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WRITTEN LANGUAGES IN MOLDAVIA DURING THE REIGN OF PETER RAREŞ (1527–1538, 1541–1546)*

Abstract. The language of the Moldavian books and chancery documents written during the reign of Peter Rareş (1527–1538, 1541–1546) shows an unneglectable variability depending on the purpose, addressee and format of the texts. Using all kinds of preserved texts from this period, we have tried to describe this variability focusing on the texts written in the Cyrillic script. These texts are evaluated according to three criteria: spelling, morphosyntax and vocabulary. The most prestigious variety was the Trinovitan (Tărnovo) variety of Middle Church Slavonic. Its shape in the texts, belonging to the common Church Slavonic legacy, shows the lowest impact of the Moldavian linguistic environment. The original Church Slavonic bookish texts composed in Moldavia (Macarie's Chronicle, Enkomion to St John the New, colophons and inscriptions) show a variable proportion of Moldavian spelling and morphosyntactic markers. The chancery documents can be characterised by blending of Church Slavonic and Ruthenian (Ukrainian-based) elements. Except the Ruthenian-based documents addressed to Poland, the chancery documents are basically Church Slavonic shaped with Ruthenian infiltrations on the level of some fixed formulas, function words and few lexical items. Moreover, Slavonic letters sent to Transylvania show tiny Wallachian Slavonic influence, manifested by forms of Serbian chancery origin. Monastery charters combine CS-shaped Ruthenian formulas with Trinovitan Church Slavonic formulas, partly shared with colophons and inscriptions. Thus, the Moldavian written legacy shares common elements both with the Wallachian milieu (e.g. Romanian Cyrillic spelling of proper names, Romanian impact on morphosyntax, specific terminology etc.) as well as with a broader Ruthenian area (mainly the eastern part of the Polish-Lithuanian Union).

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The written legacy of Slavonic culture of the Moldavian Principality¹ is claimed not just by Romanians and philologists from the Republic of Moldova, but also by neighbouring Slavonic philologies. Church Slavonic (further: CS)

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¹ The official Slavonic name was Молдавскаѧ землиѧ appearing both in the documents and historiography. Macarie's Chronicle mentions also the names Молдовлахіѧ (2nd redaction, cetera: II, 480r) and

manuscripts, copied in Moldavian monasteries, represent an important part of the common Church Slavonic legacy. The Moldavian Slavonic Letters have preserved numerous texts of South Slavonic origin that could have been otherwise lost. Due to the specific history of the Moldavian territory, still divided among three modern countries, and an exceptional quality of Moldavian CS manuscripts, the medieval and early modern books from Moldavia are spread among various manuscript collections of the world. The identification of the Moldavian manuscripts in non-Romanian collections is still going on. This process is made more difficult by the fact that Moldavian books served as a model for neighbouring CS areas², especially the Orthodox communities of Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth, Hungary, Wallachia, and Transylvania. In the traditional Bulgarian philological approach, the Moldavian CS legacy is treated as Middle Bulgarian³ and stands as one of the sources for the reconstruction of the CS used in Bulgaria of the 14th century. Especially the older Moldavian Slavonic chancery texts are traditionally treated by the Ukrainian philological tradition as a source of data on the historical Ukrainian

in the 3rd redaction (cetera: III, 266r) also землѣ Мѡлдавѧ. In the documents issued by Peter Rareş's Chancery, we see the following variants in other languages. In Latin, we read *terra Moldaviae, regnum Moldavie, terra moldaviensis. Documente privitoare la istoria Ardealului, Moldovei și Țării-românești*, vol. I, ed. A. VERESS, Bucureşti 1929, no. 31. *Documente privitoare la istoria românilor*, vol. XV, part 1, *Acte și scrisori din arhivele orașelor ardeleane (Bistrița, Brașov, Sibiu) 1358–1600*, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, Bucureşti 1911, p. 294, 334. In German, we read *Mulda* or *Molda*, which is likewise the German name of the town of Baia. Ed. A. VERESS, *Documente...*, no. 26; ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 447. In the documents sent to Poland, the land may be called *ziemia mołdawska*, but also *Valachia*, eventually *Wołochy*. *Documente privitoare la istoria românilor: Urmare la colecțiunea lui Euxodiu de Hurmuzachi Supliment 2*, vol. I, 1510–1600: *documente din arhive și biblioteci polone*, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, I. BOGDAN, Bucureşti 1893, p. 107, 147, 139. The Slavonic (Ruthenian) term *Волохы* for 'Moldavia' is found in a 16th century (1552) text composed on the territory of current Ukraine. *Словник української мови XVI – першої половини XVII ст.*, vol. IV, ed. Д. Гринчишин, Львів 1997, p. 212.

² А.А. ТУРИЛОВ, *Межславянские культурные связи эпохи средневековия и источниковедение истории и культуры Славян*, Москва 2012, p. 648–656.

³ Thus e.g. in A. МИЛТЕНОВА, *Книжнина на български език в Молдова и Влахия*, [in:] *История на българската средновековна литература*, ed. EADEM, София 2008, p. 683; Д. МИРЧЕВА, Редакции, [in:] *Кирило-Методиевска енциклопедия*, vol. III, ed. Л. ГРАШЕВА, София 2003, p. 454. In both Bulgarian and Romanian philological traditions, the written legacy of Moldavia and Wallachia are considered to form part of one whole. L. DJAMO-DIACONIȚĂ, *Limba textelor slavo-române*, [in:] P. OLTEANU et al., *Slava veche și slavona românească*, Bucureşti 1975, p. 264: "Romanian redaction based on Middle Bulgarian with Moldavian, Wallachian and Transylvanian subtypes"; M. MITU, *Slavona românească. Studii și texte*, Bucureşti 2002, p. 16–21, considers that Romanian Slavonic as one whole is not a variety of Middle Bulgarian CS, although it was originally based on it, but it is a separate CS "redaction". For more details on the concept of "Romanian Slavonic" see V. KNOLL, *The "Romanian Slavonic language" and lexicography*, [in:] *Old Church Slavonic Heritage in Slavonic and Other Languages*, ed. I. JANYŠKOVÁ et al., Praha 2021, p. 307–309. The East Slavonic philological traditions strictly divide the Wallachian and Moldavian written traditions, focusing on the latter one, see e.g. А.А. ТУРИЛОВ, *Межславянские...*, p. 648–649.

phonology and dialectology⁴. The most important outcome of this approach is the lexicographic elaboration of the Moldavian chancery language by Ukrainian scholars⁵.

For an analysis of the language situation in Moldavia, we have chosen the period of reign of voivode Peter Rareş (1527–1538 and 1541–1546). The caesura between the two periods of his reign, filled by a dramatic escape of the ruler from the land occupied by Ottoman troops, his emigration and his recovery of the throne, is reflected not just by the most important original Slavonic work of the époque, the Chronicle by bishop Macarie of Roman, but also in documents and inscriptions⁶. The personality of Peter Rareş entered the CS literature also as the model ruler in the work *The Great Petition* (*Большая Челобитная*) by Ivan Peresvetov⁷.

The texts of the second quarter of the 16th century are not thus intensively studied as those of the Moldavian 15th century, renown for the great names of bookman Gavrili Uric and voivode Stephen the Great (father of Peter Rareş). Nevertheless, the texts of our target period already show a stabilised shape of both chancery and internal bookish language and thus serve as a good example of the *classical*

⁴ The article from 1993 *Internet Encyclopedia of Ukraine* (<http://www.encyclopediaofukraine.com/display.asp?linkpath=pages%5CM%5CO%5CMoldaviancharters.htm> [10 V 2022]) says the Moldavian charters were written in Middle Ukrainian, which shows the influence of Middle Bulgarian and Romanian Slavonic spelling, they are important sources for the history of the Ukrainian language. The latter thought is repeated by V.V. Nimčuk adding that Old Ukrainian literary language was for a long time the official language of the Moldavian Principality. В.В. Німчук, *Молдавські Грамоти*, [in:] *Енциклопедія історії України*, vol. VII, Mi-O, ed. В.А. Смолій et al., Київ 2010, online: http://www.history.org.ua/?termin=Moldavski_hramoty [10 V 2022]. S. Perepelycja considered the Moldavian charters of the 14th – mid-16th centuries represented a source for the research on the phonetic system of the Ukrainian nationality and the history of the Bucovinian dialect. С. ПЕРЕПЕЛІЦЯ, *Відображення українського вокалізму в молдавських грамотах XIV – сер. XVI століть*, НВЧНУ.СФ 496–497, 2010, p. 40. B. Tymočko specifies that the Old Ukrainian Literary language was official in the Moldavian Principality between 1360 and 1653. Б. Тимочко, *Назви природного водного довкілля в українсько-молдавських грамотах XIV–XV століть*, УМ 2, 2018, p. 102.

⁵ Словник староукраїнської мови XIV–XV ст., vol. I–II, ed. Л.Л. Гумецька, Київ 1977–1978 (cetera: SSUM). Словник української мови XVI – першої половини XVII ст, vol. I–XVII, Львів 1994–2017 (cetera: SUM XVI). SUM XVI, vol. I, p. 46 also cites the collection of the Moldavian charters, covering also the period of our concern, among its sources.

⁶ Macarie II 473r–481v, Peter Rareş's chrysobull to the monastery Bistriţa (*Молдова ын епока феудализмулу волумул*, vol. I, *Документе славо-молдовенецъ. (Вякул XV – ынтыюл пэтрар ал вякулуй XVII)*, ed. Л.В. Черепин, Кишинэу 1961, p. 50–52), undated inscription in the *Humor Tetraevangelion* (MNIR 11 341, 1473, 6v, E. LINȚĂ, L. DJAMO-DIACONIȚĂ, O. STOICOVICI, *Catalogul manuscriselor slavo-române din Bucureşti*, Bucureşti 1981, p. 95–96). A Polish version of the story can be found in the letter by Peter Rareş to king Sigismund the Old from ca 1541 (*Documente privitoare la istoria României culese din arhivele polone. Secolul al XVI-lea*, ed. I. CORFUS, Bucureşti 1979, p. 39–41).

⁷ Сочинения Ивана Семеновича Пересветова, ed. М.Д. Каган-Тарковский, Я.С. Лурье, [in:] *Библиотека литературы Древней Руси*, vol. IX, Санкт Петербург 2006–2022, online: <http://lib.pushkinskijdom.ru/Default.aspx?tabid=5115> [10 V 2022].

form of Moldavian written Slavonic varieties. Written (Cyrillic) Romanian, aside from being regularly represented by proper names in Slavonic documents, had already entered the bookish sphere of Moldavia likely at the very beginning of the 16th century by the text of the Hurmuzaki Psalter⁸.

Spoken languages

Before we touch the complicated question of the spoken languages in Moldavia of the second quarter of the 16th century, let us present the extension of this state. The borders of Moldavia of that time were described by Transylvanian diplomat Georg von Reicherstorffer⁹ working for king Ferdinand of Habsburg in 1541¹⁰. According to his book, the eastern border of Moldavia was formed by the river Nistru/Dniester (*Nester*, in Slavonic documents **Дністру**) with the towns Chotyn (*Chotjna*, **Хотин**) and Bilhorod (*Feijerwar*, **Більвар**). In the Northwest, Moldavia bordered with *Russia* (i.e. Polish-administered Ruthenian voivodeship), whose closest town was Sniatyn (*Snatjna*, **Снатин**, in Pocutia). The western borders were formed by the Carpathians (*Alpes Transsylvaniae*). The southern neighbour of Moldavia was Wallachia (*Valachia*)¹¹. A map of Moldavia from 1587¹² shows the border river *Myscouo fluvius* (corresponding to the river Milcov) incorrectly putting the town of Adjud (*Aczud*) on it. On the map *Polonia et Hungaria XV Geographia Universalis* from 1540¹³, the territory between Bilhorod (*Byalgrod*) and Chilia (*Kylia*, **Келія**), which were administered by Ottomans since 1484, is called *Bessarabia*¹⁴. The area between the rivers Siret (*Seretus*, **Сірет**) and Bârlad (*Barlach*, **Бэрлак**) are called here *Valachia Magna*, likely by mistake. The same map shows *Mystono fluvius* (now Milcov), without specifying its border character. The region of Pocutia (*districtus Pokucie*) was considered by Peter Rareş to be a part of

⁸ *Psaltirea Hurmuzaki I. Studiu filologic, studiu lingvistic și ediție*, ed. I. GHEȚIE, M. TEODORESCU, București 2005. Online facsimile: <https://medievalia.com.ro/manuscrite/item/ms-rom-3077> [12 V 2022].

⁹ For details on this personality see F. TEUTSCH, *Reicherstorffer, Georg*, [in:] *Allgemeine Deutsche Biographie* 27, Leipzig 1888, p. 678–679, <https://www.deutsche-biographie.de/pnd11980025X.html#adbcontent> [12 V 2022]. He stayed in Moldavia during his missions in 1527 and 1534. *Călători străini despre țările române*, vol. I, ed. M. HOLBAN, București 1968, p. 181–184.

¹⁰ G. A REICHERSTORE, *Moldaviae quae olim Dacie pars chorographia*, Viennae 1541.

¹¹ Macarie I 157г за горскада земли.

¹² 16th Century, Moldova. 1587. University of Minnesota Libraries, James Ford Bell Library, umedia.lib.umn.edu/item/p16022coll251:2919 [12 V 2022].

¹³ S. MUNSTER, *Geographia universalis, vetus et nova, complectens Claudii Ptolemaei Alexandrini enarrationis libros VIII*, Basileae 1540.

¹⁴ In the Treaty between Stephen the Great and king John Albert of Poland from 1499, the term **Басарбовская земля** is still denoting Wallachia. I. BOGDAN, *Documentele lui Ștefan cel Mare*, vol. II, București 1913, p. 423.

Moldavia as it was temporarily held by his predecessors¹⁵. Voivode Peter occupied the territory from December 1530 until his defeat by Poles in August 1531¹⁶. Since 1489¹⁷, Moldavia had also possessed two fiefs in Transylvania, namely the towns Ciceu (Чичевъ, Chicho/Chyco, Pol. Cziczew) in current Bistriţa-Năsăud county and Cetatea de Baltă (Кикилвара иже именует ся Балтж, Kykel(l)ewar/ Kykellw, Pol. Baltha)¹⁸ in current Alba county. For help with pacification of supporters of king Ferdinand of Habsburg in Transylvania, voivode Peter obtained in 1529 further fiefs from king John Szápolyai (Іѡаны ѡ крâ)¹⁹: the Saxon town Bistriţa (Бистрица, Бистрица, Бистреца, Быстрический градъ, Lat. Bistricia, Ger. Nesen), the nearby Rodna (Родна, Lat. Rodna, Ger. Rodnaw), renown for its golden mines²⁰, and Unguraş (Болоғанъшъ, Lat. Belwanyws/Balwanus/Balvanyos)²¹. Following the Ottoman intervention in Moldavia in Summer and Autumn 1538, the empire annexed Tighina (Тигина), a market harbour on Nistru, and took control over the river up to Soroca (Сорока, today's Republic of Moldova)²². Moldavia itself was divided into districts called волость. The documents mention also an administratively separated Lower Country, whose delimitation was apparently different from the one described in the moment of its establishment in 1435²³. While in that time, just the basin of the Bârlad (Брълд) River was administratively distinguished (with the centre in the town of Bârlad), in the second quarter of the 16th century, also the bishopric seat of Roman was considered to be part of the Lower Country²⁴.

¹⁵ Peter Rareş's claims on Pocutia are explained in his letter to king Sigismund of Old (крâ Жигмонть) from the 21st February 1531: *nobis est vera et legitima terra ipsa possessionaria [...] pro certo scimus illam terram Pokucie pertinere Moldaviam* 'for us it is a truly and legitimately possessed land [...] we know for certain that the land of Pocutia belongs to Moldavia' (*Documente privitoare la istoria românilor...*, vol. I..., p. 23). Similar words are used in the letter from 1537 to king Ferdinand: *vna porciuncula terra nomine Pokwchia, que ab antiquis fuit membrum Moldawiense* 'one small portion of land named Pocutia, which has been part of Moldavia since the old times'. *Documente privitoare la istoria românilor*, vol. II, part 1, 1451–1575, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, Bucuresci 1891, p. 169.

¹⁶ In the description of Peter's war for Pocutia, Macarie the Chronicler (Macarie II, 472rv) calls the region отъческое достояніе 'father's legacy'.

¹⁷ *Istoria României in date*, ed. D.C. GIURESCU, Bucureşti 2003, p. 84.

¹⁸ See Putna Annals I 453v, cf. *Славяно-молдавские летописи XV–XVI вв.*, ed. Ф.А. ГРЕКУЛ, Москва 1976, p. 64; ed. I. CORFUS, *Documente...*, p. 48.

¹⁹ *Istoria României...*, p. 62, Macarie II, 469r–471r.

²⁰ G. A REYCHERSDORFF, *Chorographia Transylvaniae, quae Dacia olim appellata, aliarum prouinciarum & regionum succinta descriptio & explicatio*, Viennae 1550, 11.

²¹ Cf. letters by Peter Rareş to Bistriţa from the 1st and 15th July 1529, *Documente privitoare la istoria românilor*, vol. XV, part 1..., p. 325–326.

²² *Istoria României...*, p. 94.

²³ In the letter by voivode Iliaş to king Vladislaus III of Poland issued on the 1st September 1435. See *Documente moldoveneşti înainte de Ștefan cel Mare*, vol. II, ed. M. COSTĂCHESCU, Bucureşti 1932, p. 682.

²⁴ Macarie II 472v прѣстолье долныя части земли 'throne of the Lower part of the country'. Colophon of the Neamţ Psalter from 1529 ѿ долней митрополии ѿ Рыманова тѣтуга 'from the Lower metropolia of Roman'. The most detailed description of the division of Lower/Upper Moldavia was

In our period, the administrative separation of the Lower Country is attested by the existence of a separate high official called *vornic*²⁵.

The ethnic and religious situation (*religionum & nationum genera*) of Moldavia during the reign of Peter Rareş is described by the already mentioned Georg von Reicherstorffer²⁶. The main nationality of Moldavia is called by him *populus Moldavicuſ*. Further ethnical groups comprise Ruthenians/East Slavs (*Rutheni*), Poles (*Sarmati*), Serbs (*Rasciani*), Armenians (*Armenii*), Bulgarians (*Bulgeri*), Tatars (*Tarthari*) and Saxons (*Saxones*). Reicherstorffer underlines the ruling freedom of confession. According to him²⁷, Ruthenians lived around Moldavian borders²⁸ (*eos Moldauiae confines constituentes*) and their language was similar to the Polish one (*sermonē à Polonico parum discrepantem proferunt*). An important ethnic group of Moldavia were Tatars, who possessed 500 homesteads (*sessiones*) and formed an important part of the Moldavian army. In the contemporary Moldavian texts, the ethnic structure of the Moldavian society is practically not reflected except for random mention of Gypsies (*цигане, Egyptii*)²⁹. Once we found a possible mention of an East Slavonic character of a village³⁰. Just the scribe of the *Jerusalem Tetraevangelion* from 1546 confessed his East Slavonic origin³¹. Nevertheless, the syntactical discrepancies of most preserved colophons³² do not allow us to suppose the Slavonic origin of the copyists. Names and performance of the chancery scribes also speak in favour of their Romanian background, which can be supported by a strict following of the fixed formulas. The ascription of some names attested in the documents to an ethnic East Slav is problematic³³. In the

given much later by Dimitrie CANTEMIR (1673–1723) in his *Descriptio Moldaviae*. He included most of today's Republic of Moldova as well as the districts of Iaşi and Putna to the Lower Country.

²⁵ 534 Documente istorice slavo-române din Ţara-Românească și Moldova privitoare la legăturile cu Ardealul 1346–1603, ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, Bucureşti 1931, p. 539.

²⁶ G. À REYCHERSDORFF, *Chorographia...*, p. 12.

²⁷ G. À REYCHERSDORFF, *Chorographia...*, p. 14.

²⁸ A more exact information on the spread of the East Slav (*Ruſ*) population was provided much later in the *History of the Moldavian and Wallachian land in Polish verses* (*Historya polskimi rytmami o włoſkiej ziemi i moltanskiey*, verses 233–236) by great logofăt Miron Costin (1633–1691). M. COSTIN, *Istorie în versuri polone despre Moldova și Țara românească* (1684), ed. P.P. PANAITESCU, Bucureşti 1929, p. 428.

²⁹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 Documente..., p. 541; ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGĂ, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 305.

³⁰ *Ispisoace și zapise* (Documente slavo-române), vol. I, part 1, ed. G. GHIBĂNESCU, Iaşi 1906, p. 76 село ѿ Рѹси ѿ сѧ тӗпӗръ зорѣтъ Захорѣнїи ‘the village of East Slavs (or the village of Ruſi) that is now called Zahoreani/Zahorjani’.

³¹ The Jerusalem Patriarchal Library Abraam 2, 1546, 257r **Михаил** **Ліл** **русакъ** ‘scribe Mihail, Ruthenian.’

³² These include not just the case confusion, which could be considered as a balkanism common to Bulgarian, Macedonian and East Štokavian, but especially the gender confusion, which points to a non-Slavonic language speaker.

³³ We could speculate about the East Slav origin of Ivanco (Ивано and not Ioan), the scribe of the *Jerusalem Tetraevangelion* from 1532 (Jerusalem Patriarchal Library, Slavonic 2, 325r) or a scribe of the same name mentioned in a charter by Peter Rareş from 1528 (*Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 40).

treaty between voivode Peter Rareş and king Sigismund the Old from 1539, there is mention that the original version was written in Ruthenian³⁴.

Antun Vrancić in ca 1538³⁵ stated both Moldavians (*Moldavi, Dani, Bogdani*) and Wallachians (*Transalpini, Draguli*) called themselves *Romani*, otherwise named *Valacchi*³⁶. Vrancić³⁷ pointed out that the language was considered of “Roman” origin³⁸, but enriched with Hungarian (*Hungarice*) and Slavonic (*Illirice*), which was caused by language contact with various Slavonic nations. Another ethnical group, not mentioned by these authors, inhabiting southern Moldavia, were Hungarians. The extension of their settlement can be traced in the letter by Roman Catholic bishop Michael of Milcov from the 18th February 1518³⁹, who convoked a synod in the church of Totruş (Τοτρός, Lat. *Tatros*) listing the Catholic churches of Moldavia⁴⁰.

In the Latin documents issued by Moldavian chancery in the second quarter of the 16th century, we found twice the word *vulgo* introducing a term in a vernacular language: once it concerns a Hungarian word (*tria vasa vegeticum, vulgo berbenche*)⁴¹, once a Slavonic one (*hasta vulgo copia*)⁴².

In the charter from 1531, there is a Ukrainian form of a female name Olenca (Олена). T. BĂLAN, *Documente bucovinene*, vol. I, (1507–1653), Cernăuți 1933, p. 32. A certain Scripcu (gen. sg. *пана Скрипку*), was member the voivodal council during the first reign of voivode Peter. The personalities linked with the territories, which Miron Costin described in the 2nd half of the 17th century as being inhabited by East Slavs do not show they would be of Slavonic origin. The reason may be also social: the documents mention mostly boyars and landlords.

³⁴ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, I. BOGDAN, *Documente...*, Sup. 2, vol. I, p. 122 (1539): *foedus ex ruthena lingua in polonam conversum*.

³⁵ A. WRANCIUS Sibenicensis Dalmata, *Expeditionis Solymani in Moldaviam et Transsylvania libri duo. De situ Transsylvaniae, Moldaviae et Transalpinae liber tertius*, ed. C. EPERJESSY, Budapest 1944, p. 33.

³⁶ Peter Rareş in his Latin letter to Bistrița (19 July 1546) calls Romanians in Transylvania *Walaci* (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 453). In a letter from 22 March 1532, he calls himself as “voievoda Valachorum” (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, *Documente...*, vol. II.1, p. 51).

³⁷ A. WRANCIUS, *Expeditionis...*, p. 38.

³⁸ “interrogantes quempiam, an sciret Valacchice, Scisne, inquiunt, Romane?” Asking anyone, if he knows Romanian, they say “Ştii româneşte?”. A German letter by voivode Alexander Lăpuşneanu from 1561 says “dye Moldener nennen zu yer Sprachen, wallachysch”. The Moldavians call their language “Wallachian/Romanian”. Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 570.

³⁹ Ed. M. COSTĂCHESCU, *Documente...*, p. 487–489.

⁴⁰ More exact information about the Hungarian settlement in Moldavia in the Early Modern Ages can be found in G.I. NĂSTASE, *Ungurii din Moldova la 1646 după „Codex Bandinus”*, ABas 4, 1935, p. 401.

⁴¹ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 328 ‘three barrels, called in vernacular tongue *berbenche*'. See *berbence* ‘Fäßchen; Tönnchen’ in Erdélyi Magyar Szótörténeti Tár, vol. I, ed. A.T. SZABÓ, Bukarest 1975, p. 806–807, Romanian *bârbântă* ‘wooden vessel made of staves, in which milk and cheese are mainly stored’. Here and further, we use <https://dexonline.ro/> [10 V 2022] as the source of the Romanian equivalents. Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 328.

⁴² Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 433 “lance, in vernacular *копије*”. The Slavonic word is attested already in OCS. Here and further, saying a word is attested in OCS (копије), we mean its presence in the database Gorazd: The Old Church Slavonic Digital Hub, <http://gorazd.org/gulliver/> [10 V 2022].

Types of texts

The texts written in Moldavia in the second quarter of the 16th century represent a variable group both from genre and language point of view. The most prestigious of them are the manuscript books written in Church Slavonic. There is a significant number of authorised (signed and dated by the scribe) manuscripts from this period. Within the huge plenty of Moldavian unauthorised manuscripts, spread in the world collections⁴³, there are surely further ones, which will be ascribed to this period in the future⁴⁴. As we plan to focus on this issue on another place, we will limit ourselves just to a simple overview:

Year	Text	Scribe (scr.) and/or donator (don.)	Place of origin (in), donation (for) or storage (from)	Shelf number
1520s–1540s	<i>Miscellany</i>		From Dobrovăt	Library of the Romanian Academy, ms. sl. 541 ⁴⁵
1525–1545	<i>Barlaam and Josaphat</i>			Monastery of Dragomirna 147 ⁴⁶

⁴³ Most systematically, the work on the reconstruction of the manuscript legacy of this period was undertaken by É. TURDEANU, *Études de littérature roumaine et d'écrits slaves et grecs des principautés roumaines*, Leiden 1985, p. 191–196. In this study, twelve manuscripts are listed. Some more details on some manuscripts were provided in E. TURDEANU, *Oameni și cărți de altădată*, București 1997, p. 298–309. R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrite de origine românească din colecții străine. Repertoriu*, București 1986, mentions seventeen manuscripts from these period in collections out of Romania. V. PELIN, *Manuscrite românești din secolele XIII–XIX în colecții străine (Rusia, Ucraina, Bielorusia). Catalog*, Chișinău 2017, made a revision of Constantinescu's findings listing thirteen manuscripts in the collections of the former USSR. We do not aim to make an extant bibliography of each manuscript on this place.

⁴⁴ As the following list shows, the authorized manuscripts comprise mainly the ones containing biblical texts (Tetraevangelion, Apostolos, Psalter). The composition and decoration of the luxury copies of these texts, mostly donated to a religious establishment were sponsored by the most influential (both religiously and secularly) personalities of the country.

⁴⁵ P.P. PANAITESCU, *Catalogul manuscriselor slavo-române și slave din Biblioteca Academiei Române*, vol. II, București 2003, p. 387–389; I.R. MIRCEA, *Répertoire des manuscrits slaves en Roumanie. Auteurs byzantines et slaves*, Sofia 2005, p. 237; K. ИВАНОВА, *Bibliotheca Hagiographica Balcano-Slavonica*, София 2008, p. 126.

⁴⁶ I. IUFU, V. BRĂTULESCU, *Manuscrite slavo-române din Moldova. Fondul Mănăstirii Dragomirna*, Iași 2012, p. 129–130.

Year	Text	Scribe (scr.) and/or donator (don.)	Place of origin (in), donation (for) or storage (from)	Shelf number
1527	<i>Euchologion</i>		From Bisericani	Library of the Romanian Academy, ms. sl. 237 ⁴⁷
1528	<i>Apostolos</i> (Παρακεκού)	Scr. monk Evloghie (μοναχός ἐβλάγη)	For the monastery of Sălăgeanii ⁴⁸	Library of the Romanian Academy, ms. sl. 21 ⁴⁹
1529	<i>Typikon</i> (Τιπικός)	Scr. monk Evloghie		Monastery of Dragomirna 136 (1902/813) ⁵⁰
1529	<i>Psalter</i> (Ψάλτιρъ)	Scr. hieromonk Ioan ⁵¹ of Neamț Don. bishop Dorotei of Roman ⁵²	In Neamț (в не- мецкой обители)	Russian State Library col. 218, no. 203 ⁵³
1529	<i>Tetraevangelion</i> (Τετραευαγέλιον)	Scr. hieromonk Macarie ⁵⁴ Don. Barbovschi ⁵⁵ , pârcălab of Suceava	In Putna (в Путненом), for the church in Suceava	Monastery of Rila 9 (1/11a) ⁵⁶

⁴⁷ А.И. Яцимирский, Славянская и русская рукописи румынских библиотек, С. Петербург 1905, p. 380–382; P.P. PANAITESCU, *Manuscrisele slave din Biblioteca Academiei RPR*, vol. I, Bucureşti 1959, p. 337–338.

⁴⁸ μναστι τελγυμασкой.

⁴⁹ А.И. Яцимирский, Славянская..., p. 122–126; P.P. PANAITESCU, *Manuscrisele...*, vol. I, p. 32–34; É. TURDEANU, *Études...*, p. 191–192; IDEM, *Oameni...*, p. 263–266.

⁵⁰ I. IUFU, V. BRĂTULESCU, *Manuscrise...*, p. 121–122.

⁵¹ Ιερομονάχος Ιωάννης.

⁵² επίκοπτή Δοροφεй в дланен митрополии.

⁵³ R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrise...*, no. 587; В. Овчинникова-Пелин, Каталогул женерал ал манускрислор молдовенешти пэстрате ын УРСС. Колекция библиотечий мэнэстрий Ной-Ул-Нямц (сек. XIV–XIX), Кишинэу 1989, p. 116–118; V. PELIN, *Manuscrise...*, p. 100–101.

⁵⁴ ιερομονάχος Μακάριος.

⁵⁵ жезпі Барбовскому.

⁵⁶ Е. СПРОСТРАНОВЪ, *Описъ на ръкописите въ библиотеката на Рилския манастиръ*, София 1902, p. 14–15; É. TURDEANU, *Études...*, p. 192–193; R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrise...*, no. 16; Б.Н. РАЙКОВ et al., *Славянски ръкописи в Рилския манастир*, vol. I, София 1986, p. 36–37; M.M. SZÉKELY, *Manuscrise răzlețite din scriptoriul și biblioteca Mănăstirii Putna*, APu 3.1, 2007, p. 153–180. A. PASCAL, *Din istoria scrierii de carte în Mănăstirea Putna în secolele XV–XVI*, APu 7, 2012, p. 73.

Year	Text	Scribe (scr.) and/or donator (don.)	Place of origin (in), donation (for) or storage (from)	Shelf number
1530	<i>Psalter</i> (Ψαλτή)	Scr. hieromonk Macarie ⁵⁷	In Dobrovăt	Russian State Library coll. 209, no. 786 ⁵⁸
1530	<i>Tetraevangelion</i>	Scr. hierodeacon Teodosie ⁵⁹		State Historical Museum in Moscow, Ščuk. 302 ⁶⁰
1530	<i>Menaion for February</i> (Μηνὴ φεβρουάριον)	Scr. hieromonk Štefan ⁶¹ , Don. hegumen Siluan ⁶²	In Putna (μοναστηρίῳ πόλεως)	Russian State Library coll. 310, no. 79 ⁶³
1531	<i>Tetraevangelion</i>	Scr. Antonie Bosianul	For church of Orhei, from Vorniceni	Library of the Russian Academy of Sciences 13.1.2 ⁶⁴
1532	<i>Liturgy</i> (Λυτρῷα)	Scr. Spiridon of Putna ⁶⁵ Don. hegumen Siluan ⁶⁶	In Putna	Smolensk State Museum-Monument 9927 ⁶⁷
1532	<i>Tetraevangelion</i>	Ivanco deacon ⁶⁸ of Frătănești?	In Frătănești? (Φραγκόνε)	Jerusalem Patriarchate Library, Slavonic 2 ⁶⁹

⁵⁷ Іеромонах **Макарій** Добровецький.

⁵⁸ D. MIOS, *Manuscrise slavo-române în biblioteci din străinătate*, SMIM 7, 1974, p. 278; V. PELIN, *Manuscrite...*, p. 102.

