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Ms. Gall. Quart. 135

Binding:

Half-binding: spine made of red leather, covers covered with red linen; similar binding used for Gall. Quart. 134, made in Batavia (former name of Jakarta).

History:

The volume consists of two parts: one hand-written and the other printed. It is assumed that both parts were created more or less at the same time. Considering the date of the printed part (28th of January 1876), the manuscript is dated to the 1870s. The text was undoubtedly authored by a French engineer. When it comes to the copyist, the considerable number of errors allows us to exclude the hypothesis that he was a native speaker of French. Prior to its inclusion to the collection of the Königliche Bibliothek in Berlin the copy belonged to the museum whose stamp and inscription: *INDISCH LEESMUSEUM DELFT* is visible on fol. 1r°. The volume was entered to the accession number of the Königliche Bibliothek under accession No. 1906.297 on the 27th of March 1907, together with the information about its origin: « De Stoppelaa (S. Brillsche Buchhandlung in Leiden) ». It belongs to the same collection as Ms. Gall. Quart. 134.

Content:

The copy contains the description of works conducting during the construction and furnishing of the port in Tandjong Priok near Batavia (today's Jakarta). The manuscript is anonymous. The main text has two annexes the last of which is printed. The edition was not found, though the printed part must have been published, maybe in one of the magazines or in one of the official registers.

I (1r°-31v°) PORT DE BATAVIA À TANDJONG PRIOK. The text consists of three chapters: (1r°-13v°) Chapitre I. Introduction, précis historique, ressources; (14r°-24v°) Chapitre II. Description des Travaux; (25r°-31v°) Chapitre III. Détails d'exécution.

II (33r°-46v°) LISTE DES PRINCIPALES COMMANDES FAITES EN EUROPE POUR LA LIVRAISON DES MACHINES ET DES MATÉRIAUX DANS LES PREMIERS TEMPS POUR L'EXÉCUTION DES TRAVAUX. The annexe provides the list of materials ordered in Europe.





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III (47r°-58v°) REGISTRE DE SONDAGES EN MER, PRÈS DE TANDJONG PRIOG. The (printed) annexe consists of three parts: (47r°-50v°) Registre des sondages en mer, près de Tandjong Priok; (51r°-54v°) Registre des sondages à la terre ferme, à Tandjong Priok; (55r°-58v°) Registre, contenant le résultat des expériments quant à la force résistante du fond de mer auprès de TANDJONG PRIOK.