

THE NETHERLANDS

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## PRELIMINARY NOTE

Although the general policy in this World Survey is to cover only collections of codices in the Arabic script, in the case of the Netherlands we have included some archival collections, and also Muslim MSS in other scripts (from Indonesia), because of their exceptional importance.—Ed.

### UNION CATALOGUES & SURVEYS

**1851–1877.** *Catalogus Codicum Orientalium Bibliothecae Academiae Lugduno-Batavae.*

Vol. 1. By R.P.A. DOZY. Leiden: E.J. Brill, 1851. xxxvi, 366pp.

Vol. 2. By R.P.A. DOZY. Leiden: E.J. Brill, 1851. 323pp.

Vol. 3. By P. DE JONG and M.J. DE GOEJE. Leiden: E.J. Brill, 1865. 394pp.

Vol. 4. By P. DE JONG and M.J. DE GOEJE. Leiden: E.J. Brill, 1866. 350pp.

Vol. 5. By M.J. DE GOEJE [and P. DE JONG]. Leiden: E.J. Brill, 1873. 328pp.

Vol. 6, pt. 1 (all published). By M.TH. HOUTSMA. Leiden: E.J. Brill, 1877. 234pp.

Catalogue written in Latin. The last attempt to publish a comprehensive catalogue of Oriental MS. materials kept in public collections in the Netherlands. In the event, only the Middle Eastern materials were described. In 1877, it gave a complete survey of Middle Eastern MS. materials. The catalogue lays emphasis on the content of the texts and the identification of the authors. Occasionally, long quotations from the MSS are given. Almost no attention is given to codicological detail. The catalogue is arranged according to subject (vol. 1: encyclopaedias, grammar, lexicography, metrical art, rhetorics, letters, proverbs, literature; vol. 2: poetry, cosmography, history; vol. 3: history (continued), arithmetic, astronomy, magic, alchemy, natural history, medicine, military science, falconry, music, philosophy; vol. 4: Qurʾān and related sciences, *Hadīth*, jurisprudence, politics, ethics, dogmatics, piety, prayers;

vol. 5: mystics, Christian theology, collectanea, addenda, descriptions of collections outside Leiden (Utrecht, Groningen, Deventer, Leeuwarden, Remonstrant Society in Amsterdam, Museum Meermanno-Westreenianum in the Hague, Zeeuws Genootschap in Middelburg), recent acquisitions; vol. 6: indexes by author and title).

Islamic materials mentioned in this catalogue are in Arabic, Persian and Turkish. All Arabic materials are incorporated in the *Handlist* of 1957 (see below). For the Persian and Turkish materials, this is the most recent catalogue.

**1875.** *Kort verslag aangaande alle mij in Europa bekende Makassaarsche en Boeginesche handschriften, vooral die van het Nederlandsch Bijbelgenootschap te Amsterdam.* By B.F. MATTHES. Amsterdam: C.A. Spin & Zn. viii + 101pp.

In Dutch. This is a catalogue of all Buginese and Makassarese MSS (from Sulawesi, Indonesia) in public and semi-public collections in Europe. Most of these belong to the Dutch Bible Society (pp. 1–84). Other collections of these materials in the Netherlands and mentioned in the catalogue are: The library of the Royal Institute of Linguistics and Anthropology, now in Leiden (pp. 84–86: ca. 200 texts), the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences in Amsterdam (p. 86: 2 texts), and the Zeeuwse Bibliotheek in Middelburg (pp. 86–89: 1 text).

The catalogue is centred on the contents of the MSS. Extensive summaries are given. Of the texts, usually the title, author, size, number of pages, script (Buginese or Arabic) and date of copying are mentioned.

**1957.** *Handlist of Arabic manuscripts in the Library of the University of Leiden and other collections in the Netherlands.* By P. VOORHOEVE. Leiden: Leiden University Press (Codices Manuscripti, vol. 7). 540pp. Reprinted in 1980 (see below).

Written in English, it contains a summary bibliographical reference to all Arabic manuscripts in public and semi-public collections in the Netherlands. All manuscripts previously described elsewhere are incorporated in this Handlist, which is still the most comprehensive bibliographical tool for research on Arabic manuscript materials in the Netherlands.

The *Handlist* is rigidly arranged. Per item it contains the title, the full name of the author with a bibliographical reference (usually to Brockelmann's *Geschichte*), with page or folio references, mention of earlier descriptions and the date of copying. In exceptional cases, the subject of the MS. is treated in a more comprehensive way. The *Handlist* is alphabetically arranged by title. Commentaries and glosses are given under the original work. It has an index of names of authors. Some 3,000 Arabic manuscripts are described.

1967–1980. *Literature of Java. Catalogue raisonné of Javanese manuscripts in the Library of the University of Leiden and other public collections in the Netherlands.* By TH. G. TH. PIGEAUD.

Volume I: *Synopsis of Javanese literature 900–1900 AD.* Leiden: Leiden University Library, 1967 (Codices Manuscripti, vol. 9). xx + 325pp.

Volume II: *Descriptive lists of Javanese manuscripts.* Leiden: Leiden University Library, 1968 (Codices Manuscripti, vol. 10). xv + 972pp.

Volume III: *Illustrations and Facsimiles of Manuscripts, Maps, Addenda and a General Index of Names and Subjects.* Leiden: Leiden University Library, 1970 (Codices Manuscripti, vol. 11). xvii + 441pp.

Volume IV: *Supplement.* Leiden: Leiden University Press, 1980 (Codices Manuscripti, vol. 20). viii + 390pp.

Written in English. This large catalogue contains descriptions of all Javanese MS. materials in public collections in the Netherlands. It does not supersede the older catalogues of Javanese materials, however, since the extensive summaries of text are not repeated here, but only referred to. The total number of Javanese MSS described in this catalogue is approximately 6,000. More than two thirds of these are of Islamic content. The other texts originate from the pre-Islamic period of Java, or from regions of Indonesia where Islam never spread (such as Bali). Most of the MSS described belong to Leiden University Library.

The physical descriptions of the MSS provide information on the title, the author, the size, the alphabet used, the number of pages, and the number of lines to the page. The MSS are described according to the sequence of their class-marks, which roughly reflects the history of acquisition by the library. To each description in volumes 2 and 4 a short note on the content is added. Volume 1, and part

of volume 4, contain a history of Javanese literature based on the MS. collection. The extensive indexes in volumes 3 and 4 are yet another source of information concerning the Javanese collections in the Netherlands.

**1980.** *Handlist of Arabic manuscripts in the Library of the University of Leiden and other collections in the Netherlands.* By P. VOORHOEVE. 2nd enlarged edition. The Hague, Boston, London: Leiden University Press, 1980 (Codices Manuscripti, vol. 7). xxiv + 752pp.

Photographic reprint of Voorhoeve's catalogue of 1957 (see above) plus a number concordance.

**1985.** *Katalog manuskrip Melayu di Belanda. Catalogue of Malay Manuscripts in The Netherlands.* By HAJI WAN ALI HAJI WAN MAMAT. Kuala Lumpur: Perpustakaan Negara Malaysia, 1985. vii + 111pp.

Written in Malay. This is a Handlist containing short bibliographical references to all Malay manuscript materials in public collections in the Netherlands. Usually the title, the author, the number of pages, the script and a systematic code are given. At the end of the book is a cumulative index of titles.