⁵⁹ Еродаиконъ Феодосиē.

⁶⁰ А.И. ЯЦИМИРСКІЙ, *Опис старинныхъ славянскихъ и русскихъ рукописей собранія П.И. Щукина*, vol. II, Санктпетербургъ 1897, p. 3–4; É. TURDEANU, *Études...*, p. 193; V. PELIN, *Manuscrite...*, p. 101.

⁶¹ тѣ іеромонахъ Стѣфа.

⁶² архимадрітѣ кѣ нѣснѣ сила.

⁶³ É. TURDEANU, *Études...*, p. 193; R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrite...*, no. 621; M.M. SZÉKELY, *Manuscrite...*, p. 171–172; A. PASCAL, *Din istoria...*, p. 73; V. PELIN, *Manuscrite...*, p. 102–103. Online facsimile: <https://lib-fond.ru/lib-rgb/310/f-310-79/> [10 V 2022].

⁶⁴ É. TURDEANU, *Études...*, p. 193; R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrite...*, no. 350.

⁶⁵ монахъ Спиридонъ.

⁶⁶ Силваноу игоуменоу.

⁶⁷ О.П. Бугаева, *Рукописи Смоленского областного краеведческого музея*, ТОДЛ 15, 1958, p. 425; A. PASCAL, *Din istoria...*, p. 69; V. PELIN, *Manuscrite...*, p. 103–104.

⁶⁸ ивако діако.

⁶⁹ Н.Ф. КРАСНОСЕЛЬЦЕВ, *Славянские рукописи Патриаршей библиотеки в Иерусалиме*, Казань 1889, p. 8–9; R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrite...*, no. 44; É. TURDEANU, *Études...*, p. 194–195; IDEM, *Oameni...*, p. 276–281. Online: <https://www.loc.gov/item/00271073513-jo/> [10 V 2022].

Year	Text	Scribe (scr.) and/or donator (don.)	Place of origin (in), donation (for) or storage (from)	Shelf number
1533	<i>Miscellany</i>			Library of the Russian Academy of Sciences 13.3.25 ⁷⁰
1533	<i>Typikon</i> (Өко црквное)	Hieromonk Ion (иеромонах Иоанн)	In Neamț (в Немецком монастыре)	Lost ⁷¹
1534	<i>Tetraevangelion</i> (Τετραευαγγέλιον)	Don. voivode Peter Rareş ⁷²	For monastery Xeropotamou ⁷³	Austrian National Library, cod. slav. 2 ⁷⁴
1535	<i>Tetraevangelion</i> (Тетревангель)	Don. logofăt Toma ⁷⁵	For monastery Dobrovăt ⁷⁶	Russian National Library, Pogod. 22 ⁷⁷
1535	<i>Tetraevangelion</i>	Don. vistiernic Sima	For monastery Dobrovăt	Treasury of the monastery of Rila ⁷⁸
1535–1545	<i>Hagiographic Collection</i>			Monastery of Suceviţa 22 ⁷⁹

⁷⁰ R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrise...*, no. 366.

⁷¹ А.И. ЯЦИМИРСКІЙ, *Ізъ славянскихъ рукописей. Тексты и заметки*, Санктъ Петербургъ 1898, p. 58; R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrise...*, no. 783.

⁷² Пётръ воеvада.

⁷³ монастїй չиропотакій անդիտ.

⁷⁴ А.И. ЯЦИМИРСКІЙ, *Описание южнославянских и русских рукописей заграничных библиотек*, vol. I, Вена, Берлин, Дрезден, Лейпциг, Мюнхен, Прага, Любляна, Петербургъ 1921, p. 16–17; I. BOGDAN, *Scrieri alese*, Bucureşti 1968, p. 503–504; G. BIRKFELLNER, *Glagolitische und Kyrillische Handschriften in Österreich*, Wien 1975, p. 89; R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrise...*, no. 7; G. BULUȚĂ, *Manuscrise miniate și ornate românești în colecții din Austria*, Bucureşti 1990, p. 38–39; E. TURDEANU, *Oameni...*, p. 298–301. Facsimile online: <http://data.onb.ac.at/rec/AC14248898> [10 V 2022].

⁷⁵ пâ Тома логшфé.

⁷⁶ Добровѣт.

⁷⁷ К. ИВАНОВА, *Български, сръбски и молдо-влахийски кирилски ръкописи в сбирката на М.П. Погодин*, София 1981, p. 82–84; E. TURDEANU, *Oameni...*, p. 268–271.

⁷⁸ E. TURDEANU, *Études...*, p. 195; R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrise...*, no. 15; E. TURDEANU, *Oameni...*, p. 276–281. The manuscript is not mentioned in the Rila catalogues.

⁷⁹ O. MITRIC, *Catalogul manuscriselor slavo-române din Biblioteca Mănăstirii Suceviţa*, Suceava 1999, p. 77–78; I.R. MIRCEA, *Répertoire...*, p. 239.

Year	Text	Scribe (scr.) and/or donator (don.)	Place of origin (in), donation (for) or storage (from)	Shelf number
1537	Twelve books of the Old Testament (Псалтия)	Scr. monk Ioan (Ιωάννας Ιωάννης)	In Bistrița ⁸⁰ , for Tăzlău monastery ⁸¹	Russian State Library, coll. 256, no. 29 ⁸²
1538	<i>Paneyrikon</i> (Гимнографий)			Croatian Historical Museum in Zagreb, 72 ⁸³
1538	<i>Paneyrikon</i>			Museum of the Serbian Orthodox Church in Belgrade, coll. of Grujić 253 ⁸⁴
1540	<i>Apostolos</i> (Πράκτε)	Don. hieromonk Paisie ⁸⁵ , the hegumen of the Humor monastery for the memory of great logofăt Toader Bubuiog	In Humor (Хомореска монастира)	Science Library of the Ivan Franko National University in Lviv, 1.A.4 ⁸⁶
Ca 1540	<i>Psalter</i>			State Historical Museum in Moscow, Uvar. 499 ⁸⁷
1541	<i>Apostolos</i>		In Suceava	Russian State Library, coll. 247, no. 5 ⁸⁸

⁸⁰ Въ манастира бистрици.

⁸¹ монастырь тэлъскому.

⁸² É. TURDEANU, *Études...*, p. 196–197; R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrite...*, no. 604; E. TURDEANU, *Oameni...*, p. 281–286. Online: <https://lib-fond.ru/lib-rgb/256/f-256-29/> [10 V 2022].

⁸³ В. Мошин, *Библиотеки Повијесног музеја Хрватске и Конутареве збирке*, Београд 1971, p. 88–95.

⁸⁴ Bogdanović 1982, 49 (no. 521); R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrite...*, no. 359.

⁸⁵ єгъле ієромонах пайсіе.

⁸⁶ С. РОМАНСКИ, *Влахобългарски ръкописи въ Лъвовската университетска библиотека*, ПСБКД 22, 1910–1911, 71, 7–8, p. 590–592; É. TURDEANU, *Études...*, p. 197; R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrite...*, no. 830.

⁸⁷ Леонидъ, *Систематическое описание славяно-российскихъ рукописей собранія графа Уварова*, part 1, Москва 1893, p. 11; М.В. Щепкина et al., *Описание пергаменных рукописей Государственного исторического музея. Часть 2: Рукописи болгарские, сербские, молдавские*, АЕ за 1965 год, Москва 1966, p. 305–306; R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrite...*, no. 672; V. PELIN, *Manuscrite...*, p. 107–108.

⁸⁸ R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrite...*, no. 599.

Year	Text	Scribe (scr.) and/or donator (don.)	Place of origin (in), donation (for) or storage (from)	Shelf number
1542	<i>Tetraevangelion</i> (Тетраевангелий)	Scr. Mihail ⁸⁹ , Don. vistiernic Baloş ⁹⁰ and logofăt Toader Baloşevici ⁹¹	For St Michael and Gabriel church of Suceava (Сучава)	Russian State Library, coll. 98, no. 78 ⁹²
1543	<i>Pentikostarion</i> (Пентекосторион)	Scr. Crăciun (Крачун), Don. Teodosie, bishop of Rădăuţi ⁹³		State Historical Museum in Moscow, Uvar. 391 ⁹⁴
1543	<i>Tetraevangelion</i> (Тетраевангелий)	Don. Iliaş and Constantin, sons of Peter Rareş and Lady Elena, wife of the voivode	Maybe for the church of St Demetrius in Suceava	The treasury of St Sepulchre in Jerusalem ⁹⁵
1544	<i>Apostolos</i> (Прапоріс Апостолъ)	Scr. priest Eremie of Bădeuţi ⁹⁶ , Don. Teodosie, bishop of Rădăuţi ⁹⁷	Church of St Nicholas of the bishopric of Rădăuţi	Monastery of Suceviţa 8 ⁹⁸
Ca 1544	<i>Tetraevangelion</i>	Scr. Ioan	From Suceviţa and Jerusalem	Russian State Library, coll. 344, no. 231 ⁹⁹

⁸⁹ Михайла писара.

⁹⁰ Еланша вистѣрника.

⁹¹ тодѣ балошевѣ логофѣ.

⁹² D. MIOS, *Materiale româneşti din arhive străine*, SMIM 6, 1973, p. 336–337; R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrite...*, no. 483; V. PELIN, *Manuscrite...*, p. 108–109; Т.В. АНИСИМОВА, Ю.С. БЕЛЯКИН, *Каталог славяно-русских рукописных книг из собрания Е.Е. Егорова*, vol. I, Москва 2018, p. 214–216. Online facsimile: <https://lib-fond.ru/lib-rgb/98/f98-78/> [10 V 2022].

⁹³ Феодосіє епіскоп Радовський.

⁹⁴ Леонидъ, *Систематическое описание...*, part 2, p. 117; М.В. ЩЕПКИНА et al., *Описание...*, p. 303; R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrite...*, no. 738; V. PELIN, *Manuscrite...*, p. 109–110 says it is currently situated in the monastery of Slatina.

⁹⁵ N. IORGA, *Doua evangeliare ale fiilor lui Petre Rareş*, BCMI 27, april–iunie, 1934, p. 87–90; É. TURDEANU, *Études...*, p. 198–199; IDEM, *Oameni...*, p. 301–305.

⁹⁶ по єрелїм щ єакви.

⁹⁷ Феодосіє епіскоп Радовський.

⁹⁸ O. MITRIC, *Catalogul...*, p. 44–48.

⁹⁹ É. TURDEANU, *Études...*, p. 194–195; V. PELIN, *Manuscrite...*, p. 111–112.

Year	Text	Scribe (scr.) and/or donator (don.)	Place of origin (in), donation (for) or storage (from)	Shelf number
1545	<i>Tetraevangelion</i>	Don. voivode Peter Rareş	For monastery Căpriana	Lost ¹⁰⁰
1545	<i>Tetraevangelion</i> (Τετραενδηλίον)	Scr. Priest Gavriil Melentiescul ¹⁰¹		Private ¹⁰²
1545	<i>Psaltikon</i>	Scr. hieromonk Andonie		M. Eminescu Central University Library in Iaşi ¹⁰³
1545	<i>Tetraevangelion</i>	Don. Peter Rareş and his family	From monastery Căpriana	Lost ¹⁰⁴
1546	<i>Tetraevangelion</i> (Τετραενδηλίον)	Scr. Mihail ¹⁰⁵	In Suceava	Jerusalem Patriarchate Library, Abraam 2 ¹⁰⁶

There are further three manuscripts mentioned by Constantinescu that we did not list above and whose identification causes some problems. The manuscript *Tetraevangelion* (State Historical Museum in Moscow, Ščuk. 303, 1539)¹⁰⁷ was considered by Turdeanu¹⁰⁸ to be written in Moldavia, while Bogdan¹⁰⁹ and Pelin¹¹⁰ suppose the manuscript was from Transylvania. The *Psalter*, cited by Constantinescu¹¹¹ to have the shelf number Russian State Library coll 98, no. 37 (ca 1546), does not correspond to the mentioned catalogue item in the newest catalogue¹¹². The *Tetraevangelion* from Odessa (dated 1541)¹¹³ that is supposed to be in the Vernadsky

¹⁰⁰ А.И. Яцимирский, *Из истории славянской письменности в Молдавии и Валахии XV–XVII веков*, с.л. 1906, р. LXII–LXV; É. TURDEANU, *Études...*, p. 199; R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrite...*, no. 751; E. TURDEANU, *Oameni...*, p. 305–309.

¹⁰¹ № Гаврій Мелентіеску.

¹⁰² P. MIHAIL, Z. MIHAIL, *Manuscrite slave în colecții din Moldova (II)*, RSla 19, 1980, p. 278–281.

¹⁰³ M.M. SZÉKELY, *Manuscrite...*, p. 172.

¹⁰⁴ А.И. Яцимирский, *Из истории...*, р. LXIII–LXV, 21–23; É. TURDEANU, *Études...*, p. 199; R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrite...*, no. 751.

¹⁰⁵ Михаїл Діїл русакъ.

¹⁰⁶ E. TURDEANU, *Oameni...*, p. 309–317. Online facsimile: <https://www.loc.gov/item/00271073677-j0/> [10 V 2022].

¹⁰⁷ А.И. Яцимирский, *Опись старинныхъ...*, р. 4–5; R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrite...*, no. 672.

¹⁰⁸ É. TURDEANU, *Études...*, p. 197.

¹⁰⁹ D.P. BOGDAN, *Paleografia romano-slavă: tratat și album*, Bucureşti 1978, p. 120.

¹¹⁰ V. PELIN, *Manuscrite...*, p. 106–107.

¹¹¹ R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrite...*, no. 478.

¹¹² Т.Б. АНИСИМОВА, Ю.С. БЕЛЯКИН, *Каталог...*, р. 113–114.

¹¹³ R. CONSTANTINESCU, *Manuscrite...*, no. 807.

National Library of Ukraine is missing in the newest catalogue¹¹⁴. Apart from the main texts of the manuscripts, which belong to the common CS legacy¹¹⁵, most of the mentioned manuscripts also contain a colophon, which can be considered an original work of the copyist. The colophon may indicate the level of his active knowledge of CS. Nevertheless, in most cases, it is pretty short and made up of fixed formulas. From the Moldavian CS legacy of the period of Peter Rareş, we also have to mention three further texts that were preserved in later manuscripts. The most important is the Chronicle by bishop Macarie of Roman († 1558)¹¹⁶. The first version of this Chronicle (Macarie I), covering the period after the death of voivode Stephen the Great, was ordered by voivode Peter and great logofăt Toader Bubuiog likely in 1529¹¹⁷. This part is written in a sober reportage style referring both about Moldavian and foreign events. After his return on the throne in 1541, voivode Peter Rareş asked Macarie to write a continuation (Macarie II)¹¹⁸, which rhetorically described Peter's escape from Moldavia after the Ottoman intervention in September 1538 and his regaining of sultan's favour and finally the throne.

¹¹⁴ Л. Гнатенко et al., *Слов'янська кирилична рукописна книга XVI ст. з фондів Інституту рукопису Національної бібліотеки України імені В.І. Вернадського*, Київ 2010.

¹¹⁵ The *Miscellany* from 1533 contains the Passion and Liturgy of the Moldavian patron St John the New of Suceava (А.И. Яцимирский, *Из истории славянской проповеди в Молдавии. Неизвестное произведения Григория Цамблака*, Санктпетербургъ 1906, p. XXII), the texts staying at the beginning of the Moldavian Slavonic literature no matter the debated identity of its authorship, out of Romania mostly ascribed to Gregory Tsamblak. For details of the discussion see А.А. Турилов, *Иоанн Новый, Сочавский*, [in:] *Православная энциклопедия*, vol. XXIV, Москва 2011, p. 459–463, online: <http://www.pravenc.ru/text/471404.html> [10 V 2022]. The *Typikon* from 1533 was supposed to contain the *Припѣл 'Undersongs'* by Filotei, a former logofăt of voivode Mircea the Old, which is the introductory work of the original CS literature in Wallachia.

¹¹⁶ On his life see e.g. M. PĂCURARIU, *Istoria bisericiei ortodoxe române*, vol. I, Iaşi 2004, p. 423. Macarie entered the office of the bishop of Roman (Lower Country) in 1531 and he was temporarily deposed during the reign of Peter's son Iliaş Rareş.

¹¹⁷ Preserved on ff. 154–168 in the *Miscellany* (Книга молебни), State Historical Museum in Moscow, Bars. 1411 from the 2nd half of the 16th century. On the manuscript see Славяно-молдавские..., p. 19–20; А.Д. ПАСКАЛЬ, *Славяно-молдавские рукописи XV–XVII вв. в собраниях Государственного Исторического Музея* (Москва), [in:] Академическая археография в России XVIII–XXI веков (Тихомировские чтения 2016 года: К 60-летию Археографической комиссии РАН), Москва 2017, p. 154. The text of Macarie I was not published separately, just in reading variants in the editions by I. BOGDAN and P.P. PANAITESCU, *Cronicile slavo-române din sec. XV–XVI*, Bucureşti 1959, p. 77–90 and Славяно-молдавские..., p. 125–138, based on the final (3rd) redaction of the text.

¹¹⁸ Preserved within The Počajiv *Miscellany* (Vernadsky National Library of Ukraine, Počajiv 47 (116) from 1558–1561. On the contents of the manuscript see I. BOGDAN, *Scireri alese...*, p. 273–288; Славяно-молдавские..., p. 16–17; V. PELIN, *Manuscribe...*, p. 118–121. It was separately published within the 1st Moldavian historiographic corpus edited by I. BOGDAN, *Vechile cronicе moldovenesci până la Urechiă*, Bucurescī 1891, p. 149–162. Later, it was published as reading variants under the editions of the 3rd redaction: I. BOGDAN, *Letopisețul lui Azarie*, Bucureşti 1909, p. 96–11; *Cronicile slavo-române...*, p. 77–90 and Славяно-молдавские..., p. 125–138.

The second original CS text is the Enkomion to St John the New¹¹⁹, written in 1534. It is actually a reworked Passion of St John the New of Suceava. The third later preserved text is a letter likely from ca 1531–1536, now probably lost, but published by Jacimirskij¹²⁰. It is a recommendation letter written by hegumen Teodosie of Neamț to bishop Macarie of Roman about hieromonk Ioil, a candidate for the position of hegumen of Voroneț. In modern words, the letter contains Ioil's CV with a bibliography of copied manuscripts and list of monasteries, where he worked, providing interesting details on the career management of a 16th century CS scribe.

An unneglectable part of the Moldavian CS legacy is represented by inscriptions. From the examined period, we have mainly two types of them: the ktetor inscriptions and the tombstone inscriptions. From the five published ktetor inscriptions, one was made on behalf of great logofăt Toader Bubuiog¹²¹ and four on behalf of the voivode (during his first reign):

- 1530 St Nicholas church in Pobrata¹²²,
- 1532 Annunciation Church in Moldovița¹²³,
- 1532 Dormition Church in Baia¹²⁴,
- 1534 St Demetrius church in Suceava¹²⁵.

We are aware about eight tombstone inscriptions dated into this period that are mostly also linked to great logofăt Toader (Тоадефъ велікій лошгáфетъ)¹²⁶ and the voivode¹²⁷. Further dated inscriptions are linked to other personal-

¹¹⁹ Ποχβάλιοε στ̄мѣ ѹ слáвному велíкољиниѣ юѡаннѣ нóвомъ. Preserved in the Menaion for April (Russian State Library, coll. 310, no. 81, 1467) in a copy done in 1574. For the manuscript see V. PELIN, *Manuscrite...*, p. 55–56. Full edition was done by in А.И. Яцимирский, *Из истории славянской проповеди...*, p. 87–95.

¹²⁰ А.И. Яцимирский, *Мелкие тексты и замѣтки по старинной славянской и русской литературамъ*, ИОРЯС 5.4, 1900, p. 1237–1239. The text was included in the *Miscellany of hagiographic and apocryphal texts* from the early 17th century that belonged to the collection of Teofil Gepeșchi and was previously situated in Moldovița.

¹²¹ It is placed in the Dormition church in Humor. *Die Inschriften aus der Bukovina. Beiträge zur Quellenkunde der Landes- und Kirchengeschichte*, vol. I, *Steininschriften*, ed. E.A. KOZAK, Wien 1903, p. 28–29. During the interregnum (reign of Stephen Lăcustă) in 1538, great vistiernic Matiaș (Матиаш велки вистерниш) let also made a ktetor inscription in the church of Holy Spirit Descent in Horodniceni. *Inscriptii din biserice României*, ed. N. IORGA, București 1905, p. 64.

¹²² *Inscriptii din biserice...*, p. 56.

¹²³ *Die Inschriften...*, p. 187–188.

¹²⁴ *Inscriptii din biserice...*, p. 63.

¹²⁵ *Die Inschriften...*, p. 138.

¹²⁶ Dormition church in Humor: tomb of Maria, wife of Toader logofăt from 1527 (*Die Inschriften...*, p. 33) and the tomb of Toader logofăt from 1539 (*Die Inschriften...*, p. 34).

¹²⁷ In Putna, there are tombs of Maria, wife of Peter Rareș, died in 1529 (*Die Inschriften...*, p. 91) and of voivode Stephen the Young from 1527 (*Die Inschriften...*, p. 91). In St Demetrius Church in

ties¹²⁸. In the Zographou Monastery (Изографъ), there is a short donation inscription by voivode Peter from 1533¹²⁹.

The most numerous group of original Moldavian texts are the chancery documents. In these documents, the character of the language depends on the addressee of the document. The largest group of Slavonic documents is represented by charters issued by the internal chancery to secular individuals or families (mostly boyars)¹³⁰. The chancery of the first reign of voivode Peter Rareş was led by the already mentioned great logofăt Toader Bubuiog (in office 1525–1537). He was a son-in-law of Ion Tăutu, the great logofăt of Stephen the Great, under whose leadership he began his chancery career as a simple scribe¹³¹. The thoroughly signed internal chancery documents allow to reconstruct Toader's team that included: Dumitru Popovici (Димитръ Поповъ), Petrea Popovici (Петре Поповъ), Gheorghie (Георгий), Grigorie Bogza/Bogzovici (Григорий Богза), Ion Margire (Іѡн Маргире), Cârstea Burlovici (Кръстъ Бурловъ), Toma Cățeleana (Тома Кътелеана), Cozma Cățeleanovici (Козма Кътеленовъ), Lazor Golâi (Лазър Голъи) and later also Vasilie Buzdugan (Василие Буздуганъ) and Ion Florescul (Іѡн Флореску). The chancery of the second reign of voivode Peter was led by Mateiaş (Матеѧш логофѣт, in office 1541–1548), previously great vistiernic¹³². His team included the already mentioned Vasilie Buzdugan, Toma Florescul (Тома Флореску), Luca Popovici (Лука Поповъ), Mihailă Borra (Михайль Борра), Dumitru Văscanovici (Димитръ Въскановъ) and others. Several of the above mentioned names indicate one of the recruitment strategies of the internal chancery: at least some of the scribes used to be recruited from priest families, which provided the CS education to their (male)

Suceava, there is the tomb of Peter's son Bogdan from 1540 (*Die Inschriften...*, p. 91). In St Nicholas Church in Pobrata, there is the tomb of voivode Peter Rareş (*Inscriptii din bisericile...*, p. 56).

¹²⁸ In St Demetrius Church in Suceava, there is the tomb of a pârcălab of Chotyn (1541) and of great vistiernic Toma (1543). See *Die Inschriften...*, p. 140. In the church of Zăhăreşti, there is a tombstone inscription of Marena, wife of pârcălab Hărovici of Chotyn. See *Die Inschriften...*, p. 213–214. In St George church in Hărălău, there was (now in the Museum of National Art of Romania, MNAR 4367) a tombstone inscription of a painter called Gheorghie. See *Inscriptiile medievale și din epoca modernă a României*, vol. I, *Orașul București (1395–1800)*, ed. A. ELIAN, Bucureşti 1965, p. 506.

¹²⁹ Й. ИВАНОВЪ, *Български стариини изъ Македония*, София 1931, p. 241.

¹³⁰ In our study, we work with 57 of such documents. As the planned volume V of *Documenta Romaniae Historica, series A*, which is supposed to cover this period, has not been issued yet, we use the editions in the following sources: T. BĂLAN, *Documente bucovinene*, vol. I...; vol. II, (1519–1662), Cernăuți 1934; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1; *Молдова вън епока...*, vol. I; *Молдова вън епока феудализму-пули волумул*, vol. II, *Документите славо-молдовенеци*. Вяжурите XV–XVI, ed. Л.В. ЧЕРЕПИН et al., Кишинэу 1978; *Surete și izvoade (Documente slavo-române)*, ed. G. GHIBĂNESCU, vol. I, Iași 1906; vol. II, Iași 1906; vol. VII, Iași 1912; vol. IX, (*Documente Basarabene*), Iași 1914; vol. XVIII, Iași 1927; vol. XIX, Iași 1927; vol. XXI, Iași 1929; vol. XXIV, Iași 1930; M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente inedite de la Petru Rareş*, RI 8.7–8, 1997, p. 503–515.

¹³¹ N. STOICESCU, *Dicționar al marilor dregători din Țara românească și Moldova. Sec. XIV–XVII*, Bucureşti 1971, p. 330.

¹³² *Ibidem*, p. 314.

members. It is worth mentioning that the scribes signing themselves as *Popovici*/Поповић ‘priest’s son’ (in one case even *Калѓеров* ‘monk’s son’)¹³³ dominate among the authors of the CS based monastery charters, even if they were perfectly competent in composing also linguistically different secular charters to boyars. The internal chancery letters we are working with were mostly issued in Lower Moldavia (Bârlad/Брълд, Hârlău/Хрълд, Vaslui/Васлави, Huși/Хуш), eventually in Iași (Яси) and Suceava (Сучава).

A specific group of documents issued by the internal chancery and signed by the voivode, is addressed to the religious establishments. We work with nine documents sent to the monastery of Neamț (Нямц)¹³⁴, Moldovița (Молдавица)¹³⁵, Bistrița (Бистрица)¹³⁶, Putna (Путна)¹³⁷ and the bishopric of Rădăuți (Радовци)¹³⁸. The scribes of these letters are mostly the same as the previous ones. A different corpus of very variable ad hoc contents (political, judicial, business) is represented by the communication with Transylvanian towns. This corpus linguistically and stylistically differs from the highly formulaic internal chancery documents. Among the 105 published documents¹³⁹ addressed to Bistrița in Transylvania, we found 79 documents issued in Latin mostly by the voivode, but also by his wife Ecaterina and various officials, 18 in German, from which just five from 1540 were issued by voivode. Five German letters were issued by the town councils of Suceava, Baia, Bistrița and Rodna. Eight letters were issued by Moldavian officials in Slavonic: one by pârcălab Dan (Дан пъркълд) of Câmpulung¹⁴⁰ two by Mătiș vistiernic (future logofăt)¹⁴¹, two by Huru (Хору великий дворянин), great vornic of the Lower Country¹⁴², one by Mihul hatman (Михул хатмана)¹⁴³ and two by Toma logofăt (Тома логофат)¹⁴⁴. One letter to Bistrița in Transylvania was issued by a hegumen of Moldovița¹⁴⁵.

¹³³ Молдова вин епоха..., vol. I, p. 56.

¹³⁴ 15 March 1527. *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 124–125.

¹³⁵ 1534 (T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 16–17), 17 September 1545 (*Surete...*, vol. I, p. 375–377), 27 May 1546 (T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 44–45), 27 May 1546 (*Surete...*, vol. XIX, p. 58–59). The last letter concerns the donation of the skete of Sălägeni, established by the above mentioned copist Evloghie, ex-great vistiernic, to Moldovița.

¹³⁶ 1546 (Молдова вин епоха..., vol. I, p. 50–52, 55–56). The first letter includes an original narration of Peter Rareș’s anabasis.

¹³⁷ 11 April 1546 (*Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 93–95).

¹³⁸ 23rd April 1529 (T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 29–31).

¹³⁹ *Documente privitor la Istoria Românilor*, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUȘIANU, vol. II, part 1, Bucuresci 1891; part 3, Bucuresci 1892; part 4, Bucuresci 1894; ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1; ed. A. VERESS, *Documente...*

¹⁴⁰ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 525.

¹⁴¹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 536, 537.

¹⁴² Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 538, 539.

¹⁴³ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 539–540.

¹⁴⁴ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 540–542.

¹⁴⁵ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 531.

In contrast to the above mentioned internal documents, these letters were issued in Upper Country (Suceava, Cămpulung/Долгополе/Дългополе). Eleven letters were sent to Braşov (Брашъ, Брашъ) and signed by the voivode. Eight of them are in Latin, three in Slavonic¹⁴⁶. Most of the Latin letters are linked to military activities of voivode Peter in 1529. The letters to king Ferdinand I of Habsburg¹⁴⁷ or his representatives were sent in Latin or German, the communication with his rival John Szápolyai¹⁴⁸ and his officials was issued in Latin. The communication with king Sigismund the Old of Poland was led both in Latin and Polish¹⁴⁹. A Peace Treaty with king Sigismund from 1526 was written in Slavonic¹⁵⁰. Another Slavonic letter was sent in 1531 by great vistiernic Glăvan (Глава) to the burghers of Lviv (Либъ)¹⁵¹. There is one preserved (and published) original of a petition by Peter Rareş written in Ottoman Turkish from ca 1530/1531¹⁵².

Moldavian Trinovitan Standard

Before the evaluation of the variability of written varieties of Moldavia in the examined period, we will shortly focus on the description of the standard variety¹⁵³. The top position of the written variety structure was occupied by Church Slavonic of the biblical-liturgical corpus. The variety used in Moldavia, influencing also neighbouring areas (Wallachia, Orthodox communities in Hungary, Poland and Lithuania), was the bookish language patterned on the standard variety of the Late period of the Second Bulgarian Empire (Trinovitan, or Tărnovo CS)¹⁵⁴. This variety was adapted by the Moldavian milieu in the first decade of the 15th century¹⁵⁵ and its model texts were elaborated mainly by the school of Gavriil

¹⁴⁶ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 518–520.

¹⁴⁷ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.1.

¹⁴⁸ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGĂ, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 363.

¹⁴⁹ Ed. I. CORFUS, *Documente...*; ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, I. BOGDAN, *Documente...*, Sup. 2, vol. I.

¹⁵⁰ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725–728.

¹⁵¹ Исторические связи народов СССР и Румынии в XV–начале XVIII в. Документы и материалы в трех томах, vol. I, 1408–1632, ed. Я.С. ГРОСУЛ et al., Москва 1965, no. 36.

¹⁵² *Documente turceşti privind istoria României*, vol. I, 1455–1774, ed. M.A. МЕНМЕД, Bucureşti 1976, p. 16–17.

¹⁵³ Cf. В.М. ЖИВОВ, *История языка русской письменности*, vol. I, Москва 2017, p. 212–213.

¹⁵⁴ The most detailed description of this variety, based on the language of the texts of patriarch Eu-thymius of Tărnovo can be found in И. ХАРАЛАМПИЕВ, *Езикът и езиковата реформа на Евтимий Търновски*, София 1990.

¹⁵⁵ This is linked with the recognition of the Moldavian metropolia by Constantinople patriarchate (1401), being a fruit of the political-cultural activity of voivode Alexander the Good and, according to many scholars, the activity of Gregory Tsambak, eventually other bookmen of Bulgarian origin. Cf. П. Бойчева, *Традициите на Търновска книжовна школа и делото на Гавриил Урик*, [in:] *Търновска книжовна школа*, vol. II, ed. П. Русев et al., Велико Търново 1980, p. 180; I. IUFU, *Manuscrite slavo-române din mănăstirile românești*, Bucureşti 2016, p. 101. The oldest dated text

Uric in the first half of the 15th century¹⁵⁶. Our description of the shape of this variety in the 2nd quarter of the 16th century will be based on four manuscripts – three Tetraevangelia¹⁵⁷ and the Twelve Books of Old Testament from 1537 (further OT). For comparison, we will also refer to Peter Rareş's Tetraevangelion from 1534¹⁵⁸, which is untypically written in Resavian¹⁵⁹, surely because of the addressee of the book (an Athos monastery). The Resavian variety of this text represents the subtype, which A.-M. Totomanova calls the Bulgarian one¹⁶⁰, whose model texts are represented by the activity of Vladislav Gramatik (active in the 2nd half of the 15th century)¹⁶¹. In our description, we will first focus on the graphemic system¹⁶² and later on the morphologic features. We will suppose the reader is familiar with the “School” Old Church Slavonic Spelling and Grammar¹⁶³.

