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groom acting on her own behalf (!) and on behalf of her son, writing to the bride. Unfortunately the terms of the agreement are lost. On marriage contracts and divorce in the Coptic papyri cf. Steinwenter, *Das Recht der koptischen Urkunden* 20/1 ff.

J. O. Tjäder, *Die nichtliterarischen lateinischen Papyri Italiens aus der Zeit 455—700* (Acta Instituti Romani Regni Sueciae XIX, (1) Lund 1955).

This magnificent work contains a reedition of the s.c. Papyri from Ravenna or Papiri Marini No. 1—25 with an excellent commentary and notes. The texts refer to the administration of the domains (P. 1—3), to the last wills and testaments (P. 4—6), to the appointment of guardians (P. 7), to receipts (P. 8), to emancipation (P. 9), to gifts (P. 10—28). As far as the excavations of papyri from Egypt and the provinces from the East are concerned (p. 17 note 1) the author points out that these papyri are not taken in consideration; this does not mean however that there is no connection between these two groups of papyri; on the contrary, the author reminds of the affinity, between the Italian and Egyptian protocols of *gesta*. In addition the author makes use of the Greco-Egyptian parallels and the literature in many places; see e.g. in his presentation of the testaments p. 196; on appointments of guardians p. 224 ff.; on receipts p. 234 ff.; on emancipation p. 216 ff.; on *donationes* p. 250 ff.; on oath p. 264 ff. etc. etc. The edition is therefore very important for the papyrologists.

#### PAPYRI FROM THE ARAB PERIOD

A. Dietrich, *Arabische Briefe aus der Papyrussammlung der Hamburger Staats- u. Universitäts-Bibliothek* (1955).

This edition comprises papyri from IX—XI cent. A.D. referring to agriculture, taxes, business and other private affairs. We will deal with those of legal interest.

No. 2 (820—822 A.D.) mentions a finance director of a *Kūra* (νομός) who corresponds to the πάρχαρχος of the Greek papyri. Whilst the στρατηγός (*wālī*) as a chief official of a νομός with no military competence was invested with the civil administration connected with a restricted jurisdiction and police-power, the πάρχαρχος pos-