## INDIVIDUAL COLLECTIONS

### AMSTERDAM

#### **Bibliotheca Philosophica Hermetica**

Bloemgracht 15–19, 1016 KB Amsterdam

Tel.: 020-259096/258079

*Date of establishment:* 1965

*Status:* A privately funded and owned library. Owner: Mr Joost R. RITMAN. Director of the library: Dr Frans A. Janssen.

*Conditions of access:* By appointment.

*Description of collection:* The library specializes in European hermetical philosophical manuscripts and printed books. It contains a modest number of Arabic MSS, the subject-matter of which is related to the specialization of the library. There is no published catalogue of the Islamic MSS.

**Bibliotheek der Vrije Universiteit** (Library of the Free University)

De Boelelaan 1105, 1081 HV Amsterdam  
(postal address: PO Box 7161, 1007 JD Amsterdam)

*Date of establishment:* 1880

*Status:* The Free University is a private university which was founded by the Dutch Protestant Churches. Nowadays it is almost entirely funded by the Dutch Ministry of Education.

*Total number of Islamic MSS:* 7 (3 Arabic; 3 Javanese; 1 Arabic/Malay/Javanese).

*Description of collection:* One of the Arabic MSS is a copy of *Kitāb al-adhkār* by ABŪ ZAKARIYĀ<sup>?</sup> YAḤYĀ B. SHARAF AL-NAWAWĪ, written in Aleppo in 1596. The Javanese MSS are on palm-leaves.

*Published catalogues:*

**Forthcoming.** Extensive descriptions of the Arabic MSS will be included in J. J. WITKAM's catalogue of Arabic MSS outside Leiden (cf. 1983 – entry under **LEIDEN: Rijksuniversiteit** below.)

*Unpublished catalogues:*

*Voorlopige inventaris van Oosterse handschriften.* Computerised list, lacking proper identifications of most items.

**Koninklijk Instituut voor de Tropen** (Royal Tropical Institute)

Mauritskade 63, 1092 AD Amsterdam

Tel.: 020-924949

*Date of establishment:* 1910

*Description of collection:* The Institute is for research, education and training, association with development projects, information. It has a large library in which Islamic MS. materials, mostly from Indonesia, are kept.

*Published catalogues:*

**1957.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

Some 38 Arabic MS. volumes belonging to the Institute are included.

**1967–1980.** See union catalogue by PIGEAUD.

In vol. 2, pp. 846–858 and vol. 4, p. 256, some 102 Javanese MSS are described which belong to the Institute.

**1980.** See union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

On p. 612 is a survey of the 38 Arabic MS. volumes in the collection of the Institute.

**1985.** See union catalogue by HAJI WAN ALI HAJI WAN MAMAT.

On p. 15, 4 Malay manuscripts of the Institute are mentioned.

**Koninklijke Nederlandse Akademie van Wetenschappen**  
(Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences)

The Islamic MSS belonging to the Academy are deposited in **Leiden University Library** (*q.v.*).

**Rijksmuseum** (State Museum)

Stadhouderskade 42, 1071 ZD Amsterdam

*Date of establishment:* 1808

*Description of collection:* The Department of Asiatic Art of the Museum keeps a number of Islamic MS. pieces, mostly miniatures.

*Published catalogues:*

**1958.** *The Indian and Persian miniature paintings in the Rijksprentenkabinet (Rijksmuseum).* By HERMANN GOETZ. Amsterdam. 67pp. 30 ills.

**1980.** *Miniaturen uit India en Perzië.* By P. LUNSINGH SCHEURLEER. *Bulletin van de Vereniging van Vrienden der Aziatische Kunst* 24, 1980, pp. 8–13 [text], 29–34 [illustrations].

Describes part of the collection of Asiatic art of the late Mr and Mrs HÜLSMANN-STORK, which was donated in 1976 to the Vereniging van Vrienden der Aziatische Kunst in Amsterdam, and which is kept in the Department of Asiatic Art in the Rijksmuseum.

**1985.** *Asiatic Art in the Rijksmuseum Amsterdam.* Ed. PAULINE LUNSINGH

SCHEURLEER. Amsterdam: Meulenhoff/Landshoff. 190pp., ills.

Contains a selection of two hundred items of Asiatic art, mainly objects, some of which are of Islamic provenance.

### Universiteitsbibliotheek (University Library)

Singel 421–425, 1012 WP Amsterdam

*Date of establishment:* In its earliest form founded in 1578. The University of Amsterdam was founded in 1632.

*Status:* Amsterdam University is subject to the municipal authority of Amsterdam.

*Description of collection:* The library houses the Museum of Handwriting (Collection Dortmund), in which specimens of numerous scripts, including those from Islamic countries, are kept. But apart from this specialized collection, the library owns a modest number of other Islamic MS. materials. That collection is not being expanded. The library also keeps a small collection of Islamic MS. materials on permanent loan from Mr LEO POLAK.

#### *Published catalogues:*

**1851–1877.** See the union catalogue by Dozy *et al.*

In vol. 5, pp. 308–310, the Oriental MSS of the Remonstrant Society in Amsterdam are described. These are now deposited on permanent loan in the Amsterdam University Library. There are 7 Arabic MSS in this collection.

**1917.** *Bibliotheek der Universiteit van Amsterdam. Catalogus der Handschriften. VI. Schenking-Diederichs. Kleinere afdeelingen (Italië, Spanje, Portugal, Hongarije, Turkije, Griekenland, Indië, enz.).* Bewerkt door de Conservator Dr BERTHA M. V.D. STEMPEL. Amsterdam: Stadsdrukkerij. ii + 130pp.

Written in Dutch. This is the catalogue of letters and documents in the Amsterdam University Library. In this volume, several documents in Turkish and Arabic are summarily described, usually in one or two lines of text. There is no special index of foreign-language materials. The catalogue is alphabetically arranged according to the name of sender, and contains an index of the recipients.

1957. See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

Nearly 40 volumes of the MSS described are owned by the Amsterdam University Library, including the LEO POLAK collection.

1967–1980. See the union catalogue by PIGEAUD.

In vol. 2, pp. 863–865, 13 Javanese MSS of the library are described. In vol. 4, pp. 257–258, 5 Javanese MSS of the Collection Dortmund, which is kept in the library, are described.

1980. See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

On p. 613 is a survey of nearly 40 volumes which are owned by the Amsterdam University Library, including the LEO POLAK collection.

1985. See the union catalogue by HAJI WAN ALI HAJI WAN MAMAT.

On p. 1 six Malay MSS of the library are mentioned.

## BREDA

### Koninklijke Militaire Akademie (Royal Military Academy)

Kasteelplein, 4811 XC Breda

*Status:* Military Academy of the Dutch army.

*Description of collection:* The library of the Academy houses a few MSS of Islamic interest, which mostly originate from Indonesia.

#### *Published catalogues:*

1957. See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

Some 8 Arabic MS. texts described belong to the Academy's library.

1965. *Overzicht van de handschriften-verzameling opgenomen in de Bibliotheek van de Koninklijke Militaire Academie.* By H.J. WOLF. Breda (mimeographed, privately published). vi + 59pp.

Written in Dutch. On pp. 48–51 is a section on Oriental MSS. This contains the descriptions of 5 Malay MSS, 1 Arabic MS. and 1 volume, containing 28 texts in Achehnese, Arabic, Buginese,

Javanese and Malay. Only the titles, authors, subjects, size and number of pages are given.

