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Russian Medieval Theology and Catechetical Texts of the 14th Century

The paper is devoted to the small catechetical writings which are rather rare in the Russian medieval literature. These partly compilation and partly original texts develop the bases of the dogmatic theology. They were composed in the first part of the 14th century for Chudov version of Nomocanon. The dogmatic texts addressed to clergymen and laity showed the demand to short and evident account of Orthodox dogma. The author of the paper researches the sources and methods of compiling these theological texts. Two medieval dogmatic texts are published as an appendix to the paper.

Keywords: Russian medieval manuscripts, Nomocanons, medieval dogmatic theology

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Darugas and Basqaqs

This article focuses on the comparison of daryga and basqaq duties in different uluses of once unitary Mongol Empire. The author examines some special features of these particular categories. Chinese, Persian, Armenian and Russian primary sources demonstrate some similarities in duties of daryga and basqaq in the Russian principalities, but they belong to the different institution of authority. Careful examination of data has reviewed fundamental differences of the daryga and the basqaq in the Golden Horde and the Yuan Dynasty. *Keywords: darygas, basqaqs, Mongolian rule, the Golden Horde, the Yuan Dynasty*

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Annalistic "Rostovtsy", "Suzdaltsy" and "Vladimirtsy" during the Time of Yury Dolgoruky and Andrea Bogolyubsky

The author of the article examines the contexts of early chronicles and first of all - the Laurentian and the Hypatian - which mention residents of Rostov, Suzdal and Vladimir. The paper retraces the type of change of the information and its interpretations.

Keywords: Laurentian Chronicle, Hypatian Chronicle, residents of Rostov, Suzdal, Vladimir, political centers of the North-Eastern Rus' in the 12th century

S. M. Mikheev

On the Problem of Attribution of Rurikids' Signs

The article examines the possibility to attribute Rurikid signs to specific Old Russian princes. It offers an in-depth analysis of signs found side by side with inscriptions, such as Rostislav's bell-shaped bident found on various objects, bi-horn trident from the Yuriev monastery, bi-horn signs on seals # 1–2, bi-horn sign on bracteates from Taman. Pendants with Rurikid signs are examined as a separate group. The author concludes that the only tamgas that can be confidently attributed to concrete persons are the ones found on Vladimir's, Svyatopolk's, and Yaroslav's coins. Currently available data do not allow attribute with certainty the other Rurikid tamgas to concrete princes.

Keywords: Old Russia, Rurikids, Rurikid signs, seals of the 10th-13th centuries

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The Codex Gertrudianus: P. II. Correction of Dating

The traditional dating of princess Gertruda's prayer-book covers the period of 1075/1078–1086. Based on the new interpretation of the iconographic programme as well as on the restored sequence of quires according to Laura Pani's observations and the content of Gertruda's orisons, devoted to Yaropolk, the essay shifts the space of time for creating the manuscript and narrows it down to three intervals: 1084/1085–1086; the years after 1086 but before the turn of the century; the beginning of the 12th century.

Keywords: sequence of quires, order and content of Gertruda's prayers devoted to Yaropolk, revision of traditional dating, historiography of the problem

O. A. Abelentcheva

To the Question of the History of Krichev Vicariate of Metropolitans of Kiev and All Russia in the 15th Century

The article is devoted to the little-studied question about the existence of the Vicariate of Metropolitans of Kiev and All Russia in Krichev in the middle of the 15th century. The author characterizes the persons and the circumstances facilitated the process and pays an attention to the relations between Mstislavl prince Yury Lugvenevich and the Metropolitans of Kiev and All Russia Isidore and Jonah. The author comes to the conclusion

that vicariate arranging became possible thanks to the well-disposed relationship between Metropolitans and Mstislavl princes. The Metropolitan Department got from them the lands for the building of Spassky Church in Krichev and the means for its support.

Keywords: Metropolitans of Kiev and All Russia Isidore and Jonah, vicariate, Krichev, Prince Yury Lugvenevich of Mstislavl, Spassky Church of Krichev

M. K. Kuzmina

Once Again towards the Formula "as a Chosen Vessel" in the Old Russian Hagiography

The author of the article makes an attempt to examine all the possible variants of realization of the famous biblical quotation from Actus Apostolorum (9: 15) in the Old Russian Venerable Saints' Lives. Some sorts of such realizations are actually distinguished and carefully described.

Keywords: Lives of the saints, hagiography, biblical quotations, commonplace quotations, classification of quotations

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Elogium by Mitau Jesuits in the Documents of the Grand Embassy (1697)

The article is devoted to the Elogium, which was presented by Jesuits to the participants of the Great Embassy in Mitau in 1697. Both the Latin original and the Russian translation are published. The authors examine the historical context and the genre features of the original poem, as well as the method of translation. Also they make an attempt to determine a place of this text in the Russian poetic system of the end of the 17th century. *Keywords: elogium, the Jesuits, Baroque, Grand Embassy of Peter I, Christiano Bornmann, Peter Wolff,*

Mitau, Courland

S. V. Polekhov

The List of Svitrigaila's Towns. Dating and Edition

"The list of towns, castles and districts belonging to Svitrigaila" is a little-studied source on the historical geography of medieval Russia, which was created in the Grand Duchy of Lithuania during the war for power between dukes Svitrigaila Algirdaitis and Zygimantas Kestutaitis. The text of the only contemporary copy surviving in the archive of the grand masters of the Teutonic Order (nowadays in the Secret State Archive of the Prussian Cultural Heritage Foundation in Berlin) is published for the first time according to modern standards. The dating to the September of 1432 is substantiated, an attempt to identify all the toponyms mentioned in the list and to localize them is made.

Keywords: historical geography, Grand Duchy of Lithuania, medieval Russia, Svitrigaila, Teutonic Order

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<u>The First Monograph on the «De Fide Orthodoxa» by John of Damascus in the Translation by John</u> <u>Exarch</u>

The article is devoted to the review of the monograph by Tatjana Ilieva "Terminological vocabulary in the translation of "De Fide Orthodoxa" by John Exarch".

Keywords: John Exarch, John Damaskin, theology, palaeoslavonic studies, theological-philosophical terminology