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### INAUGURATION OF THE FONDATION NAPOLEON DIGITAL LIBRARY

The **Fondation Napoléon Bibliothèque Martial-Lapeyre library** is delighted to announce the launch of its *Digital Library*.

This inaugural presentation offers a selection of some the Fondation Napoléon library's and collection's most interesting works, notably:

Books on Napoleon's exile and death on St Helena, in French and in English, some of which unique on the web: *An exposition of some transactions*, by Barry Edward O'Meara, 1816; *Documents particuliers en forme de lettres sur Napoléon Bonaparte*, by Barry Edward O'Meara, 1818; *Narrative surrender of Buonaparte on board on Bellerophon*, by Frederick Maitland, 1826; *Mémorial de Sir Hudson Lowe*, anonymous, 1830; *Narrative of proceedings connected with the exhumation of the late Emperor Napoleon*, anonymous, 1840; *Manuscrit venu de Sainte-Hélène de manière inconnue*, anonymous, 1862; *Napoleon's last voyages*, by Thomas Ussher, John R. Glover, 1906.

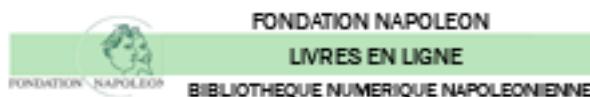
Map: Saint Helena 1815

Almanach: Almanach des bâtimens 1815

Illustrated books: the rare *Livre du Sacre de S. M. L'Empereur Napoléon dans l'église métropolitaine de Paris le dimanche 2 décembre 1804* [ed. Charles Percier, Pierre François Léonard Fontaine, Jean-Baptiste Isabey] published by the Imprimerie impériale and including forty extraordinary engravings; a charming illustrated private edition of the words and music for Queen Hortense's romances.

The works available via the Digital library Bibliothèque are fully searchable and the texts and images can be viewed in close-up mode. Naturally, all are printable and downloadable.

Planned updates for 2010 include: *Cérémonial de l'Empire français*; *Étiquette du Palais impérial*; *Itinéraire général de Napoléon Ier*; *La Maison de l'Empereur – Second Empire*; *Almanach de Paris 1808*, *Notice sur l'île d'Elbe 1814*; *The letters of Captain Piontkowski*, *Mémoires du maréchal Suchet, duc d'Albufera, sur ses campagnes en Espagne, depuis 1808 jusqu'en 1814*; *Hommages poétiques sur la naissance du Roi de Rome*; *Ossian poésies galliques*; *Plan de Paris 1815*; *Atlas des mémoires de Suchet*.



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