The primary feature of the Trinovitan CS is the use of two juses¹⁶⁴: **ѧ** and **ѩ**. In contrast to that, the Resavian CS does not use them at all. The distribution of juses corresponds to the etymological places except the following cases:

- **ѧ** is written behind originally soft **ρ**, **λ**, **ν**, **ч**, **с**, which has direct impact on the grammatical forms¹⁶⁵,

from Moldavia, fully written in Trinovitan CS is the charter from 7 January 1407 written by Gârd on behalf of metropolitan Iosif and the voivode. *Documenta Romaniae Historica. A. Moldova*, vol. I, (1384–1448), ed. C. CIHODARU et al., Bucureşti 1975, p. 29.

¹⁵⁶ There is an extant literature on his activity. The clearest overview of his legacy with bibliography and manuscript samples was provided by А.Д. ПАСКАЛЬ, *О рукописном наследии молдавского книжника Гавриила Урика из монастыря Нямц*, [in:] *Istorie și cultură. In honorem academician Andrei Eșanu*, ed. C. MANOLACHE, Chișinău 2018, p. 343–375.

¹⁵⁷ Jerusalem Patriarchal Library, Slavonic 2, from 1532 (cetera: BPI); Russian State Library, coll. 98, no. 78, from 1542 (cetera: RGB); and Jerusalem Patriarchal Library, Slavonic Abraam 2, from 1546 (cetera: Abraam).

¹⁵⁸ Austrian National Library, cod. slav. 2 (cetera: ÖNB).

¹⁵⁹ However, the colophon follows the Trinovitan norm.

¹⁶⁰ А. ТОТОМАНОВА, *Правопис, ресавски*, [in:] *Старобългарска литература. Енциклопедичен речник*, ed. Д. ПЕТКАНОВА, София 1992, p. 352–353.

¹⁶¹ Cf. Б. ХРИСТОВА, *Опис на ръкописите на Владислав Граматик*, Велико Търново 1996.

¹⁶² Developing the scheme presented in V. KNOLL, *Církevní slovanština v pozdním středověku*, Praha 2019, p. 273.

¹⁶³ We allow us to remind that the scribe of the 16th century did not have such grammar on his disposal, which is evident, but still *ex silentio* supposed in some scholar publications. The scribe actually did not have any grammar at hand, but he was fully oriented on the available model texts.

¹⁶⁴ Graphemes originally designed for Common Slavonic nasal vowels.

¹⁶⁵ Matthew pericope (zac., cetera: per.) 9: BPI RGB Abraam σύτερον vs. ÖNB σύτερόν ‘I will do’, per. 11 BPI RGB Abraam γέλω vs. ÖNB Γέλω ‘I say’, per. 3 BPI ποκλόνα εἰλα – RGB Abraam ποκλόνα εἰλα vs. ÖNB ποκλόνι εἰεί ‘I will bow’, per. 4 BPI RGB Abraam πλάχαιη εἰλα vs. ÖNB πλάχιη εἰεί ‘weeping’, per. 9 BPI RGB Abraam εἴτεστι – εἴτεστε vs. ÖNB εἴτεστι – εἴτεστε (accusative singular and plural) ‘all’. We prefer the orientation per pericopes as they are marked in all Middle CS Gospel manuscripts.

- **ѧ** is written in the adverb **ԵՒՆԱՏՐԵ**¹⁶⁶ and in the active present participle forms of the verb **ԱԼՔԵՏԻ**¹⁶⁷,
- **Ճ** is written in the word stems behind **Ժ**, **Վ** (actually in few concrete words)¹⁶⁸ and in the conjunction **ԱՃ**¹⁶⁹,
- the variation of **ѧ/Ճ** behind **Ա**, **Ժ**, **Վ**, **Ո** in word endings must not always follow the etymology, which multiplies the interpretation of some passages¹⁷⁰,
- **ѧ** is preferred in the initial position except the pronouns¹⁷¹,
- there is a non-etymological variation of **ѧ/Ճ** behind vowels, which is notable especially in plural forms (of feminine adjectives and ja-stems). In singular, there is a tendency to prefer **Ճ** (nonetymologically in genitive, etymologically in accusative and instrumental singular)¹⁷².
- Combination of juses, used as the ending of accusative singular of feminine adjective is **-ՃԱ**. This ending may spread also to nominative and accusative plural of feminine forms of present active participles, where it may compete with **-ԱՃ**. The latter ending is otherwise typical for nominative and accusative plural of the soft feminine declension of adjectives¹⁷³.

¹⁶⁶ Matthew per. 22, thus in BPI RGB Abraam **ԵՒՆԱՏՐԵ**(չէ) vs. ÖNB **ԵՒԽՈՎՏՐԵ** ‘inside’.

¹⁶⁷ Mathew per. 2 BPI **ԱԼՔԱՓԻ** – RGB **ԱԼՔԱՓԻ** – Abraam **ԱԼՔԱՓԻ** vs. ÖNB **ԱՄՕՎԴԻ** ‘having’.

¹⁶⁸ Per. 10 BPI RGB Abraam **ՃՃՃՃՎԻ** vs. ÖNB **ՃԵԿՈՎՎԻ** ‘those who hunger’, OT f. 43v **ՊՈՎՃՃԵ** ‘she felt sorry’. The only CS word having “š” in the word stem (OCS **шлатати сѧ** ‘to rebel’) is missing in the examined sources.

¹⁶⁹ Spelling BPI 3v RGB 6v Abraam 7r **ԱՃ** vs. ÖNB 3v **ԻՃ** ‘but’.

¹⁷⁰ Matthew per. 4 BPI **ՃՌԱ** – RGB Abraam **ՃՌԱ** vs. ÖNB **ՃՌՈՎ** ‘soul’ (accusative singular in Greek), per. 3 BPI Abraam **ՎԻՃԿԱՋ** – RGB **ՎԻՃԿԱՋ** vs. ÖNB **ՎԻՃԿԵ** ‘the saw’, per. 9 BPI RGB acc. pl. **ՄՐԵԿՃ** – Abraam **ՄՐԵԿՃ** vs. ÖNB **ՄՐԵԿԵ** ‘nets’, per. 18 BPI RGB Abraam genitive singular **ՊԻՎՃ** vs. ÖNB **ՊԻՎՔ** ‘meal’, per. 18 BPI genitive singular **ՎՃԵԿՃ** – RGB **ՎՃԵԿՃ** – Abraam **ԾՃԵԿՃ** vs. ÖNB **ԾՃԵՔ** ‘raiment’, per. 18 BPI RGB Abraam accusative plural **ՊՏԻՎՃ** vs. ÖNB **ՊՏԻՎՔ** ‘fowls’, per. 18 BPI **ԵՎ ՀԽՏՆԱՎՃ** – RGB **ԵՎ ՀԽՏՆԱՎՃ** – Abraam **ԵՎ ՀԽՏՆԱՎՃ** vs. ÖNB **ԵՎ ՀԽՏՆԱՎԾՈՎ** ‘into barns’ (plural in Greek).

¹⁷¹ Matthew per. 8 BPI RGB Abraam **ՃՅԱԿԵ** vs. ÖNB **ԵՅԱԿԵ** ‘land; nation’, per. 40 BPI **ԵՎ ՃՅԱԼԻՍԻ** – RGB **ԵՎ ՃՅԱԼԻՍԻ** – Abraam **ԵՎ ՃՅԱԼԻՍԻ** vs. ÖNB **ԵՎ ՕՅՅԱԼԻՍԻ** ‘in the prison’, 73 BPI **ՃԴԿՃ** – RGB Abraam **ՃԴԿՃ** – ÖNB **ՕԴԿԱՎ** ‘a hook’, per. 2 BPI **ՊՈՎՈՒՏՏԻ** **Ճ** – RGB **ՊՈՎՈՒՏՏԻ** **ԵՃ** – Abraam **ՊՈՎՈՒՏՏԻ** **Ճ** – ÖNB **ՊՈՎՈՒՏՏԻ** **Յ** ‘to put her away’.

¹⁷² Foreword, originally nom. pl. BPI 4r **ՅԱՌՃ** – RGB 7r **ՅԱՌԱ** – Abraam 7v **ՅԱՌԱ** vs. ÖNB 4r **ՅԱՌԵ** ‘snakes’, Matthew per. 2 BPI Abraam **ԱՃՃԵ** **ԵՃ** – RGB **ԱՃՃԵ** **ԵՃ** vs. ÖNB **ԱՄԺՔԵ** **ԵԱ** ‘her husband’, per. 2 accusative plural BPI **ԼՈՒՃ** **ԵՎՈՃ** – RGB **ԼՈՒՃ** **ԵՎՈՃ** – Abraam **ԼՈՒՃ** **ԵՎՈՃ** vs. ÖNB **ԼՈՒՃ** **ԵՎՈՃ** ‘his people’, per. 3 accusative plural BPI **ԵՎԵՃ** **ՃՐԽԵՐԵՃ** **Ի ԿՆԻԺՆԻԿԵ** **ԼՈՇԿՎՃ** – RGB **ԵՎԵՃ** **ՃՐԽԵՐԵՃ** **Ի ԿՆԻԺՆԻԿԵ** **ԼՈՇԿՎՃ** – Abraam **ԵՎԵՃ** **ՃՐԽԵՐԵՃ** **Ի ԿՆԻԺՆԻԿԵ** **ԼՈՇԿՎՃ** vs. ÖNB **ԵՎԵՃ** **ՃՐԽԵՐԵՃ** **Ի ԿՆԻԺՆԻԿԵ** **ԼՈՇԿՎՃ** ‘all the chief priests and scribes’, per. 4 BPI Abraam **ՊՈՃԵ** – RGB **ՊՈՃ** vs. ÖNB **ՊԵՃԵ** ‘he took’, per. 10 BPI RGB Abraam **Ռ ԳԱԼԻՆԵ** vs. ÖNB **Ռ ԳԱԼԻՆԵ** ‘from Galilee’.

¹⁷³ Matthew per. 14 accusative singular feminine BPI **ՃՐՈՎՐՃ** – RGB **ՃՐԾՐՃ** – Abraam **ՃՐԾՐՃ** vs. ÖNB **ՃՐՈՎՐՈՎ** ‘the other one’, per. 4 accusative plural BPI **ԵՎԵՃ** **ՃՔԵՎՃ** – RGB **ՃՔԵՎՃ**

The secondary traits of the Trinovitan CS contrasting with the (ideal) Resavian norm are the jer vocalisation and the reflexes of *ja/*je. The o-vocalisation (*ū > o) appears just in the suffix -**окъ**¹⁷⁴, while the e-vocalisation (*ī > e) appear in the suffixes -**ецъ**¹⁷⁵, -**енъ**¹⁷⁶ and in many word stems¹⁷⁷. In a few cases, one can see differences in vocalisations among the texts¹⁷⁸. In the reflexes of *ja/*je, the common feature of the Trinovitan and Resavian spelling is the regular appearance of **иа**¹⁷⁹ and the variation of **е/и**¹⁸⁰ in the initial position and the use of simple **а/и** in the postvocalic position¹⁸¹. The most visible difference is the appearance of **иа/ие** in Resavian behind the **и, я**. In these positions, the Resavian **иа/ие** correspond to the Trinovitan **и/и**¹⁸². The clusters *rja/*sja are spelled **рѣ/сѧ** in Trinovitan, but **иа/са** in Resavian¹⁸³.

The following elements are virtually common to different Middle CS varieties. The use of jers¹⁸⁴ generally follows the jer distribution rule. According to this rule, the letter **ъ** is written in the interior of a stress unit¹⁸⁵ (thus both in the

въсѧ сѫщика – Abraam въсѧ дѣти сѫщика vs. ÖNB въсѧ дѣти соѹщие ‘all the children that were’, per. 9 accusative plural BPI въсѧ болѧщика – RGB въсѧ бѡлѧщика – Abraam въсѧ бѡлѧщика vs. ÖNB въсѧ болищие ‘all sick people’, per. 15 accusative plural BPI калънѣщика – RGB калънѣщика – Abraam калънѣщика vs. ÖNB калънѣщие ‘them that curse you’, per. 37 BPI домашнѧкъ – RGB домашнѧкъ – Abraam дѡмашнѧкъ vs. ÖNB домашніе ‘them of his household’.

¹⁷⁴ Matthew per. 43 BPI кротоќка – RGB Abraam кротоќка vs. ÖNB кротък ‘meek’.

¹⁷⁵ Matthew per. 2 BPI прѣвѣнецъ – RGB прѣвѣнецъ – Abraam прѣвѣнецъ vs. ÖNB прѣвѣнецъ ‘firstborn son’.

¹⁷⁶ Matthew per. 55 BPI поѓенъ – RGB Abraam поѓенъ vs. ÖNB поѓенъ ‘similar’.

¹⁷⁷ Matthew per. 3 BPI вѣ іераликъ – RGB вѣ іераликъ – Abraam вѣ іеросалимъ vs. ÖNB вѣсъ іералимъ ‘all Jerusalem’, per. 3 BPI RGB мѣниши – Abraam мѣниши vs. ÖNB мѣниши ‘minor’, per. 3 BPI шѣше – RGB Abraam шѣше vs. ÖNB шѣше ‘go; having gone’, per. 16 BPI RGB днѣ – Abraam днѣ vs. ÖNB днѣ ‘today’, but per. 16 RGB двѣри – Abraam двѣри – ÖNB двѣри ‘door’.

¹⁷⁸ Matthew per. 4 BPI вѣпль – RGB ÖNB вѣпль vs. Abraam вѣпль ‘mourning’, per. 40 BPI ÖNB чесо vs. RGB Abraam чѣсо ‘why, what’, per. 4 BPI оғиѳш – RGB оғиѳшоғ – Abraam ұғиѳш vs. ÖNB оғиѳшоғ ‘when he was dead’.

¹⁷⁹ Matthew per. 3 BPI ÖNB тѣко – RGB Abraam тѣко, per. 44 BPI тѣстї – RGB Abraam ÖNB тѣстї ‘to eat’.

¹⁸⁰ Matthew per. 3 BPI єгда – Abraam єгда vs. RGB ÖNB єгда ‘when’, per. 3 BPI RGB є vs. ÖNB є ‘he is’, per. 5 BPI RGB ÖNB є – Abraam єстъ ‘he is’.

¹⁸¹ Generally, the distribution of **и** in the Resavian manuscripts may be very variable in the initial and postvocalic positions, especially in the texts written on the Serbian territory.

¹⁸² Preface BPI 4v RGB 7v Abraam 8г гдѣтсѧ занѣ vs. ÖNB 4v гдѣтсѧ, занѣ ‘it is said due’, BPI 4v ѿставленїе – RGB 7v ѿставленїе – Abraam 8г ѿставленїе vs. ÖNB 4v ѿставленїе ‘remission’, Matthew per. 6 BPI иинѣ – RGB иинѣ – Abraam иинѣ vs. ÖNB иинѧ, per. 16 BPI ѿстайлѣемъ – RGB ѿстайлѣемъ – Abraam ѿстайлѣемъ vs. ÖNB ѿстайлѣемъ ‘we forgive’.

¹⁸³ Matthew per. 3 BPI Abraam царѣ – RGB царѣ vs. ÖNB цара ‘of emperor’, per. 12 BPI RGB Abraam вѣсѣкъ vs. ÖNB вѣсакъ ‘everybody’.

¹⁸⁴ Graphemes originally denoting Common Slavonic reduced vowels.

¹⁸⁵ The concept of a *word* was not exactly defined in this time. From the spelling (and even more clearly from the early prints), it is clear that scribes distinguished (not very exactly) rather stress units, i.e. the word plus proclitics and enclitics.

word stems and in the prefixes and prepositions), in the monosyllabic pronouns **съ/тъ** ‘this’¹⁸⁶ and the word **Бъ** ‘God’¹⁸⁷. The intentional exception of this rule usually comprises the cluster **-чъ-**¹⁸⁸. Some scribes may occasionally write **ъ** also in the **ѹ/ѧ** clusters at the word end¹⁸⁹. At the end of a stress unit, but sometimes also in front of a suffix¹⁹⁰, the letter **ѫ** is used¹⁹¹. In the final position it may be replaced by the above-writing of the final consonant. The jer is not written in the weak positions¹⁹², but it remained in prefixes¹⁹³ including the *pseudoprefix* in the word **въкъс**¹⁹⁴. The jer distribution rule is theoretically applicable also in the Resavian norm. However, especially in the word stems, as shown by ÖNB, this rule is not followed¹⁹⁵. The letter **ս**¹⁹⁶ as well as the specifically Greek letters are, more or less, regularly used¹⁹⁷. Further typical spellings are **изыти** ‘to leave’¹⁹⁸, **где** ‘where’¹⁹⁹ and **само** ‘hither’²⁰⁰. The distribution of u- (**ѹ/ꙗ**)²⁰¹ and o-allographs (**օ, օ, ѡ**)²⁰² might be very individual and rather random. The letter **ѡ** may appear in the stem

¹⁸⁶ Thus e.g. in Matthew per. 2 and 5 in BPI and ÖNB, cf. Abraam **съ/тъ**, RGB **съ/тъ**.

¹⁸⁷ Thus in Matthew per. 2 in BPI, RGB, Abraam, but in ÖNB **Бъ**.

¹⁸⁸ Matthew per. 56 BPI **вєс чъстї** – RGB **везъчъстенъ** – Abraam **везчъстенъ** – ÖNB **вєз' чъстї**, but OT 10r **и с чъстїй** ‘from honourfull’.

¹⁸⁹ Matthew per. 7 RGB Abraam **пристїпль** vs. BPI **пристїпль** – ÖNB **пристоўпль** ‘having come to’.

¹⁹⁰ Matthew per. 2 BPI ÖNB **рожѣство** – RGB **рожѣство** – Abraam **рожѣство** ‘birth’, 112 BPI RGB Abraam **лиѡжѣство** – ÖNB **лиѡжъство** ‘plenty’, per. 23 BPI **прѣчѣствоказх** – RGB **прорѡчѣствоказх** – Abraam **п҃рѣчѣствавахъинъ** – ÖNB **п҃рѣчѣствавахъинъ** ‘we prophesied’.

¹⁹¹ The use and the quality of jer in front of a suffix is likely the most variable trait of the Moldavian Trinovitan CS. There are scribes (not the ones of the examined manuscripts), who follow the jer distribution rule very thoroughly and do not write **ѫ** except of the very end of a stress unit.

¹⁹² But see the occasional differences: Matthew per. 4 BPI **въ сънѣ** – RGB Abraam **въ сънѣ** – ÖNB **въ снѣ** ‘in a dream’.

¹⁹³ But see the occasional differences: Matthew per. 3 BPI **смѣтисѧ** – RGB Abraam **смѣтисѧ** vs. ÖNB **съмѹгтиſе** ‘he was troubled’.

¹⁹⁴ E.g. Matthew per. 2 BPI ÖNB **въкъс** – RGB Abraam **въкѣс** ‘all’. But see the occasional differences: Matthew per. 4 **въ въкѣс** vs. RGB **въ вѣкѣ** – Abraam **въ вѣкъхъ** – ÖNB **въ вѣкѣ** ‘in all’.

¹⁹⁵ 14 BPI **въ лѣже** – RGB Abraam **въ лѣжкъ** vs. ÖNB **въ лѣжѣ** ‘untruly’.

¹⁹⁶ Matthew per. 10 BPI **лиѡни** – RGB Abraam **лиѡни** – ÖNB **лиѡзи** ‘multitudes’, per. 3 BPI Abraam **звѣзжъ** – RGB **звѣзджъ** – ÖNB **звѣзжоу** ‘star’, per. 3 BPI Abraam **стѣлѣ** – RGB ÖNB **стѣлѡ** ‘much’.

¹⁹⁷ Matthew per. 3 BPI **въ віфлѣемѣ** – RGB **въ віфлѣемѣ** – Abraam **въ віѳлѣемѣ** – ÖNB **въ віѳлѣемѣ** ‘in Bethlehem’, per. 3 BPI **смѣрижъ** – ÖNB **змѣриноу** vs. RGB **смѣрижъ** – Abraam **змѣрижъ** ‘myrrh’, per. 4 BPI **ег҃нѣетъ** – RGB **ег҃нѣпѣ** – Abraam **ег҃нѣпѣ** vs. ÖNB **ег҃нѣпть** ‘Egypt’.

¹⁹⁸ Matthew per. 3 BPI **изыдѣтъ** – RGB Abraam **изыдѣ** – ÖNB **изыдѣтъ** ‘he shall come’.

¹⁹⁹ Matthew per. 3 BPI Abraam **где** – RGB ÖNB **где**.

²⁰⁰ Matthew per. 28 BPI **само** – RGB Abraam ÖNB **само**.

²⁰¹ Matthew per. 4 BPI **до Ѡмѣтїа** – RGB Abraam **до ѿмѣтїа** vs. ÖNB **до ѿмѣтїа** ‘until the death’.

²⁰² Matthew per. 3 BPI **ѡ Ѡтр҃очати** – Abraam **ѡ Ѡтр҃очати** vs. RGB **ѡ ѿтр҃очати** – ÖNB **ѡ ѿтр҃очетї** ‘about the child’, per. 3 BPI **їдѡшѧ** – ÖNB **їдѡши** vs. RGB Abraam **їдѡшѧ** ‘they were going’, per. 4 BPI **лиѡгъ** vs. RGB **лиѡгъ** vs. Abraam **лиѡгъ** – ÖNB **лиѡгъ** ‘great’, per. 3 BPI **видѣхомъ вѣ** vs. Abraam **видѣхѡ вѣ** – RGB ÖNB **видѣхѡ вѣ** ‘for we have seen’.

п̄ророк- ‘prophet’²⁰³. The popular Middle CS manuscript (i.e. not printed) spelling feature are special o-allographs in different forms of the word **ѹко** ‘eye’²⁰⁴.

The presence of rich and variable diacritics is one of the main features of Middle CS. The most regularly diacritics are psila of various shapes (‘), oxia (‘), varia (‘), iso (‘) and kendema (‘), which is typically used in monosyllables except prepositions²⁰⁵. Nevertheless, the position of these diacritic signs as²⁰⁶ well as their combining with other types, especially kamora (‘) and okovavy (‘)²⁰⁷, is far from being regularised²⁰⁸. A certain role is also played by a different level of consistency in using the diacritics, in particular in combination with above-written letters and jer-apostroph (‘).

The morphological specifics of the language attested in the above mentioned Moldavian books of the second quarter of the 16th century can be divided into two main groups: the specifics linked to the spelling features and those that are not linked to them. The aspect, which influences the flexion most, are the juses. We have mentioned above several aspects, which are variable and may cause confusion or homonymy of the forms. This may be revealed e.g. in the transcription to another spelling type²⁰⁹. The ja-stems ending in **ѧ**, **ѩ**, **ѭ** show a regular paradigm different from that of the “School” OCS Grammar manifested in the nom. sg. with -**ѣ** and acc. sg. with -**ѧ** (homonymous with nominative and accusative plural)²¹⁰. An analogous situation rules in the paradigm of the pronoun **вѣсѣ** ‘all’, where **вѣсѣ** is nominative singular feminine and nominative and accusative plural neuter²¹¹ and **вѣсѧ** is accusative singular feminine as well as nominative plural feminine and accusative plural masculine and feminine.

²⁰³ Matthew per. 4 BPI **п҃рѣкѡ** vs. RGB Abraam **п҃рѣкѡ** – ÖNB **п҃рѣкомъ** ‘by the prophet’.

²⁰⁴ Matthew per. 14 BPI **ѹко** – RGB Abraam ÖNB **ѹко** ‘eye’, per. 33 BPI **ѹчї** – RGB Abraam ÖNB **ѹчи** ‘eyes’.

²⁰⁵ Preface BPI 4r RGB 7r Abraam 7v ÖNB 4r **вѣ** ‘you’, BPI 4v RGB 7v ÖNB 5r **двѧ** vs. Abraam 8r **двѧ** ‘two’.

²⁰⁶ Matthew per. 4 BPI **р҃екѫ ти** vs. RGB Abraam **р҃екѫ ти** – ÖNB **р҃екоу ти** ‘I will tell you’, per. 10 BPI Abraam **соль земли** – ÖNB **соль земли** vs. RGB **соль земли** ‘salt of the earth’.

²⁰⁷ Such name of this diacritic sign is mentioned by И.В. Ягичъ, *Рассуждения южнославянской и русской старины о церковнославянскомъ языке*, Санкт-Петербургъ 1896, p. 795.

²⁰⁸ BPI 4v **ѣдѧ** vs. RGB 7v **ѣдѧ** vs. Abraam 8r ÖNB 4v **ѣдѧ** ‘when’, BPI 4r **сѹфѣ** – RGB 7v **сѹфѣ** – Abraam 7v **сѹфѣчи** – ÖNB 4v **сѹфѣ** ‘that is’, per. 4 BPI **ѡ двою лѣтъ** vs. Abraam **ѡ двою лѣтъ** – RGB **ѡ двою лѣтъ** vs. ÖNB **ѡ двою лѣтъ** ‘from two years’.

²⁰⁹ E.g. the forms **дашк** ‘soul(s)’ and **мрѣкж** ‘net(s)’, **вѣ на** ‘in her/them’ can be thus interpreted as gen. and acc. sg. and nom. and acc. pl., **глам**, **сѹтвօրմ** can be both indicative ‘I say, I do’ and active present participle ‘saying, doing’. Cf. also Matthew per. 6 BPI **ѡ галилѣ** – RGB Abraam **ѡ галилѣ** vs. ÖNB **ѡ галилѣ** ‘from Galilee’, per. 8 BPI **вѣ галилѣ** – RGB Abraam **вѣ галилѣ** vs. ÖNB **вѣ галилѣ** ‘to Galilee’.

²¹⁰ Matthew per. 11 BPI RGB Abraam **землѣ** vs. ÖNB **землѧ** ‘land’, per. 4 BPI RGB Abraam **вѣ землѧ** vs. ÖNB **вѣ землѧ** ‘to the land’.

²¹¹ Matthew per. 5 BPI **вѣсѣ ст҃рана** – RGB **вѣсѣ ст҃рана** – Abraam **вѣсѣ ст҃рана** vs. ÖNB **вѣсѧ ст҃рана** ‘all the region’, 7 BPI RGB Abraam **вѣсѣ ցիւրի** vs. ÖNB **вѣсѧ ցիւրի** ‘all kingdoms’, 9 BPI **вѣсѧ галилѣ** – RGB Abraam **вѣсѧ галилѣ** vs. ÖNB **вѣсѧ галилې** ‘all Galilee’.

From the perspective of the morphological features not linked with the spelling, the language of the core corpus of the Moldavian Trinovitan CS shows a coexistence of older (archaic) and younger forms²¹². From the noun forms, we must point out the younger form of the nominative plural of jo-stems on -ii²¹³ and various forms of the genitive plural of jo-stems, ja-stems and i-stems²¹⁴. In the ja-stems of the type *милостыни* 'alms', both archaic and younger forms can be observed²¹⁵. In the adjective flexion (including the participles and pronouns), the archaic flexion is characterised by vowel clusters (type -аго, -ыихъ), while the already usual forms include just one vowel (type -аго, -ыихъ)²¹⁶. The typical adjective endings are genitive singular of masculine/neuter -аго/-кго²¹⁷, dative singular -омъ²¹⁸ and further ones, as e.g. -ыихъ/иихъ²¹⁹ and -ыиль/ииль²²⁰. From the younger pronoun flexion, we may mention the replacement of the original accusative singular masculine and accusative plural of all masculine and feminine of the personal pronoun of the 3rd person by an originally genitive form²²¹.

In the verb flexion, the most prominent younger feature is the ending -мы in the 1st plural present indicative of the athematic verbs²²². Similarly as in case of adjectives, also imperfect conjugation knows both archaic forms with vowel clusters and shorter younger forms²²³. The variation of older and younger

²¹² Besides them, the Trinovitan texts contain further morphological forms, which were typical for the original works of Late Second Bulgarian Empire authors and translators. These forms, which may be called substandard, did not enter the biblical-liturgical corpus, but as we will see later, they survived in other genres of the Moldavian Slavonic Letters.

²¹³ Preface RGB 6v *млжие* – Abraam 7r *млжие* – ÖNB 3v *млжии* 'men', nominative plural: RGB 7r Abraam 7v *ѡбꙗчae* *наши* – ÖNB 4r *ѡбꙗчae* *наши* vs. BPI 4r *ѡбꙗчaи* *на*, accusative plural: RGB 7r Abraam 7r *ѡбꙗчaла* *наша* vs. BPI 4r *ѡбꙗчaлa* *нашъ* vs. ÖNB 4r *ѡбꙗчae* *наше* 'our habits'.

²¹⁴ Matthew per. 7 BPI ÖNB *днi* vs. RGB Abraam *днii* 'of days', per. 95 BPI *кoстii* vs. RGB *кѡстei* – Abraam *кѡстeи* vs. ÖNB *кoстi* 'of bones', per. 28 BPI *стáдо* *свíнii* vs. ÖNB *стáдо* *свíнneи* 'herd of swine' (adjective in RGB Abraam), per. 58 BPI RGB Abraam *млжии* – ÖNB *мoгжии* 'of men', but per. 75 BPI *свéтeль* – RGB Abraam ÖNB *свéтель* 'of witnesses'.

²¹⁵ Matthew per. 16 BPI *млтynи* vs. RGB *милостыни* – Abraam *млтynи* – ÖNB *млтynи* 'alms'.

²¹⁶ Except the nominative singular masculine, where the reduction of the type -ыи > -ы is substandard. Matthew per. 3 BPI *югáeинскы* – RGB *югáeинскы* vs. Abraam *іѡгáeинскъ* – ÖNB *іѡгáeинскъ* 'of the Jews'. The spelling -ъ is a common abbreviation of -ыи.

²¹⁷ Matthew per. 14 BPI *великаго* – RGB ÖNB *великаго* vs. Abraam *великаго* 'of a great one', 15 BPI *искрьнкго* – RGB *искрьнкго* Abraam *искрьнкго* – ÖNB *искрьнкаго* 'of a sincere one', per. 15 BPI *хóтлaмá* – RGB Abraam *хóтлaмa* – ÖNB *хóтeпaмo* 'of as willing one'.

²¹⁸ Matthew per. 46 BPI *слéпому* – RGB ÖNB *слéпому* – Abraam *слéпому* 'to the blind one', per. 80 BPI *послéднemоу* – RGB *послéднemоу* – Abraam *послéднem* – ÖNB *послéднemоу* 'to the last one', per. 15 BPI *просацlомоу* – RGB *просацlомоу* – Abraam *просацlом* – ÖNB *просецlомоу* 'to the asking one'.

²¹⁹ Matthew per. 11 BPI Abraam ÖNB *мáлы* vs. RGB *мáлы* 'of small ones'.

²²⁰ Preface BPI 4v *еврénисkы* *ázыкo* – RGB 7v *еврénисkы* *ázыкo* – ÖNB 5r *еврénисkы* *иéзыкъ* – Abraam 8r *еврénисkы* *глaсъ* 'in Hebrew language'.

²²¹ Matthew per. 3 RGB *послáвъ* *й* – Abraam *послáвъ* *иҳъ* – ÖNB *послáвъ* *иҳъ* vs. RGB *послáвъ* *й* 'having sent them'.

²²² 19 BPI *їамы* – RGB ÖNB Abraam *їамы* 'we eat', 85 BPI Abraam *не вéмы* – RGB *не вéмы* – ÖNB *не вéмы* 'we do not know'.

²²³ Matthew per. 4 BPI *нeхóтлáше* – RGB *нe хóтeкашe* vs. Abraam ÖNB *нe хóтeкашe* 'they did not want'.

forms can be observed also in the aorist stems²²⁴, in active past participle of the 4th conjugation²²⁵ or in other cases²²⁶.

Spelling variation

Having explained how the standard variety looked, we can proceed to the spelling variation. If we omit Peter Rareş's Tetraevangelion, which is written in Resavian CS, we can distinguish five elements in Moldavian Cyrillic texts:

- Moldavian-Trinovitan CS
- Romanian
- Ruthenian
- Wallachian-South Slavonic
- Polish

Generally, we can characterise the texts from the 2nd quarter of the 16th century as follows:

Division criterion	Types of texts	Characterization
Romanian texts with *a > /ə/ (ѧ, ѧ, ѧ).	Romanian proper names in documents and colophons.	Trinovitan CS spelling + specific spelling solutions.
Trinovitan CS texts with the preference of *o > /ə/ (ѧ, eventually ѧ) and simple past tenses (aorist, imperfect).	Shared CS texts. Original CS bookish texts (Macarie's Chronicle, Enkōmion to St John the New). Colophons and inscriptions. Correspondence among monasteries.	Trinovitan CS. The shared and original CS texts are mainly distinguished by the spelling variations and syntactical discrepancies in the latter ones.
Texts switching formulas with *o > /ə/ or /u/ and using simple past tenses or l-preterite.	Charters for religious establishments.	Patterned on CS with interference of Ruthenian in some formulas and <i>dispositio</i> .

²²⁴ Matthew per. 3 BPI ρεκόшѧ – RGB ρέкѡшѧ vs. Abraam ρ්කිшѧ – ÖNB ρ්කිшේ ‘they said’.