**1967 – 1980.** See the union catalogue by PIGEAUD.

In vol. 2, p. 870, 3 Javanese MSS belonging to the Academy are described.

**1980.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

On p. 614 is a survey of the 8 Arabic texts in the collection of the Academy's library.

**1985.** See the union catalogue by HAJI WAN ALI HAJI WAN MAMAT.

On p. 15 five Malay MSS of the Academy's library are mentioned.

**Museum voor Volkenkunde 'Justinus van Nassau'** ('Justinus van Nassau' Ethnological Museum)

Kasteelplein 55, 4811 XC Breda

*Status:* The Museum is a branch of the National Museum of Ethnology in Leiden.

*Description of collection:* It has a large collection of ethnological objects, mostly from Indonesia. There are a few MS. materials of Islamic interest in the collection.

*Published catalogues:*

**1957.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

Ca. 9 Arabic MS. volumes belong to the Museum.

**1967 – 1980.** See the union catalogue by PIGEAUD.

In vol. 2, p. 869, 2 Javanese MSS belonging to the Museum are described.

**1980.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

On p. 613 is a survey of the 9 Arabic MS. volumes belonging to the Museum.

**DELFT****Gemeentelijk Museum voor Volkenkunde 'Nusantara'**  
(‘Nusantara’ Municipal Museum of Ethnology)

St. Agathaplein 4, 2611 HR Delft

*Status:* The Museum is under the authority of the municipality of the town of Delft.

*Description of collection:* It has a large collection of objects from Indonesia. Among these are a few MSS of Islamic interest.

*Published catalogues:*

**1957.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

Some 6 Arabic MS. volumes described belong to the Museum.

**1967 – 1980.** See the union catalogue by PIGEAUD.

In vol. 2, pp. 757 – 761, some 31 Javanese MSS of the Museum are mentioned. These are on permanent loan in the Leiden University Library (*q. v.*).

**1980.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

On p. 614 is a reference to the 6 Arabic MS. volumes of the Museum's collection.

**DEVENTER****Stads- of Atheneumbibliotheek** (Municipal Library)

Klooster 12, 7411 NH Deventer

(postal address: PO Box 351, 7400 AJ Deventer)

*Date of establishment:* 1560

*Status:* It is subject to the municipal authority of the city of Deventer.

*Description of collection:* Some Islamic MS. materials have come into the library in the course of its history. The collection of Islamic materials is not being expanded. Several of the Oriental MSS of the former University of Harderwijk have come to this library.

*Published catalogues:*

**1851 – 1877.** See the union catalogue by Dozy *et al.*

In vol. 5, pp. 292 – 304, the Oriental MSS belonging to the library are described by M.J. DE GOEJE. These are in Arabic (32 MSS), Buginese and Makassarese (3 MSS), Malay (6 MSS) and Persian (3 MSS).

**1892.** *Catalogus der handschriften berustende op de Athenaeum-Bibliotheek te Deventer.* Deventer: Deventer Boek- en Steendrukkerij. 79pp.

Written in Dutch. On pp. 75-79 is the section on Oriental MSS. Apart from 2 Hebrew MSS, it contains descriptions of the same MSS which had already been described by M.J. DE GOEJE (1851-1877). A summary account of the contents of the texts is given, with mention of the authors.

**1957.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

Some 60 Arabic texts described are kept in the Deventer library.

**1967 – 1980.** See the union catalogue by PIGEAUD.

In vol. 2, p. 869, 1 Javanese MS belonging to the library is described.

**1980.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

A survey of the approximately 60 Arabic MS. texts of the Deventer library is given on p. 615.

## GRONINGEN

**Bibliotheek der Rijksuniversiteit te Groningen** (Library of the State University of Groningen)

Oude Kijk in 't Jatstraat 5, 9712 EA Groningen  
(postal address: PO Box 559, 9700 AN Groningen)

*Status:* Founded in 1615

*Description of collection:* The Groningen University Library has acquired, in the course of its history, a number of Islamic MS. materials. The collection is not being expanded.

*Published catalogues:*

**1851 – 1877.** See the union catalogue by Dozy *et al.*

In vol. 5, pp. 279–292, the Oriental MSS belonging to the Groningen University Library are described by M.J. DE GOEJE. These include Arabic (21 MSS), Persian (3 MSS) and Turkish (12 MSS).

**1898.** *Catalogus Codicum Manu Scriptorum Universitatis Groninganae Bibliothecae.* By H. BRUGMANS. Groningen: J.B. Wolters. 396pp.

Written in Latin. This is the general MSS catalogue of the Groningen library. On pp. 249–257, the Oriental MSS are described. These include Arabic (21 MSS), Persian (3 MSS) and Turkish (12 MSS). The descriptions of these are derived from those in DE GOEJE's catalogue (1851–1877), vol. 5, and do not provide additional information.

**1957.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

Fewer than 30 Arabic MS. volumes described belong to the University Library of Groningen.

**1967–1980.** See the union catalogue by PIGEAUD.

In vol. 2, p. 866 and vol. 4, p. 258, 3 Javanese MSS, which belong to the library, are described.

**1980.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

A survey of the ca. 30 Arabic MS. volumes in the Groningen Library is given on p. 616.

### **Volkenkundig Museum 'Gerardus van der Leeuw' (Instituut voor Godsdienst-Historische Beelddocumentatie)**

Nieuwe Kijk in 't Jatstraat 104, 9712 SL Groningen

*Status:* The Museum is part of the Faculty of Theology of the State University of Groningen.

*Description of collection:* In the course of the 1970s, Oriental manuscripts belonging to the School for Tropical Agriculture in Deventer and the 'Het Prinsessehof' Museum in Leeuwarden (*q.v.*) have been transferred to this Museum in Groningen. The MSS originate from Indonesia.

*Published catalogues:*

**1967–1980.** See the union catalogue by PIGEAUD.

In vol. 4, pp. 259–260, 4 Javanese MSS of the Museum are described.

**THE HAGUE****Algemeen Rijksarchief** (General State Archives)

Prins Willem Alexanderhof 20, 2595 BE 's-Gravenhage/Den Haag

*Date of establishment:* 1802

*Description of collection:* The Dutch General State Archives contain numerous Islamic MS. materials in the form of documents, reflecting over 400 years of diplomatic, cultural and commercial relations with the Maghreb, the Middle East, Iran, India and Indonesia. The State Archives do not maintain a collection of Islamic MSS as such. For an introduction to the source material kept in the Archives, see:

**1986.** Source Materials for the History of the Middle East in the General State Archives (A.R.A.) of the Netherlands in The Hague. By ALEXANDER H. DE GROOT. *Manuscripts of the Middle East 1*, 1986, pp. 8–14.

*Published catalogues:*

**1957.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

On p. 419 is a short note on the Arabic MS. materials (letters) in the General State Archives.

**1980.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

On p. 419 (and on p. 616) is a reference to Arabic MS. collections (letters) in the General State Archives.

**1985.** See the union catalogue by HAJI WAN ALI HAJI WAN MAMAT.

On p. 1 six Malay MSS belonging to the General State Archives are described.

**Gemeentemuseum** (Municipal Museum)

Stadhouderslaan 41, 2517 HV 's-Gravenhage/Den Haag

*Date of establishment:* 1862

*Description of collection:* The museum has, among other things, a collection of decorative art of the Near East, and also a collection of Middle Eastern ceramics. There is a small collection of Islamic calligraphic pieces. No published catalogue is available.

