

Ms. Gall. Quart. 109

Binding:

Binding made of marbled paper. Type of binding often used in the Königliche Bibliothek in Berlin in the last quarter of the 19th century (cf. mss. Gall. Fol. 189 et Gall. Fol. 147).

History:

The manuscript is dated on the basis of the filigrees *L-JDL&C^o* (cf. Louisiana State University, Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections, Butler Family Papers, Ms. 1026, folder 695, letter of the 6th of May 1872; The University of Texas and Austin, Benson Latin American Collection, Mariano Riva Palacio Collection, n^o 8590, letter of the 5th of March 1870). The text was written c. 1866 (see the date on page 6r^o). The print included in the volume as the last folio is marked with the date of 1869 (cf. f. 22r^o). The copy was entered to the old catalogue of the Königliche Bibliothek in Berlin under No. Cat. A 557, 8, together with the information about its origin: “Aus Lepsius Nachlass.” Before its inclusion to the Königliche Bibliothek collection the manuscript belonged to Karl Richard Lepsius (1810–1884), a Prussian linguist and professor of Egyptology at the University in Berlin.

Content:

ANONYME : DESCRIPTION DE L'EGYPTE. (1r^o- 18r^o) The manuscript contains various information about Egypt. The volume consists of seven parts fitted with titles: *Territoire* (1r^o-5v^o), *Population* (6r^o-8r^o), *Forces productives* (9r^o-11v^o), *Commerce extérieur* (12r^o-15r^o), *Transports à l'Intérieur* (15r^o-16v^o), *Navigation Maritime* (16v^o-17r^o), *Armée* (17v^o-18r^o). The text contains tables with statistical data. Apart from the main body of the text, the copy has four annexes (one page each): (19r^o) *Le tableau A*: no title – list of goods imported to Egypt. (20r^o) *Le tableau B: Marchandises exportées du Port d'Alexandrie dans les années: 1862, 1863, 1864 et 1865.* (21r^o) *Pavillons étrangers* (22r^o) *Etat général synoptique Des Naissances déclarées, Décès, Vaccinations et Malades Traités à Domicile et dans les Hôpitaux, de la Basse, Moyenne et Haute Egypte Pendant l'Année de l'Hégire 1285 (du 22 Avril 1868 au 11 Avril 1869)* – printed table. The texts have not been published.