²²⁵ Matthew per. 8 BPI ὅσταβλъ – RGB ὥστάβλъ – Abraam ÖNB ὥστάβλ ‘having left’, per. 109 BPI ελ̄βιης 108 – RGB Abraam ÖNB ελ̄βιης ‘having blessed’ (there is a difference in the division of the pericopes 108 and 109).

²²⁶ Matthew per. 4 BPI искóщиен дашѧ атρóчатε – ÖNB искоӯщиен дашօց Շտրօչե vs. RGB ишкijшиен дашյա Շտրօչա – Abraam ишкijшиен дашյա Շտրօչатε ‘which sought the young child’s life’.

Division criterion	Types of texts	Characterization
Secular chancery texts with the preference of * <i>q</i> > /u/ (ѹ, ё) and l-preterite.	Letters sent to Transylvania.	Primarily patterned on CS with stronger interference of Ruthenian, eventually Wallachian-South Slavonic.
	Charters to boyars.	Alternation of CS and Ruthenian formulas.
	Treaty with Poland and Glăvan's Letter.	Ruthenian with CS and Polish penetrations.

To this overview, it can be added that the intitulatio of the ruler, *іѡ Пеѧтъ воеѡода є҃жією лаѧтию г҃оръ земли мѡдавскон*²²⁷ remains in this official form in otherwise Trinovitan-spelled texts as colophons, inscriptions and letters for monasteries. In monastery charters, the ѹ instead of **q* appear in formulas shared with the secular internal charters. In colophons, there may be ј/ѹ variation²²⁸. In secular chancery texts, random Trinovitan formulas may appear (e.g. in the invocation in the Treaty with Poland). The letter by hegumen of Moldoviţa to the town of Bistriţa shows a hybrid character.

There are two main spelling features, which are common to all types of Moldavian texts. The first one is the spelling of ы/и as /i/. This causes the possibility of the variation of ы/и especially in the Trinovitan CS texts²²⁹. In the secular chancery texts, the appearance of ы is marginal (typically in the word мы 'we' or even 'of me'), Romanian proper names lack it²³⁰. This feature is common for Romanian Slavonic texts in general. This is supported by the fact that Slavonic languages not distinguishing *y/*i surround the Romanian speaking territory. The same trait can be found in the Moldavian Polish letters written in Latin script.

²²⁷ 'John Peter voivode, by Grace of God lord of Moldavian Land'. Thus e.g. on the St Demetrius inscription in Suceava. *Die Inschriften...*, p. 138.

²²⁸ Thus вѧде in the colophon of the Apostolos from 1528. Colophon of the Old Testament from 1537: *плати сїю книгоу рекомада* '(he) payed this book called...' Similarly, there is a variation in a charter for Bistriţa є҃ждетъ/вѧдетъ. Cf. *Молдава вин епока...*, vol. I, p. 56.

²²⁹ BPI 4г заповѣди – RGB 7v Abraam 8г заповѣди vs. ÖNB 4v заповѣди 'commands'. To this example, we must add that in some Resavian manuscripts, there might be a tendency to write ы in the word end, but и in the word interior. Cf. Ј. ШТАВЉАНИН-ЂОРЂЕВИЋ et al., *Onic ѡирилских рукописа Народне библиотеке Србије*, vol. I, Београд 1986, p. 40, 288, 293.

²³⁰ Hurmuzaki Psalter contains ы in the CS loanwords (e.g. 23r поѹтына 'deserted place') and randomly in few non-Slavonic words for /i/. Cf. *Psaltirea Hurmuzaki...*, p. 30–31.

The second and a more important common feature of Slavonic texts from Moldavia is the pronunciation of ꙗ/ѧ as /ja/, which makes it interchangeable also with ѧ/ѧ. The traces of this feature can marginally appear even in the biblical corpus²³¹; they are more frequent in the original texts of all types²³². Behind originally palatalized sibilants, we can randomly find the spelling ѧ in the secular documents. This trait is typical for the East Slavonic milieu²³³. Behind vowels, the usual Trinovitan spelling of /ja/ is ѧ, but in the original texts, we may see more variation²³⁴. A morphological consequence of this variation is the ending confusion in the ja-stems ending in ѧ, ѹ, ѿ²³⁵, eventually the preference of the ending -ѣ in the genitive and accusative singular jo-stems following the Trinovitan norm²³⁶. An analogical situation rules in the Romanian spelling: ꙗ/ѧ for /ѧ/²³⁷ behind consonants, ѧ/ѧ

²³¹ Matthew per. 12 BPI Abraam ѧրօւԸ vs. RGB ՚արօւԸ vs. ÖNB ՚ոյրաւԸ ‘thou fool’, Macarie I 162v II 466v պլենիկ և ոչկիցալ ‘plundering and burning’.

²³² Theodosie’s Enkomion e.g. 200ր ՚ ԵՒՔՐԱ ‘about the faith’, 201ր ԿԼԵՒՎԱ ‘oatch’, 203ր ԵՒՆԻՇՏՐԵ ‘inside’. M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 507 (internal chancery) պրինծո՛ս որ ՚ ‘they came in front’, մետի/մատի ‘children’, p. 513 ՅԱ ՃԵՐ ԾՄԱ ‘for 200’; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27 ՊՈ ԺԻՎՈՏԱ ‘after the life’. Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726 (Treaty with Poland): ՃՈ ՅԵԼՈՒՑ ‘to the lands’, ՚Յ ՅԵԼՈՒԸ ‘from the lands’. Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 518 (correspondence with Transylvania) ՚Յ ՄԱՍՏԱ ‘from the town’, p. 540 ԿԱԽ ԾԵ ՃԱԼԱ, ՐԱԸ ԾԵ ՃԱԼԱ ‘where she is gone’, p. 538 ՊՐԱԽԵ ‘before’.

²³³ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 510 and *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 64 պրինծո՛ս ‘they came’, *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 51 ՚ԿԱ ՚ՆԱՌԻ ‘of our children’.

²³⁴ Colophon of the Apostolos from 1528: ՚ԿԻՆԳԱ ՅՈՎԵԼԱ ‘the book called’. Macarie I 165v ԵՒԾՊՐԻԱՒ – II 469v ԵՒԾՊՐԻԱՒ ‘to take’. Theodosie’s Enkomion 200v ՚ԵՐԴԱՏԵ ԵՎԻԵ ‘he was taken’. Transylvanian correspondence, ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 518 ՊՐԻՎԱՏԵ՞Ա ‘to the friends’, p. 539 ՊՐԻՎԱՏԵ՞Ո ‘to the friend’. Treaty with Poland, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725 ՊՐԻՎԱՏԵ՞Ա ‘to the freinds’, ՚ՆԵՊՐԻՎԱՏԵ՞Ա ‘to the enemies’, internal chancery: M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 508 ՅՈՏԱՐ ‘boyars’, p. 511 ՚ԿՈՒՌ ‘scribe’; *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 267 ՅՈՒՓՈՒ ‘to boyars’.

²³⁵ Matthew per. 16 nominative singular BPI ՅՈԼԱ ՚ԵՎՈԸ vs. RGB Abraam ՅՈԼԿ ՚ԵՎՈԸ vs. ÖNB ՅՈԼԱ ՚ԵՎՈԸ. Theodosie’s Enkomion 203v accusative singular մալինիկ ‘alms’. Macarie I genitive singular 157r ՚ԻՆ ՚ՎԱՐՈՐՏԿԱ ՅԵԼՈՒՑ ‘from Wallachia’, accusative singular 158r պլենիտի ՅԵԼՈՒՑ ‘to plunder the land’, 159r ՚ՎԱԼԻՍՏԻՆԿՃԱ ՅԵԼՈՒՑ ‘Palestinian land’, 156v (II 460v) ԵՒԵՇ ՚ԵՎՈԸ ՚ԵՎՈԸ ‘all his power’. Treaty with Poland, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725 ՅԵԼՈՒԸ ՚ՆԱՌԱ ‘our land’. Correspondence with Transylvania, ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 538 ՚ՉԿԻՆԱ ՅՈՒՐԻ ‘he made a decision’. Internal chancery, *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 240 ՚ՊԼԵՆԻՌԿ ՚ՆԱՌԵ ՅԵԼՈՒԸ ‘they plundered our land’.

²³⁶ Also in the Treaty with Poland, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726 ՚ՅԵՍՊՈՋԱՐԿ ‘Lord’, ՚ՎԱՐՖ ‘sultan’, where we could expect the ending -ѧ, which is characteristic for the Ruthenian spelling of Poland and Lithuania. Cf. genitive singular in the internal documents, *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 55; *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 184 ՚ԾՊԱՏԱՐ ՚ԾՊԱՏԱՐ’.

²³⁷ Internal chancery, *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 144 ՚ՆԵՐԱ ‘Neaga’, p. 127 ՚ԿՐԵՍՏ ՚Կârstea’, p. 184 ՚ՎՐԵԿԻՆԸ ՚Urecheanul’; *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 94 ՚ՓՈՓՈՐԱՆԻ ՚Foforeani’; *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 129 ՚ԴԵԼԵՆԻ ՚Deleani’. Cf. *Psaltirea Hurmuzaki...*, p. 27–30.

behind vowels²³⁸. In contrast to Trinovitan CS, the Romanian cluster -օա-/ -وا- does not denote two syllables /oja/, but a diphthong /qa/²³⁹, that can still be spelled with a single օ²⁴⁰. The variation of Ӑ/Ӑ/Ӑ, which originated in the fusion of the East Bulgarian and East Slavonic spelling of CS²⁴¹ is a typical Moldavian marker.

The characteristic variation of the Trinovitan CS texts, from both Moldavia and Wallachia, is ӂ/ӂ /ə/, which is a reading inherited from the Second Bulgarian Empire texts. Also this feature can be marginally found in the shared biblical corpus²⁴². It is more frequent in the original Trinovitan CS texts²⁴³ and it may appear in some letters addressed to Transylvania, concretely the letter by hegumen of Moldoviţa²⁴⁴ and the letter by pârcălab Dan of Câmpulung²⁴⁵. The Romanian spelling prefers ӂ for both /ə/ and /i/²⁴⁶ in the non-initial position. The spelling ӂ may appear rather at the word end²⁴⁷. The letter ӂ can variate with Ӑ in Romanian words and create confusion of etymological *ra and *rű²⁴⁸.

²³⁸ Internal chancery, M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 510 Рая ‘Raia’, p. 508 Звияр ‘Zbiarra’; Молдова вин епока..., vol. I, p. 47 Матея ‘Mateias’. The same solution is shown in the Hurmuzaki Psalter. *Psaltirea Hurmuzaki...*, p. 29, 33.

²³⁹ Internal chancery, M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 511 Тодор ‘of Toader’; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 55 Скърдоаса ‘Scârdoasa’.

²⁴⁰ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. II, p. 16 Путнишора ‘Putnişoara’.

²⁴¹ See the following scheme:

CS pronunciation	Ӑ	Ӑ
East Bulgarian	/ja/	/e/
Galician-Volhynian	/i/	/ja/
Moldavian	/ja/	/ja/

²⁴² Matthew per. 16 BPI ամէջ vs. RGB Abraam ամէջ – ÖNB ամէջ ‘reward’. We did not find this phenomenon in Macarie’s Chronicle.

²⁴³ A monastery charter, *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 375 ѡկъꙑς ‘from where’.

²⁴⁴ Letter by hegumen of Moldoviţa, ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 531 սի ‘but’, ապէ եւչօփի ‘if they want’, ѡ էրъꙑς ‘from where’. Cf. letter by logofăt Toma, ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 541 ձօչի ‘until now’.

²⁴⁵ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 535 չէ ‘they are’, եւդէ ‘it will be’.

²⁴⁶ Internal documents, *Surete...*, vol. VII, p. 160 пана Тъмпа ‘of Sir Tâmpa’, p. 161 Михъилъ ‘Mihailă’; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. II, p. 16 сълă ‘sălaş, dwelling’, p. 159 Ромънескуль ‘Românescul, the Romanian’, Дръгъш ‘to Drăguş’; *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 98 Мъри ‘Maria, Mary’, but *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 376 Пятрашка ‘of Pătraşcu’.

²⁴⁷ Internal documents, *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 72 Къприяарж ‘Câprioară’, Мъгдълиниж ‘Măgdălină’, but p. 71 Къприяарж, *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 214 Лопатж ‘Lopată, shovel’. The Hurmuzaki Psalter generally uses ӂ, while the letter Ӑ is very marginal. *Psaltirea Hurmuzaki...*, p. 30.

²⁴⁸ *Surete...*, vol. VII, p. 160 Կըւка ‘of Cârc’, пана Хръвора ‘of Sir Hrăbor’, cf. *Psaltirea Hurmuzaki...*, p. 34.

The use of the letter *s* is common for Trinovitan CS, where it is used consequently both in the word initial and in paradigm, and for Moldavian Romanian, where it denotes /dz/²⁴⁹ and it can be sometimes variated with *z*²⁵⁰. In the Slavonic words of the documents, the letter *s* appears in two cases: lexicalized in the dat. sg. *сλꙗſк* ‘to the servant’²⁵¹ and *пинѣзи* ‘money’²⁵² and randomly in other words from **z* according to the preference of individual scribes²⁵³.

In the secular chancery texts, whose main common feature is the preference of **q* > /u/, we can find the combination of Church Slavonic, Ruthenian and eventually other types of spelling. Particularly in the highly formulaic internal chancery documents, the use of elements of different origin is almost fixed.

	Internal chancery		Transylvanian correspondence	Treaty with Poland
	CS elements	Ruthenian elements		
* <i>tj</i>	Absent in formulas	ч regularly in <i>чтѹчи</i> ‘reading’, Once κ ²⁵⁴	ѱ, once ψ ²⁵⁵ , randomly κ in future auxiliary	Regularly ψ ²⁵⁶ , but ψ in the derivations of μѡ ‘power’ ²⁵⁷
* <i>dj</i>	жΔ regularly in <i>потвръждение</i> ‘confirmation’	ж regularly in <i>межи</i> ‘between’, <i>непонуждѣ</i> ‘unforced’ ²⁵⁸	Only жΔ	Once <i>приимѣжниши</i> ²⁵⁹

²⁴⁹ Mentions of postelnic Sturdza, e.g. ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 542 *Стѹрзк*; *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 278 *Стѹрзи*. Cf. other proper names, also *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 271 ѩкъ *Сизи* ‘towards Dziza’; *Surete...*, vol. II, p. 345 *Хамза* ‘Hamza’.

²⁵⁰ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 127 *блꙗндꙗ* ‘mild’, *блꙗнсїи*, *блꙗнзи* ‘milds’; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 37 *Стѹрзи* ‘of Sturdza’.

²⁵¹ Thus in M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 508, 513, 520; *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 17; *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 215, but cf. *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 259 *сλꙗſк*.

²⁵² Thus in M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 508, 513 and ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 519 vs. *пинѣзи* in ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 533; *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 275 and *Surete...*, vol. VII, p. 161.

²⁵³ *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 56 § *наше земли* ‘in our land’, p. 55 въ *значенїи* ‘by the sign’, къ *запа* ‘westwards’.

²⁵⁴ *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 240 *реkъki* vs. M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 510 *реkъчи*.

²⁵⁵ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 537 χѹч ‘I want’.

²⁵⁶ чтѹчи ‘reading’, зnaючи ‘knowing’, χѹчено ‘we want’, миучи ‘to be able’, поишучи ‘to help’, дѣдице ‘to the heirs’.

²⁵⁷ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENȘUȘIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725 μѡ ‘power’, миуци ‘strongly’, наимашнїйшомъ ‘to the most powerful’.

²⁵⁸ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 513 and *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 93 *никїи* *непонуждѣ* ‘forced by anybody’; *Surete...*, vol. II, p. 344 and *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 39 *непонуждени* vs. *Surete...*, vol. XXIV, p. 147 *непонуждена*; *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 130 and *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 19 *непонуждѣ*. *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 259, 269; *Surete...*, vol. VII, p. 159 *межи*.

²⁵⁹ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENȘUȘIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725.

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	CS elements	Ruthenian elements		
*é	Usually ꙗ/Ꙙ	и regularly in сѹи ²⁶⁰ and dat. sg. Of a-stems, randomly ε ²⁶¹		ꙗ, и, ε ²⁶²
*vǔ(-)	Dominant as prefix ꙗ ²⁶³	ѹ regularly in ѹ, ѹи, sometimes in ѹнѹк ²⁶⁴	ѹ/ꙗ ²⁶⁵	ѹ, ꙗ, ѹ ²⁶⁶
*-lǔ ²⁶⁷	ꙗ, Randomly replacing ѹ	ѹ regularly in the stem полн ²⁶⁸	Only ꙗ	Not attested

²⁶⁰ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 513; *Surete...*, vol. VII, p. 161; *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 204; *Surete...*, vol. XIX, p. 58 (monastery charter) **сѹи** vs. *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 269 **сѹи** ‘to himself’. *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 275 **не хотї** ‘he did not want’. T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27 **ѡ ѹсї ѹтѡрѡ** ‘from all sides’, p. 30 **ѹсї ѹнѹкѡ** ‘of all boyars’, p. 32 **дитї ѹ** ‘to their children’. *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 98 **где вили сидили** ‘where they were settled’. *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 192 **мисту** ‘space’.

²⁶¹ *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 26 **вєрѹют** ‘they trust’.

²⁶² Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 518 **повидио** ‘they say’, p. 538 **пин’язи** vs. p. 518 and 541 **ѡ съда напрѣ** ‘from now on’, p. 537 **дете** ‘to the children’, p. 538 **повѣли** ‘they fled’. Treaty with Poland: **сѧнднили** ‘neighbouring’, **вичнїй** vs. **вѣчнїй** ‘eternal’, **из вика** ‘from way back’, **ричи** ‘matters’, **поиchatи** ‘to go’ vs. **предкови** ‘ancestors’, **поведати** ‘to say’, **ехати** ‘to go’, **приехати** ‘to come’.

²⁶³ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 513 **вѣсѧли** ‘to all’, **вѣзрит** ‘(who) will look on’, p. 513 **с тѣсї** ‘with all’, **вѣсѧли ѹдѣ** ‘to all family’, **вѣсего** **хотара** ‘of the whole border’.

²⁶⁴ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 508 and *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 39 **ѹи** ‘all’. M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 508 **ѹ рѹкы** – *Surete...*, vol. II, p. 344 **ѹ рѹки** ‘in hands’. T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 26 **ѹнѹкѹе** – *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 278 **ѹнѹчато** vs. *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 40 **ѹнѹчато** ‘to grandsons’. T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 30 **ѹзal** ‘he took’. *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 20 **ѹ нашеи ѹ молдавскон земли**; *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 375 **ѹ нашеи земли ѹ молдавской** ‘in our Moldavian land’.

²⁶⁵ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 518 **ѹсї** ‘to all’, p. 520 **ѹзали** ‘they took’ – p. 538 **ѹзї** ‘he took’ vs. **вѣзате** ‘to take’, p. 520 and 539 **ѹи**, p. 539 **ѹ рѹк** ‘in hands’, p. 520 **вѣ** **Дылгополи** ‘in Câmpulung’ vs. p. 537 **ѹ Сучавѣ** ‘in Suceava’, p. 537 **ѹ на земли** ‘to our land’.

²⁶⁶ **Ѹзрит** ‘he will see’, **ѹи** ‘all’, **ѹ нашеи земли** ‘in our land’, **ѹчинити** ‘to do’ vs. **вѣсего** ‘of all’, **всими** ‘to all’, **вѣжлати** – **вчинити** ‘to do’.

²⁶⁷ In the colophon of the Apostolos from 1528, there is the secondary adaptation of -ѹ- to -ꙗ- in **вѣ мѧбл** ‘for the prayer’.

²⁶⁸ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 508 **полню заплат** and *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 39 **полню заплат** ‘full payment’. *Surete...*, vol. VII, p. 159 and *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 25 and *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 203 **исполня** vs. *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 26 **испльна**. *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 25 **ѹ жолтї** ‘Hungarian guldens’. *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 47 **за долгѹ** ‘for the debt’.

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	CS elements	Ruthenian elements		
-rū/-ří-	Randomly ꙗк ²⁶⁹	на веꝝх ²⁷⁰	Only ꙗк	дѣржати ‘to hold’
*-är/-äl-	Randomly ꙗа/ꙗ ²⁷¹	Regularly in сѣро- ꙗ ²⁷²	Only -ꙗ ²⁷³	ꙗ, ꙗ ²⁷⁴
*-er-	Regularly ꙗк	Randomly in natural phenomena ²⁷⁵	ѡ съда напре ²⁷⁶ , прайже ²⁷⁷	Only in пеꝝ, but предкове
*-e-	Always in the word ꙗ ²⁷⁸	Once вазеꙗ ²⁷⁹	Only ε- (in εꙗ ²⁸⁰)	Once ²⁸⁰ вѧно
Pa/po	ꙗ ²⁸¹	Ро-	Not attested	Ро-/ꙗ ²⁸²

As we have seen from the table above, the Treaty with Poland shows an impact of lexicalized Polonisms, while the Serbian impact on the spelling level is seen just in a random appearing of ꙗ on the place of *tj²⁸³. In total, the Moldavian documents show four different reflexes of *tj. An interesting phenomenon appearing

²⁶⁹ Молдова ѿн епока..., vol. II, p. 275 вратія которїи дръжали ‘brothers who possessed’.

²⁷⁰ Молдова ѿн епока..., vol. II, p. 259.

²⁷¹ Молдова ѿн епока..., vol. I, p. 55 влатали ‘of marshes’; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. II, p. 16 здрасвє ‘health’.

²⁷² M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 508 ѿ иишӣ сѣро²⁸¹ ‘from other sides’; Surete..., vol. IX, p. 20 and Surete..., vol. I, p. 129 по веꝝх сѣро²⁸² ‘on both sides’. *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 55 дорога ‘path’.

²⁷³ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 536 на εꙗ²⁸³ сѣрану ‘on one side’.

²⁷⁴ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725 крѧлѣ ‘of the king’ vs. p. 726 кралю ‘to the king’, p. 727 врѣтнти сѧ ‘to return’. The lexeme здрасвє ‘health’ in Glăvan’s Letter could also be a Bohemism.

²⁷⁵ Surete..., vol. I, p. 210 веꝝги ‘shores’; Surete..., vol. I, p. 214 оꝝ веꝝести ‘near the birch’.

²⁷⁶ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 541.

²⁷⁷ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 538.

²⁷⁸ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 510 єдино мѣсто ‘a place’, p. 513 єдї²⁸⁴ зако²⁸⁵ ‘a law’; Молдова ѿн епока..., vol. II, p. 278 єдно село ‘a village’, єдного лотга ‘a rogue’.

²⁷⁹ Молдова ѿн епока..., vol. I, p. 55 вазеꙗ ‘lake’ vs. Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 124 съ везерками ‘with small lakes’.

²⁸⁰ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727.

²⁸¹ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27 զազունելի յօմы ‘we have understood’.

²⁸² Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726 доро²⁸⁶з²⁸⁷ ‘he will understand’ vs. զախո բազմէն ‘we would understand’. Cf. ed. I. COREFUS, *Documente...*, p. 108 на tim rozboiu ‘during this robbery’.

²⁸³ For details on this spelling see B. Поломац, *Језик повеља и писама Српске деспотовине*, Крагујевац 2016, p. 103–108.

in the secular chancery documents is the variation of *o*/*ø*, which can be of different origins:

- Ukrainian **o* > *ø* before an originally reduced vowel in the next syllable²⁸⁴ is attested in the Treaty with Poland²⁸⁵, e.g. *коѹкъ* ‘how much’, *боѹдѹћи* ‘we will be able’, *покѹ* ‘peace’ (can be also from Polish *pokój*).
- *Balkanic* variation of *o*/*ø* in the unstressed syllable:
 - **o* > *ø*: randomly in *даємѹ* ‘we give’²⁸⁶, *в'єдомѹ* ‘known’²⁸⁷, *չставши*²⁸⁸ ‘remaining’, *полявина*²⁸⁹ ‘half’, *мѹнастї* ‘monastery’²⁹⁰,
 - **u* > *ø*: regularly in the formula *ѡживали* ‘they used’, randomly in *ѡірѹћи* ‘it will confirm’²⁹¹, *ѡночатомъ* ‘to grandsons’²⁹² – *ѡнѹкове* ‘grandsons’²⁹³, *пасико* ‘clearing’²⁹⁴, *до кѹници* ‘to the source’²⁹⁵.

Just in the Treaty with Poland, we find the typical Ruthenian spelling of *o* from **e* behind hardened soft sibilants²⁹⁶.

Finally, we will mention specific spelling solutions denoting (Moldavian) Romanian specific phonemes:

- /dʒ/ is spelled as *ж* or *ѱ*²⁹⁷,

²⁸⁴ ІО. ШЕВЕЛЬОВ, *Історична фонологія української мови*, Харків 2002, p. 559. A similar phenomenon is **e* > **u*, which attested in the lexeme *заноѹже* ‘because’ forming part of the formula of the internal chancery. Cf. *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 131; SSUM, vol. I, p. 379.

²⁸⁵ And ones in latter by great vornic Huru, ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 539 *пѹли* ‘you send’.

²⁸⁶ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 539.

²⁸⁷ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 192.

²⁸⁸ *Surete...*, vol. II, p. 344, 345.

²⁸⁹ *Surete...*, vol. II, p. 345.

²⁹⁰ Colophon in the Apostolos from 1528.

²⁹¹ Colophon in the Apostolos from 1528.

²⁹² *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 203.

²⁹³ *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 26.

²⁹⁴ *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 65.

²⁹⁵ *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 55.

²⁹⁶ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726 and Glăvan’s Letter: *пѹи-шѹл до нас* ‘he came to us’.

²⁹⁷ *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 278 *пан Жѹржка* ‘of Sir George’, *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 50 *Мѹициї* vs. p. 51 *Мѹкетїї*, p. 52 *Мѹкетї* ‘Mogësti’. *Surete...*, vol. XIX, p. 58 *Сѹлаѹчани* ‘Säläjani’; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 55 *Нѹгѹ* ‘Nogea’, *Рѹгиноаса* ‘Ruginoasa’. Colophon of the Apostolos from 1528: *сѹлаѹчакѹ* ‘of Säläjeni’. In the Hurmuzaki Psalter, the phoneme /dʒ/ is spelled *ѱ*, while the letter *ж* is used only in the words of Slavonic origin. Although /dʒ/ is now generally missing in most Moldavian dialects, its shift to /ʒ/ is apparently of late date. The letter *ѱ* was still used in Dosoftei’s prints in the 1670s and 1680s.

- /ř/ may be spelled as ꙗ²⁹⁸.

In proper names in the documents and colophons, there is no occasion to use ꙗ. This letter is used in Hurmuzaki Psalter for /in/-/im/, eventually /i/ or a nasal element²⁹⁹. The clusters /ir/, /il/ are generally spelled according to the CS rules as ꙗ/ꙗ³⁰⁰ with few exceptions³⁰¹.

A more complicated question is the transcription of Romanian names into the Latin alphabet in the documents issued by the Moldavian chancery in Latin and German. The few appearing Moldavian toponyms show the following spelling:

- /ʃ/ as ss (*penes Brassoviam*), z (*Thomza, Iazwaros*), s (*Thomsam, Dragsan*)³⁰²,
- /ts/ as ch (*Namch, Bistrichie*)³⁰³,
- /tʃ/ as sch (*Soschavie*)³⁰⁴, cz (*Socza, Socczaviae*)³⁰⁵, ch (*Danchul, ex arce nostra swchawiesi, de Chochavia, ex arce shochawiensi, zwochawiensi*)³⁰⁶, in Polish cz (w *Soczawye*) and sch (*Voloschi*)³⁰⁷, in German cz (*Soczawa*)³⁰⁸.

In the documents issued in Polish, there are sometimes words showing *h* on the place of *g: *hosподар*³⁰⁹ ‘ruler of Moldavia’, *hosподарство*³¹⁰ ‘ruler’s dignity’, *Thehinyę*³¹¹ ‘town Tighina’, *pohybel* ‘death, ruin’³¹² and *wherska*³¹³ ‘Hungarian’.

²⁹⁸ *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 64 ꙗръкоѹсѧн – p. 65 ꙗръкоѹсѧн ‘Räusen’; M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 511 and *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 266 Збꙗтари ‘of (Sir) Zbiarra’ vs. *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 18 пана Збꙗтари. *Surete...*, vol. II, p. 345 Михъилъ Борра – *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 216 Михъил Борра ‘Mihailă Borra’. A similar variation can be found in the Hurmuzaki Psalter. *Psaltirea Hurmuzaki...*, p. 33. This phenomenon is still active in Moldavian dialects, cf. *Атласул лингвистик молдовенеск*, vol. I, part 1, ed. Р. Улдер, В. Комарницки, Кишинэу 1968, map 36.

²⁹⁹ *Psaltirea Hurmuzaki...*, p. 28.

³⁰⁰ These clusters appear mostly in the words of Slavonic origin. Cf. Hurmuzaki Psalter, 32r вѹтьшׂ ‘vártos; strong’, 42v жѹтьшׂ ‘jártvă; sacrifice’, 13r сѹтьшׂ ‘they improved’, 110v стѹтьшׂ ‘vs. 50v стѹмѹпъ ‘(the) pillar’.

³⁰¹ Macarie I 167r на ꙗкѹ Еѓрсќ ‘on the river Bârsa’.

³⁰² Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 339, 342, 345, 370; ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.1, p. 91.

³⁰³ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 350, 345.

³⁰⁴ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 435.

³⁰⁵ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 292, 297.

³⁰⁶ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 350, 376, 400; ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.1, p. 132, 216.

³⁰⁷ Ed. I. CORFUS, *Documente...*, p. 45, 85.

³⁰⁸ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 298.

³⁰⁹ Both ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, I. BOGDAN, *Documente...* Sup. 2, vol. I, p. 139; ed. I. CORFUS, *Documente...*, p. 84.

³¹⁰ Ed. I. CORFUS, *Documente...*, p. 59.

³¹¹ Ed. I. CORFUS, *Documente...*, p. 47.

³¹² Both ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, I. BOGDAN, *Documente...*, Sup. 2, vol. I, p. 139.

³¹³ Ed. I. CORFUS, *Documente...*, p. 84. This seems to be rather a Bohemism.

In the Cyrillic texts, the reflex of ^{*}g is generally spelled г, while in the Slavonic toponyms χ³¹⁴, but maybe also г³¹⁵.

Morphology and morphosyntax

The morphological and morphosyntactic variation in Moldavian Slavonic texts reveals the impact of different written and spoken languages. In the following overview, we will mention the forms, which are different from the ones that are usual in the standard variety (Middle Church Slavonic).

From the noun morphology, we will start with the use of the morpheme -оѓ-, which is limited to the u-stems in the standard variety³¹⁶. In many Slavonic languages, this formant started soon to spread to masculine o-stems, eventually jo-stems. In South Slavonic languages, this was more typical for monosyllables³¹⁷. In Ukrainian, there has not been any limitation of the number of syllabs, but the formant has appeared in fewer flexion cases. The examined texts show the following picture:

- Dative singular (substandard CS in monosyllables and Ukrainian): Macarie I 155r (II 459r) Theodosie's Enkomion 203v єви 'to God'³¹⁸, Treaty with Poland: кралеви 'to the king', приателеви 'to the friend', цареви 'to the sultan', Glăvan's Letter приателеви 'to the friend'.
- Nominative plural (substandard CS in monosyllables, Ukrainian and Polish): Macarie I 159v (II 463v) ӯгрөвє 'Hungarians', II 478r венлеве 'mournings'. Internal documents: племенникове 'nephews'³¹⁹, ӯнкөвє 'grandchildren'³²⁰,

³¹⁴ *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 76 Захоржани ('Zagorjani); ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 519 Хрълъв 'Hârlău' vs. *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 124 съ гърълами 'with sources' (both from gûrdlo-). In Moldavian dialects, there are loanwords, where ^{*}g is reflected as /x/, e.g. *hrub* 'bolete' (spread to Transylvania and Muntenia), *hulub* 'pigeon', *hulubiță* 'pigeon hen'. Cf. N. MIHAI, *Dicționar de regionalism de uz școlar*, București 2007. H. TIKTIN et al., *Rumänisch-Deutsches Wörterbuch*, vol. II, Wiesbaden 2003, p. 341, 344.

³¹⁵ *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 94 дороғишикин 'of Dorohoi'.

³¹⁶ Matthew, per. 1 BPI ғодове – ғылдовы, RGB Abraam ғылдове – ғылдовы, ÖNB ғылдове – ғылдовы nominative and genitive plural 'generations'. In OCS, this lexeme mostly shows o-stem forms, in some cases also u-stem ones (e.g. in Codex Suprasliensis and Codex Assemanius).