**Koninklijk Huisarchief** (Royal Household Archives)

Noordeinde 68, 2514 GL 's-Gravenhage/Den Haag

*Conditions of access:* Restricted admission, and by appointment only.

*Description of collection:* The Oriental department of the Archives contains some MS. materials of Islamic interest.

*Published catalogues:*

**1967–1980.** See the union catalogue by PIGEAUD.

In vol. 2, pp. 866–868, 8 Javanese MSS belonging to the Archives are described.

**Koninklijke Bibliotheek** (Royal Library)

Prins Willem Alexanderhof, 2595 BE 's-Gravenhage/Den Haag

*Date of establishment:* 1798

*Status:* National library

*Description of collection:* It has a modest collection of Islamic MS. materials. The collection is not being expanded. In the 19th century most of the Islamic MS. holdings were transferred to Leiden University Library. In the Department of Paper History, some Islamic writing materials are kept. There are no published catalogues of these.

*Published catalogues:*

**1967–1980.** See the union catalogue by PIGEAUD.

In vol. 4, p. 261, one MS. of Javanese interest belonging to the library is described.

**Museon** (formerly **Museum van het Onderwijs**) (Educational Museum)

Stadhouderslaan 41, 2517 HV 's-Gravenhage/Den Haag

*Date of establishment:* 1904; entirely reorganised 1982

*Published catalogues:*

**1967–1980.** See the union catalogue by PIGEAUD.

In vol. 2, pp. 870–871, and vol. 4, pp. 261–263, 13 Javanese MSS belonging to the Museum are described.

**Rijksmuseum Meermannno-Westreenianum en Museum van het Boek** (Meermannno-Westreenianum State Museum and Museum of the Book)

Prinsessegracht 30, 2514 AP 's-Gravenhage/Den Haag

*Date of establishment:* 1848

*Status:* Subject to the authority of the director of the Koninklijke Bibliotheek (Royal Library).

*Description of collection:* The Museum owns a modest collection of Islamic MS. materials.

*Published catalogues:*

**1957.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

4 MS. volumes belong to the Meermannno-Westreenianum Museum.

**1960.** *Inventaris van de handschriften van het Museum Meermannno-Westreenianum.* By P.J.H. VERMEEREN & A.F. DEKKER. The Hague: Koninklijke Bibliotheek. xv + 121pp.

Written in Dutch. The inventory of the MS. collection of the Museum. Most MSS are in Western languages. On pp. 101–102 is a section 'Orientalia' which includes descriptions of 5 Arabic and 1 Malay MS. The descriptions mention title, author, number of pages, size, number of lines to the page, details of lay-out and binding. There is an index of subjects, personal names and titles.

**1977.** *Handschriften vóór 1300. Gids bij de Jubileumtentoonstelling ter gelegenheid van de 125-jarige openstelling van het Museum gehouden 7 oktober 1977–7 januari 1978.* [Introduction by P.C. BOEREN.] The Hague: Rijksmuseum Meermannno-Westreenianum / Museum van het Boek. 22pp.

Exhibition catalogue in Dutch. One Arabic MS. is mentioned (No. 70 on p. 22).

**1979.** *Catalogus van de handschriften van het Rijksmuseum Meermannno-*

*Westreenianum*. By P.C. BOEREN. The Hague: Rijksmuseum Meermanno-Westreenianum / Staatsuitgeverij. xx + 261pp.

Extensive catalogue, in Dutch, of the MS. holdings of the Museum. Most of these are in Western languages. The arrangement of the catalogue is according to the Museum's class-marks. The catalogue has indexes of authors, titles, keywords, copyists, owners. From the indexes of titles and keywords, the Islamic texts may be found. There are 5 Arabic MSS (references on p. 251) and 1 Malay MS. (reference on p. 252).

**1980.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

On p. 616 is a survey of the 4 Arabic MS. volumes in the Meermanno-Westreenianum Museum.

## LEEWARDEN

**Gemeentelijk Museum 'Het Prinsessehof'** ('Het Prinsessehof' Municipal Museum)

Grote Kerkstraat 9–15, 8911 DZ Leeuwarden

*Date of establishment:* 1917; reorganised in 1973

*Description of collection:* Now functioning as a general ceramics study centre, including materials from the Middle East. A few Islamic MS. materials are kept in the Museum's collection. In the 1970s several of the Oriental MSS of the Museum were transferred to the Ethnological Museum 'Gerardus van der Leeuw' in Groningen (*q.v.*).

*Published catalogues:*

**1957.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

Two Arabic MS. volumes described belong to the Museum.

**1967–1980.** See the union catalogue by PIGEAUD.

In vol. 4, pp. 263–264, 3 Javanese MSS belonging to the Museum are described.

**1980.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

On p. 617 is a survey of the 2 Arabic MS. volumes in the collection of the Museum.

**Provinciale Bibliotheek van Friesland** (Frisian Provincial Library)

Boterhoek 1, Leeuwarden  
(postal address: PO Box 464, Leeuwarden)

*Date of establishment:* 1852

*Status:* Subject to the provincial authority of Friesland in Leeuwarden.

*Description of collection:* In the course of its history, several Islamic MS. materials have come to the library, including several from the former University of Franeker. The collection is not being expanded.

*Published catalogues:*

**1851 – 1877.** See the union catalogue by Dozy *et al.*

In vol. 5, pp. 305–308, the Oriental MSS in this library are described. These include 5 in Arabic.

**1957.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

Some 5 Arabic MS. volumes belonging to the Frisian Provincial Library are described.

**1980.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

On p. 617 is a survey of the 5 Arabic MS. volumes kept in the Frisian Provincial Library.

**1988.** *Arabische, Hebreeuwse & Griekse handschriften in de Provinciale Bibliotheek van Friesland. Tentoonstellingscatalogus.* By M.M.H. ENGELS. Leeuwarden (privately published). 16pp.

An exhibition catalogue in Dutch. Mention is made of fewer than 5 Islamic manuscripts. These have been described in the above-mentioned catalogues by Voorhoeve (1957, 1980).

**LEIDEN**

**Gemeentearchief** (Municipal Archives)

Boisotkade 2a, 2311 PZ Leiden

*Description of collection:* A few Islamic MS. materials, mostly in the

form of documents, have come to the Leiden Municipal Archives in the course of its history, but this institution does not maintain a specialised collection in this field.

*Published catalogues:*

**1957.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

One Arabic MS. volume in the Leiden Municipal Archives is described.

**1980.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

On p. 618 a reference is made to the single Arabic MS. in the collection of the Leiden Municipal Archives.

**Koninklijk Instituut voor Taal-, Land- en Volkenkunde** (Royal Institute of Linguistics and Ethnology)

Reuvenplaats 2, Leiden

Tel.: 071-272295

(postal address: PO Box 9515, 2300 RA Leiden)

*Date of establishment:* 1851

*Status:* A learned society, now funded by the Ministry of Education and subject to the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences in Amsterdam. The accommodation of the Institute and its library is provided by the University of Leiden. Since the early 1960s the Institute has been based in Leiden; before that time it was in The Hague.

*Description of collection:* The Institute focuses its attention on Indonesian and Caribbean studies. In its library Islamic MS. materials, mostly from Indonesia, are kept.

*Published catalogues:*

**1957.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

Some 3 Arabic MS. volumes belonging to the Institute are described.

