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to a fund the proceeds of which were destined for perpetual services, civil personality. The eternal bodies — such as gods, royalty, cities, priests or mummifiers — had the possibility to resort to the right of property over this fund in order to establish the execution of the dispositions made for eternity. Therefore, the execution of these dispositions was accomplished in the usual manner of obligations imposed on the above mentioned bodies.

F. A. Hooper, *Data from Kom About Billou of the Length of Life in Greco-Roman Egypt* (*Chron. d'Egypte* XXXI, No. 62 [1956] 332—338).

According to a study published in 1945 by M. Hombert and C. Préaux, the average age at death for persons living in Egypt during the Greco-Roman period was about thirty-two years. Their estimate was based on the survey of 813 ages obtained from funerary inscriptions and mummy tickets ranging in date from the 3d century B.C. The author gives new material corroborating former findings.

E. L. Kazakevitch, *Termin δοῦλος i poniatie 'rab' v Afinakh IV v. do n.e.* [= *The Term δοῦλος and rhe Notion of 'Slave' in Athens in the IV cent. before our era*] (*Vestnik Drevney Istorii* 1956 No. 3, 119—136).

The author investigates the term δοῦλος and similar ones. This interesting dissertation will be also of use for papyrologists.

W. L. Westermann, *Upon the Slave Systems of Greek and Roman Antiquity* (*Symbolae R. Taubenschlag dedicatae* I = *Eos* 48, 1 [1956] 19—25).

In this article the author gives a short summary of his work published posthumously: *The Slave Systems of Greek and Roman Antiquity* (The American Philosophical Society, Philadelphia 1955). The article was sent by the late Professor Westermann in autumn 1954.

R. Martini, *Mercenarius. Contributo allo studio dei rapporti di lavoro in diritto romano* (*Studi Senesi* 48/49 [1956/7] fasc. 3—4, p. 214—290).

This dissertation, although romanistic, will also interest the papyrologists, because the *mercenarius* (in his narrower sense) = a person who in a house not of his own accomplishes all services ordered by the proprietor, shows a great affinity with the παραμόνόςριος a figure whom we find now and again in the papyri (cf. my article *JJP* 7/8, 182 ff.).

THE LAW GOVERNING DOMESTIC RELATIONS

J. Klima, *Su un'analogia babilonese del Sc. Macedoniano: Contributo alla storia delle limitazioni della capacità giuridica* (*Studi in on. U. E. Paoli*, 433—441).

According to the author, CB § 14 attempted to lend money to a *mâr awîlim la zi-zu*, to a slave (and respectively to a person who had a *potestas familiaris* over both of them). He proves that this idea appeared later in other systems of law, especially in Attic and in Egyptian laws, and that at last it found its precise formulation in the famous *Sc. Macedonianum*.

R. Yaron, *Aramaic Marriage Contracts from Elephantine* (*Journ. Sem. Stud.* 3 (1) [1958] 1—39).

In this dissertation the author examines in detail the Aramaic marriage contracts published by Cowley in *Aramaic Papyri of the 5th Century B.C.* (A.P.) and by Kraeling in *Brooklyn Museum Aramaic Papyri* (P. Brooklyn). He discusses the various clauses into which the contracts can be divided, and then turns to some characteristic phrases occurring in them. Finally he examines their historical background and the law reflected in them.

The dissertation will also interest the papyrologists as the early Greco-Egyptian marriage contracts show various affinities to the earlier Aramaic documents (cf. p. 23, 24, 25).

J. Modrzejewski, *Le droit de famille dans les lettres privées grecques d'Égypte* (*JJP* 9—10 [1956] 339—364).

J. Modrzejewski, *Note sur P. Strasb. 237: Une contribution au problème de l'ἄγραφος et ἔγραφος γάμος* (*Eos* 48 fasc. 3 = *Symbolae R. Taubenschlag dedicatae* III [1957] 139—154).