

Transcription of GEO/ADD/43/19b.

Text in italics is in a second hand. For information on the letter codes for dates, as identified by Claudia Ardevines Puyuelo, please see the transcription of GEO/Add/19a.

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[2r]

Charles Dyed ^*died*^ & ~~left~~ & divided His vast possessions between His Grandson Bernhard & His Son ~~Lou~~ Lewis the Good. ~~That~~ Bernhard became ^*had*^ Italy & Lewis all the rest with the Title of Roman Emperor. ~~In this same year~~ Lewis immediately upon His Succession Followed His Fathers Example & Divided His Possession between His Three Sons. Pipin & Lewis were to succeed Him as Dukes of Aquitaine & Bavaria, but ~~to~~ under Subjection to their Elder Brother Lothario whom He left the greatest share of His profession ^*possessions*^ with the title of R. E. but Lewis having by His Second Wife Judith of a Guelf family a Younger Son called Charles the ~~Bawld~~ Bald ~~for~~ in whose favour He made some new Divisions drew upon Himself the hatred of His three Elder Sons. He was by them at different times ~~{?}~~ imprisoned deposed & reinstated, but after a long series of

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Lewis [2] of Misfortunes He died ^*died*^ at last in a war against His Youngest Son Lewis the the ~~Germane~~ German. Good

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After His Death The Brothers continued disunited ^in war^ until the year 843. After a Battle at Fontenay where Lewis the Germanic & Charles the Bawld ^*bald*^ ~~were~~ joynd ^*joined*^ against Lothario & in the year 844. They made a partition Treaty ~~in~~ at Verdun which lay^*laid*^ the Foundation of the Boundaries as they still subsists between France & Germany.

Thus it was Divided.

Charles the Bawld ^*Bald*^ had the Western part of what we now call France bounded by the Rivers

Rhone, Saone, Meuse, & the Scheldt

Lothario obtained with the dignity of Emperor, that part which lay between those Rivers & the Rhein which was called afterwards after His son Lothario Lotharingen.

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Lewis the Germanic had the remaining Eastern part of the Empire with the addition of the Bishpwricks of Speier, Worms & Mayence.

In the Year 855 being twelve years after the partition Treaty another division took place ~~be~~ between Lotharios three Sons.

The Eldest Lewis the Second had Italy with the Title of Emperor.

Charles the Youngest had Provence.

& Lothario the Second Son got Lorrain

Twenty years after this Division this Branch of Charlemayne ~~came~~ was extinct. & there remained now only the German Line & the Fren & the French Line which still continued disunited on account of the Division of the Possessions of the Former Line.

These Unfortunate Divisions lessen^ed the power of the Crown, & greatly [4] increased that of the Nobility, ~~for in order to obtain their assistance in matter of~~ ~~Consequence the Sovereigns were obliged to part with some lands for~~ it frequently happened that the Sovereigns ~~saw~~ were under the Necessity of making them Considerable Present ~~in~~ of Lands in order to obtain their assistance, particularly against the incursions of the Normans in France, & the Vandals in Germany.

~~This made go~~ These incursions ~~gave rise~~ made it necessary that ~~thees~~ ^{the} Provinces most likely to be attaked ~~were~~ ^{should be} put under Governors to defend them. Lewis the Germanic ~~put~~ named a Duke of Thuringen to defend those Limits against the Vandals ^[on 3^v] for the same purpose. & a Duke of Saxony named Rudolph who Founded the Abbey of Landersheim, but this was ^{not} sufficient to defend the whole Country. Everybody thought of their own Safety & Necessity made them think of building & erecting places of Defence, Those of a Superior Dignity & Possessions, gave up Lands to knights for which they into a Treaty with them against the Ennemy, as also to open their own Houses ~~for~~ ^{to} their Liege & His ~~per~~ followers in case of Necessity, but the Erecting of these Castles [5] proved ^{afterwards} A great Source of disturbance in Germany. Violence & Force by the name of Faustrecht occasioned disorders without number. & Amidst it the Feudal Government took its Origin. None was lookd upon as great but Him who had the greatest Number of Vassals. The Independenty ^{Independency} of the greater Lords became extreme, whilst the lower Class were reduced to be mere slaves & in the Proportion as the Greater Lords obtained Power the Crown lost its Consequence & was obliged to look upon them ~~as their Cou~~ as ^{its} ^{their} Counsellors. Thus already at the Convention of Coblentz in the Year 860. or as others will have it at Mersen 851. we find traces of the German Constitution.