**1967 – 1980.** See the union catalogue by PIGEAUD.

In vol. 2, pp. 823–845 and vol. 4, pp. 242–255, some 142 Javanese MSS of the Institute are described.

**1980.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

On p. 617 is a survey of the 3 Arabic MS. volumes belonging to the Institute.

**1985.** See the union catalogue by HAJI WAN ALI HAJI WAN MAMAT.

On pp. 2–14, around 200 Malay MSS of the Institute are described.

**1988.** The few Sundanese MSS are surveyed in the union catalogue of EKADJATI (see under University Library below).

**Rijksmuseum voor Volkenkunde** (National Museum of Ethnology)

Steenstraat 1, Leiden

(postal address: PO Box 212, 2300 AE Leiden)

*Date of establishment:* 1837

*Description of collection:* The museum has a large collection of ethnological objects from the Middle East and Indonesia. Among these is a modest collection of Islamic MSS. The Javanese MSS described in the union catalogue of PIGEAUD (1967–80) are on permanent loan to Leiden University Library (*q.v.*).

*Published catalogues:*

**1957.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

Some 15 Arabic MSS belong to the National Museum of Ethnography.

**1980.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

On p. 618 is a survey of the ca. 15 Arabic MS. volumes in the collection of the Museum.

**Rijksuniversiteit te Leiden, Bibliotheek** (University Library)

Witte Singel 27, Leiden

(postal address: PO Box 9501, 2300 RA Leiden)

Curator of Oriental collections: Dr Jan Just Witkam

*Date of establishment:* This is the library of the oldest state university in the Netherlands (founded in 1575). The library was founded in 1587.

*Description of collection:* From the very beginning of its existence, the study of Oriental languages in Leiden University has attracted Islamic manuscripts to its library. Famous collectors in the first century of its existence were J. J. SCALIGER (died 1609), JACOBUS GOLIUS (died 1667) and LEVINUS WARNER (died 1665). The Leiden library has continued to collect Oriental manuscript materials till the present day, and is the only public institution in the Netherlands still to do so.

In Leiden University Library are deposited the Oriental manuscript collections of a number of public institutions and private persons in the Netherlands.

Presently the Leiden library owns some 23,000 Oriental manuscripts which mainly originate from the Middle East (*ca.* 5,200) and Indonesia (*ca.* 15,000). Most Middle Eastern manuscripts are of Islamic content. Approximately one third of the Indonesian MSS are of Islamic content, the others being mainly Hindu and Buddhist.

Most Islamic languages are represented in the collection. In alphabetical order they are: Achehnese (Sumatra, Indonesia), Albanian, Arabic, Berber, Buginese and Makassarese (Sulawesi, Indonesia), Buru (Indonesia), Ceram (Indonesia), Fulbe, Gajoland (Sumatra, Indonesia), Hausa, Indonesian, Javanese, Kurdish, Madurese (Madura, Indonesia), Malay, Minangkabau, Pashto, Persian, Sasak (Lombok, Indonesia), Sundanese (Java, Indonesia), Turkish, Urdu.

Being a state collection, the library provides constant care for the physical condition of the Oriental MSS. New acquisitions often arrive in a mediocre state and are gradually being restored. The older collection is, on the whole, in good condition. A few of the MSS from Indonesia suffer from oxidation of ink, whereby the paper is gradually being destroyed. This process cannot, it seems, be stopped.

The Oriental collections of the Leiden library are, generally speaking, fairly well catalogued. A more detailed, chronologically arranged, survey of the published catalogues follows below. Apart from the printed catalogues, there is the Library's Oriental collections' inventory. It is kept by the Library's curator and, being an administrative instrument, it is not available to the public. Lists of

recent acquisitions are regularly made available to visitors in the manuscript reading room. There are no unpublished catalogue data in the hands of private scholars.

All subjects are collected by the Library. The oldest dated manuscript from the Middle East was copied in 252 AH [866 CE]. There are earlier, but undated, Islamic materials in the library. The youngest Middle Eastern manuscript dates from the beginning of the 20th century. Manuscripts from Indonesia are usually not older than *ca.* 200 years.

The Library has a modest collection of microfilms (*ca.* 1,650 films) of Oriental manuscripts kept in other collections. Most of these are of Islamic materials. An unpublished list, which is regularly updated, is put at the disposal of visitors to the manuscript reading room.

The Library publishes, through Leiden University Press, a series of catalogues of manuscripts under the title *Codices Manuscripti*. It also maintains a collection of handbooks and manuscript catalogues in the Oriental MSS reading room, as a service to researchers of its MSS holdings. An effort is made by the Library to keep a record of publications made on the basis of its manuscript holdings.

*Published catalogues:*

There exists a bibliography of all published catalogues of the Leiden library:

**1989.** *Bibliografie van gedrukte catalogi betrekking hebbend op het bezit van de Universiteitsbibliotheek te Leiden en de daarin opgenomen bruiklenen.* By J.E.F. TER BEEK. Leiden: Universiteitsbibliotheek (Kleine publicaties van de Leidse Universiteitsbibliotheek, 5). 43pp.

The Leiden library has published its catalogues from the beginning of the 17th century onwards. In most of these catalogues Islamic MS. materials are described. All older catalogues have been superseded by the catalogues published in the 19th and 20th centuries and are, therefore, left out of this survey since they are no longer of any use for access to the collections. Moreover, several of the older MS. collections of the library were reorganised in the 19th century and the references in the pre-19th-century catalogues are usually not valid.

**1820.** *Specimen catalogi codicum MSS orientalium Bibliothecae Academiae*

*Lugduno-Batavae*. By H. A. HAMAKER. Leiden: S. & J. Luchtmans. viii + 265pp.

Written in Latin. This a specimen volume of an extensive catalogue. The project never went beyond this volume, however. In 11 paragraphs, the author treats a number of Arabic texts which are contained in some 30 MS. volumes. No attention is given to codicological detail at all. Only the content of the text is treated, with extensive quotations and annotations.

1851–77. See the union catalogue by Dozy *et al.*

Islamic materials mentioned in this catalogue are in Arabic, Persian and Turkish. All Arabic materials are incorporated in the *Handlist* of 1957. For the Persian and Turkish materials, this is the most recent catalogue.

1862. *Catalogus Codicum Orientalium Bibliothecae Academiae Regiae Scientiarum*. By P. DE JONG. Leiden: E. J. Brill. xx + 320pp.

In Latin. This catalogue contains descriptions of all Oriental manuscripts belonging to the Royal Academy (Koninklijke Nederlandse Akademie van Wetenschappen) in Amsterdam, now deposited in Leiden University Library. Islamic materials are in Arabic (148 MSS), Persian (26 MSS), Turkish (37 MSS), mixed content (2), Malay (8 MSS), Buginese (2 MSS) sections. The larger sections are subdivided according to subject-matter.

1883. *Catalogue de manuscrits arabes provenant d'une bibliothèque privée à El-Medīna et appartenant à la Maison E. J. Brill*. By CARLO LANDBERG. Leiden: E. J. Brill. 183pp.