³¹⁷ E.g. in the substandard CS forms in the Slavonic translation of the Chronicle of Constantine Manasses: nominative singular ғрадъкъ, nominative plural ғрадове, dative plural ғрадовомъкъ, accusative plural ғрадовы, locative plural ғрадовоюхъ. See *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses. Traducere mediobulgară*, ed. I. BOGDAN, București 1922, p. 259–260.

³¹⁸ Cf. Matthew, per. 7 BPI RGB ÖNB єѡу – Abraam єѡу.

³¹⁹ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 507; *Молдова вих епока...*, vol. I, p. 39; *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 127, 140.

³²⁰ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 507; *Surete...*, vol. VII, p. 159.

ѹиکове ‘uncles’³²¹, пръкала́бове ‘mayors’³²². Treaty with Poland: предко́вe ‘ancestors’, панове ‘sirs’.

- Genitive plural (substandard CS in monosyllables and Ukrainian) Macarie I 157v (II 461v) ѿ мосто́ ‘by bridges’, I 164v (II 468v) ѿ тра́дѡ ‘from sufferings’, I 165r 167v (471v) ѿ градѡ ‘from the towns’ vs. 469г отъ градъ. Internal documents: дѣдѡ ‘of grandfathers, ancestors’³²³, боярѡ ‘of boyars’³²⁴, ѹиќѡ ‘of privileges’³²⁵, предко́въ ‘of ancestors’³²⁶. Treaty with Poland: панѡ ‘of sirs’, неприяте́лѣ ‘of enemies’, ѿ старостѣ ‘from regional chiefs’ (masculine a-stem), Colophon of the Jerusalem Tetraevangelion from 1532: пис’ци ‘of scribes’.
- Accusative plural (substandard CS ending): Macarie I 159v (II 464r) градѡвы vs. I 167v (471r) гра́ї ‘towns’, II 476v брѣговы ‘shores’. Internal documents Surete..., vol. XXI, p. 93 волови ‘oxes’³²⁷, селове³²⁸ ‘villages’ (neuter!).

A striking Ukrainian feature of the internal documents is the spread of the ending -и to dative and locative singular of a-stems (instead or besides the usual -ѣ), appearing both in common³²⁹ and proper names³³⁰. In one document, we found the Romanian -ен for dative singular in a-stem proper names³³¹. An analogical phenomenon is the ending -и in the genitive singular of ja-stems³³², which, however,

³²¹ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 507.

³²² Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 124.

³²³ Молдова ын епока..., vol. I, p. 50.

³²⁴ Молдова ын епока..., vol. II, p. 267.

³²⁵ Surete..., vol. XXI, p. 98.

³²⁶ Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 124.

³²⁷ Surete..., vol. XXI, p. 93.

³²⁸ Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 130; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 55.

³²⁹ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 508; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27; Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 127; Surete..., vol. XXI, p. 98 сестри – Молдова ын епока..., vol. I, p. 40 сестры ‘to the sister’. Surete..., vol. XXI, p. 98 дочки – Молдова ын епока..., vol. I, p. 39 дочци ‘to the daughter’; Surete..., vol. VII, p. 159 жени его ‘to his wife’; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 65 хотѧ тони пасици ‘border of the clearing’ (possessive dative). Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 520 оу дръжави ‘in the region’.

³³⁰ Dative: T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27 сестри их Федци ‘to their sister Fedca’; Surete..., vol. XXIV, p. 148 Мъринки ‘to Mărinca’; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 32 проđа... сестра их Настуи и Васутки и Оленки ‘he sold to their sister Nastuia, Vasutca and Olanca’. Surete..., vol. II, p. 345 на Ларги ‘on Larga’; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 37 на Ниистри – Surete..., vol. XXI, p. 98 на Днистри vs. Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 124 на Днистру ‘on Nistru’.

³³¹ Surete..., vol. I, p. 381 потврђдили єсмы Мъринке..., Мъринеи, ... и Катринеи ‘we have confirmed to Mărinca, Mărina and Catrina’.

³³² Surete..., vol. I, p. 210 ѿ крѣници ‘from the source’ vs. до крѣници ‘to the source’. T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 44 ѿ Молдавици ‘from Moldovița’; M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 510; Молдова ын епока..., vol. II, p. 269 ѿ пустини ‘from the deserted place’.

can be considered a possessive dative in CS expressions³³³. A phenomenon, linked to the variation in both Middle CS and Ukrainian dialects³³⁴, is the variation of the originally i-stem ending -и/-и³³⁵, which might have spread to further declensions. In the original CS-based texts, we can find, similarly as in the biblical corpus, both younger³³⁶ and archaic forms³³⁷. The assimilation of -и > -и can be considered to be substandard³³⁸.

The creation of the dat. pl. -и in different declensions, representing a simple adding of и to the nominative plural is very rare³³⁹. This phenomenon is typical rather for Wallachian Slavonic³⁴⁰. Another feature known from different Romanian Slavonic texts, randomly appearing in different Slavonic dialects, is the spread of the ending -х to the genitive plural of noun declension. In the Moldavian chancery texts we examined, this is a marginal phenomenon³⁴¹. A more interesting

³³³ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 35 ѿ пречтыя дѣци и єци Марія ‘from the very-pure Virgin and Mother-of-God Mary’ vs. *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 375 храъ влаговѣщеніе прѣстѣни дѣци єци маріи ‘temple of the Annunciation of the Virgin Mother-of-God Mary’.

³³⁴ The ending -иј is typical for the Galician-Bucovinian dialect, while the Podolian may use -ей. *Атлас української мови*, vol. II, *Волинь, Наддністрянщина, Закарпаття і суміжні землі*, ed. Я. В. ЗАКРЕВСЬКА, Київ 1988, maps 197–200.

³³⁵ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 508 ѿ нашиј дѣтии vs. p. 511 ѿ дѣтии and T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27 ѿ дѣтии vs. *Ispioace...*, vol. I, p. 56 ѿ дѣтии нашиј, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENIŞANU, *Documente...*, vol. II, 3, p. 725 дѣтии, дѣтий ‘from (our) children’. *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 124 and colophon of Logofăt Toma’s Tetraevangelion from 1545 роđители vs. colophon of the Tetraevangelion from 1542 роđители.

³³⁶ In Theodosie’s Enkomion, the forms црїе ‘kings’ (200v, 202r, 203r) and once роđители ‘parents’ (203r) are used as both nominative and accusative plural. There is also the new jo-stem locative plural ending in 202r въ лажѣ ‘among men’, cf. Macarie II 476r на връзехъ конехъ ‘on quick horses’.

³³⁷ There may be also hyperarchaisms like in *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 204 више писанааго ‘of above written’ and йсплынкааше ‘he was completing’ in Theodosie’s Enkomion (201r).

³³⁸ Macarie I 155r ј екѣи посѣлені ‘about God’s support’, ј наказані ‘about the punishment’, 155v по прѣтѣніи лѣтѹ ‘after a year’, 156r ј сълирѣни ‘about the reconciliation’.

³³⁹ *Молдова ўн епока...*, vol. I, p. 40 and *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 127 дѣтии vs. *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 212 дѣти ‘to children’; *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 17 слуги ‘to servants’; ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 518 прїятелї ‘to the friends’. Another curious form is 200v гаде ‘of reptiles’ in Theodosie’s Enkomion using a jo-stem ending for an o-stem noun. The same case is represented by the form въ храборствї ‘among brave deeds’ in Macarie II 476r.

³⁴⁰ Another Wallachian Slavonic form is the Štokavian instrumental singular curiously placed in the otherwise Ruthenian Treaty with Poland: ѕ си ѿнашиї книга ‘with this our letter’ that appeared there as a petrified formula. The Wallachian mediation of this form is supported by the use of the typical Wallachian Slavonic lexeme книга ‘letter’. Cf. ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 421 (1510s) съ книга ‘with the letter’. Nevertheless, in the contemporary Wallachian Slavonic, the usual form was the common case.

³⁴¹ Treaty with Poland: до земли ‘to the lands’, ѿ земли ‘from the lands’; *Молдова ўн епока...*, vol. I, p. 55 ѿ въсѣх странах ‘from all side’; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 30 ѿ Радовце vs. ѿ Радовец ‘from Rădăuți’; p. 41 ѿ Iaši ‘from Iași’; *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 254, повѣРѹючѣи ‘up from Răuseni’.

variation can be found in the locative singular of Romanian pluralia tantum proper names. This is the form where we found the typical substandard CS locative plural ending *-ox* alternating with other variants, thus ‘in Iași’ as ș *Iacw*³⁴², ș *Исѣ*³⁴³, but ‘in Huși’ as ș *Xscw*³⁴⁴, օֆ *Хѹсї*³⁴⁵, ș *Xscf*³⁴⁶, օֆ *Хѹсї*³⁴⁷, or without any ending ș *Xs*³⁴⁸, or Romanized ș *Xs*³⁴⁹. A curious ending is for is на *Іалп*³⁵⁰. From the original CS texts, we found the locative plural *-ox* in Theodosie’s Enkomion³⁵¹. Further, it can be read in Glăvan’s Letter in a syntactically random form *иешчанъ* ‘burghers’ and in a Polish letter issued in Moldavia³⁵².

With these examples, we step directly into the issue of declension of Romanian nouns (mostly proper names) in the Moldavian Slavonic chancery texts. The treatment of these nouns can be divided into four main groups: assignment to a Slavonic declension, no declension, Romanian endings and combination of the previous strategies. The first approach is seen in the form ș *Хѹльовъ* ‘in Hârlău’³⁵³. The second one is preferred in the form օֆ *Бѹль*³⁵⁴. The Romance *culme* ‘peak’ (feminine in Romanian), testified by the forms до *кѹлми*, на *кѹлми*³⁵⁵, can be motivated by both Romanian genitive-dative *culmi* and the Ukrainian-based endings discussed above. In the word *megias* ‘neighbouring landlord’, the scribe had doubts on the instrumental singular³⁵⁶. The forms ș *Баслю*³⁵⁷ ș *Баслю* ‘in Vaslui’³⁵⁸, ѡ *Wѹхъю* ‘in Orhei’³⁵⁹ (neuters in Romanian) can be considered nominative-accusative

³⁴² T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 36; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 56.

³⁴³ *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 254; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 77.

³⁴⁴ Macarie I 157v (II 461v); *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 272, 276; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 37; *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 95; *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 18; *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 125, 131, 142, 221; *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 359; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 61.

³⁴⁵ *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 52. Cf. also *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 129 по *обеи сторони* ‘on both sides’.

³⁴⁶ *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 56; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 45; *Surete...*, vol. VII, p. 161; *Surete...*, vol. II, p. 346; *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 95; *Surete...*, vol. XIX, p. 59; *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 204, 212, 217.

³⁴⁷ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27.

³⁴⁸ *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 270.

³⁴⁹ *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 72.

³⁵⁰ *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 21.

³⁵¹ 201г въ *мънико* ‘among martyrs’.

³⁵² о Thurkoch ‘about Turks’. Ed. I. CORFUS, *Documente...*, p. 47. In (Middle) Polish of the 1st half of the 16th century, this was likely an originally dialectal (Lesser Polish) ending, marginally used besides the more frequent *-iech*. Z. KLEMENSIEWICZ, *Historia języka polskiego*, Warszawa 1999, p. 298–299.

³⁵³ Macarie II 467r, T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 30 vs. *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 377 въ *Хѹльовъ*.

³⁵⁴ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 42; *Surete...*, vol. II, p. 342; *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 130; *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 241. In *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 211, there is ș *Бѹльадъ* and in *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 119 на *Бѹльадъ* ‘on the river of Bârlad’.

³⁵⁵ *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 210.

³⁵⁶ *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 183 съ *иежниашин*, *иежниашими* ‘with neighbouring landlords’.

³⁵⁷ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 128.

³⁵⁸ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 185. Cf. Macarie I 157v нѣ *Баслю* ‘under Vaslui’.

³⁵⁹ *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 20.

Romanian forms, less probably Ukrainian forms, attested on the territory of historical Moldavia³⁶⁰. The Romanian names of persons mostly appear in nominative, genitive³⁶¹ and dative³⁶². The most interesting are the combined forms of longer names, e.g.:

Current spelling	Nom.	Dat.
Paşco Răzlog(u) ³⁶³	Пашко Ръзлогу	Пашкъс Ръзлогу, Пашкови Ръзлоги
Petrea Breareş(u) ³⁶⁴	Петрък Бререшу	Петрик Бререш
Popa (priest) Gavril Secară ³⁶⁵	попа Гаврил Секаръ	попъ Гаврила Секаръ
Sima Marcovici ³⁶⁶	Сима Марковичъ	Сими Марковичю

A curious example of a Romanian ending are the forms used as subject of the sentences *дочкъ ‘daughter’*³⁶⁷ and *старосте Текческон ‘staroste of (the district of) Tecuci’*³⁶⁸. The definite forms are attested by *блъндаш – блънциин ‘meek(s)’*³⁶⁹. In singular, the forms with the Romanian article *-ul*³⁷⁰ are declined as Slavonic o-stems in singular³⁷¹. In plural, the documents show the variation of possessive form with the Slavonic dative plural *-ѡ* or more rarely *-и* and Romanian genitive-dative *-ѧѡ*³⁷². The singular possessivity may be expressed by a possessive

³⁶⁰ Атлас української мови..., map 182 у місяци/у місяцю ‘in the month’.

³⁶¹ E.g. Молдова ын епока..., vol. I, p. 55 пана Петра Кръковича, пана Хръбора, пана Пътракша; Surete..., vol. VII, p. 160 пана Стързи, Петри Кръка, пана Тъмпи, пана Хръбора, пана Борчк; Молдо-ва ын епока..., vol. II, p. 278 пâ Жържа Болк.

³⁶² A curious calque is ѿ привилії толів Стефан^h ‘de privil(eg)ie lui Štefan; from privilege of Stephen.’ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 513.

³⁶³ Surete..., vol. II, p. 344.

³⁶⁴ Surete..., vol. II, p. 344.

³⁶⁵ Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 203.

³⁶⁶ Ispisoace..., vol. I.1, p. 71.

³⁶⁷ Ispisoace..., vol. I.1, p. 65.

³⁶⁸ Ispisoace..., vol. I.1, p. 55.

³⁶⁹ Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 127.

³⁷⁰ Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 184 ѰՐԵԿԻՆ^h ‘Urecheanul’; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 32 **Михоғълк ‘Mihul’**.

³⁷¹ Молдова ын епока..., vol. I, p. 55 Негъла ‘of Neagul’; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 32, Попе-сковла ‘of Popescul’, Июноғ Токркогъл ‘to Ion Turcul; to John the Turk’.

³⁷² Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 184 ҳотара мәдәниѡ, мәдәниѡ ‘border of Medeşti’; Surete..., vol. IX, p. 21 8 Ҳетїе Җаләрелѡ ‘in the mouth of Malure’; Surete..., vol. XII, p. 94 Петриканїи, Петриканниѡ ‘Petrikanii’; Ispisoace..., vol. I.1, p. 64, 8 Ҳотା Ҳлапециѡ ‘on the border of Hlăpeşti’; Surete..., vol. I, p. 231 на имя Ҳорѡднинчаниѡ ‘called Horodniceani’; Surete..., vol. I, p. 381 селѡ на имя Қривециѡ ‘village called Criveşti’; Молдова ын епока..., vol. II, p. 278 ѿ коренїю Пътциенї ‘from the family of Păteşti’.

adjective³⁷³. An indirect impact of Romanian can be seen in the spread of feminine endings and agreement to other genders. The classical example is the noun *монастырь*³⁷⁴ ‘monastery’ and the neuter jo-stems³⁷⁵ with the frequently appearing noun *привиліє* ‘privilege’³⁷⁶. The Romanian background in the declension is reflected in the following types of syntactic discrepancies, which can be found in all original texts:

- Common case³⁷⁷, causing the confusion of subject and object³⁷⁸, of position and direction³⁷⁹ and the expression of possessivity by juxtaposition³⁸⁰.

³⁷³ E.g. *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 144 *сын манчялăш* ‘son of Manciul’.

³⁷⁴ *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 56 *новосъзданныи монастыри* ‘of the newly established monastery’ and T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 35 *сѣкїи монастыры* ‘of the holy monastery’ is treated as feminine. *Surete...*, vol. XIX, p. 58 *къ сѣоли монастыри* shows an i-stem ending or it reflects a confusion of dative and locative.

³⁷⁵ *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 278 *ѡ кореню* ‘from the family’. The form can be considered a common case based on accusative singular of a-stems. In T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. II, p. 16, there are forms *до вѣръши* ‘to the source’, *ѡ вѣръши* ‘from the source’, *на вѣръши* ‘on the source’. At least the last one might be treated as singular feminine. *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 26 *въ нѣка вѣръмѣ* ‘in some time’, Colophon of the Tetraevangelion of logofăt Toma from 1535 *въ задшїе свої* ‘for the saving of the soul’. *Die Inschriften...*, p. 29 common case *подѣжїа* ‘wife’. The interference with jo-stems can be observed in the form *по мочїемъ* ‘with the help’ on the ktetor inscription in Humor. *Die Inschriften...*, p. 29.

³⁷⁶ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 510; *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 99 nominative singular *тꙗа привиліє* ‘this privilege’; M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 513 genitive singular *ѡ привилії*; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27 accusative plural *привиліи криви* ‘false privileges’ and *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 212 *нѣкїи привиліи* ‘some privileges’; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27 instrumental plural *съ єдиними кривими привиліями* ‘with some false privileges’.

³⁷⁷ Common case as nominative: Macarie I 159v *и земли сѹфима плаќени* ‘and they plundered the land of Sirmia’, 158v *събрали мнѡжкъетво персы*, *и сила велика* ‘he gathered plenty of Persians (Ottomans), a great power’, 165v *посла прѣвѣн ѿ велможѣ* ‘he set the first ones of his noblemen’, Macarie II 481r *съ царскыни сановници* ‘with sultan’s officials’. Monastery documents: T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. II, p. 16 *ѡ оустїа поток* ‘from the mouth of the brook’; *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 125 *ѡ пристаа вгопитеиъ* ‘of the very-pure Mother-of-God’; *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 26 *къ племеникозе* ‘to the nephews’. Internal secular documents: M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 510 *ѡ татари* ‘from Tatars’, p. 513 *половина село и половина ѿ ста* ‘half of the village and half of the pond’. *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 259; *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 216 *ѡ тогъ селище* ‘from this settlement’; *Surete...*, vol. II, p. 345 *ѡ о旣и сторони* ‘from all sides’ – *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 210 *по вѣкѣ сторони вѣраги* ‘on both sides of the shore’. *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 55 *а дорога* ‘up to the path’. Correspondence with Transylvania: ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 531 *радї нѣкїи датги* ‘because of some debts’, p. 538 *прѣде сего вѣкима* ‘before this time’, p. 542 *ѡ Бистрицкїи град* ‘from the town of Bistrița’, p. 539 *ѡ проклѣтїи Туѓици* ‘from damned Turks’, p. 536 *вѣли моай твоя лѣтъ* ‘we are supplicating your Grace’. Treaty with Poland *с нашиими панове* ‘with our lords’. Common case as acc. (in (j)a stems) in internal documents: *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 55 *ѡ қрѹници* ‘from the source’ vs. *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 20 *съ қрѹница* ‘with the source’.

³⁷⁸ Colophon of Putna Menaion from 1530: *иєпїса сїа книга ... сїе фѣлѣ* ‘Stephen wrote this book’.

³⁷⁹ Macarie I 159v *и вѣскочи на єговѣ лукастѣ* ‘he jumped on his place’, 157v *на падаш ... на земли тѡдѣвѣтїи* ‘they attacked the land of Moldavia’. Theodosie’s Enkomion 202r *прїидѣ прѣ іглѡно* ‘he came in front of the ruler’. Internal documents: *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 269 ‘in our Moldavian land’; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27 *била оу рѹки* ‘it was in hands’; *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 39 *на нєи вѣзрит* ‘he looks on him’.

³⁸⁰ This is a typical construction in the colophons and ktetor inscriptions showing the names of the monastery, e.g. K. ИВАНОВА, *Бѣлгарски...*, p. 84 *хрѡд сѹшесствїе сїго Аѧ* ‘church of the descent of

- Random lack of gender agreement³⁸¹.
- Random lack of case agreement³⁸².
- Higher frequency of possessive dative³⁸³.

In the declension of adjectives and possessive pronouns, the interference of Ukrainian³⁸⁴ (eventually substandard CS) forms are random. All texts use the ending *-аго* of genitive singular masculine³⁸⁵ of hard declension with the exception of the Treaty with Poland³⁸⁶. The correspondence with Transylvania can randomly show the Štokavian *-га*, used in Wallachian Slavonic³⁸⁷. The ending *-он* of the locative singular feminine or in a possessive form of the hard declension is rather used in fixed forms with Ruthenian background³⁸⁸. In Theodosie's Enkomion, we find the ending *-ом*³⁸⁹ of the locative singular existing both in substandard CS³⁹⁰ and East Slavonic³⁹¹. The non-Slavonic background of the writers is testified by

Holy Spirit'; *Die Inschriften...*, p. 187 *хрă в ймăв бăговѣшиенїе* 'church of the Annunciation'; *Die Inschriften...*, p. 29 *хрă въ ймăл чиное ծспенїе* 'church of the honourful Dormition'.

³⁸¹ *Surete...*, vol. XIX, p. 59; *Молдова вън епока...*, vol. II, p. 260; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 28 *на болшее қрѣпостъ* 'for a better confirmation' (part of the fixed formula); *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 192 *на тотъ мѣстѣ* 'on this place'. Colophon of Putna Menaion from 1530: *книга рѣкомын* 'book called'. The masculine form of the adjective in the colophon of the Neamă Psalter from 1529 ѿ *Немескаѧ швитѣли* 'from the monastery of Neamă' can be motivated by the fact that feminine i-stems may be confused with masculines.

³⁸² Colophon of the Apostolos 1528 *нашѣ дадаиє* 'our donation' (object of the sentence); colophon of the Neamă Psalter from 1529 *бжѣствнаѧ книжка сѧ* 'this divide book'; colophon of Putna Menaion from 1530 *даде ѿ сѣмъ монастырѣ пѣтно* 'he gave it to the holy monastery of Putna'; colophon of Tetraevangelion from 1542 *въ ймă ... тѣцк єдиносжинака* 'in the name of the Trinity of one substance' (the confusion of gen. and acc. of the adjective is caused by the homography of both forms in the Trinovitan spelling of the noun). Internal documents: *Surete...*, vol. XXIV, p. 148 *хота твои четвертьтои чѣ* 'border of the quarter'; *Молдова вън епока...*, vol. I, p. 39 *полнои заплатѣ* 'full payment', p. 55 *по старини своимъ хотарини* 'according to the traditional borders'. Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 539 *и вашн земли* 'to your land'. Treaty with Poland *с которюю сторони* 'from which side', § *Молдавскон землю* 'to Moldavia'. Glăvan's Letter is full of such syntactical discrepancies as e.g. *и нашѣ катасты* 'in our register' (expected loc. sg.).

³⁸³ E.g. T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. II, p. 16 *врѣх великомъ дѣла* 'top of a high mountain'.

³⁸⁴ Cf. M.A. ЖОВТОБРЮХ, *Історична граматика української мови*, Київ 1980, p. 173–174.

³⁸⁵ I.e. also in the dispositio of the internal chancery documents: *Молдова вън епока...*, vol. I, p. 40 *праваго и питомаго ёрика* 'rightful and own privilege'.

³⁸⁶ *Наꙗсанѣйшого* 'of the serene highness', *ѹсского* 'Ruthenian', *литовскаго* 'Lithuanian', *ѹскаго* 'Prussian'.

³⁸⁷ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 518 *по вашега члака* 'through your man'. Cf. V. KNOLL, *Written Languages in Wallachia during the Reign of Neagoe Basarab (1512–1521)*, SCer 11, 2021, p. 247.

³⁸⁸ *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 375 *оу нашии земли и молдавскон* 'in our Moldavian land'; K. ИВАНОВА, *Български...*, p. 84 *г҃рѣх земли лѡдѣаѣ* 'lord of the Moldavian land'; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 32 *оу волости черновскон* 'in the district of Černivci'; M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 508 *по их дѣреи воли* vs. S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 513 *по своеї дѣреи воли* 'following their good will'. In possessive constructions, this may also be classified as dative, e.g. Macarie I 159г *къ прѣѣзда ѿ г҃рѣхъ* 'to the borders of the Hungarian land'; colophon of the Rila Tetraevangelion from 1529 *въ Пѣтнои* 'in Putna'.

³⁸⁹ 201г *въ морскѣ плавані* 'during the sea sailing'.

³⁹⁰ See in the Trojan Story (14th century Bulgaria): *на вѣломъ оуброясѣ* 'on the white veil', *на вѣломъ фарижи* 'on the white horse'. *Cyrilometodiana Corpus*, https://histdict.uni-sofia.bg/textcorpus/show/doc_165 [10 V 2022].

³⁹¹ Cf. M.A. ЖОВТОБРЮХ, *Історична...*, p. 173.

the variation of hard and weak endings in the soft declension³⁹² and the confusion of accusative and instrumental singular in the hard feminine declension³⁹³. In the pronoun declension, I would underline the use of dative of personal pronoun in the role of a possessive pronoun in the internal documents. This trait is most regularly used in the fixed form (borrowed from the Wallachian chancery) ‘my/your lordship’, used in the monastery and Transylvanian documents³⁹⁴. The form denoting the possessive ‘her’ is the same as the Romanian one³⁹⁵. In Macarie’s Chronicle, there is once the possessive pronoun of the 3rd person *еговъ*³⁹⁶. In a document³⁹⁷ we found the form *съ неговоу*. The forms *его* and *и* appear in the accusative as usual also in the post-classical CS³⁹⁸. The typical Ruthenian feature of the Moldavian documents is the presence of reduplicated forms of the demonstrative pronoun *cf*³⁹⁹ and *тв*⁴⁰⁰. Another frequent word of pronoun origin is *и*, used as relative pronoun and conjunction⁴⁰¹. Other specific pronominal forms are *какдомъ*

³⁹² *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 94 на *нижню* ‘to the lower one’; *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 129 *вишнаа/нижнаа* чă ‘upper/lower part’ vs. *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 216 *нижнка* чă ‘lower part’; *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 259 *третию* чă ‘one third’, *нижн части* ‘of the lower part’, *третон части* ‘of the third part’, *вышню* част ‘upper part’.

³⁹³ *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 17 *правою ѩнинъ* ‘rightful heritage’; *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 17 *полною залатъ* ‘full payment’; *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 203 по *доброю волю* ‘following the good will’; *Surete...*, vol. XXIV, p. 147 *доброродною тъклиеж* ‘voluntary agreement’; *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 140 *съ ларторию* ‘with the testimony’. Analogically, there is a confusion of dative and locative in T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 42 по *нашему жи вотъ* ‘after our life’.

³⁹⁴ *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 93 *гѣвш ми дадъ* ‘I, my lordship, gave’; M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 510 *брата гѣва ми* ‘brother of my lordship’; *Surete...*, vol. XIX, p. 58 *в гѣтва мы* ‘by my lordship’ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 542 *до гѣв ти* ‘to your lordship’; p. 518 *гѣво ми* ‘my lordship’, *гѣв ви* ‘your lordship’. A similar, not fixed construction can be found also on p. 538 *съ дѣтє ми* ‘with my kid’.

³⁹⁵ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 536 *за еи матѣ* ‘for her mother’; *Surete...*, vol. II, p. 336 *сестра еи* ‘her daughter’; *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 204 *в и родъ* ‘from her family’, *в и смерти* ‘from her death’, but *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 212 *дѣтє его* ‘to his children’.

³⁹⁶ Macarie I 159v на *еговѣ лѣтѣ* ‘on his place’.

³⁹⁷ *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 64.

³⁹⁸ *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 278.

³⁹⁹ *Жаловали еслы его* ‘we provided him’; colophon of the Rila Tetraevangelion from 1529 *даде* ‘he gave it’; *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 98 *жаловали еслы и* ‘we provided them’; ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 536 *мы и послали* ‘we sent them’.

⁴⁰⁰ E.g. ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 520.

⁴⁰⁰ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENȘUȘIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725 *тотже* ‘the same’, M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 511; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 26; ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 519, 538 *тоти* nominative plural masculine ‘these’, p. 531 nominative singular feminine *тота* ‘this’.

⁴⁰¹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 518 *Книгъ ио ни єсте ... допостили* ‘the letter that you sent us’. Here we see also the Wallachian Slavonic pronoun *ни* ‘us’ of Bulgarian origin, cf. p. 261 (1510s), p. 518 *повидаютъ ио имаю* ‘they say that we have’, p. 538 *пингѣзи ио ми 8зѣ* ‘money that he took me’. T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 26 *иѣки Иванко ио бы писѣ* ‘an Ivanco, who was a scribe’; M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 513 *исправилѣ ио ила* ‘privilege that

'to everybody', **жадногο** 'none' in the Treaty with Poland vs. **ниедно** 'none'⁴⁰², **ничто** vs. **нищо** 'nothing'⁴⁰³, **ѡ иниши** 'from other ones'⁴⁰⁴, **боӯ кого** 'anybody'⁴⁰⁵.

The verb forms show the largest differences among the various types of texts. In the correspondence with Transylvania, we may find the confusion of the 1st singular and plural of the present tense as we know it from Wallachian Slavonic⁴⁰⁶. In the same corpus as well as the Treaty with Poland, we find the 1st plural ending **-мо** in the present tense and conditional⁴⁰⁷. The 1st plural of the verb **быти** (usually as auxiliary) shows the CS form **есмы/есми** in the Treaty with Poland and in the internal chancery documents⁴⁰⁸, while the correspondence with Transylvania uses **(ε)смо**⁴⁰⁹. In the same corpus, we find also other forms of the same verb without the initial **е-**⁴¹⁰. The verb **иаѣти** (actually **имати**) 'to have (to)' is spelled according to the 3rd (je) conjugation in the secular chancery documents⁴¹¹. In the Treaty with Poland, the Ruthenian forms without the initial unstressed **и-** are preferred⁴¹². Internal secular documents and the Treaty with Poland contain indeclinable participle forms⁴¹³.

he had'; *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 275 **села ѿ на Къли** 'villages that are on Cula'; *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 94 **глѡ, ѿ естъ 8 долини** 'mud that is in the valley'.

⁴⁰² Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 536.

⁴⁰³ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 531, 540.

⁴⁰⁴ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 508.

⁴⁰⁵ *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 269.

⁴⁰⁶ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 541 **моли** 'I ask' – **не знаю** 'I do not know'. Cf. V. KNOLL, *Written Languages...*, p. 248.

⁴⁰⁷ Treaty with Poland: **сѧвѣзено** 'we promise', **выхлю разѣзнили** 'we would understand'. Transylvanian correspondence, ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 518 **мы слышимо** 'we hear', p. 537 **даємо знати** 'we inform'. This is the form normal in the contemporary Lithuanian chancery and some original Ruthenian texts as the Peresopnycja Tetraevangelion. *Пересопницьке евангеліє 1556–1561. Дослідження. Транслітерований текст. Словопоказчик*, ed. I.P. ЧЕПІГА, Київ 2001, p. 44. The current Galician-Bucovinian dialects have both **-м** and **-мо**. *Атлас української мови...*, map 241. The same forms are typical for Wallachian Slavonic due to Štokavian impact, cf. ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 560 (1510s) **мі знамо** 'we know'.

⁴⁰⁸ Treaty with Poland: **есмы ѿновили** 'we renewed', **сѧвили есмы** 'we promised'. Internal document, *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 278 **есми емъ дали** 'we gave him'. Peresopnycja Tetraevangelion uses both **есмы/есмо**. *Пересопницьке евангеліє...*, p. 426–429.

⁴⁰⁹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 519 **ако смо вожили** 'as we swore'. In a Polish letter issued in Moldavia, we found the form "izesmo posla... zadzierzeli" 'that we retained the envoy'. Ed. I. CORFUS, *Documente...*, p. 108.

⁴¹⁰ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 518 **знали смо єре сте говорили** 'we knew that you said', **сѧвъ дѹбъ землю** 'I conquered the land'.

⁴¹¹ 3rd singular: T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 45 **имаѣ**; 1st plural ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 518 **имаеню**; 3rd plural *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 278 **имаѣ**; 1-participle: *Surete...*, vol. XXIV, p. 147 **имаѣ**; M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 510 **имали**.

⁴¹² Indicative: 3rd singular **маѣ**, **имаѣ**; 1st plural **мы маємо**; 3rd plural **маї**, **имаї**. Condicitional: 3rd singular **бы маї**.

⁴¹³ Regularly in the formula **чтѹчи** 'reading', otherwise M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 510 and *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 183 **рекѹчи** 'saying'; Treaty with Poland **маючи** 'having', T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27 **мы видѣвши** 'having seen'.