Notwithstanding these warlike times the ^{Clergy} Continued to mentain its ~~Superior~~ power owing to their Superiority in what was called ~~kn~~ learning. This was greatly increased by ~~a very Sin~~ the appearance of a singular supposed to be wrote by Isidore Bishop of Saville known by the Name of Papal Decretalia. That is to say pretended ordinances published by the Bishops of Rome [6] from the earliest Period of the Xtian Aera Establishing the Supreme authority of the Roman see over all the Christian World, a Book ~~whose Spuriousness is now acknowledged on all sides~~ ^[on 5^v] That is allow'd on all Sides to Spurious^e.

The see of Rome found soon a oppportunity of exerxising its Supreme authority against Lothario the Second who with ~~leave~~ ^[on 5^v] the approbation^e of the Archbishops of Treves & Collogne separated Himself from His Wife ~~and Married~~ Tietberg & Married a ~~Secor~~ another named Waldrade by whom He had a Son called Hugo whom He intended for his Successor. But Tietberg Appealing to the Pope Lothario was forced to

retake Tietberg, ^to ^ acknowledge his Son illegitimate & the two Archbishops were deposed their Archbishopwricks.

After Lothario the 2^d's death Lorraine was divided between Lewis the Germanic who got the Eastern ~~part~~ Half, & Charles the Bald the Western ~~part~~ half. But after their Death their Sons continued disunited & the Western half by a new Treaty {?} came from France to Germany. that its boundaries reached to the four great Rivers in France. [7] ~~But the inhabitants near to the Rivers~~ but Dauphiné & Provence were excepted for ~~the~~ the inhabitants of that District reaching from the Rivers Saone & Rhone to the Mount of Jurat had ~~chose~~ in the year 879, chosen themselves a King in order to defend them against the Northern people which was calld the Kingdom of Bourgundy ~~soon of a Second Kingdom of that name came after.~~ Soon after their Neighbours the inhabitants of Savoy & Switzerland ~~encoura~~ after their Example chose Rudolph of the Guelph Family their ^King^ & thus formed a Second Kingdom of Burgundy, ~~which~~ which afterwards was united with the former under a Prince of the Guelph Family & bore the Name of Kingdom of Burgundy or Arles until the year 1033 when after the extinction of that Family it was united with the German Empire.

~~These Two Empires suffered great changes by the D~~

Lewis the Germanic Died ~~in~~ ^in Germany^ 876. leaving three Sons.

Carlmann, Lewis the Younger & Charles the Big who divided Bavaria, Saxony & Suabia amongst them. The latter survived his two Brothers.

[8] In France Charles the Bald Died in the Year 877. Leaving His Son Lewis His Successor. ~~This but His {?} who He did not long reign above two years of {?} His {?} in the year 879 in a~~

This Prince having {?} Children by two Wives ~~of which He s~~ The first of which He separated Himself from by the desire of His Father made the Succession doubtful. ~~The~~ ~~at~~ His Death which happened 879. ~~The~~ Carlmann & Lewis were by Ansgard, ~~therefore~~ ~~born in Marriage~~ the First Wife, & Charles the Simple by Adelheid the Second born after His ^Fathers^ Death & lookd upon as Illegitimate. This ~~very~~ Charles the Simple outlived ~~ing~~ all the Princes of the ~~Core~~ of Corlovingian Race & becomes a very interesting Period in the German History

^ [7^v] ~~It is from thence that~~ Hence arises this Question so Interesting to the German History whether or not this prince as the only remains of this Race could make any pretentions to the German Empire? As It is from thence that many Modern ~~Auth~~ Authors ~~have draw~~ Suppose the Crown of France to ~~in~~ have ~~still~~ some pretentions to Germany.^

The French Nation however determined in Favor of The Two Elder Brothers & they were declared Lawfull Successors {?} & after their Death the French submitted themselves to Charles the Big Son of Lewis the Germanic who by that means united in His Persons the Possessions of all Germany & Lorrain, France & Italy with the Title of Roman Emperor. The Spanish Mark & the Mediteranian Islands excepted.

[8^v] Both the French & Germans were now in expectation of seeing a total Stop put to all the incursions of the Northern People, but ~~Ch~~ notwithstanding a Considerable Army Charles preferred a shameful Peace to a Decisive Battle & a certain Sum of Money with an expectation of a Small portion of Land in Friezland which He obtained from Gottfried Prince of the Normans was more preferable to Him than the Welfare of His Subjects. ~~by which~~ This Conduct drew upon Him the Hatred of ^a disappointed People & every thing prepared for a Revolution.