Contains provisional descriptions (in French, with quotations in Arabic) of 664 Arabic manuscripts. It is in fact a sales catalogue of Messrs. Brill of Leiden, but the entire collection was purchased in 1883 by Leiden University. A recent article on this sale is:

1989. AMĪN AL-ḤALWĀNĪ wa-makhtūṭāt maktabat Birill. By ʿĀṢIM ḤAMDĀN ʿALĪ. *ʿĀlam al-Kutub* 10, 1410, pp. 398–407.

The former owner, AMĪN AL-MADANĪ, had produced in 1883 a lithographed title-list under the title: *Fihrist al-kutub al-khaṭṭ al-qalam al-ʿArabī al-maʿrūda li-l-bayʿ fī ʿl-Iksipawsīsiyaww al-Miṣrī al-kāʿin fī Amastirdām, Mamlakat al-Hawlandā*.

The catalogue is almost devoid of bibliographical details. Usually the author and title of a work are given, and sometimes short quotations from the colophon as well. No bibliographical references are given, nor has the author spent much effort in identifying the anonymous works. After all, it was only intended as a bookseller's catalogue. The subjects of the texts are usually summarized in a few words. The catalogue does not contain an index of any sort. The MSS received new numbers when they entered the library. A more up-to-date identification of the MSS described in this catalogue is contained in the *Handlist* of 1957 (by P. VOORHOEVE).

**1888 – 1907.** *Catalogus Codicum Arabicorum Bibliothecae Academiae Lugduno-Batavae.* Vol. 1, [by] M.J. DE GOEJE and M.TH. HOUTSMA. Leiden: E.J. Brill, 1888. 498pp. Vol. 2, pt. 1, [by] M.J. DE GOEJE and TH.W. JUYNBOLL. Leiden: E.J. Brill, 1907. 256pp.

Catalogue of Arabic MSS, written in Latin, with titles and quotations in Arabic. Emphasis in the descriptions is laid on the contents of the texts described. These 2 volumes were intended as the beginning of a large catalogue of Arabic MS. materials in the Netherlands, but the project was never completed. The catalogue by J.J. WITKAM (1983 – [1989]) is the first attempt since this catalogue to describe the Arabic MS. materials in the Netherlands. The catalogue gives for each text or MS. the title, the name of the author, the subject-matter and the date of compilation. Sometimes other details, such as the date of copying, are given as well. There are no indexes, but searching is facilitated by the fact that the MSS are described according to subject. The total number of MSS described is approximately 200. All MSS mentioned in this catalogue are incorporated in the *Handlist* of 1957.

**1892.** *Catalogus van de Javaansche en Madoereesche handschriften der Leidsche Universiteits-Bibliotheek.* By A.C. VREEDE. Leiden: E.J. Brill. viii + 434pp.

Written in Dutch. This catalogue contains the descriptions of ca. 450 Javanese and ca. 25 Madurese MS. volumes. It must be borne in mind that the Javanese MSS in the collection do not exclusively contain Islamic materials. Numerous MSS contain texts from the pre-Islamic period of Java. There is no separate listing of Islamic Javanese materials. The same is valid for the Madurese MSS. The

catalogue is arranged according to subject-matter. Much attention is given to the contents of the texts, much less to the physical description of the volumes. Usually title, author, number of pages and bibliographical references are given.

**1899.** *Catalogus van de Maleische en Sundaneesche handschriften der Leidsche Universiteits-Bibliotheek.* By H.H. JUYNBOLL. Leiden: E.J. Brill. xxi + 356pp.

Written in Dutch. The catalogue contains the descriptions of *ca.* 320 Malay MS. volumes and of *ca.* 14 Sundanese MS. volumes. All attention is devoted to the contents of the texts. Details given are: title, author, size, number of pages, date of compilation and copying, and bibliographical references. Extensive summaries of the texts are given. The arrangement of the catalogue is according to subject.

**1901–26.** *Beschrijving der Javaansche, Balineesche en Sasaksche handschriften aangetroffen in de nalatenschap van Dr. H.N. VAN DER TUUK, en door hem vermaakt aan de Leidsche Universiteitsbibliotheek.* Batavia [Jakarta]. 4 vols.

Vol. 1, by J.L.A. BRANDES. *Adigama-Ender*, 1901. x + 284pp.

Vol. 2, by J.L.A. BRANDES. *Ghaṭotkatjaçarana-Putrupasadjī*, 1903. v + 262pp.

Vol. 3, by J.L.A. BRANDES. *Rabut Sakti-Yusup*, 1915. v + 370pp.

Vol. 4, by J.L.A. BRANDES and edited by TH.G.TH. PIGEAUD. *Teksten zonder bekenden titel*, 1926. 129pp.

Written in Dutch. In this large collection of mostly Hindu-Javanese materials, the Sasak MSS (from the isle of Lombok) are sometimes of Islamic interest. There is no separate list of MSS of Islamic contents. The catalogue is arranged according to the titles of the texts. Extensive summaries and lengthy quotations are given. The basic bibliographical elements of the MSS are usually given: title, size, number of pages; but the emphasis is laid on the contents of the texts.

**1907–11.** *Supplement op den Catalogus van de Javaansche en Madoereesche handschriften der Leidsche Universiteits-Bibliotheek.* By H.H. JUYNBOLL.

Vol. 1, Deel I. *Madoereesche handschriften, Oudjavaansche inscripties en*

*Oud- en Middeljavaansche gedichten*. Leiden: E.J. Brill, 1907. xviii + 280pp.

Vol. 2, Deel II. *Nieuwjavaansche gedichten en Oud-, Middel- en Nieuwjavaansche prozageschriften*. Leiden: E.J. Brill, 1911. xvii + 552pp.

Written in Dutch. Supplement to the catalogue by Vreede (1892). This catalogue contains the descriptions of *ca.* 1,200 Javanese and *ca.* 100 Madurese texts in approximately as many MS. volumes. The catalogue also contains references to the Javanese and Madurese MSS of the Dutch Bible Society in Haarlem and the MSS in the collection of the Bataviasch Genootschap van Kunsten en Wetenschappen (now: Museum Pusat, Jakarta, Indonesia). It must be borne in mind that the Javanese MSS in the collection do not exclusively contain Islamic materials. Numerous MSS contain texts from the pre-Islamic period of Java. There is no separate listing of Islamic Javanese materials. The same is valid for the Madurese MSS. The catalogue is arranged according to subject-matter. Much attention is given to the contents of the texts, much less to the physical description of the volumes. Usually title, author, number of pages, size of the MS., and bibliographical references are given. Mention is made of the scripts used in the MSS: Javanese, Pegon (derived from Arabic script) and Latin script.

1912. *Supplement op den catalogus van de Sundaneesche handschriften en Catalogus van de Balineesche en Sasaksche handschriften der Leidsche Universiteits-Bibliotheek*. By H.H. JUYNBOLL. Leiden: E.J. Brill. xvi + 224pp.

Written in Dutch. Several of the Sundanese and Sasak materials are of Islamic interest. Some 127 Sundanese and 40 Sasak MSS are described. Attention is focused on the contents of the texts. Usually title, author, number of pages, size of the MS., and bibliographical references are given. Mention is made of the scripts used in the MSS: Javanese, Pegon (derived from Arabic script) and Latin script.

1921. *Supplement-Catalogus der Maleische en Minangkabausche handschriften in de Leidsche Universiteits-Bibliotheek*. By PH.S. VAN RONKEL. Leiden: E.J. Brill. xxii + 316pp.

Written in Dutch. Intended as a supplement to Juynboll's catalogue of 1899. The catalogue, which is arranged according to sub-

ject, contains the summary descriptions of 503 Malay texts and of 264 Minangkabau texts. Title, author, size, number of pages, number of lines to the page, date of compilation and copying are given. Extensive summaries of the contents of the texts are added.

