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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 Pionkowski*, *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*.



http://digitalbooks.napoleon.org/book/index_eng.html

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