The use of past tenses clearly divides the Trinovitan CS based texts using simple past tenses (aorist and imperfect)⁴¹⁴ and the secular chancery documents using l-preterite with the auxiliary *быти*. In Glăvan's Letter, there is the compound form *видилъсмо* 'we saw'⁴¹⁵. The specifics of the charters addressed to monasteries are the endings of the 1st plural aorist -*хъм* coexisting with the standard CS -*хъв*⁴¹⁶. In internal documents, we also found two examples of pluperfect⁴¹⁷. The future tense is created following the CS norms⁴¹⁸ in most texts. In the Treaty with Poland, the verb *мати*⁴¹⁹, corresponding to CS *имѣти* can be considered as future auxiliary⁴²⁰. This contrasts with the correspondence with Transylvania, showing an extraordinary variability of future tense constructions independent on the aspect:

- *иамъ* + infinitive⁴²¹,
- *енамъ* + infinitive⁴²²,
- *кю* + infinitive⁴²³.

⁴¹⁴ But see the form in a letter to Brașov in ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 518 *вѣ знастѣ* 'you knew'.

⁴¹⁵ Cf. the same construction in the *Peresopnycja Tetraevanglion*, *Пересопницьке євангеліе...*, p. 46.

⁴¹⁶ *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 55 *дааджмо* 'we gave', *полиловажмо* 'we deigned'; *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 93 *сътворихмо* vs. *Surete...*, vol. XIX, p. 58 *сътворихъ* 'we did'. The same phenomenon exists in Wallachian Slavonic, cf. ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 262 (1510s) *ѹчинијмо* 'we did'.

⁴¹⁷ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 30 *що вѣлъ 8зѣ* 'what he had taken'; *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 98 *где били сидили* 'where they had been seated'.

⁴¹⁸ *Баждж* is used just for for 'I will be'. For perfective verbs, the present forms are used, otherwise the *имѣти/хотѣти* + infinitive are used. E.g. Matthew per. 10, BPI *полиловани* *блѣть* – RGB *полиловани* *баждж* – Abraam *полиловани* *блаждж* – ÖNB *полиловани* *боудоутъ* 'they will be shown mercy', per. 79 BPI *имѣти* *ймаша скрѣвище на нѣсї* – RGB Abraam ÖNB *имѣти* *ймаша скрѣвище на нѣсї* 'you will have treasure in heaven', per. 80 BPI *хóψж же ѹ сеиоу послѣднѣиоу дати* – RGB *хóψж же сеиоу послѣднѣиоу дати* – Abraam *хóψж же сеиоу послѣднѣиоу дати* – ÖNB *хóψж же сеиоу послѣднѣиоу дати* 'I want to give the one who was hired last'.

⁴¹⁹ Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 435–436.

⁴²⁰ *мы маємо дати* 'we shall give' The use of the auxiliary **имѣти* is attested already in Galician documents and in the Moldavian external documents since 1400. В. РУСАНІВСЬКИЙ, *Українські грамоти XV ст.*, Київ 1965, p. 18; SSUM, vol. I, p. 440–441.

⁴²¹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 537 *ідѣ емъ порозумити имѣ* 'how will you understand him? This is the old East Slavonic auxiliary preserved in a contracted form in Ukrainian until now, e.g. *розумітиме* 'he will understand'. M.A. ЖОВТОБРЮХ, *Історична...*, p. 213–214.

⁴²² Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 520 *къда не вѣдете ѵ вратити* 'if you will not return them', *вѣдѣ ѿѣти и напльнити* 'he will take and fill it in', *вѣдѣ сътворити* 'he will do'. This is an auxiliary typical for West Slavonic languages. In Ruthenian its spread since the late 14th century seems to be linked with the documents issued by Polish and later Lithuanian rulers, SSUM, vol. II, p. 143. Used in the *Peresopnycja Tetraevangelion*, *Пересопницьке євангеліе...*, p. 45.

⁴²³ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 539 *що ке евдѣ т҃рква* 'what will be needed', p. 519 *кѣ дръжати* 'he will hold', p. 518 *не кю єй даадати никомъ* 'I will not give it to anybody', *ке хокѣ работати* 'he will work'. The typical Serbian chancery form mediated through Wallachian Slavonic, cf. *Documenta Romaniae Historica. B. Tara Românească*, vol. III, (1526–1535), ed. D. Mioc, Bucureşti 1975 (cetera: DRH B 3), p. 90 *ке вити* 'it will be'.

Vocabulary

The large variability of the languages in contact is significantly manifested in the vocabulary. The typical Moldavian Slavonic vocabulary is concentrated in the internal chancery documents, where the specific terms are constantly repeated. Many lexemes in the original Moldavian Slavonic texts (except biblical CS and chancery terms) are occasionalisms of very various origin. In the following short overview, we will deal with some samples of the vocabulary combining the criteria of part of speech, thematic group and source text.

We will start with the administrative terms. The ruler is called **гospodarъ** (господаръ) ‘lord’⁴²⁴ with the title **воевода** ‘voivode’⁴²⁵. This contrasts with the addressing **гво (ли)** (господство)⁴²⁶ ‘(my) lordship’, borrowed via the Wallachian chancery language⁴²⁷

⁴²⁴ Attested in the East Slavonic milieu since the 11th century in the meaning of ‘owner’, since the 14th century as ‘ruler’ (Polish king). *Словарь древнерусского языка (XI–XIV вв.)*, vol. II, Москва 1989–2016, p. 366; SSUM, vol. I, p. 254–256. In Latin documents *dominus*, e.g. in ed. A. VERESS, *Documente...*, no. 31. In German *Herr*, see ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 447. In Polish *hosподар*, distinguished from *gospodarz* ‘landowner’. Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, I. BOGDAN, *Documente...*, Sup. 2, vol. I, p. 139. Cf. *Słownik staropolski*, vol. II, ed. S. URBAŃCZYK, Wrocław–Kraków–Warszawa, p. 467. *Słownik polszczyzny XVI wieku*, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/53481> [10 V 2022] and <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/54758> [10 V 2022]. In the Polish context, *hosподар* is used for both rulers of Moldavia and Wallachia, exceptionally of other territories (Poland, Muscovy). Further, if the term is mentioned in *Słownik polszczyzny XVI wieku*, we mark it simply as *Middle Polish*.

⁴²⁵ Both terms in e.g. *Молдова виñ епока...*, vol. I, p. 50 and in the Treaty with Poland. In Latin documents mostly *waywoda* (e.g. ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 294, spelled *waywoda* by G. A REICHERSTORF, *Moldaviae...*), rarely *veywoda* (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.2, p. 23). In German *Vaivod* (ed. A. VERESS, *Documente...*, no. 26), *Wayd* (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 437), *Woyd* (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 332–333). In Polish documents *woyewoda* (e.g. ed. I. CORFUS, *Documente...*, p. 39). Cf. *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. X, p. 279–281. In the meaning of a ‘head of a region’ already in OCS. In the 16th century, the title was used as the title of the ruler of Wallachia, head of Transylvania and head of an administrative unit in Poland (Latin *palatinus*). Earlier, it was likely used as the title of a head of an administrative unit in Bulgaria and Bosnia. Т. ПОПОВ, *Влияние на българската държавна традиция върху институциите на Дунавските княжества (XIV–XVII в.)*, ГСУ.ИФ 103, 2018, p. 37–39. Ѓ. ДАНИЧИЋ, *Речник из књижевних старина српских*, vol. I, Биоград 1863, p. 150–152. Romanian *vo(i)evod* with variants.

⁴²⁶ This expression regularly appears in the segment listing the members of the voivodal council. In the monastery charters, it is used generally as self-addressing of the ruler, inorganically combined with 1st plural (less in 1st singular) verb forms. In the Wallachian context, this expression is used as the self-addressing of the ruler in all types of documents, see e.g. the document DRH B 3, p. 100 (1528). In Moldavian Latin documents, the self-addressing is the 1st plural (as it is usual also in the Slavonic documents), one may find just an equivalent of **гво ви**: *Dominaciones Vestras*. Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 294.

⁴²⁷ Previously used by Serbian rulers not holding the title of king or tsar, e.g. prince Lazar, Љ. СТОЈАНОВИЋ, *Старе српске повеље и писма. Књига I. Дубровник и суседи његови. Други део*, Београд 1934, p. 120.

or even цѣствїе ‘dignity of a ruler’⁴²⁸. Ruler’s wife is called госпож(а)⁴²⁹. The title царь means ‘Ottoman sultan’ in the Treaty with Poland⁴³⁰, while in Macarie’s Chronicle, it may denote both Ottoman sultan or the Moldavian ruler. Крѣ (eventually крѣ) means ‘Polish king’ (Sigismund the Old) in the Treaty with Poland, but ‘Hungarian king’⁴³¹ in the correspondence with Transylvania. Macarie uses both meanings. The Polish king may be addressed as его милостъ ‘his Grace’⁴³².

The title of a boyar (боары) ⁴³³ is пâ⁴³⁴. Out of the internal chancery documents, there is also the form жѣпанъ⁴³⁵, while his wife is княгинѣ⁴³⁶, in the Treaty with Poland паннѣ⁴³⁷. The following officials⁴³⁸ have the same name as in Wallachia⁴³⁹:

⁴²⁸ OCS. Молдова ын епока..., vol. I, p. 51. Cf. in Polish documents *hospodarstwo*. Ed. I. CORFUS, *Documente...*, p. 59. Cf. Middle Polish, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/54760> [10 V 2022].

⁴²⁹ OCS, the same title used in Wallachia. Молдова ын епока..., vol. I, p. 51, Treaty with Poland. Cf. the Latin signature of voivode Peter’s wife Katharina Despoth coniunx Magnifici domini. Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p 393.

⁴³⁰ OCS. Thus also in Macarie II 474r, otherwise also самодѣженецъ (Macarie I 161v). Voivode Peter’s suzerain Süleyman the Magnificent used the title великии цѣ и силене господѧ. Й. Стојановитъ, *Cmape српске...*, p. 401–404. In Latin documents issued in Moldavia: *Imperator* (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 401; ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.1, p. 91), *Caesar* (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.1, p. 240). In German *Herr der Kezer, Kaiserliche Maiestät* (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 390), in Polish *cesarz* (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, I. BOGDAN, *Documente...*, Sup. 2, vol. I, p. 62) or even *czarz* (ed. I. CORFUS, *Documente...*, p. 59). The title of ѣѣтѣ/ѣѣтѣ ‘sultan’ (Й. Стојановитъ, *Cmape српске...*, p. 401–404) is used as the title of a Tatar ruler by Macarie I 157v.

⁴³¹ OCS. Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 518. In a Moldavian German letter *Kunig Hans*, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 329. Cf. Romanian *crai*.

⁴³² In a Polish letter *Waszmość*, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, I. BOGDAN, *Documente...*, Sup. 2, vol. I, p. 62.

⁴³³ OCS. Macarie II 477г *старѣшина*. In Latin *boyaro* (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 350), *boiero* (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 428). Polish *szlachta* used in this meaning in ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, I. BOGDAN, *Documente...*, Sup. 2, vol. I, p. 139. Cf. Romanian *boier*.

⁴³⁴ SSUM, vol. I, p. 125, Polish *pan*, cf. Middle Polish, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/81494> [10 V 2022]. In German *Her*, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 293. Cf. Romanian *pan* ‘title given to great Romanian boyars’.

⁴³⁵ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 539; *Die Inschriften...*, p. 29 (inscription in Humor), colophon of the Rila Tetraevangelion from 1529. This is the usual term in Wallachian Slavonic, cf. OCS ‘district administrator’.

⁴³⁶ Thus in Молдова ын епока..., vol. I, p. 39. Variants: кнѣгинѣ⁴³⁶ (*Die Inschriften...*, p. 140), кнѣгина (Surete..., vol. I, p. 230). Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 479–480; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar*, [in:] *Ispisoace și zapise (Documente slavo-române)*, vol. III, part 2, (1663–1675), Iași 1912, p. 27 ‘doamna, jupâneasă’. Romanian *cneaghină* ‘wife or daughter of a *cneaz* or a *tsar*’.

⁴³⁷ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 123.

⁴³⁸ By Macarie II, 481r called сановници. In Latin *officiales*, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 336.

⁴³⁹ The list repeating in each internal chancery document can be found e.g. in M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 508 and in the Treaty with Poland, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DEN-

дво^{рн}и ‘general judge of the Lower or Upper Moldavia’, по^{рт}а^р⁴⁴⁰ ‘supreme commander and head of Suceava administration’, спа^та^р⁴⁴¹ ‘sword-bearer’, по^{стелни}^р⁴⁴² ‘court judge’, ло^{гоф}е^р⁴⁴³ ‘head of chancery’, ко^{мий}^р⁴⁴⁴ ‘head of stables’, дїл^а^р⁴⁴⁵ ‘scribe’, ват^а/ват^а^р⁴⁴⁶ ‘head of a group of courtiers; head of local administration’, ме^{дени}ч^а^р⁴⁴⁷ ‘personal servant of the voivode’. Specific Moldavian derivations вист^{ѣрн}и

SUŞI^{ANU}, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 728. Cf. V. KNOLL, *Written Languages...*, p. 250–251. For the definitions of the officials see e.g. M. COSTIN, *Istorie în versuri...*, p. 439–444 and *Istoria României...*, p. 823–844.

⁴⁴⁰ Latin “castellanus zuchaviensis, necnon capitaneus supremus gencium” (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORG^A, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 350) or “castellanus Castri Swthavienis, supremus campiductor regni Moldaviae” (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSU^ȘANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.1, p. 91). Polish “marszalek ziemie wołoskiey”, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSU^ȘANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.1, p. 139. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 198; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 45; *Dicționarul elementelor românești din documente slavo-române 1374–1600*, ed. G. BOLOCAN, București 1981, p. 190–191; Romanian *portar*. The Wallachian *portar* had a different responsibility, corresponding to Moldavian șușă ‘official responsible for the reception of foreign envoys’, ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 542, cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 496; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 67; *Dicționarul...*, p. 250; Romanian *uşar*.

⁴⁴¹ Spelling variant: спа^та, *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 61. Latin *supremus armiger*, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSU^ȘANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.1, p. 91. Cf. T. ПОПОВ, *Влияние...*, p. 431; SSUM, vol. II, p. 372; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 57; *Dicționarul...*, p. 219; Romanian *spătar*.

⁴⁴² Also ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 542. In Latin documents *postylnic*, *supremus cubicularius* (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORG^A, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 375), *cubiculariorum magister* (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSU^ȘANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.1, p. 91). Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 432; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 45; *Dicționarul...*, p. 191–192; Romanian *postelnic*.

⁴⁴³ Also K. ИВАНОВА, *Български...*, p. 84; *Die Inschriften...*, p. 140. In Macarie I 154v *словоположник*. In Latin *secretarius* (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORG^A, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 370), *literatus* (p. 383), *cancellarius* (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSU^ȘANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.1, p. 91). Cf. T. ПОПОВ, *Влияние...*, p. 53–56; SSUM, vol. I, p. 555; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 31; *Dicționarul...*, p. 126; Romanian *logofăt*.

⁴⁴⁴ Latin *chomyz* (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORG^A, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 428). Cf. T. ПОПОВ, *Влияние...*, p. 59–61; SSUM, vol. I, p. 492; SUM XVI, vol. XIV, p. 211; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 27; *Dicționarul...*, p. 126; Romanian *comis*.

⁴⁴⁵ Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 203. Otherwise пис^а, T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 29; Surete..., vol. XXI, p. 94. In Latin *notarius*, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORG^A, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 428. In a German document *Dyack*, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORG^A, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 355. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 301; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 14; *Dicționarul...*, p. 67–68, Romanian *diac*; LBG, vol. II, p. 361 διάκος ‘Diakon’.

⁴⁴⁶ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 32; Surete..., vol. XXI, p. 94 mentions *vătaf* of Dorohoi. A lexeme spread as Carpathism, whose various meanings are treated in *Общекарпатский диалектологический атлас*, vol. VII, Белград–Нови Сад 2003, no. 688, map 10. Cf. SUM XVI, vol. III, p. 185 ‘head of local administration’; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 5; *Dicționarul...*, p. 257–258 ‘chef de groupe d’hommes de cour’; Romanian *vătaf*.

⁴⁴⁷ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 542. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 582; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 32; *Dicționarul...*, p. 139–140; Romanian *medelnicer*, linked to *medelniță* ‘washbasin’, Middle Hungarian *medence* (*Erdélyi...*, vol. VIII, p. 266–267), see *мѣдница* ‘copper receptacle’, *Словарь русского языка XI–XVII вв.*, выпуск 9, Москва 1982, p. 61.

'treasurer'⁴⁴⁸, his office вистѣръ⁴⁴⁹ and his assistant вистѣрничѣ⁴⁵⁰, стольничелъ⁴⁵¹. A specific term is чашній⁴⁵² 'cup-bearer, responsible for vineyards'. The heads of administration and defence of a town or district are called паркаллъ⁴⁵³ or староста⁴⁵⁴. Two Latin documents use the term *camerarius* for a town representative⁴⁵⁵. Two terms of Hungarian origin, пѣтъгдъ⁴⁵⁶ 'burger, member of the town council' and

⁴⁴⁸ Thus in M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 511, 513; *Молдова вин епока...*, vol. II, p. 267; *Die Inschriften...*, p. 140. Spelling variants вистѣрни^й (T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27), вистѣрни^й (Surete..., vol. IX, p. 19). In Latin documents *wyster* (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 297), *wyzternek seu thesaurarius* (p. 358), *wyzternik* (p. 383), *theoloneator* (p. 297, 433). In a German document called *Fysternny* (p. 332–333) or *Mayttnner*, eventually *Grossmeyttner* (p. 298). Corresponding to Wallachian *vistier*. Cf. T. Попов, *Влияние...*, p. 58–59; SSUM, vol. I, p. 176; *SUM XVI*, vol. IV, p. 73; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 6; *Dicționarul...*, p. 261–262; Romanian *vistiernic*.

⁴⁴⁹ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 37. Cf. LBG, vol. II, p. 275 βεστιάριον 'Schatzkammer'.

⁴⁵⁰ Ispisoace..., vol. I.1, p. 64–65. Cf. *Dicționarul...*, p. 260; Romanian *visternicel*.

⁴⁵¹ Surete..., vol. I, p. 214. Cf. G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 158; *Dicționarul...*, p. 223; Romanian *stolnicel*.

⁴⁵² Spelling variant чьший^ї, T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 30. In Latin *supremus magister agazonum*, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENȘUȘIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.2, p. 91. Cf. Old Czech čiešník, *Vokabulář webový*, <http://vokabular.ujc.cas.cz> [10 V 2022]; SSUM, vol. II, p. 533; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 72; *Dicționarul...*, p. 37–38; Romanian *ceășnic*. Further, a lexeme denoted as Old Czech is such that is present in the database <http://vokabular.ujc.cas.cz> [10 V 2022].

⁴⁵³ Thus M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 508. Spelling variants пѣтъкълъ^ї in M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 611 and Surete..., vol. IX, p. 20 and паркаллъ^ї in Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 212. Thus are regularly called the representatives of Chotyn, Cetatea de Baltă (both T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 26), Neamț and Roman (Surete..., vol. VII, p. 159). In Latin documents, this official is called *castellanus* in case of Ciceu (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 306), Chotyn (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 342), Neamț (p. 350). In one Latin document, the Hungarian name *porcolab* is used without specification (p. 336). On p. 328, there is *Castellanus Cotnar et Porkolab*. The Hungarian term *Porkolab* is also used in German documents (p. 337, 346) for the representatives of Ciceu and Giurgea. In a Polish document (ed. I. CORFUS, *Documente...*, p. 59), there is the term *burkulab choczymski*. Cf. Erdélyi..., vol. X, p. 828 *porkoláb* 'Burgvogt'; SSUM, vol. II, p. 127; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 40 'pârcălab, sin. staroste'; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 40; *Dicționarul...*, p. 179; Romanian *pârcălab* (and variants).

⁴⁵⁴ Representatives of Putna (*Молдова вин епока...*, vol. II, p. 278) and Tecuci (*Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 55). In the Treaty with Poland, such term is used for the representatives of Chotyn, Černivci, but also towns on the Polish territory (Kam'janec', Halyč). In a Polish document from 1540 (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, I. BOGDAN, *Documente...*, Sup. 2, vol. I, p. 145), the term *starosta* is used for representatives of Neamț and Roman. Cf. Old Czech 'commander; representative; administrator'; *Slownik staropolski...*, vol. VIII, p. 418 *starosta* 'praefectus regius'; SSUM, vol. II, p. 381–382; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 58 'prefectus'; *Dicționarul...*, p. 220 'commandant d'une forteresse'; Romanian *staroste*.

⁴⁵⁵ of Trotuș and Rodna, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 360, 369.

⁴⁵⁶ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 520, spelling variation пѣтъгдъ^ї (p. 518). It corresponds to the Latin term *iuratus* in ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 294, and to the German *Purger* (p. 293) related to the burghers of Baia. Cf. Erdélyi..., vol. X, p. 787 *polgár* 'Mitglied des Stadtrates, Bürgergeschworener'; SSUM, vol. II, p. 269; *Dicționarul...*, p. 181; Romanian *pârgar*.

бюрък⁴⁵⁷ ‘judge, mayor’, appear only in the correspondence with Transylvania. The letter term has the Slavonic synonym съцой⁴⁵⁸ (indirect object) in the letters addressed to Braşov and once even гѣрък⁴⁵⁹.

A part of the Common Slavonic names⁴⁶⁰ of the family members (кореніе⁴⁶¹), the following East Slavonic terms are used: дочка⁴⁶² ‘daughter’, праіщэр⁴⁶³ ‘descendant’, племенік ‘cousin; nephew’⁴⁶⁴, племеница ‘cousin; niece’⁴⁶⁵, братан⁴⁶⁶ ‘brother’s son, nephew’⁴⁶⁶ and сестрич⁴⁶⁷ ‘sister’s son, nephew’⁴⁶⁷. The lexemes ён⁴⁶⁸ ‘grandson’⁴⁶⁸, ён⁴⁶⁹ ‘uncle’⁴⁶⁹, тютка ‘aunt’⁴⁷⁰ are phonologically adapted to Ruthenian. The striking Romanisms are непо⁴⁷¹ ‘nephew’⁴⁷¹, непо(а)та ‘nephew; granddaughter’⁴⁷². Curiously enough, the latter terms were generally not used in the Slavonic documents of Wallachia⁴⁷³. A confusion of the meaning of the Romanian *nepot* can be observed on the tomb of voivode Stephen the Young⁴⁷⁴ build by his uncle Peter Rareş, who calls on the inscription his nephew Stephen бицк⁴⁷⁵ сюеам⁴⁷⁶.

⁴⁵⁷ Thus in ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 531, with spelling variants биръла (indirect object, p. 520, 538), бирж⁸ (p. 542) and бирев (indirect object, p. 537). Related to the representatives of Braşov and Bistriţa in Transylvania. In a German letter referred as Rychter ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 292. Cf. Erdélyi..., vol. I, p. 904 бірó ‘Stadtrichter’; SSUM, vol. I, p. 97 бирогъ; SUM XVI, vol. II, p. 84 бирюкъ; *Dicționarul...*, p. 17 ‘maire’; Romanian *birău*.

⁴⁵⁸ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 519–520. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 400 сѹдьца. It corresponds to the Latin *iudex* in case of Bistriţa, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 294.

⁴⁵⁹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 539.

⁴⁶⁰ ѕинъ ‘father’, бра⁷ ‘brother’, сестра ‘sister’, ёнъ ‘son’, жена ‘wife’. All terms have been attested since OCS.

⁴⁶¹ Молдова ѿн епока..., vol. I, p. 278, cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 496 коренъ ‘ríd’.

⁴⁶² Surete..., vol. II, p. 336; Молдова ѿн епока..., vol. II, p. 266. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 323; SUM XVI, vol. VIII, p. 192; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 16. In Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 216, there is the expression дочци доникл ‘daughter’s daughter, granddaughter’.

⁴⁶³ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 508. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 225 (only in Moldavian context); G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 46–47 ‘răsnepot’.

⁴⁶⁴ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 507; Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 216. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 152; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 42 ‘варă primără, semiñenie, vară primar, rudă’.

⁴⁶⁵ Surete..., vol. XXIV, p. 148; Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 216. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 152; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 42 ‘варă primără, semiñenie, nepoata’.

⁴⁶⁶ Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 140; Surete..., vol. I, p. 99. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 119; SUM XVI, vol. III, p. 50–51; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 4 ‘nepot de frate’.

⁴⁶⁷ Surete..., vol. I, p. 99. SSUM, vol. II, p. 341; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 55 ‘sororius’.

⁴⁶⁸ Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 478; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 65.

⁴⁶⁹ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 507. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 473 оñико; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 64 ёнка.

⁴⁷⁰ Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 140. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 430 тетка; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 63.

⁴⁷¹ Молдова ѿн епока..., vol. I, p. 39; Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 184. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 41–42 (exclusive to Moldavian context); G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 3 ‘filius fratris’.

⁴⁷² T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 32. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 41 (exclusive to Moldavian context).

⁴⁷³ *Dicționarul...*, p. 155. Its equivalent in Wallachian Slavonic was анеñен, see e.g DRH B 3, p. 1.

⁴⁷⁴ Die Inschriften..., p. 92.

Among further terms denoting persons, we can distinguish:

- Church Slavonic terms originated by derivation

Compound nouns:

Theodosie's Enkomion: 201r **доброненависти** 'good hater'⁴⁷⁵, 203r **басноскаватель** 'fable-teller, fabulist'⁴⁷⁶. Not found in CS dictionaries: 203r **прѣдродитеље** 'ancestors', **къзношивец** 'swindle sewer'.

Macarie I 166v **пôржчици** 'subjects'⁴⁷⁷, II 477r **пръвохранителе** 'main defenders', II 473v **пръвоборе**⁴⁷⁸, II 473r **добропобѣдни** 'glorious winner; winner for a good matter'⁴⁷⁹.

Deadjective nouns (Theodosie's Enkomion): 200r **стажателъ** 'a person doing effort'⁴⁸⁰, 201v **пришевникъ** 'participant'⁴⁸¹.

Deverbative noun: **вѣдокъ** 'expert'⁴⁸².

- Lexemes borrowed via the Ruthenian environment: **лôтъ** 'rogue'⁴⁸³, **ψждинъ** 'descendant'⁴⁸⁴, **цигà** 'Gypsy'⁴⁸⁵, **подданый** 'subject'⁴⁸⁶, **парсчна** 'person'⁴⁸⁷, **мешчанъ** 'burghers' (syntactically random form)⁴⁸⁸.

⁴⁷⁵ Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 266 adjective **доброненавистенъ** 'μισόκαλος', LSJ, p. 1137 'hating the good'.

⁴⁷⁶ П. РУСЕВ, А. ДАВИДОВ, *Григорий Цамблак в Румъния и в старата румънска литература*, София 1966, p. 142.

⁴⁷⁷ *Словарь русского...*, 16, p. 52.

⁴⁷⁸ *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 383 'πρόμαχος', LSJ, p. 1489 'champion'.

⁴⁷⁹ *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 267 'καλλίνικος', LSJ, p. 868 'gloriously triumphant'.

⁴⁸⁰ *Словарь русского...*, 28, p. 230 'a person gathering property; owner'.

⁴⁸¹ *Словарь русского...*, 19, p. 237.

⁴⁸² Macarie I 163v. Cf. *Словарь русского...*, 2, p. 46 (Hamartolos' Chronicle).

⁴⁸³ *Молдова вън епоха...*, vol. II, p. 278. In Polish plural *lothri*, ed. I. CORFUS, *Documente...*, p. 60. Middle Polish *łotr* 'latro; nequissimus homo', *Słownik polszczyzny XVI wieku*, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/63069> [10 V 2022]; *Dictionarul...*, p. 127–128 'brigand, voleur' (also in documents issued in Wallachia); Old Czech *lotr*, Romanian *lotru*.

⁴⁸⁴ Macarie I 163r. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 409 (съ)ψждокъ.

⁴⁸⁵ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 541. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 526 (exclusive for Moldavian milieu); Middle Polish *cygan*, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/47047> [10 V 2022], thus in a Moldavian Polish document, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 318. In Wallachian Slavonic *цигà*, DRH B 3, p. 51 (1526).

⁴⁸⁶ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725 (Treaty with Poland), Latin *subditus*, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 318 *subditus*. SSUM, vol. II, p. 164–165; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 43; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. VI, p. 236 *poddany* 'subditus', Old Czech *poddaný*.

⁴⁸⁷ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725 (Treaty with Poland). Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 127–129; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. VI, p. 236 *personal/parsuna* 'persona'.

⁴⁸⁸ Glăvan's Letter. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 630 *мѣщанинъ*; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 33 'orăşan, târgoveş'; Middle Polish *mieszczanin* 'civis', <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/66485> [10 V 2022]; Old Czech *měščenín*, *měščan*.

- Romanian Slavonic lexemes (common with Wallachian Slavonic): *межіїа*⁴⁸⁹ ‘neighbouring landlord’⁴⁸⁹, *прыб'ези* ‘(political) emigrants’⁴⁹⁰.
- Grecisms⁴⁹¹: *маистръ* ‘master’⁴⁹², *зографъ* ‘painter’⁴⁹³.
- Hungarisms: *шокодомъ* ‘annual fair’⁴⁹⁴, *соды*⁴⁹⁵ ‘guarantor’⁴⁹⁵.

The next group comprises the terms related to administration, business and human settlements. Here, we will distinguish two main types of lexemes:

- Lexemes also attested in the Wallachian milieu: *хотâ* ‘domain border’⁴⁹⁶, *книга* ‘letter’⁴⁹⁷, *хрисовг* ‘chrysobull’⁴⁹⁸, *катасты* ‘register’⁴⁹⁹, *мархъ* ‘charge’;

⁴⁸⁹ Молдова тын епока..., vol. II, p. 272; M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 510; *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 94. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 584; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 32; *Dicționarul...*, p. 140 ‘voisin’; Romanian *megiaș*. Linked to *Erdélyi...*, vol. IX, p. 200 *mezsgye* ‘Grenzrain’, Ruthenian *межа* ‘border between two plots of land’ (not used in Moldavia).

⁴⁹⁰ Macarie 160r. Cf. *Словарь русского...*, 19, p. 91 ‘fugitive slave’, *Dicționarul...*, p. 193 ‘errant’; Romanian *priveag*.

⁴⁹¹ *Inscriptiile medievale...*, p. 506.

⁴⁹² LBG, vol. V, p. 959 *ма(γ)істар* ‘Meister, Auseher, Lehrer’; *Dicționarul...*, p. 132 ‘moulinier’, Romanian *maistor*.

⁴⁹³ SSUM, vol. I, p. 406 *зографъ*; LBG, vol. III, p. 646 *ζωγραφεύς, ζωγράφος*; *Dicționarul...*, p. 270 ‘peintre d'église ou d'icônes’; Romanian *zugrav*. Also in Wallachian Slavonic.

⁴⁹⁴ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 538. Cf. *Erdélyi...*, vol. XI, p. 853 *sokadalom* ‘Jahrmarkt’.

⁴⁹⁵ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 541. Cf. *Erdélyi...*, vol. XII, p. 186–187 *szavatos* ‘Garant’; Moldavian Romanian *sodăș*.

⁴⁹⁶ Practically in all internal chancery documents, e.g. *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 94. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 513–514; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 68; B. В. ТИМОЧКО, *Назви довкілля в українсько-молдавських грамотах XIV–XV століть (дисертація)*, Київ 2019, p. 166–167; *Dicționarul...*, p. 105 ‘frontière; borne’; *Erdélyi...*, vol. IV, p. 1175 *határ* ‘Grenzlinie’; Romanian *hotar*. Spread in the Central Europe as Carpathism, see *Общекарпатський...*, vol. VII, no. 721, map 37 Macarie’s equivalent is *прублікъ* (I 159r, OCS).

⁴⁹⁷ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725; ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 518. Ђ. Даничић, *Рјечник...*, vol. I, p. 457 ‘literae’. In the colophons, we find the usual meaning ‘book’. The usual Moldavian Slavonic word for ‘letter’ is *листвъ*.

⁴⁹⁸ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 520. Cf. *хрисовг* in DRH B 3, p. 70 (1527/1528); Ђ. Даничић, *Рјечник...*, vol. III, p. 430; А. ДАСКАЛОВА, М. РАЙКОВА, *Грамоти на българските царе*, София 2005, p. 398. Exceptional in the Moldavian context. Its closest equivalent is *привиліє*.

