

entry for 794, namely [*prae*]sencia iamfati principis et missorum domni apostolici¹⁸⁶. The loss of this folium has led to a loss of text for the final part of the entry for 791, the entire text of the entries for 792 and 793 as well as the start of the entry for 794. Because the chapter numbers which accompany the AD system reveal that, at the start of the first completely preserved entry for 778, this is chapter 37 (*XXXVII*), it can be calculated that chapter 1 would have aligned with 742¹⁸⁷. It can therefore be maintained with some degree of certainty that the witness once contained the ArF from 741/742 up to and including most of the entry for 813 as it survives today.

Nothing is known about the early history of the codex and it first surfaced as part of the collection of Paul Petau¹⁸⁸. More recently Bischoff suggested tentatively that it was written in the first or second quarter of the ninth century, possibly in the vicinity of Orléans¹⁸⁹. Earlier scholarship had attributed the codex to Theodulf of Orléans¹⁹⁰. It remains unclear whether Bischoff saw palaeographical similarities with other codices from Orléans or followed older scholarship in locating the codex to Orléans on the basis of the supposed connection with Theodulf. A study to the scriptorium of Orléans has been undertaken by Elisabeth Dahlhaus-Berg, but it focuses in particular on a number of “Prachthandschriften” and where exactly those may have been written and less on other literary output and I have not found convincing comparanda for the script of Orléans¹⁹¹. This codex is not mentioned in her study, and it still awaits a closer palaeographical analysis.

186) ArF ad a. 794 (as in n. 9) p. 94 l. 8.

187) REIMITZ, *Der Weg zum Königtum* (as in n. 19) p. 282; KURZE, *Reichsannalen I* (as in n. 34) p. 300.

188) KURZE, *Reichsannalen I* (as in n. 34) p. 301, where Kurze writes it was Alexandre Petau. No ex libris of Alexandre Petau survives, however, whereas the number *R.55* by Paul Petau is still extant on fol. 1r.

189) BISCHOFF, *Katalog 3* (as in n. 23) p. 434 (no. 6724): “Nähe von Orléans (?), IX. Jh., 1./2. Viertel”.

190) Peter BROMMER, *Die bischöfliche Gesetzgebung Theodulfs von Orléans*, in: ZRG Kan. 60 (1974) p. 1–120, at p. 10 n. 48. There, Brommer refers to Gerit Janszoon Vos, *De historicis latinis libri tres* (Leiden 1627) p. 689: “inter alia scripsisse dicitur Annales Karoli M. & Ludovici Pii”; Bernard de MONTFAUCON, *Bibliotheca bibliothecarum manuscriptorum nova I* (Paris 1739) no. 989, p. 35: “Fragmentum Annalium Francicorum, a quibusdam Theodulpho adscribitur.”

191) Elisabeth DAHLHAUS-BERG, *Nova Antiquitas et Antiqua Novitas. Typologische Exegese und isidorianisches Geschichtsbild bei Theodulf von Orléans* (Kölner historische Abhandlungen 23, 1975) p. 39–91.