

"Privilege," pp. (6); text, pp. 1-472; "Table," pp. 473-486; "Protestation," with errata on verso, 1 leaf.

## VOL. XXVI.

This is the last volume edited by Du Halde, and we have discovered two varieties. The Lenox copy has this imprint:

"A Paris, rue S. Jacques. | Chez P. G. Le Mercier, Impri- | meur-  
Libraire, au Livre d'Or, | près S. Yves. | Et | Chez Marc Bordelet,  
vis-à-vis | le Collège de Louis le Grand. | M DCC XLIII. | Avec  
Approbation & Privilège du Roy. | "

*Collation:* Title, with verso blank, 1 leaf; "Aux Jesuites de France," pp. i.-xxxi.; "Approbation," "Permission," and "Privilege," pp. (3); text, pp. 1-449; "Table," pp. 450-458. The "i" of p. ix. is inverted; paging of 233 imperfectly printed; and p. 398 mispagged 598. A plate of shells should face p. 399; although the plate itself indicates, erroneously, its location before p. 375.

The Astor copy agrees with the above in every respect in the body of the volume; but its imprint reads thus:

"A Paris, rue S. Jacques. | Chez P. G. Le Mercier, Imprimeur- |  
Libraire, au Livre d'Or, | près S. Yves. | Et | Chez Marc Bordelet,  
vis-à-vis | le Collège de Louis le Grand. | M DCC XLIII. | Avec  
Approbation & Privilège du Roy. | "

## VOL. XXVII.

After the death of Du Halde in 1743, the publication was delayed for six years; partly owing to the void in the editorship, but particularly on account of the commercial interruption with the distant regions from which the letters of the missionaries came. The war (1744-1748) between France and England was the cause of this interruption. The vessels of the English succeeded nearly always in capturing those of the French, on board of which the letters were being transmitted to France. But the peace of Aix-la-Chapelle (1748), having again brought tranquillity into being, rendered safe the resumption of transportation.

This volume, as well as several others, was edited by Louis Patouillet, of whom more hereafter. Its latest dates are those of "Privilege" and registry, 7 and 13 June, 1749, respectively. Imprint as follows:

"A Paris, | Chez les Freres Guerin, rue S. Jacques, | vis-à-vis les  
Mathurins, à Saint | Thomas d'Aquin. | M. DCC. XLIX. | Avec  
Approbation & Privilège du Roi. | "

*Collation:* Title, with verso blank, 1 leaf; "Aux Jesuites de France," pp. iii.-xliii., signed by L. Patouillet; "Approbation" and "Permission," 1 leaf; "Privilege," pp. (4); text, pp. 1-476; "Table," pp. 477-480. A plate of "Plante de Châayavêr" to face p. 444.