⁴⁹⁹ Glăvan’s Letter. In Polish plural *katastryki*, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.1, p. 145. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 471 ‘register’; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 26; *Dicționarul...*, p. 32 ‘registre; livre de compte’; Middle Polish *katastryka* ‘probably measurement register and plans of land plots and borders’; <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/57096> [10 V 2022]; Ђ. Даничић, *Рјечник...*, vol. I, p. 442 *катастрикъ* ‘tabulae’; LBG, vol. IV, p. 797 *катастричон* ‘Verzeichnis, Inventarm Register, Liste’; Romanian *catastif*.

merchandise⁵⁰⁰, аспри ‘small mints’⁵⁰¹, селнице ‘settlement; village’⁵⁰², граднице ‘little hill’⁵⁰³, стольцы/столпъ ‘border mark’⁵⁰⁴, temelye ‘base’ (within a German text)⁵⁰⁵.

- Moldavian terms shared with Ruthenian of that time: рада ‘council’⁵⁰⁶, листъ ‘letter, document’⁵⁰⁷, волость ‘district, county’⁵⁰⁸, привиліє ‘privilege’⁵⁰⁹, скарб ‘budget’⁵¹⁰,

⁵⁰⁰ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 536. Cf. Erdélyi..., vol. VIII, p. 170–178 *marha*; Romanian *marfă*. Exceptional in the Moldavian context, the usual equivalent is товă.

⁵⁰¹ Surete..., vol. XXI, p. 93. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 81 аспру; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 2; Dicționarul..., p. 7 ‘petite monnaie d'argent’; LBP 2, 217 ἄσπρον ‘Silbermünze’; Romanian *aspru*, plural *aspri*. Exceptional in Moldavia.

⁵⁰² Молдова ын епока..., vol. II, p. 266. Cf. OCS; SSUM, vol. II, p. 333–334; Б.В. Тимочко, Назви..., p. 109 селнице (neuter) – селница (feminine); G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 55; Dicționarul..., p. 213–214 ‘emplacement d'un village; village’; Romanian *siliște*.

⁵⁰³ Surete..., vol. I, p. 210. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 259 ‘small hill’; Dicționarul..., p. 213–214 ‘colline, tertre; vestiges d'une cite antique’; Romanian *grădiște*.

⁵⁰⁴ Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 184. Cf. OCS ‘column, pillar; tower’; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 58 стоян; SSUM, vol. II, p. 389 ‘border mark’; Dicționarul..., p. 221 ‘piller, borne’, Romanian *stâlp*.

⁵⁰⁵ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 447. Cf. Dicționarul..., p. 236 ‘fondation, base’; LBG, vol. IV, p. 670 θέμεθλιον, θεμέλη ‘Fundament’, Romanian *temelie*.

⁵⁰⁶ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27. In a German *Roth*, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 298. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 284; Middle Polish and Old Czech *rada*, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/6148> [10 V 2022]. The Treaty of Poland knows the construction (instrumental plural) *радныими паны*.

⁵⁰⁷ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 531. Latin *lit(t)er(a)e*, ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 336. Polish *lysth*, ed. I. CORFUS, *Documente...*, p. 59. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 547; Middle Polish and Old Czech *list* ‘litterae, epistola’, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/62121> [10 V 2022]. A similar Latin term is *chirographum* ‘charter’ (ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. IORGA, *Documente...*, vol. XV.1, p. 428), cf. J.F. NIERMAYER, C. VAN KIEFT, *Mediae Latinitatis Lexicon minus*, Leiden–Boston 2002, p. 231.

⁵⁰⁸ Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 203. In a Moldavian Polish document, there is *we wlosczy haliczkiej* ‘in the district of Halicz’, ed. I. CORFUS, *Documente...*, p. 59. Cf. Словарь русского..., 3, p. 9 from the 12th–13th centuries in East Slavonic context ‘a region under one sovereignty’ SSUM, vol. I, p. 192 ‘district within the Polish kingdom or Lithuania’.

⁵⁰⁹ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 510, 513; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27; Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 212; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 72. Cf. Old Czech *privilej*; Middle Polish *prywilej*, SSUM, vol. II, p. 234–235; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 47 ‘privilegium’; Romanian *privilie*.

⁵¹⁰ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENȘUȘIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727; ed. I. CORFUS, *Documente...*, p. 58 *skarb*. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 348; *Slownik staropolski...*, vol. VIII, p. 216–217 ‘res pretiosae; ista rebus pretiotiosis asservandis; fiscus regis’.

мыто ‘toll’⁵¹¹, товâ ‘merchandise’⁵¹², маcтo ‘town’⁵¹³, мли ‘mill’⁵¹⁴, дорога ‘path, way’⁵¹⁵, сеноjка ‘haymaking; place for haymaking’⁵¹⁶, wпло ‘fence’⁵¹⁷.

- Specific Moldavian terms: 8рї ‘inherited property; charter confirming the inherited land property’⁵¹⁸ испривиліє ‘charter, document’⁵¹⁹, вукупленіе ‘purchased land property’⁵²⁰, бидиевіs ‘young horse’⁵²¹, прикоутô ‘hamlet’⁵²², ст8па ‘fulling mill’⁵²³.

The detailed descriptions of the domains in the charters provide a rich vocabulary related to the landscape and nature:

⁵¹¹ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727; Glăvan’s Letter. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 626; Middle Polish *myto* ‘salarium; vectigal; teloneum’, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/68040> [10 V 2022]; Old Czech *mýto*; Romanian *mită*. OCS ‘gift, bribe; wage, gain’.

⁵¹² Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 541. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 433; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. IX, p. 174–175 *towar* ‘eam quae veneunt emunturque’.

⁵¹³ Related to Braşov. Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 519. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 628; Middle Polish *miasto* ‘civitas, urbs’ <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/66115> [10 V 2022].

⁵¹⁴ Surete..., vol. XXI, p. 94; DISR 541. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 602; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 34; Middle Polish *młyn* ‘mola’, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/67113> [10 V 2022]; Old Czech *mlýn*.

⁵¹⁵ Ispisoace..., vol. I.1, p. 55, besides n̄ e.g. in Surete..., vol. XXI, p. 94. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 318–319; Б.В. ТИМОЧКО, *Назви...*, p. 157; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 16 ‘drum’.

⁵¹⁶ Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 203. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 412 (previously in Galician documents); Б.В. ТИМОЧКО, *Назви...*, p. 118.

⁵¹⁷ Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 184. Cf. *Гістарычны слоўнік беларускай мовы*, vol. XXII, Мінск 2002, p. 256.

⁵¹⁸ Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 148. Cf. Erdélyi..., vol. X, p. 219–222 *örök* ‘ewig, immer gültig; vom Sohn zu Sohn erbend; Erbschaft, Besitztum’ SSUM, vol. II, p. 482; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 66; *Dicționarul...*, p. 248; Romanian *urić*.

⁵¹⁹ Ispisoace..., vol. I.1, p. 76 изпривилію; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 37 испривиліе коупежное ‘charter confirming a purchase’; Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 203 8рника испривилія ‘charter confirming inherited property’ (object of the sentence). Originally two words ‘from privilege’, but frequently treated as one word by chancery scribes, cf. G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 25.

⁵²⁰ Surete..., vol. I, p. 230. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 217; SUM XVI, vol. V, p. 197 (as a legal term exclusive for Moldavia), otherwise in Ruthenian general for ‘purchase’ as in Polish *wykupienie*, see *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. X, p. 489–490.

⁵²¹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 541. Cf. Romanian *bidiu*.

⁵²² Молдова ын епока..., vol. I, p. 55. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, 241 (just in Moldavian context); G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 47 ‘cătin’; Б.В. ТИМОЧКО, *Назви...*, p. 110–111; Romanian *pricut*.

⁵²³ SSUM, vol. II, p. 396 (exclusive for Moldavia); *Гістарычны слоўнік...*, vol. XXXIII, p. 19 ‘wooden or metal vessel, in which is something beaten’, in this meaning also in *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. VIII, p. 441 *stępa* and standard Ukrainian, *Словник української мови*, Київ 1970–1980, <http://sum.in.ua/s/stupa> [10 V 2022]. For meanings of this lexeme related to ‘mill’ see Б.В. ТИМОЧКО, *Назви...*, p. 102–103.

- Attested in OCS: **ѹстїє** **потока** ‘brook mouth’⁵²⁴, **полє** ‘field’⁵²⁵.
- Variants of the lexemes attested in OCS: **ѹстинна** ‘deserted place’⁵²⁶, **ѡзєро**⁵²⁷ – instrumental plural **ѡзєркани** ‘lake’⁵²⁸, **ѧѣ** ‘oak’⁵²⁹ – **ѧѡрока** ‘oak wood’⁵³⁰, **երէ** ‘shore’⁵³¹.
- General Slavonic: **ѧѡлина** ‘valley’⁵³², **բրъдѡ** ‘hill’⁵³³, **բրծ** ‘ford’⁵³⁴, **блатами** ‘through marshes’⁵³⁵.
- Specific terms appearing in both Wallachian and Moldavian documents: **աբրьшիє** ‘upper watercourse’⁵³⁶, **ѧѣ** ‘hill’⁵³⁷, **զъподиє** ‘highland, plateau’⁵³⁸, **րլա**

⁵²⁴ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 510; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. II, p. 16. G. GHIVĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 45 **пѹток** ‘torrents’; Б.В. ТИМОЧКО, *Назви...*, p. 144.

⁵²⁵ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 184. G. GHIVĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 44 ‘campus’.

⁵²⁶ *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 20; *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 21 **ѹстиню**. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 217; G. GHIVĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 51 ‘desertus’; Б.В. ТИМОЧКО, *Назви...*, p. 121; Romanian *pustie*.

⁵²⁷ *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 55. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 77; Б.В. ТИМОЧКО, *Назви...*, p. 138; Romanian *iazer*.

⁵²⁸ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 124.

⁵²⁹ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 184. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 330; G. GHIVĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 17 ‘quercus’; Б.В. ТИМОЧКО, *Назви...*, p. 183.

⁵³⁰ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 184; *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 210. OCS **ѧѡрока**. SSUM, vol. I, p. 329 **ѧѹброка**/ **ѧѡрока**; G. GHIVĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 17 ‘nemus’; Б.В. ТИМОЧКО, *Назви...*, p. 205–206; Romanian *dumbravă*.

⁵³¹ *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 210. East Slavonic variant of OCS **բրѣгъ**. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 92–93; Б.В. ТИМОЧКО, *Назви...*, p. 115.

⁵³² *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 259. G. GHIVĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 16 ‘vallis’; Б.В. ТИМОЧКО, *Назви...*, p. 91; Romanian *dolină*.

⁵³³ *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 94; Macarie 3, 261r. Б.В. ТИМОЧКО, *Назви...*, p. 80 **եղդօ** ‘rocky mountain’.

⁵³⁴ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 130. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 124; G. GHIVĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 4 ‘vadum’; Б.В. ТИМОЧКО, *Назви...*, p. 161; Romanian *brod*, *brud*.

⁵³⁵ *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 55. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 99 **блато**; Б.В. ТИМОЧКО, *Назви...*, p. 150; Romanian *baltă*.

⁵³⁶ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. II, p. 16. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 71; G. GHIVĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 69 **աբրьшиꙗ** ‘vrchoviště potoku’; Б.В. ТИМОЧКО, *Назви...*, p. 99 **աբրիշիє**; *Dicționarul...*, p. 158–159 ‘origine, source’; Romanian *obârșie*; Ѓ. ДАНИЧИЋ, *Рјечник...*, vol. II, p. 327 ‘mons’. G. GHIVĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 14 **ѧилօ** ‘collis, mons’; Б.В. ТИМОЧКО, *Назви...*, p. 82 mentions the presence of the lexeme *ձիլ* in the Galician, Hutsul and Boiko dialects; Romanian *deal*.

⁵³⁷ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. II, p. 16; *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 94. Also spelled **ѧѣ** (*Surete...*, vol. I, p. 210), or even **ѧилօ** (*Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 55), which might have been derived from the ins. sg. **ѧилօ**. Cf. in the Treaty of Poland (727), **ѧилօ** means ‘matter’. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 337; Ѓ. ДАНИЧИЋ, *Рјечник...*, vol. II, p. 327 ‘mons’. G. GHIVĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 14 **ѧилօ** ‘collis, mons’; Б.В. ТИМОЧКО, *Назви...*, p. 82 mentions the presence of the lexeme *ձիլ* in the Galician, Hutsul and Boiko dialects; Romanian *deal*.

⁵³⁸ *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 94; DERS 268. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 384–385 **զաපօդի՛ա**; G. GHIVĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 22 **զъподи՞ն**; Б.В. ТИМОЧКО, *Назви...*, p. 89–90 **զաපօդի՛ա**; *Dicționarul...*, p. 158–159 ‘plaine située sur une hauteur’; Romanian *zăpodie*.

‘swamp, marsh’⁵³⁹, **писк**(8л) ‘top of the hill’⁵⁴⁰, **съ гръклами** ‘with branches of the watercourse’⁵⁴¹, **шебръкъе** ‘hilly area’⁵⁴², **маткъ** ‘riverbed’⁵⁴³, **пъръд** ‘brook’⁵⁴⁴, **до лакъ** ‘lake’⁵⁴⁵, **къ планинъ** ‘to the mountains’⁵⁴⁶.

- Specific for Moldavian documents: **къръница** ‘source’⁵⁴⁷, **лѣ** ‘wood, forest’⁵⁴⁸, **топлица** ‘hot water source’⁵⁴⁹, **стѣ** ‘pond; weir’⁵⁵⁰, **могилъ** ‘tumulus’⁵⁵¹, **пасика** ‘clearing’⁵⁵², **бреестъ** ‘elm’⁵⁵³, **кѣлие** ‘peak’⁵⁵⁴, **шевчина** ‘highland’⁵⁵⁵.

⁵³⁹ *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 94. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 244; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 12; Б.В. Тимочко, *Назви...*, p. 151; *Dicționarul...*, p. 93–94 ‘boue, motte de terre’; Romanian *glod*.

⁵⁴⁰ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 216; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 55. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 148–149; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 41; Б.В. Тимочко, *Назви...*, p. 81; *Dicționarul...*, p. 175–176 ‘pic d'une montagne, cime’; Romanian *pisc*.

⁵⁴¹ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 124. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 268 **гръла**; Б.В. Тимочко, *Назви...*, p. 141; Standard Ukrainian *зупро* ‘mouth of the river’; *Dicționarul...*, p. 92 ‘petit cours d'eau; bras d'une rivière’; Romanian *gârlă*.

⁵⁴² *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 127. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 71; *Dicționarul...*, p. 160 ‘colline, talus, pente, versant, flanc de coteau’; Romanian *obrejie*.

⁵⁴³ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 185. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 581; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 32 ‘matca apei’; *Dicționarul...*, p. 134 ‘lit (d'une riviere)’; Romanian *matcă*.

⁵⁴⁴ *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 375. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 279 ‘proper name of a rivulet’; *Dicționarul...*, p. 182 ‘ruisseau’; Romanian *pârâu*.

⁵⁴⁵ *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 55. This is the form behind the preposition **до** ‘up to’, it seems to be genitive plural. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 537 **лак**; Б.В. Тимочко, *Назви...*, p. 137–138 **лакъ**; *Dicționarul...*, p. 120–121 ‘lac’; Romanian *lac*.

⁵⁴⁶ Macarie II 475v. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 150; Б.В. Тимочко, *Назви...*, p. 120–121 ‘mountain pasture’; Ukrainian *полонина*; Є. Даничич, *Ріечник...*, vol. II, p. 309–310 ‘mons’.

⁵⁴⁷ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 510; *Молдова вън епока...*, vol. II, p. 259. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 519; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 536 **къръница**; Б.В. Тимочко, *Назви...*, p. 146 **къръница/къръница**.

⁵⁴⁸ *Молдова вън епока...*, vol. II, p. 266. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 563; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 31 ‘nemus’.

⁵⁴⁹ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 35, 44. Б.В. Тимочко, *Назви...*, p. 149 **теплица**, attested in Hutsul and Galician dialects.

⁵⁵⁰ *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 94; *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 20. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 377–378; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 57 ‘palus’; Б.В. Тимочко, *Назви...*, p. 139.

⁵⁵¹ *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 94. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 604; Б.В. Тимочко, *Назви...*, p. 88–89; *Dicționarul...*, p. 147–148 ‘butte, tertre, monticule’.

⁵⁵² *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 203; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 65. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 128; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 41 ‘apiarium’; Б.В. Тимочко, *Назви...*, p. 126.

⁵⁵³ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 184. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 93; Б.В. Тимочко, *Назви...*, p. 185–186.

⁵⁵⁴ *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 210. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 527 **коулма** ‘mountain pass’; Б.В. Тимочко, *Назви...*, p. 81; *Dicționarul...*, p. 60 ‘cime, sommet’.

⁵⁵⁵ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. II, p. 16. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 71; Б.В. Тимочко, *Назви...*, p. 90 provides equivalents from Galician and Hutsul dialects; *Dicționarul...*, p. 158 ‘crête d'une montagne ou d'une colline, entre deux sommets’; Romanian *obcină*.

The curious names of religious persons and establishments comprise **иғѹмє** ‘hegumen, head of a monastery’⁵⁵⁶, **иғѹмєна** ‘head of a small monastic community’⁵⁵⁷, **иғѹмєнство** ‘office of a monastic superior function’⁵⁵⁸, **проиғѹмє** ‘former hegumen’⁵⁵⁹, **молебни** ‘a person praying on behalf of somebody else’⁵⁶⁰, **свѧщенноиѡ** ‘hieromonk; monk-priest’⁵⁶¹, **калѹгє** ‘monk’⁵⁶², **архимандри** ‘hegumen of a large monastery’⁵⁶³, **епїкп** ‘bishop’⁵⁶⁴, **митрополи** ‘metropolitan bishop, head of the local church’⁵⁶⁵, **єписќ** ‘Roman Catholic bishop’⁵⁶⁶. The diminutives of ‘monastery’ are **монастыри**, **монастыре**⁵⁶⁷.

Let us mention some abstract terms not included in the biblical CS.

- Specific Church Slavonic terms (original CS texts): **задшиє** ‘salvation of the soul; office in the memory of a defunct person’⁵⁶⁸, **рытօрство** ‘rhetoricity’⁵⁶⁹, **окроение** ‘surrounding’⁵⁷⁰, **порекло** ‘nickname’⁵⁷¹, **сторица** ‘hundred’⁵⁷², **къвопролитие** ‘bloodshed’⁵⁷³, **сѫждество** ‘need’⁵⁷⁴, **тѹгъ** ‘call’⁵⁷⁵, **блгѹхваленїе** ‘good appraisal’⁵⁷⁶.

⁵⁵⁶ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 124; *Surete...*, vol. XIX, p. 58. In OCS; Romanian *egumen*, *igumen*; G.W.H. LAMPE, *A Patristic Greek Lexicon*, Oxford 1961, p. 601 ἡγούμενος.

⁵⁵⁷ *Surete...*, vol. XIX, p. 58.

⁵⁵⁸ Macarie I 163v. Cf. *Словарь русского...*, 6, p. 85; Romanian *igumenie*; G.W.H. LAMPE, *A Patristic...*, p. 601 ἡγούμενεια.

⁵⁵⁹ Colophon of the Liturgy from 1532. Cf. *Словарь русского...*, 20, p. 137; Romanian *proegumen*/*proigumen*; LBG, vol. VI, p. 1394 προηγούμενος ‘Exabt’.

⁵⁶⁰ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 124; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 30. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 538; *Словарь русского...*, 9, p. 241; Romanian *molebnic* ‘title held by the officiating clergy’.

⁵⁶¹ Macarie I 154v. Cf. *Словарь русского...*, 23, p. 233.

⁵⁶² *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 147; *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 98; *Surete...*, vol. XIX, p. 58. In OCS; Romanian *călugăr*; LBG, vol. IV, p. 749 καλόγερος ‘Mönch’.

⁵⁶³ Colophon of Putna Menaion from 1530. Cf. *Словарь русского...*, 1, p. 52; Romanian *arhimandrit*. E.A. SOPHOCLES, *Greek Lexicon of the Romani and Byzantine Periods*, New York 1900, p. 258 ἀρχιμανδρίτης ‘archimandrite, the chief of one or more monasteries’.

⁵⁶⁴ Colophon of the Apostolos from 1528. In OCS; Romanian *episcop*; G.W.H. LAMPE, *A Patristic...*, p. 532 ἐπίσκοπος.

⁵⁶⁵ Macarie I 163v; colophon of the Apostolos from 1528. Cf. OCS; *Словарь русского...*, 9, p. 180; Romanian *mitropolit*. G.W.H. LAMPE, *A Patristic...*, p. 554 μητροπολίτης.

⁵⁶⁶ Macarie I 166r. Cf. SUM XVI, vol. II, p. 86 *бискупъ*.

⁵⁶⁷ Both *Surete...*, vol. XIX, p. 58. Cf. *Словарь русского...*, 9, p. 258 *монастырекъ*, *монастырецъ*; LBG, vol. V, p. 1037 μοναστηρίδιον, μοναστηρίτζιον.

⁵⁶⁸ К. ИВАНОВА, *Български...*, p. 84; Молдова ѝн епока..., vol. I, p. 50; *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 124; *Surete...*, vol. XIX, p. 58. Cf. *Словарь русского...*, 12, p. 347.

⁵⁶⁹ Macarie I 154r. Cf. LSJ, p. 1569 ρήτορεια ‘oratory’.

⁵⁷⁰ Macarie I 156v. *Словарь русского...*, 5, p. 347.

⁵⁷¹ Macarie II 480v. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 369; Ѓ. Даничич, *Рјечник...*, vol. II, p. 369 ‘cognomen’; Romanian *poreclă*.

⁵⁷² Colophon of the Neamț Psalter from 1529. *Словарь русского...*, 28, p. 95.

⁵⁷³ Macarie I 155v. *Словарь русского...*, 8, p. 65.

⁵⁷⁴ Macarie I 154v. *Словарь русского...*, 25, p. 40.

⁵⁷⁵ Theodosie’s Enkomion 201r. *Словарь русского...*, 30, p. 194 тѹгъ.

⁵⁷⁶ Theodosie’s Enkomion 202r. *Cyrillomethodiana: Григорий Цамблак, Похвално слово за Връбница*, https://histdict.uni-sofia.bg/textcorpus/show/doc_101 [10 V 2022]. *Словарь русского...*, 1, p. 227.

- Specific Romanian Slavonic terms (internal chancery and communication with Transylvania): **хитление** ‘betrayal, perfidy’⁵⁷⁷, **мартофія** ‘testimony’⁵⁷⁸, **тъклив** ‘agreement’⁵⁷⁹, **даторіє** ‘debt’⁵⁸⁰, **похтă** ‘willingness’⁵⁸¹, **Фоло** ‘profit’⁵⁸², **бѣката** ‘piece’⁵⁸³, **коља** ‘gave’⁵⁸⁴, **глава** ‘beginning or end’⁵⁸⁵.
- Specific Ruthenian terms (mostly in the Treaty with Poland): **братьеніе** ‘fraternising, agreement’⁵⁸⁶, **єднаніе** ‘agreement’⁵⁸⁷, **шкода** ‘damage’⁵⁸⁸, **потребизна** ‘need’⁵⁸⁹, **втиск** ‘pressure, compulsion’⁵⁹⁰, **натиск** ‘oppression, pressure’⁵⁹¹,

⁵⁷⁷ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27 with two spelling variants **хитление**, **хикльнество**; ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 728 **хитление**. Cf. Erdélyi..., vol. V, p. 177 *hitlenség* ‘Treulosigkeit, Untreue’; SSUM, vol. II, p. 507; Romanian *hitlenie* (*viclenie*). Contemporary attestation in Wallachia: DRH B 3, p. 92 (1528).

⁵⁷⁸ Surete..., vol. I, p. 253; Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 140. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 578; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 32; *Dicționarul...*, p. 138–139 ‘témoignage’ (in Wallachia, the form **мартофія** is preferred); Rom. *mărturie*; LSJ **μαρτυρία**.

⁵⁷⁹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 518. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 435 **токмеж(а)**; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 62 **токмеж**; Romanian *tocmeală*. Cf. in contemporary Wallachian Slavonic **такмеж**, DRH B 3, p. 124 (1540).

⁵⁸⁰ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 531. Rom. *datorie*. Not found in contemporary Wallachian Slavonic (equivalent: **дат**), e.g. DRH B 3, p. 29 (1526).

⁵⁸¹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 541; *Dicționarul...*, p. 186 ‘désir, plaisir’; Romanian *похтă* > *poftă*. Not found in Wallachian Slavonic.

⁵⁸² Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 541; *Dicționarul...*, p. 82 ‘gain, avantage’ (attested both in Wallachia and Moldavia); Romanian *folos*.

⁵⁸³ Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 184. SSUM, vol. I, p. 130; *Dicționarul...*, p. 24–25 ‘morceau’; Romanian *bucată*.

⁵⁸⁴ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 531. Cf. *Dicționarul...*, p. 50 ‘don, présent’, Romanian *colac*; SUM XVI, vol. XIV, p. 172–173 ‘plaited bread’ and Middle Polish *kołacz*, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/58415> [10 V 2022] ‘torta, placenta, maza’.

⁵⁸⁵ *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 55 **въ главо поилк** ‘to the end of the field’. A calque from Romanian *cap* ‘beginning or end’. Found only here.

⁵⁸⁶ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27. Cf. SUM XVI, vol. III, p. 53.

⁵⁸⁷ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 728. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 345; Middle Polish *jednanie*, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/55864> [10 V 2022].

⁵⁸⁸ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725. Cf. SUM XVI, vol. II, p. 559–560. Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 536, 541 use its CS (and South Slavonic and Wallachian Slavonic) equivalent **парѣба**.

⁵⁸⁹ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725. Cf. *Гістарычны слоў-нік...*, vol. XXVII, p. 322; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. VI, p. 498 *potrzebiza*.

⁵⁹⁰ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725. Cf. *Гістарычны слоў-нік...*, vol. XXXV, p. 268–269 **үтисекъ/втискъ**; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. IX, p. 293 *ucisk* ‘actus cogendi’.

⁵⁹¹ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 27; Middle Polish *nacisk*, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/63624> [10 V 2022].

нагабаніе ‘oppression’⁵⁹², вчинъ ‘deed’⁵⁹³, ласка ‘grace’⁵⁹⁴, доказъ ‘argument, evidence’⁵⁹⁵, зацепка ‘conflict’⁵⁹⁶, ѿчинизна ‘inherited territory’⁵⁹⁷, справедливостъ ‘justice’⁵⁹⁸, низгода ‘discrepancy’⁵⁹⁹, жалоба ‘complaint, lawsuit’⁶⁰⁰.

- Specific South Slavonic: нарѣка ‘request’⁶⁰¹.

From the adjectives, we will mention just a few specific terms. In the description of the documents, there is an opposition between правыи ‘rightful’ and питомыи ‘own’⁶⁰² on one hand and кривыи ‘false, invalid’⁶⁰³ and скаженыи ‘damaged, invalid’⁶⁰⁴ on the other hand. There are several terms denoting ‘above mentioned’: вищереченыи⁶⁰⁵, прѣдпреченыи⁶⁰⁶, вищеписаныи⁶⁰⁷. Among addressing adjectives,

⁵⁹² Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725. Cf. Гістарычны слоўнік..., vol. XVIII, p. 345; Middle Polish *nagabanie* ‘inquietatio, interpellatio, vexastio’, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/63999> [10 V 2022].

⁵⁹³ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727. Cf. Гістарычны слоўнік..., vol. XXXV, p. 349 үчинкъ/вчинокъ; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. IX, p. 301–303 ‘factum, facinus; malefactum’.

⁵⁹⁴ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 539; Middle Polish *łaska* ‘gratia, benevolentia’, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/62777> [10 V 2022].

⁵⁹⁵ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727. Cf. SUM XVI, vol. VIII, p. 75; Middle Polish *dowod* ‘argumentum, documentum, probatio’, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/49607> [10 V 2022].

⁵⁹⁶ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727. Cf. SUM XVI, vol. XI, p. 47; Middle Polish *zaczepka*.

⁵⁹⁷ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 111 отчизна; Middle Polish *o(j)czyna* ‘patrimonium, patria’.

⁵⁹⁸ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 373; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. VIII, p. 366–368 *sprawiedliwość*.

⁵⁹⁹ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727. Cf. Гістарычны слоўнік..., vol. XX, p. 109 низгода; Middle Polish *niezgoda* ‘dissensio, discrepancy, adversitas’.

⁶⁰⁰ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 510. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 353; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. XI, p. 543–544 *żałoba* ‘accusatio’.

⁶⁰¹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 542. Речник српскохрватскога књижевног језика, <https://www.srpskirecnik.com/stranica/3/612> [10 V 2022].

⁶⁰² Both e.g. Молдова ын епока..., vol. I, p. 40. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 149–150, 222.

⁶⁰³ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27. Cf. in a similar meaning Гістарычны слоўнік..., vol. XVI, p. 138; Middle Polish *krzywy* ‘pravus’, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/60461#znaczenie-9> [10 V 2022]; Old Czech *křivý*.

⁶⁰⁴ Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 192. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 347; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. VIII, p. 226–229 *skażony* ‘violatus; non observatus; abrogatus’.

⁶⁰⁵ Молдова ын епока..., vol. II, p. 278. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 225.

⁶⁰⁶ Молдова ын епока..., vol. I, p. 40. In OCS, SSUM, vol. II, p. 226–227.

⁶⁰⁷ Молдова ын епока..., vol. I, p. 48. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 223.

we will show **найаснѣйшии** ‘the brightest’⁶⁰⁸, **велможныи** ‘powerful’⁶⁰⁹, **чтно ѣрожденныи** ‘honourfully born; noble’⁶¹⁰. Interesting South Slavonisms in the Transylvanian correspondence are **врѣдѣ** ‘precious’⁶¹¹, **сегашнии** ‘current’⁶¹². A curious CS adjective is **єклѣныи** ‘great, strong’⁶¹³. Ruthenian adverbs from the chancery documents include **пожиточно** ‘usefully’⁶¹⁴, **зелашнѣ** ‘especially’⁶¹⁵, **потаємно** ‘secretly’⁶¹⁶, **доси** ‘enough’⁶¹⁷.

The richness of Macarie’s and Theodosie’s CS adjectives and adverbs possessing more than two stems can be basically divided into two groups:

- Lexemes appearing in the Chronicle by Constantine Manasses (Mainly in Macarie II): 256r **г҃ръдоѹмень** ‘proud-minded’⁶¹⁸, **длъгоногъ** ‘long-legged’⁶¹⁹, **зевровиденъ** ‘beast-looking’⁶²⁰, **зелиороденъ** ‘local’⁶²¹, **злокъзненъ** ‘malicious’⁶²², **злопроходенъ** ‘bad-winged’⁶²³, **крѣпкониренъ** ‘having firm towers’⁶²⁴, **лъвотростенъ** ‘furious as a lion’⁶²⁵, **младороденъ** ‘young-born’⁶²⁶, **многодрѣвенъ** ‘having

⁶⁰⁸ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725. SSUM, vol. II, p. 17; Middle Polish *najjasniejszy*, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/55693#znaczenie-22> [10 V 2022].

⁶⁰⁹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 542. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 162–163; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. X, p. 23 *wielmożny* ‘illustris, nobilis, glorusus’; Old Czech *velmožný*.

⁶¹⁰ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 542. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 482–483; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. IX, p. 435 *urodzony* ‘nobilis loco natus’.

⁶¹¹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 541. Cf. Ђ. Даничич, *Рјечник...*, vol. I, p. 163 ‘dignus; qui valet’.

⁶¹² Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 520. Cf. *Речник на бѫлгарския език*, <https://ibl.bas.bg/rbe/lang/bg/сегашен/> [10 V 2022].

⁶¹³ Macarie I 155v. *Словарь русского...*, 5, p. 372.

⁶¹⁴ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725. Cf. *Гістарычны слоўнік...*, vol. XXV, p. 389; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. VI, p. 565 *pozyteczno*.

⁶¹⁵ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725. Cf. SUM XVI, vol. XI, p. 114. *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. XI, p. 511–512 ‘prasertim, imprimis’.

⁶¹⁶ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 208; Middle Polish *potajemnie*, Old Czech *potajemně*.

⁶¹⁷ *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 65. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 322; Middle Polish *dosyć* ‘satis’, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/49420#znaczenie-1> [10 V 2022].

⁶¹⁸ Macarie II 472v. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 260 ‘σοβαρόφρων’.

⁶¹⁹ Macarie II 474v. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 264 ‘πτηνόπους’.

⁶²⁰ Macarie II 474r. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 278 ‘θηριώδης’.

⁶²¹ Macarie II 475v. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 282 ‘γηγενής’.

⁶²² Macarie II 478r. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 284 ‘κακομήχανος’.

⁶²³ Macarie II 476r. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 284 ‘δύσβατος’.

⁶²⁴ Macarie II 474v. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 306 ‘καρτερότειχος’.

⁶²⁵ Macarie II 476v. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 310 ‘λεοντόθυμος’.

