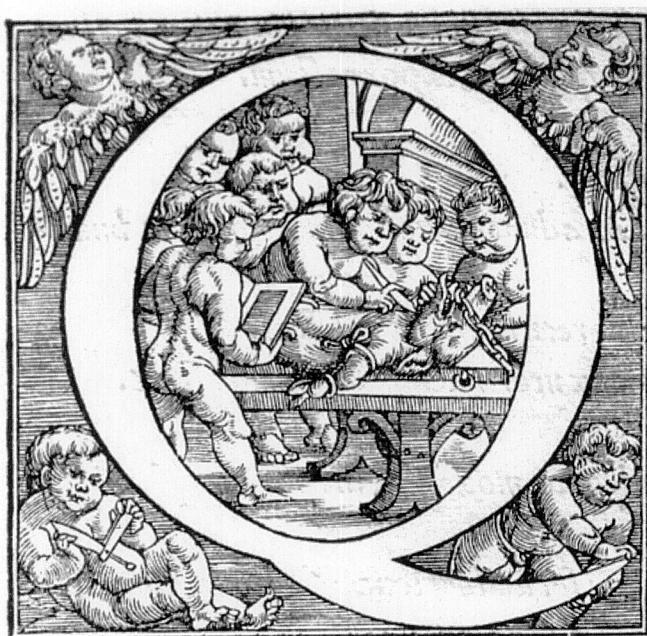
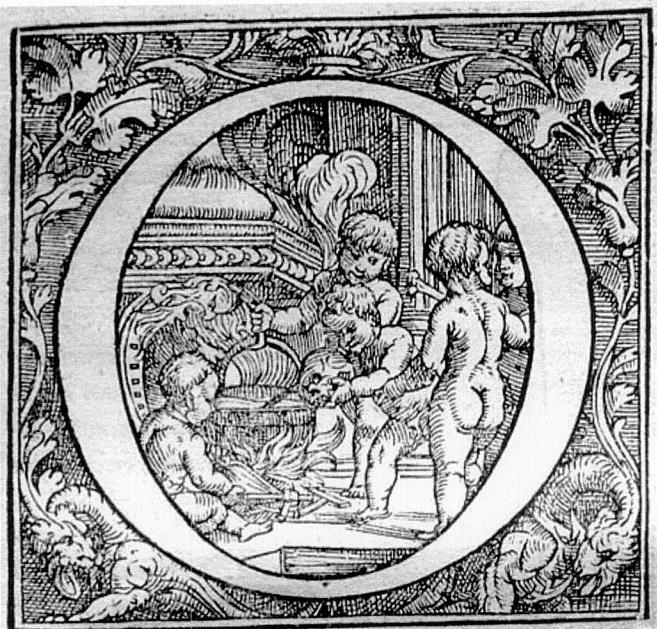


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BOTH THE 1543 AND 1555 EDITIONS OF THE FABRICA HAD LARGE HISTORIATED INITIALS I, O, Q, AND T. THE 1555 EDITION ADDED THE INITIAL V SEEN AT RIGHT. THIS IS THE ONLY HISTORIATED INTIAL THAT DEPICTS A SCENE FROM GREEK MYTHOLOGY.

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