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ZAKI ALY, The Judicial System at Work in Ptolemaic Egypt: Law Courts (Bull. de la Société Royale d'Archéologie d'Alexandrie N° 36, 1943–1944 pp 54–82). Not seen.

H. J. WOLFF, The origin of judicial litigation among the Greeks (Repr. from Traditio vol. IV (1946) pp 31-87).

Although this article deals with judicial litigation in ancient Greece, it should be mentioned here because of its frequent references to the law of the papyri pp 51, 52, 53, 54, 55/6, 7270. Noteworthy are in particular the authors remark's that the Greek courts rendering judgements in controversies concerning titles to property merely stated to whom of the parties the title in dispute belonged (cf. my *Law* I 189).

M. HOMBERT et C. PRÉAUX, Recherches sur le prosangelme à l'époque ptolémaique (Chronique d'Egypte N° 34 (1942) pp 259-290).

The authors analyze in this essay the προσαγγέλματα and make up a new list of these documents, supplying the list of Berneker, Zur Geschichte der Prozesseinleitung im ptol. Recht pp 38-40.

RAMON SUGRANGES DE FRANCH, Etudes sur le droit palestinien a l'époque évangelique (Arbeiten aus dem juristischen Seminar der Universität Freiburg hg. von Max Gutzwiller, Fribourg (1946).

After an introduction concerning the Gospel and the history of law, the author considers the value of the Gospel as a source of our knowledge of law and compares the law of Moses and the rabbinic law with the Hellenistic law (p. 106-130). The author treats especially — as far the latter is concerned — the personal execution, imprisonment for debts, enslavement and slavery for debts, executional proceedings, making to a large extent use of the papyri. In the last chapter (pp 133-140) the author shows some points which justify the hypothesis that these was probably a reception of Hellenistic executional proceedings into law of Palestine.

## A. MENKMAN, The Edict of Valerius Eudaimon, Prefect of Egypt (Symbolae van Oven, Leiden 1946 pp 191-210).

The author gives a translation of the edict and its interpretation. She understands it as follows: after a debtor has been summoned

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