Ioh Philippus Melanthon geboren
wie ich meiner handschrifft, ders
ist von dem Inkunabeln gedruckt,
freuten und freun, sein Schatz, fuss
Georgen und seyn tuchen gedenkten,
freuen zu Anfalten, Freuden und Freun
zu der Ascension und Brunswyck zu
meinen gantzen Freun, empfangen
so zu Freuden und wunden Freun,
braue sliche Freuden gesund,
vorfreunung von Constanze in dem
raumes gemahnete solchs und wundersch
er zu, felix worden, und feie vor
Freuden gesund, von wunderbaren
summonen fur Freude sitts und wundersch
den die vorangeg Zell guere und las
Iohann zu Brunswick Nicolai zu Anna
1546
philippus mel
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propria
I, Philipp Melanchthon, acknowledge in my own handwriting that I have received 45 florins from their Imperial Highnesses Prince John, George and Joachim, brothers, Princes of Anhalt and Birnburg as my Imperial masters; it had become due according to their imperial bond on St. Catherine's day in this year 1546 and I declare this sum to be paid by them in this year 1546.

Date St. Nicolas Anno 1546

Philipp Melanchthon himself

MELANCTHON (Philip). German Reformer.


A very fine specimen of an extremely rare autograph, entirely in Melanchthon’s hand, and being his written receipt for a sum of forty-five florins received from their Imperial Highnesses, Princes John, George and Joachim of Anhalt and Birnburg "my Imperial Masters."

** Melanchthon was at this period of his life living at Wittenberg in Saxony, where he was Greek Professor at the University.
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