**1931.** *Exposition de manuscrits orientaux, d'objets et documents relatifs à l'histoire des études orientalistes à l'Université de Leiden organisée à l'occasion du XVIIIe Congrès international des Orientalistes au Musée du "Lakenhal"* 7–28 septembre 1931. Leiden: E.J. Brill. 48pp.

This exhibition catalogue contains a summary description of 81 Middle Eastern and Indonesian MSS in the University Library, all of which are described in previously published catalogues.

**1952.** Indonesische handschriften in de Universiteitsbibliotheek te Leiden. By P. VOORHOEVE. *Bijdragen voor Taal-, Land- en Volkenkunde* 108, 1952, pp. 209–219.

Contains an alphabetical list of Indonesian languages which are represented in the Leiden manuscript collection. Materials of Islamic interest may be found under: Achehnese, Buginese and Makassarese, Buru, Ceram, Gajoland, Javanese, Madurese, Malay, Minangkabau, Sasak and Sundanese. Written in Dutch.

**1957.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

Includes Arabic MSS of the Royal Academy as well as the University Library itself.

**1967.** *Schatten uit de Leidse Bibliotheek*. Leiden: Stedelijk Museum De Lakenhal, n.d. [1967]. 39pp., illustrations.

Exhibition catalogue of the municipal museum 'De Lakenhal' in Leiden, showing treasures of the Leiden University Library (2–25 June 1967). The section on Oriental MSS (pp. 35–39) was compiled by R. ROOLVINK.

The catalogue, which is written in Dutch, contains some general information on 20 Oriental MSS. Of these, nine MSS are of Islamic content (in Arabic, Persian, Turkish, Javanese, Malay).

**1967–80.** See the union catalogue by PIGEAUD.

Most of the Javanese MSS described belong to Leiden University

Library; there are also two belonging to the Royal Academy (vol. 2, p. 712), some 31 belonging to the Gemeentelijk Museum voor Volkenkunde in Delft (vol. 2, pp. 757–761) and 64 owned by the Rijksmuseum voor Volkenkunde (vol. 2, pp. 810–818), on permanent loan to the University Library.

**1970.** *LEVINUS WARNER and his Legacy. Three centuries Legatum Warnerianum in the Leiden University Library. Catalogue of the Commemorative Exhibition held in Bibliotheca Thysiana from April 27th till May 15th 1970.* Leiden: E.J. Brill. 86pp.

Exhibition catalogue, in English, containing two introductory articles: pp. 1–31: The Legatum Warnerianum of Leiden University Library, by G.W.J. DREWES; pp. 33–44: WARNER's manuscripts and books in the main printed catalogue, by P.Sj. VAN KONINGSVELD.

Then follow the descriptions of 60 items from WARNER's collection of Oriental MSS and printed books or of materials relating to WARNER. They include Arabic, Persian and Turkish texts. The codicological details are not very extensive, but each description contains a summary of the contents of the works mentioned with some bibliographical details about their authors. The descriptions are not written for the specialist, but rather for the interested general public. The work is valuable because it contains a number of photographic reproductions taken from the exhibited materials.

**1973.** The Arabic manuscripts collection of RENÉ BASSET (1855–1924). By P.Sj. VAN KONINGSVELD. *Bibliotheca Orientalis* 30, 1973, pp. 370–385; 31, 1974, p. 160.

Written in English. Summary description of RENÉ BASSET's MS. collection in the Leiden University Library. All MSS are more extensively described by J.J. WITKAM (1983–[1989]).

**1974.** Ten Arabic manuscript-volumes of historical contents acquired by the Leiden University Library after 1957. By P.Sj. VAN KONINGSVELD. *Studies on Islam*. Ed. E. van Donzel. Amsterdam: Royal Academy of Arts and Sciences. Pp. 92–110; with illustrations.

Ten recently acquired Arabic MSS are described in this article. Details given: name of author, title, bibliographical reference, date

of compilation and copying. Extensive attention is given to *qirāʿāt* and similar features.

**1978.** *Seven specimens of Arabic manuscripts preserved in the Library of the University of Leiden. Presented to the participants of the 9th Congress of Arabic and Islamic Studies, Amsterdam, 1–6 September 1978.* By J.J. WITKAM. Leiden: E.J. Brill. 20pp.

Intended as a proposal for a palaeographical atlas of Arabic, it may also be considered as a catalogue of 7 Arabic MSS in the Leiden University Library.

**1979.** *Kitābkhānah-i Dānishgāh-i Laydan.* By MUḤAMMAD TAQĪ DĀNISHPAZHŪH. *Nuskah<sup>2</sup>hā-yi Khaṭṭī* 10, 1358, pp. 235–274.

Incl. list of Persian MSS extracted from published catalogues.

**1980.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

In the 1980 edition no new acquisitions have been added. The difference between the 1957 and the 1980 edition lies in the extensive number of concordances which accompany the latter. A few obvious misprints in the 1957 edition have been corrected, but the works are basically the same. On pp. 605–608 is a survey of the Arabic MSS of the Royal Academy (deposited in the University Library).

**1982.** *Arabic manuscripts in the Library of the University of Leiden and other collections in the Netherlands. A general introduction to the Catalogue.* By J.J. WITKAM. Leiden: E.J. Brill. 16pp.

A short general introduction to the main catalogue of Arabic MSS in the Leiden library. In it are treated: the present state of Arabic bibliography, Arabic manuscripts in the Library of the University of Leiden and other collections in the Netherlands and the method of the catalogue. No MSS are described in this separately-published booklet.

**1983.** *Catalogus van de verzameling Soendase handschriften van SNOUCK HURGRONJE in de Leidse Universiteitsbibliotheek (naar Cod. Or. 8923).* By R.A. KERN. Geredigeerd en ingeleid door J. NOORDUYN. Leiden (privately published). ix + 129pp.

Written in Dutch. The catalogue contains the descriptions of the

150 Sundanese MS. volumes which were collected in Java by C. SNOUCK HURGRONJE (died 1936) before 1908. Most MSS were commissioned by SNOUCK HURGRONJE and date from the end of the 19th and the beginning of the 20th century. The catalogue focuses attention on the contents of the texts described. Long summaries and extensive quotations are given for each text. The codicological detail is restricted to title, author, size, date of copying, former owner or scribe.

**1983-** (in progress). *Catalogue of Arabic manuscripts in the Library of the University of Leiden and other collections in the Netherlands*. By J.J. WITKAM. Leiden: E.J. Brill. 1983–1989. 560pp. (5 fascicules of 112pp. each published to date.)

The catalogue describes the MSS in great detail. Mentioned are not only title, complete name of author with relevant bibliographical references, subject, language, date of compilation, name of scribe, style of script, date and place of copying, but also all sorts of details concerning the physical appearance of the MS. such as writing materials, type of ink, watermarks etc. The fascicules have a consecutive numbering and a cumulative index is foreseen for every 7 or 8 fascicules. In the meantime, each fascicule is provided with a provisional index of titles and names of authors. In the first 5 fascicules published some 300 MSS are described, which contain more than 1,000 bibliographical entries. This catalogue describes parts of the Leiden collection which have not been described in earlier catalogues. Eventually it will contain a description of all Arabic MSS in the Netherlands. The catalogue is abundantly illustrated.

