

MS. GALL. QUART. 100

Binding:

Half-binding: morocco leather and marbled paper. The binding is original and was made for Charles Gérard de Colmar, between 1857 and 1867.

History:

Note on the page IIv^o informs that the copy was made in 1857 by the daughter of Charles Gérard (de Colmar) named Flora: *Copie faite par ma fille Flora, en 1857, sur un mss. que m'a communiqué l'abbé Zimmerlin, curé d'Orschwihr*. The manuscript was made in the town of Colmar. Its first owner was Charles Gérard (de Colmar), then in 1867 it came into possession of William I, the king of Prussia, who immediately gave it to Königliche Bibliothek in Berlin. Information about this is in the ex-libris on the front endpaper, which contains the emblem of the Prussian kings and the inscription: *BIBLIOTHECA REGIA BEROLINENSIS. / DONO / WILHELMI / REGIS AUGUSTISSIMI / D. XVIII. IUN. A. MDCCCLXVII. / EX BIBLIOTHECA ALSATICA / D. GERARDI / COLUMBARIENSIS*, as well as the accession register in Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin – Preussischer Kulturbesitz, where the manuscript was registered in 1867, under the number Acc. Gér. 1232. By mistake, in the manuscript there is the pressmark *Gall. Oct. 100*.

Content:

The manuscript contains short texts: copies of acts, letters, etc., which refer to the religious matters of Alsace during the French Revolution. On page IIv^o there is a note informing that the copy was made on the basis of a manuscript which belonged to the priest Zimmerlin, the rector of Orschwihr. It probably refers to the priest Antoine-Georges Zimmerlin, a scholar, a well-known collector of the Alsatian manuscripts, rector of Orschwihr in the years 1847-1860. Flora based her work on one of his manuscripts. Therefore it is a codex descriptus, deprived of textological value. The model, on which Flora based her work, is presently kept at Bibliothèque nationale et universitaire de Strasbourg: ms. 517 – the manuscript has the following title: “Mémoires sur la Révolution française, des années 1789 et suivantes, écrits

par Antoine George Zimmerlin, prêtre du diocèse de Strasbourg et curé à Traubach-le-Haut.
En 1833”. With reference to this manuscript cf. Lemm, p. 20.