⁶²⁶ Macarie II 477v. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 315 ‘νεογένης’.

many trees⁶²⁷, **многокъзенъ** ‘very cunning’⁶²⁸, **многомижењъ** ‘turbulent’⁶²⁹, **островръхъ** ‘having sharp peak’⁶³⁰, **сврѣподыжаненъ** ‘furiously blowing’⁶³¹, **старороденъ** ‘old’⁶³², **тврѣдонаренъ** ‘having firm towers’⁶³³, **тврѣдостїненъ** ‘having hard walls’⁶³⁴, **тажкогласенъ** ‘having deep voice’⁶³⁵, **тажкороги** ‘heavy roaring’⁶³⁶, **тажкоуменъ** ‘heavy-minded’⁶³⁷, **хѹдоперъ** ‘bad-feathered’⁶³⁸.

- Lexemes missing in this source: **люботрѹднѣ** ‘diligently’⁶³⁹, **златоплетенъ** ‘gold-knitted’⁶⁴⁰, **пїновѣспоминаемъ** ‘always recorded’⁶⁴¹, **ѣтопочивенъ** ‘defuncted as a Saint’⁶⁴², **христоименитъ** ‘Christian’⁶⁴³, **іратъкоризенъ** ‘having short shirt’⁶⁴⁴, **частовѣздычателенъ** ‘often sighing’⁶⁴⁵, **чловѣколюбезенъ** ‘loving the humans’⁶⁴⁶, **екотоуменъ** ‘smart as cattle, stupid’⁶⁴⁷, **бгомижењъ** ‘brave in the name of God’⁶⁴⁸, **многословимъ и многомовитенъ** ‘very famous and having much property, rich’⁶⁴⁹.

The specific verbs of the Moldavian Slavonic texts can be divided into the following groups:

⁶²⁷ Macarie II 476v. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 414 ‘πολύξυλος’.

⁶²⁸ Macarie II 473v. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 316 ‘πολυμήχανος’.

⁶²⁹ Macarie II 474v. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 316 ‘πολυτάραχος’.

⁶³⁰ Macarie II 475v. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 347.

⁶³¹ Macarie II 474r. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 284 ‘ἀγριόπνοος’.

⁶³² Macarie II 476r. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 316 ‘πρεσβυγένης’.

⁶³³ Macarie II 480v. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 434 ‘δχυρόπυργος’.

⁶³⁴ Macarie II 474v. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 428 ‘εύπυργος’.

⁶³⁵ Macarie II 477r. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 434 ‘βαρύδυνπος’.

⁶³⁶ Macarie II 474r. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 434 ‘βαρύβρομος’.

⁶³⁷ Macarie II 474rv. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 278 ‘βαρύφρων’.

⁶³⁸ Macarie II 474v. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 446 ‘ἀπαλόπτερυξ’.

⁶³⁹ Macarie I 154r. *Словарь русского...*, 8, p. 66. Cf. LSJ, p. 1938 φιλοπόνως.

⁶⁴⁰ Macarie I 155r. F. MIKLOSICH, *Lexicon palaeoslovenico-graeco-latinum*, Vindobonae 1862–1865, p. 227 ‘ex auro plexus’. Cf. LBG, vol. VIII, p. 2023 χρυσόπλεκτος.

⁶⁴¹ Macarie I 155r. *Словарь русского...*, 20, p. 19. Cf. LSJ, p. 26 ἀειμνημόνευτος.

⁶⁴² Macarie I 164v. К. ИВАНОВА, *Бѣлгарски...*, p. 84 ἔτοπονικοι. Here about people, which did not become Saint, showing respect to them. *Словарь русского...*, 23, p. 215.

⁶⁴³ Macarie I 167r. И.И. СРЕЗНЕВСКІЙ, *Матеріалы для словаря древнерусского языка по письменным памятникамъ*, vol. III, *Санктпетербургъ* 1912, p. 1405.

⁶⁴⁴ Macarie II 474v. Not found in CS dictionaries.

⁶⁴⁵ Macarie II 475r. Not found in CS dictionaries.

⁶⁴⁶ Macarie II 480r. F. MIKLOSICH, *Lexicon...*, p. 1119 ‘homines amando’.

⁶⁴⁷ Macarie II 476r *Словарь русского...*, 23, p. 12. Cf. LBG, vol. IV, p. 891 κτηνόφρων.

⁶⁴⁸ Theodosie's Enkomion 200r. Not found in CS dictionaries.

⁶⁴⁹ Theodosie's Enkomion 202r. The expression was present already in the original Passion of St John the new, see П. РУСЕВ, А. ДАВИДОВ, *Григорий Цамблак...*, p. 162–163. Cf. πολύλογος καὶ πολυχρήματος. Cf. LSJ, p. 1439, 1446.

- Verbs of non-Slavonic origin shared with Romanian: **посокотити** ‘to note; to remark’⁶⁵⁰, **келтovати** ‘to spend’⁶⁵¹.
- Moldavian Slavonic adaptations missing in Romanian: **жживати** ‘to use’⁶⁵², **щетла(ви)ти** ‘to remain’⁶⁵³.
- Verbs of Slavonic origin shared with Romanian: **ѡпирати** ‘to retain’⁶⁵⁴, **тъклити/токлити** ‘to agree, to establish’⁶⁵⁵, **торговати** ‘to trade’⁶⁵⁶, **хотарити** ‘to form border; to border’⁶⁵⁷, **мартирисити/мартирисати** ‘to testify’⁶⁵⁸, **дөби(ва)ти** ‘to achieve; to conquer’⁶⁵⁹, **ра(з)сипати** ‘to destroy’⁶⁶⁰, **неволисати сѧ** ‘to make effort’⁶⁶¹, **валовати** ‘to assail’⁶⁶².

⁶⁵⁰ *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 55. Romanian *a socoti*. The verb *сокотити* is attested in the Wallachian Slavonic context, see ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 91, 125 (1480s).

⁶⁵¹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 539; Romanian *a cheltui*. Cf. *Erdélyi...*, vol. VII, p. 336 *költ* ‘ausgeber’. Attested in Wallachia, ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 51 (1430s/1440s).

⁶⁵² Part of the regular formula, e.g. M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 508. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 466–467, otherwise in Ruthenian **ѹжживати/вживати**; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 69 ‘*incolare, reviviscere*’.

⁶⁵³ *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 47. Maybe a misspelling from *щетавити* (OCS).

⁶⁵⁴ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 531. Cf. G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 70 ‘*claudere*’. In contemporary Wallachian Slavonic usually corresponds to **задръжкати** (e.g. DRH B 3, p. 10 from 1526) or **запрѣтити** ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 338 (1535/1545). In older Wallachian documents **ѡпрѣти**, ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 385. Romanian *a opri*.

⁶⁵⁵ Present in all types of chancery documents. *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 93; *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 52; ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 518, 531. In Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727 **потоклити**. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 212, 435, 412; cf. G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 45–46 **потоклити** ‘aequi parare’. Romanian *a (se) (în)tocmi*. In Wallachian Slavonic **ѹтъклити/ѹтъоклити** (DRH B 3, p. 30, 1526), **ѹтаклити** (DRH B 3, p. 65, 1527).

⁶⁵⁶ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 438; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 62 ‘*mercari*’. In Wallachian **торговати**, ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 227 (1510s); Romanian *a târgui*.

⁶⁵⁷ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 184; *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 94; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 55. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 514; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 68; *Erdélyi...*, vol. IV, p. 1189 *határoz* ‘begrenzen, abmarken, Grenze abzeichnen’; Wallachian Slavonic **хотарисати**, DRH B 3, p. 74 (1527); Romanian *a hotărî* ‘to decide; to establish limits’.

⁶⁵⁸ *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 183, 240. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 578; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 32 **мартирисати**; in Wallachia **мартирисати**, DRH B 4, p. 25 (1536). Romanian *a mărturisi*.

⁶⁵⁹ *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 278; *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 98; Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 311; SUM XVI, vol. VIII, p. 67–68; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 15 ‘*a câştiga, a răpune*’. In contemporary Wallachian Slavonic **догтигнѣти** (DRH B 3, p. 81, 1538), in older documents **дөбите** ‘to conquer’, ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 144 (1477/1481); Romanian *a dobândi*.

⁶⁶⁰ Colophon of the Apostolos 1528; ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 540. In this meaning **Словарь русского...**, 22, p. 77; Romanian *a risipi*.

⁶⁶¹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 540. Attested in Wallachian Slavonic, e.g. ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 211 (1508/1510). Not found in dictionaries. Romanian *a se nevoi*.

⁶⁶² Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, *534 Documente...*, p. 520. Cf. SUM XVI, vol. III, p. 171; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 4; Romanian *a învălu*.

- Ruthenian verbs: тъгати ‘to sue’⁶⁶³, жаловати ‘to complain’⁶⁶⁴, жадати ‘to request’⁶⁶⁵, изнаити/изнаходити ‘to find’⁶⁶⁶, лишити ‘to leave’⁶⁶⁷, вожити ‘to swear’⁶⁶⁸, пригодити сѧ ‘to happen’⁶⁶⁹, норовити ‘to urge’⁶⁷⁰, дїаковати ‘to thank’⁶⁷¹, порвшити ‘to break (law)’⁶⁷², прислѹжати ‘to belong’⁶⁷³, разорити ‘to destroy’⁶⁷⁴, веќедати/вседити ‘to settle’⁶⁷⁵, загубити ‘to loose’⁶⁷⁶, заховати ‘to retain’⁶⁷⁷, слѹбовати/слѹбити ‘to promise’⁶⁷⁸, вѣпѹдити ‘to expel’⁶⁷⁹, мешкати

⁶⁶³ Молдова ын епока..., vol. II, p. 276; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 26; Surete..., vol. XXI, p. 98; ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 531. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 455; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 63 ‘a se părî; pretendere’.

⁶⁶⁴ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 510. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 354; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. XI, p. 553 ‘coram iudice accusare’.

⁶⁶⁵ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 352. *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. XI, p. 562–565 ‘rogare, quaerere’.

⁶⁶⁶ Surete..., vol. I, p. 204, 241; Surete..., vol. XXI, p. 98; Молдова ын епока..., vol. II, p. 275; Marie I 158г йснахðдї ‘having found out’. SSUM, vol. I, p. 402–403 (и)изнаити.

⁶⁶⁷ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 520, 538. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 552–553; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 31 ‘a läsa’.

⁶⁶⁸ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 519, 525. Cf. G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 3 ‘a jura’; Словарь русского..., 1, p. 274.

⁶⁶⁹ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 728. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 236–237. The same document also contains the (O)CS equivalent приљвичити сѧ.

⁶⁷⁰ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 520. Cf. Словник української мови..., <http://sum.in.ua/s/norovyty> [10 V 2022].

⁶⁷¹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 539. SSUM, vol. I, p. 343 дїаковати; Middle Polish dziękować ‘gratias agere’, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/50943> [10 V 2022]; Old Czech děkovati.

⁶⁷² M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 513; colophon of the Apostolos from 1528. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 199; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. VI, p. 412 poruszyć ‘(praecepta) violare’; Old Czech porušiti.

⁶⁷³ Surete..., vol. XIX, p. 58; Молдова ын епока..., vol. I, p. 52. SSUM, vol. II, p. 246; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 48.

⁶⁷⁴ Молдова ын епока..., vol. I, p. 52. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 287–288 разорити; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 52 разорити ‘a strica’.

⁶⁷⁵ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 510 веќедати; Молдова ын епока..., vol. II, p. 269 вседити. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 92, 93 осадити/осети; Словник української мови..., <http://sum.in.ua/s/osidaty> [10 V 2022], <http://sum.in.ua/s/osadzhuvaty> [10 V 2022]: осідати/осістти/осаджати/осаджувати.

⁶⁷⁶ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 30. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 374; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. XI, p. 78–79 zgubić ‘perdere, delere’.

⁶⁷⁷ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 388; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. XI, p. 53–54 zachować ‘retinere’; Old Czech zachovati.

⁶⁷⁸ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 359–360; Middle Polish ślubować; Old Czech slíbovat.

⁶⁷⁹ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726. SSUM, vol. I, p. 209; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. X, p. 518 wypędzić ‘expellere’; Old Czech vypuditi.

‘to waver’⁶⁸⁰, *дороζзмѣти* ‘to find out’⁶⁸¹, *вѣрнѣти сѧ – врѣтити* ‘to return’⁶⁸², *выйти* ‘to go out’⁶⁸³, *притисноути* ‘to force’⁶⁸⁴, *зламати* ‘to break’⁶⁸⁵, *приказити* ‘to foil, to frustrate’⁶⁸⁶.

- Church Slavonic verbs with a prefix: *п҃ѣтѣръколити сѧ* ‘to turn around’⁶⁸⁷, *п҃ѣдвѣспомѣнижти* ‘to mention before’⁶⁸⁸, *п҃ѣхѹглити* ‘to blaspheme in advance’⁶⁸⁹, *пѹкрасити* ‘to ornate’⁶⁹⁰, *промѣжки сѹково* ‘to exchange’⁶⁹¹.
- Church Slavonic verbs enlarged with an adjective/adverb stem: *блѣдословити* (usual CS *блѣдословити*) ‘to say crazy things’⁶⁹², *длѣгословствовати* ‘to speak longly’⁶⁹³, *малодѣшьствовати* ‘to show fear’⁶⁹⁴.

The Moldavian Slavonic texts include a large variety of function words of different origin. In the internal chancery documents and the Treaty with Poland, there is an important layer of Ruthenian prepositions: §⁶⁹⁵, very typically appearing

⁶⁸⁰ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726. Cf. HSBM 18, 30, thus Ukr., Pol. *mieszkać*, ES XVII, *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. IV, p. 242 *mieszkać* ‘morari’; Old Czech *meškati* (primary meaning is ‘to waiver’).

⁶⁸¹ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 320.

⁶⁸² Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726, 727. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 165 *вѣрнѣти*; SUM XVI, vol. V, p. 18 *врѣтити сѧ*; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. X, p. 324–325 *wrócić* ‘reverti’. T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27 shows the (O)CS (eventually Czech) equivalent *вратити*.

⁶⁸³ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 216; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. X, p. 474 *wyjć* ‘exire’. See the (O)CS, eventually South Slavonic equivalents in the Transylvanian correspondence: ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 540 *излазити*, p. 540 *излѣзти*.

⁶⁸⁴ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727. Cf. *Гістарычны слоўнік...*, vol. XXIX, p. 30–31; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. VII, p. 243 *przycisnąć* ‘alicui rei obligare’; Old Czech *přitisknúti*.

⁶⁸⁵ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727. SSUM, vol. I, p. 399; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. XI, p. 389 *złamać* ‘frangere’; Old Czech *zlámati*.

⁶⁸⁶ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727. Cf. *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. VII, p. 134 *przekazić* ‘praeccludere; impedire’; Old Czech *překaziti*.

⁶⁸⁷ Macarie II 472v. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 390. Not found in CS dictionaries. Bulgarian *тѣрколя се* ‘to wriggle’, *Речник на българския език*, <https://ibl.bas.bg/rbe/lang/bg/търкалям/> [10 V 2022].

⁶⁸⁸ Macarie I 163v. Cf. *Словарь русского...*, 18, p. 183.

⁶⁸⁹ Theodosie’s Enkomion 203r. Not found in CS dictionaries.

⁶⁹⁰ *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 51 (monastery charter). Not found in CS dictionaries.

⁶⁹¹ *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 119. Cf. *Словарь русского...*, 20, p. 167.

⁶⁹² Theodosie’s Enkomion 203r. Cf. *Словарь русского...*, 1, p. 250.

⁶⁹³ Macarie I 154v. Cf. *Cronica lui Constantin Manasses...*, p. 264 ‘μακρηγορεῖν’.

⁶⁹⁴ Macarie I 155r. Cf. *Словарь русского...*, 9, p. 16–17.

⁶⁹⁵ E.g. *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 278 § *наши § молдавскон земли – Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 212

§ *наши молдавскон земли* ‘in our Moldavian land’. *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 130 оү *Бѣрлад* ‘in Bârlad’.

before toponyms, **подли** ‘close to; along’⁶⁹⁶, **между** ‘between’⁶⁹⁷, **через** ‘through’⁶⁹⁸, **до** ‘to’ in the position meaning⁶⁹⁹. In the Treaty with Poland, there are also specific Ruthenian-Polish forms **къ** ‘to, for, towards’⁷⁰⁰, **з**⁷⁰¹ ‘with’, **вдле** and **подалег** ‘according to’⁷⁰². An exceptionally interesting type of prepositions, appearing especially in the internal documents, are the compound prepositions. The regularly used ones are **промежи** ‘between’⁷⁰³ and **шкъ** ‘towards’⁷⁰⁴. The prepositions **въ** **срѣдь** ‘from the centre of’⁷⁰⁵, **внѣ** **шкъ** ‘except’⁷⁰⁶, **къ** **проти** ‘against’⁷⁰⁷ are occasionalisms, **въ на** ‘on’ seems to be a mistyping⁷⁰⁸. The variability of adverbs and conjunctions will be displayed in the following two tables:

But compare *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 184 **оу дрѹгїи стлѣк** ‘up to the second border assign’, **и еднѣ** **е** **петъ** ‘to an elm’. The Ruthenian **и** thus joins two different prepositions, ***въ** ‘in, to’ and ***у** ‘by, near’. Due to the North Bulgarian and Štokavian impact, we find a similar phenomenon in Wallachian Slavonic.

⁶⁹⁶ In the Treaty with Poland as ‘according to’, Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727 **подли нас** ‘with us, near us’; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 65 **подли вѣли** ‘along (the brook) Beala’; *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 184 **подли село** ‘along the village’, **подли потока** ‘along the brook’. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 166.

⁶⁹⁷ *Молдова виенопка...*, vol. II, p. 269; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 71; ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 728. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 583.

⁶⁹⁸ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726; *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 94; *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 210. In *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 184, there is the CS equivalent **съкъзъ** (OCS **съкъзъ**).

⁶⁹⁹ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726 **пришѣ** **до на** ‘he came to us’; ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 531 aor.: **прїидѣ** **до на** ‘he came to us’. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 267.

⁷⁰⁰ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726 **къ шкодѣ** ‘to the detriment’. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 525; Middle Polish **ku szkodzie**, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/60613> [10 V 2022].

⁷⁰¹ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727. The documents show the variation, e.g. **з войсками** ‘with the troops’, **с Тѹрки** ‘with Turks’.

⁷⁰² Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725. SSUM, vol. I, p. 184; vol. II, p. 166.

⁷⁰³ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 508; *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 119, 380.

⁷⁰⁴ *Молдова виенопка...*, vol. II, p. 271 **шкъ Сижи** ‘to Zija’; *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 184 **шкъ Шинчани** ‘towards Oniceni’; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 65 **шкъ Ерътгъвѣ** ‘towards Bârgăuani’; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. II, p. 16 **шкъ Молдова** ‘towards (the river) Moldova’; *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 17, 20 **шкъ въстока** ‘eastwards’. Cf. G. GHIVĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 71 ‘de la, despre’. Cf. Romanian *de la, de către*.

⁷⁰⁵ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 204 **въ** **срѣдь** **пасики** ‘from the centre of the clearing’. Cf. Romanian *dintru*.

⁷⁰⁶ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 184 **продали...** **панѣ** **Алботи** **самомѹ** **внѣ** **шкъ** **егро** **братїа** ‘they sold (it) just to Sir Albota, not to his brothers’.

⁷⁰⁷ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727 **къ** **проти** **цареви** **Тѹрецкомъ** ‘against Turkish sultan’.

⁷⁰⁸ *Inscriptiї din bisericile...*, p. 56 **въ на четвртътом лѣтѣ** ‘in the 4th year’.

Adverbs

Meaning	CS	Ruthenian	Wallachian – South Slavonic
also	такожде ⁷⁰⁹	такъ ⁷¹⁰ , ти ⁷¹¹ combination: ти також- де ⁷¹²	mixed type: такожде ⁷¹³
always	въсегда, виник ⁷¹⁴	засжди ⁷¹⁵	
then	тогда ⁷¹⁶	тохи ⁷¹⁷ , па ⁷¹⁸	
together	въкспих ⁷¹⁹ , кспих ⁷²⁰		заедно ⁷²¹
very	зкаш ⁷²²	белли ⁷²³	(белли)

⁷⁰⁹ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27; *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 148, 538, Macarie I 167r.

⁷¹⁰ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 510; *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 259; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27; *Surete...*, vol. XXIV, p. 147; *Surete...*, vol. VII, p. 159; *Surete...*, vol. II, p. 344; *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 17; *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 119; *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 140; ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 418; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 61.

⁷¹¹ *Surete...*, vol. XXI, p. 93; *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 140, 184; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 71; ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 542, 538. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 425–426; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 61 ‘pariter’; *Słownik staropolski...*, vol. IX, p. 150–151 ‘et (etiam)’.

⁷¹² *Surete...*, vol. IX, p. 26.

⁷¹³ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 203; *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 215; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 65; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 32; *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 184; *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 240. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 418; G. GHIBĂNESCU, *Slovar...*, p. 61 ‘pariter’. The form used in the Serbian and contemporary Wallachian chancery was *такогде*, Ђ. Даничић, *Рјечник...*, vol. III, p. 274; DRH B 3, p. 77 (1528) and 137 (1529).

⁷¹⁴ Matthew per. per 75, RGB 54v; per. 108, RGB 77r.

⁷¹⁵ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 372.

⁷¹⁶ Macarie I 155r, 158rv, 163r, etc.

⁷¹⁷ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 434 *тогди*.

⁷¹⁸ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 729. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 121.

⁷¹⁹ Macarie I 163r, II 464v; *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 275.

⁷²⁰ Macarie I 161v.

⁷²¹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 518; ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727; SSUM, vol. I, p. 375; Ђ. Даничић, *Рјечник...*, vol. I, p. 370–371 ‘una’. In Wallachian Slavonic usually *кспино* (even *шкспино*, DRH B 3, p. 325, 1535), in some documents *засено*. Cf. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 394 (1480s).

⁷²² Matthew, per. 3, RGB 12v.

⁷²³ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 163; Ђ. Даничић, *Рјечник...*, vol. I, p. 109 ‘valde’.

Meaning	CS	Ruthenian	Wallachian – South Slavonic
now	нинѣ ⁷²⁴	тепе ⁷²⁵	съда ⁷²⁶
back	въспатъ ⁷²⁷	наЗа ⁷²⁸	
how much	колико ⁷²⁹	кочако ⁷³⁰	(колико)
where	где, кадио ⁷³¹	где ⁷³² , када ⁷³³	

Conjunctions

Meaning	CS	Ruthenian	Wallachian – South Slavonic
that	тако ⁷³⁴	ѡ ⁷³⁵ , дж(ε) ⁷³⁶ , и ⁷³⁷	еpe ⁷³⁸

⁷²⁴ Macarie I 159r.

⁷²⁵ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 535. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 428.

⁷²⁶ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 518, 539, 540, 541. On the same place also ѿ съда ‘from now’. Used in the Wallachian and Serbian chancery, cf. Ђ. Даничић, *Рјечник...*, vol. III, p. 233; DRH B 3, p. 65 (1527).

⁷²⁷ Macarie I 159v.

⁷²⁸ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 538. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 14.

⁷²⁹ Surete..., vol. IX, p. 21; Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 204.

⁷³⁰ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 727. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 489.

⁷³¹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 540 (both words as direction).

⁷³² Ispisoace..., vol. I.1, p. 55; Surete..., vol. XXI, p. 98; ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725 (position).

⁷³³ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 511 (position). SSUM, vol. I, p. 526 (direction).

⁷³⁴ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 531; Macarie I 154v and *passim*.

⁷³⁵ Included in the promulgario formula, e.g. M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 507. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 76.

⁷³⁶ Glăvan’s Letter; Surete..., vol. I, p. 240; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27 *разѹмѣли есмы* Ѿ *была* ‘we have understood that she was’.

⁷³⁷ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725. Cf. SSUM, vol. II, p. 425; Middle Polish, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/55374> [10 V 2022].

⁷³⁸ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 518 (letter to Brașov). Cf. Ђ. Даничић, *Рјечник...*, vol. III, p. 523–524. In Wallachian Slavonic see e.g. DRH B 3, p. 244 (1533/1534).

Meaning	CS	Ruthenian	Wallachian – South Slavonic
in order to	Δа ⁷³⁹	а бы ⁷⁴⁰ mixed: како аби ⁷⁴¹ , да аби ⁷⁴² , аби да ⁷⁴³	како Δа ⁷⁴⁴
or	Или ⁷⁴⁵	аew, лиев ⁷⁴⁶	
when	εгΔа ⁷⁴⁷	коли ⁷⁴⁸	къдА ⁷⁴⁹
until	Дондеже ⁷⁵⁰	ж ⁷⁵¹ , пок ⁷⁵²	докле ⁷⁵³
if	аще ⁷⁵⁴ , аще ли ⁷⁵⁵	коли бы ⁷⁵⁶ , если ⁷⁵⁷	ако ли ⁷⁵⁸ , ако ли ⁷⁵⁹

⁷³⁹ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 511; Surete..., vol. XXIV, p. 147; Surete..., vol. VII, p. 159; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 60.

⁷⁴⁰ Молдова ын епока..., vol. II, p. 269; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.1, p. 61; ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 519, 539; ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 725. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 63; Middle Polish and Old Czech *aby*, <https://spxvi.edu.pl/indeks/haslo/5182> [10 V 2022].

⁷⁴¹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 535, 538.

⁷⁴² Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 538.

⁷⁴³ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 539.

⁷⁴⁴ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 513; ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 540. In Wallachian see DRH B 3, p. 239 (1533).

⁷⁴⁵ Молдова ын епока..., vol. II, p. 269; Macarie II 476v.

⁷⁴⁶ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 63, 545.

⁷⁴⁷ Молдова ын епока..., vol. I, p. 50; Macarie I 157r.

⁷⁴⁸ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 510; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27; ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 538; ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726. Cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 487.

⁷⁴⁹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 519 (letter to Braşov). Cf. Ђ. Даничич, *Рјечник...*, vol. II, p. 516, in Wallachian Slavonic see DRH B 3, p. 352 (1535).

⁷⁵⁰ Macarie I 160r, II 476r.

⁷⁵¹ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726.

⁷⁵² Surete..., vol. XVIII, p. 140.

⁷⁵³ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 539. Cf. Ђ. Даничич, *Рјечник...*, vol. I, p. 743 ‘quousque’. In Wallachian Slavonic e.g. DRH B 3, p. 361 (1535).

⁷⁵⁴ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 531.

⁷⁵⁵ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 540; Surete..., vol. XXI, p. 98.

⁷⁵⁶ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726.

⁷⁵⁷ Ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726.

⁷⁵⁸ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 518. Cf. Ђ. Даничич, *Рјечник...*, vol. I, p. 6. In Wallachian Slavonic e.g. DRH B 3, p. 15 (1526).

⁷⁵⁹ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 539.

Meaning	CS	Ruthenian	Wallachian – South Slavonic
but	иже ⁷⁶⁰ , ибо ⁷⁶¹	(али) ⁷⁶²	(али)
because	понеж(ε) ⁷⁶³ , заинеже ⁷⁶⁴	тому ⁷⁶⁵ ꙗо ⁷⁶⁶ , заинеже ⁷⁶⁶	(понеже)
as	како ⁷⁶⁷	так(ъ) ⁷⁶⁸	(како)
therefore	также ⁷⁶⁹	прото ⁷⁷⁰ ино ⁷⁷¹	
yet	еще ⁷⁷²	(еще)	їшче ⁷⁷³
And also	и, а ⁷⁷⁴	та ⁷⁷⁵	тебе ⁷⁷⁶

⁷⁶⁰ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 531.

⁷⁶¹ Macarie I, p. 165r.

⁷⁶² In all types of chancery documents. M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 509; *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 269; *Surete...*, vol. II, p. 337; *Surete...*, vol. XXIV, p. 147; *Surete...*, vol. VII, p. 159; *Ispisoace...*, vol. I.I, p. 61; ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 536, 541; ed. E. DE HURMUZAKI, N. DENSUŞIANU, *Documente...*, vol. II.3, p. 726. The conjunction *али* appears in the Moldavian chancery documents before any CS and South Slavic impact (since 1393), but within the Ruthenian context, it is exclusive to the Moldavian milieu. Other Ruthenian varieties use *але*, also attested in Moldavian Slavonic, cf. SSUM, vol. I, p. 68–69, 71.

⁷⁶³ *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. II, p. 272, 275; ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 535, 539.

⁷⁶⁴ *Surete...*, vol. I, p. 376 (monastery document).

⁷⁶⁵ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 519.

⁷⁶⁶ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 511.

⁷⁶⁷ M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 511; ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 535, 539.

⁷⁶⁸ *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 192; ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 531, 535, 537, 541.

⁷⁶⁹ *Молдова ын епока...*, vol. I, p. 40.

⁷⁷⁰ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 539; Glävan's Letter.

⁷⁷¹ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27; M.M. SZÉKELY, S.S. GOROVEI, *Documente...*, p. 508.

⁷⁷² *Surete...*, vol. XVIII, p. 140; T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 27.

⁷⁷³ *Surete...*, vol. VII, p. 159.

⁷⁷⁴ Regular in all chancery documents.

⁷⁷⁵ T. BĂLAN, *Documente...*, vol. I, p. 30. Cf. Ђ. Даничич, *Рјечник...*, vol. I, p. 414–415.

⁷⁷⁶ Ed. G.G. TOCILESCU, 534 *Documente...*, p. 520.

Written varieties in Moldavia

The variability of written Slavonic in Moldavia developed from the first decade of the 15th century through the interaction of Ruthenian and the Trinovitan variety of Middle Church Slavonic. This base was being gradually enriched by the elements of Romanian vernacular and South Slavonic elements mediated through the Wallachian milieu. In the 2nd quarter of the 16th century, most of Moldavian texts were CS based or showed a strong CS influence. In the chancery documents (except the communication with Poland), the clearly Ruthenian elements mostly appeared in the shape of fixed formulas, few repeating lexemes and morphological forms and a set of function words spread among the CS-shaped forms, whose syntactic distribution was influenced by non-Slavonic origin of scribes. The most regular remnant of the Ruthenian base of the chancery language was the preference of the l-preterite and /u/ reflex of *q in the secular chancery documents, which was supported by the Štokavian-based Wallachian impact in the letters addressed to Transylvanian towns. This contrasted with the use of simple past tenses (aorist and imperfect) and the reflex /ə/ (ѧ, eventually ѧ) for *q dominating in the rest of Moldavian production.

The most prestigious variety used in Moldavia was Trinovitan Church Slavonic, whose model form, minimally impacted by the complicated Moldavian language environment, was represented by texts of the biblical-liturgical corpus. These were the texts, thoroughly copied from their models patterned on the legacy of the Late Second Bulgarian Empire. Nevertheless, the Moldavian tradition might have further regularised some tiny orthographic details. The original bookish texts (preserved in manuscript books) comprising the historiographic (Macarie's Chronicle), hagiographic (Enkomion to St John the New) and small formulaic writings (colophons and inscriptions) tried to imitate the same models. In contrast to the shared corpus, the original texts contain more visible traces of Moldavian origin, especially the ѧ/ѧ/ѧ/ѧ variation and syntactical discrepancies, revealing the variable level of active knowledge of CS of the Romanian-speaking authors. From the examined period, we have one important Resavian book from Moldavia, dedicated to the monastery of Xeropotamou of Athos.

The internal chancery documents consist of CS-shaped formulas of Ruthenian origin, whose non-CS elements are concentrated mainly in the *dispositio*. The monastery charters are enriched with further Trinovitan CS formulas, similar or identical to those used in ktetor inscriptions and colophons. The most variable corpus comprises the correspondence with Transylvanian towns, which, despite its superficial CS shape, includes both Ruthenian and South Slavic elements. The Slavonic documents addressed to Poland (here represented mainly by the Treaty with Poland) are Ruthenian-based. On one hand, they show some similarities with the

contemporarily dominant Ruthenian variety – the Lithuanian chancery language (e.g. Polonisms, random *ě > є, *u-/vǔ- > ு-, *мати* ‘to have (to)’), untypical for the Ruthenian elements of the internal chancery. On the other hand, they also reflect the Moldavian linguistic reality: the typical spellings of the internal chancery (Ѡ /ja/, variation of Ѡ-/-\\$-, random *ě > и) and the syntactical discrepancies.

The Moldavian milieu also shows the following important similarities with the Wallachian environment:

- The Trinovitan CS being the most prestigious language variety.
- The presence of similar syntactical discrepancies, linked to the Romanian background of scribes and writers.
- The Romanian spelling system of Romanian proper names.
- A part of specific administrative, legal and landscape terminology.
- Randomly appearing elements of the (originally) Serbian chancery language.

The 16th century brought the increase of language variability into international communication. During the reign of Peter Rareş, the official correspondence with Poland was submitted to a language shift, replacing the traditional Ruthenian with Polish (partly keeping also Latin). In the official communication with Hungary and Transylvanian towns, the Latin language remained the main medium, while in the correspondence among Moldavian and Transylvanian town councils or with concrete persons of (Transylvanian) Saxon origin, the (Early High) German was applied.

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