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maic law. The author points out that Ptolemaic law identified the state with the royalty and regarded crimes against the state as crimes against the sovereign (cf. my *Law*<sup>2</sup> 473). The Ptolemaic law did not know the notions: *προδοσία* and *κατάλυσις τοῦ δήμου*, so highly developed in the law of Athens.

F. Serrao, *Il frammento Leidense di Paolo. Problemi di diritto criminale romano* (Università di Roma, Pubblicazioni dell'Istituto di Diritto romano e dei diritti dell'Oriente mediterraneo XXXIII, 1956) 142 pp.

Besides the *Apokrimata* of Septimius Severus published by Westermann and by Schiller, and besides the 4th and 5th series of the Herculaneum tablets published by Pugliese-Carratelli and Arangio-Ruiz, the Leiden fragments of *Sententiae Pauli* in the last two years have enriched the knowledge of Roman law.

The excellent monograph of Serrao, devoted to this fragment, consists of 6 paragraphs: § 1. treats of the prohibition of decreeing honours to the governors and their suite by the provincial legislative bodies; § 2. settles the prohibitions to the senators of receiving by themselves public offices and carrying on maritime business; § 3. manages the "*accusatio ex lege Fabia*" and the "*actio de lege reptundarum*"; § 4. examines the prohibition given to the provincial officers of taking office the same year when they came back from Rome; § 5. negotiates the execution of sentences pronounced in a process *ex lege repetundarum*; § 6. discusses the criminal prosecution and the *actio* against one guilty of *retundae*.

The author makes also use of the papyri (cf. index p. 142).

M. Th. Lenger, *Le fragment de loi ptolémaïque P. Petrie III, 26* (*Bodl. Ms. Gr. class. d. 27 [P]*) (*Studi in on. U. E. Paoli*, 459-467).

The study contains a new edition of this papyrus with a commentary concerning all questions about the damage caused by cattle on the ground of another owner. The law established the responsibility of the cattle-owner under the reservation that the damage and interests ought to be fixed by the court.

E. J. Bickerman, *Two Legal Interpretations of the Suptuagint* (*RIDA* 3 sér. III [1956] 81-104).

The author interprets Gen. 34, 12 — Exod. 22, 16 as referring to the dowry and Exod. 22, 4 as referring to the *actio de pastu*. Also the author makes some use of the papyrological literature (cf. p. 102<sub>37</sub>, 103<sub>69</sub>, 89<sub>22</sub>, 23, 91<sub>26</sub>, 95<sub>37</sub>, 101 ff., 103<sub>3</sub> ff.).

J. Modrzejewski, *Quelques remarques à propos de l'homicide et de la rançon dans le droit d'Égypte romaine (Note sur P. Mich. VIII 473) (IVRA 8 [1957] 93—101).*

In this excellent essay the author tries to show that the private settlement of the claims resulting from an unpremeditated murder in P. Mich. VIII 473 (II cent. A.D.) (cf. my *Law*<sup>2</sup> 433) does not represent official but popular law; in the official law this crime considered as a *delictum publicum* was persecuted by the state.

#### POLITICAL LAW

A. Calderini, *Alcuni rilievi preliminari di toponomastica greco-egizia (Eos 48 fasc. 3 = Symbolae R. Taubenschlag dedicatae III [1957] 67—76).*

This article contains interesting remarks on some topographical and geographical designations beginning with the letter A, proposed for the author's *Dizionario geografico and topografico dell'Egitto greco-romano*.

V. Tcherikover, *Jewish Apologetic Literature Reconsidered (Eos 48 fasc. 3 = Symbolae R. Taubenschlag dedicatae III [1957] 169—193).*

This study is of high interest for the jurist as the apologetic literature reflects the political and social state of Alexandrian Jewry in the Hellenistic period.

A. R. Korsunski, *O kolonate v vostotshnoy Rimskoy Imperii V—VI v. [= About the Colonate in the East-Roman Empire in V—VI cent.] (Vizatiyski Vremennik IX [1956] 45—77).*

The author examines the question of sources of the colonate and the social condition of the *coloni*. He asserts that the colonate