

MS. GALL. FOL. 173

Binding:

Original binding covered with ordinary paper, very bad state of preservation.

History:

This manuscript was made around 1814-1846. The *Terminus post quem* is determined by the date of the most recently copied document in gall. fol. 174 manuscript which constitutes the second volume of this manuscript and by the date of publishing printed texts included in the gall. fol. 174 manuscript, whereas the *terminus ante quem* is determined by the date of death of one of the copyists and, at the same time, the owner of the manuscript. The place of origin is probably Aachen. The manuscript comes from the Bibliotheca Quixiana n^o 41, i.e. from the collection of Christian Quix, a historian from Aachen who died in 1846 and whose collection was moved to the Königliche Bibliothek in Berlin in 1847. Therefore Quix's collection is the original place where the manuscript was kept. Its history is not rich.

Content:

The manuscript contains various fragments, in French and in German, from Napoleon's Campaign in the years 1812-1813. Texts in French: fol. 1r^o-35v^o, 36v^o-105v^o, 106r^o-124v^o, 125r^o-143v^o, 147r^o-150r^o, 151r^o-v^o, 153r^o, 154r^o-161v^o; texts in German: fol. 35v^o-36v^o, 105v^o-106r^o, 124v^o, 152r^o-v^o, 162r^o-164v^o. These are numerous copies which are often short, hence it is not possible to discuss them within the manuscript description. In many cases they concern copies of printed texts, e.g. the *Bulletins de la grande armée*, *Gazette de Moscou* or *Bulletins du gouverneur général de Moscou*, and are also of no textological value. Other copies are probably in various archives: copies of reports, treatises, treaties, letters, various notes, proclamations, speeches, dispatches, descriptions of positions of the French army, and others. There is one part which refers to a different period, the *Proclamation des Ertzherzog Karl Königl. Hoch. an der französischen Armeen* – which makes it the April 1799 proclamation of Archduke Charles of Austria to the French army. With reference to gall. fol. 173 manuscript, cf. Lemm, p. 11.