**1985.** *Honderd Jaar Mekka in Leiden: 1885–1985. Catalogus van de tentoonstelling gehouden ter gelegenheid van de honderdste verjaardag van de Mekka-reis van CHRISTIAAN SNOUCK HURGRONJE (1885). Archivalia, handschriften, gedrukte boeken, wetenschappelijke notities, brieven, foto's en ethnografica*. By J.J. WITKAM. Leiden: Bibliotheek der Rijksuniversiteit te Leiden. 37pp.

Exhibition catalogue, written in Dutch, published on the occasion of the first centenary of C. SNOUCK HURGRONJE's journey to Mecca. Some 60 Arabic manuscripts, archival materials, photographs and ethnographical objects are described. Very summary descriptions. The catalogue contains also a survey of other Islamic collections of

C. SNOUCK HURGRONJE which are preserved in the Leiden library. The ethnographical objects were loaned from the State Museum of Ethnography in Leiden.

**1985.** See union catalogue by HAJI WAN ALI HAJI WAN MAMAT.

On pp. 16–66 and 75–90, some 1,200 Malay MS. texts belonging to the Leiden University Library are mentioned; on p. 74 is one Malay MS. deposited by the Royal Academy.

**1987.** *Goed gezien. Tien eeuwen wetenschap in handschrift en druk. Catalogus van de tentoonstelling ter gelegenheid van het vierhonderdjarig bestaan van de Universiteitsbibliotheek te Leiden.* Leiden: Universiteitsbibliotheek / Universitaire Pers Leiden. 192pp., illustrated.

Written in Dutch. The catalogue of the exhibition held on the occasion of the fourth centenary of Leiden University Library. The exhibition had as its central theme scholarly and scientific illustration. Islamic MS. materials are mentioned throughout the text: in all approximately 10 MSS in Arabic and Persian. The often extensive descriptions are subject to the exigencies of the exhibition's theme. Apart from author's name, title, number of folios, date of completion and of copying and a bibliographic reference, no further technical information is supplied.

**1988.** *Naskah Sunda: Inventarisasi dan Pencatatan.* By EDI S. EKADJATI. Bandung: Lembaga Penelitian Universitas Padjadjaran and The Toyota Foundation. vii + 557pp.

Written in Indonesian. This is a survey of all Sundanese MSS in public collections in the world. The Leiden University Library is treated on pp. 181–425. Quite confusingly, the few Sundanese MSS in the library of the Royal Institute of Ethnology and Linguistics in Leiden are treated there as well, as if they belonged to the University Library. In all, 785 Sundanese texts are mentioned. For each text is given: title, library number, original collector, number of pages, type of alphabet, language, type of text (prose, poetry), indication of subject-matter. The survey is devoid of indexes of any kind. This volume is the commercial edition; a privately-published mimeographed edition appeared under the same title (Bandung, 1983, vi + 512pp.).

**MIDDELBURG****Zeeuwse Bibliotheek**

Kousteensedijk 7, 4331 JE Middelburg

*Date of establishment:* Founded in 1859 as 'Provinciale Bibliotheek van Zeeland'.

*Status:* The Zeeuwse Bibliotheek is subject to the provincial authority of Zeeland in Middelburg.

*Description of collection:* The library owns the collection of Oriental MS. materials of 'Het Zeeuwsch Genootschap' (The Zeeland Society). Part of these were lost in World War II, when the library was destroyed. The Islamic MS. holdings of the library are described in printed catalogues. The collection is not being expanded.

*Published catalogues:*

**1851–77.** See the union catalogue by Dozy *et al.*

In vol. 5, pp. 312–315, the 8 Arabic MSS of the 'Zeeland Society' are described by M.J. DE GOEJE.

**1861.** *Inventaris der Handschriften van het Zeeuwsch Genootschap der Wetenschappen.* By J.P. VAN VISVLIET. Middelburg: J.C. & W. Altorffer. 87pp.

Written in Dutch. This is the inventory of all MSS of the 'Zeeland Society'. On pp. 73–74, 2 Arabic MSS are mentioned. Neither title, nor author, nor any other detail, is given, only the provenance and subject-matter.

**1869.** *Vervolg op den Inventaris der Handschriften van het Zeeuwsch Genootschap der Wetenschappen.* By F. NAGTGLAS. Middelburg: J.C. & W. Altorffer. 17pp.

Written in Dutch. This is the sequel to the Inventory published in 1861. On p. 10, 1 Arabic MS. and 1 Buginese MS. are mentioned.

**1875.** See the union catalogue by MATTHES.

The 'Zeeuwsch Genootschap' in Middelburg, pp. 86–89: 1 text.

**1957.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

Fewer than 10 Arabic MS. texts belong to the Zeeuwse Bibliotheek.

**1980.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

On p. 619 a survey is given of 3 Arabic MSS (6 texts) in the Zeeuwse Bibliotheek.

## **ROTTERDAM**

### **Gemeentebibliotheek (Municipal Library)**

Hoogstraat 110, 3011 PV Rotterdam

*Date of establishment:* 1604.

*Status:* Subject to the municipal authority of the city of Rotterdam.

*Description of collection:* A modest collection of Islamic MS. materials is kept in the library. This collection is not being expanded.

*Published catalogues:*

**1957.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

Two Arabic MS. volumes described belong to the Rotterdam Municipal Library.

**1967–80.** See the union catalogue by PIGEAUD.

In vol. 2, p. 863, and vol. 4, p. 261, 2 Javanese MSS belonging to the library are described.

**1980.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

On p. 619 is a survey of the two Arabic MS. volumes in the Rotterdam Municipal Library.

### **Museum voor Land- en Volkenkunde (Museum of Ethnology)**

Willemskade 25, 3016 DM Rotterdam

*Date of establishment:* 1883

*Status:* The Museum is subject to the municipal authority of the city of Rotterdam.

*Description of collection:* The Museum owns a large collection of ob-

jects from the Middle East and Indonesia, and also an important numismatic collection of Middle Eastern interest. In the Museum is also a modest collection of Islamic MS. materials, which is not being expanded.

*Published catalogues:*

**1967–80.** See the union catalogue by PIGEAUD.

In vol. 2, pp. 858–862, and vol. 4, pp. 260–261, 33 Javanese MSS belonging to the Museum are described.

**1980.** See the union catalogue by VOORHOEVE.

On p. 619 is a reference to 1 Arabic MS. volume in the collection of the Museum.

## TILBURG

### **Ethnografisch Museum** (Ethnographic Museum)

*Description of collection:* This used to be a privately funded museum in Tilburg, which had been founded by Roman Catholic missionaries. In 1980 it was still in existence, but by 1990 it had ceased to exist. The present whereabouts of its collections are unknown.

*Published catalogues:*

**1967–80.** See the union catalogue by PIGEAUD.

In vol. 4, pp. 264–265, 2 Javanese MSS belonging to the Museum are described.

## UTRECHT

### **Bibliotheek der Rijksuniversiteit** (Library of the State University)

Wittevrouwenstraat 7–11, 3512 CS Utrecht

*Date of establishment:* Founded in its earliest form in 1581. The University of Utrecht was founded in 1636.

*Description of collection:* In the course of the history of the library, Islamic MS. materials have come into its possession, but the Islamic collection is not being expanded.

*Published catalogues:*

**1851–77.** See the union catalogue by Dozy *et al.*

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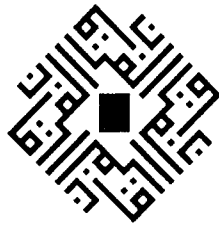
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