Books stolen from Senate House Library, University of London
Report to ILAB, 2018

Books are from the collection of Sir Edwin Durning-Lawrence (1837-1914). They were stamped while in his possession, usually in two ways. One stamp recorded the accession number, corresponding to the number in Durning-Lawrence’s accessions register. The other stamp impressed the letters ‘D S’ in mauve, with a distance of 15 mm between the D and the S. These letters indicate location, and correspond to the numbers in the ‘dis. Shelf’ column of Durning-Lawrence’s accessions register. Senate House Library A general reference to Durning-Lawrence library markings appears in: K.E. Attar, “Sir Edwin Durning-Lawrence: A Baconian and his Books”, The Library, 7th ser. 5 (2004), 294-315. Senate House Library markings present on the books are (1) a label, ‘Durning-Lawrence Library’, measuring about 10 x 57 mm, pasted on the front pastedown; (2) a University of London Library bookplate, 118 x 99 mm, on the front free endpaper.

A list of sixteen titles formerly reported to ILAB is incomplete. This report lists the extra books and provides an update on the former list. Reference to a ‘Spanish list’ is to a list of books advertised for sale by Soler y Llach, Barcelona.

Books to be added to the ILAB missing register:

1. August, Duke of Braunschweig-Lüneburg, *Gustavi Seleni Cryptomenytices et cryptographiae libri IX* ([Lunaeburgi : Exscriptum typis & impensis Johannis & Henrici fratrum, der Sternen bibliopolarum Lunaeburgensium], 1624) (No. 25 on Spanish list)
   Two copies. Copy 1 (SHL barcode 191575090X) has 'P. Bonifacius' inscribed on front pastedown. Bound in vellum; title inscribed on spine with paper label pasted below bearing '475'.
   Copy 2 (SHL barcode 1915750937) has note on authorship of 'Cryptomenytices et cryptographiae' in Durning-Lawrence's or F. Burgoyne's hand on front flyleaf; inscription on bottom right corner of half-title: 'Bibliopolae Compactori[?] Z4Myl 1631'; further inscription on title page. Bound in vellum with blind tooling on covers and spine. See catalogue record: http://catalogue.ulrls.lon.ac.uk/record=b1891948~S24.
   Copies in Durning-Lawrence manuscript catalogue, nos. 2410 (acc. reg. D 5, S 6, corrected to D 8, S 5); 3423 (acc. reg. D 8, S 6)
   Invoices: Joseph Baer & Co., Frankfurt, 6 Feb. 1892, £1.10s; James Tregaskis, 232 High Holburn, 15 Oct. 1910, no. 199, £3.12s. Also a letter from a Berlin bookseller offering to supply Durning-Lawrence with a copy, 8 May 1894 (no evidence of acquisition of this copy).

   Invoice [possibly but not necessarily for this title]: ‘Baker’s Chronicle of Kings of England’, H.R. Hill & Son, 61 New Oxford St, London, 4 Feb. 1902, £1.5s,

3. Boissard, Jean Jacques, *Parnassvs cum imaginibus Mvsarvm* (Frankfurt: viduæ & filiorum Theodorj de Brij, 1601) (No. 12 on Spanish list)
   Plate 16 wanting.

Copy with SHL barcode 1915710517. Inscribed on front paste-down: B. Dockray. Ms. notes on front endpapers; lightly annotated. Wants final leaf (blank). Front free endpaper detached. Front hinges very weak. See catalogue record:
http://catalogue.ulrls.lon.ac.uk/record=b1979755–S24
Copy in Durning-Lawrence manuscript catalogue, no. 689 (acc. reg. D 11, S 6)
Invoices (include various copies/editions, and probably also Giordano Bruno’s Cabala):
Cabala, Mysteries of Government 1663, from H. Mischke, New York, 15 Sept. 1892,
[unspecified currency] 5.00; ‘Cabala – Mysteries of State etc’, Alfred Cooper, Newland Terr.,
High St., Kensington, 23 Apr. 1892, 13s.6d; ‘Cabala’: Clement S. Palmer, 100 Southampton
Row, 13 Nov. 1891, no. 106, 12s.6d; E. Menken, 3 & 5 Bury St, London, 29 Feb. 1892, no.
765, 4s; Henry Gray, 47 Leicester Square, London, 13 Apr. 1892, 5s; Sotheran, 136 Strand,
18 June 1892, 12s; Charles Higham, 27A Farringdon St, London, 14 Nov. 1894, no. 216,
8s.6d.

4. Gordon, Thomas, Francis, Lord Bacon: or, The case of private and national corruption, and
bribery impartially consider’d, 2nd edn (London: J. Roberts, 1721) (No. 45 on Spanish list)

5. Mallet, David, La vie du chancelier François Bacon (Amsterdam: [Artskée & Merkus], 1755)
(No. 48 on Spanish list)

6. Mallet, David, Histoire de la vie et des ouvrages de François Bacon, Grand- Chancelier
d'Angleterre (The Hague: Adrien Moetjens, 1742) (No. 50 on Spanish list)
Inscribed on t.p. by the Comte de Hettlinger. See catalogue record:
http://catalogue.ulrls.lon.ac.uk/record=b1964915–S24
Noted in Durning-Lawrence manuscript catalogue (1742), no. 627 (acc. reg. D 11, S 2).
Invoice: listed as sent by post, [unspecified currency] 4.50, 1893; place and name of
bookseller illegible.

7. Slatyer, William, The history of Great Britanie: from the first peopling of this iland to this
present raigne of o[u]r happy and peacefull monarke K. James (London: Printed by W.
Stansby, for Rich: Meighen, [1621] ). (No. 28 on Spanish list) Bookplate of Victor Albert
George Child Villiers, Earl of Jersey. Copy wants colophon. See catalogue record:
http://catalogue.ulrls.lon.ac.uk/record=b1979754–S1
Durning-Lawrence manuscript catalogue, no. 3409; Acc. reg. D 8, S 4, subsequently
amended to Acc. reg. D 8, S 3
Invoice: Bernard Quaritch, 15 Piccadilly, 12 Sep. 1892, “127/823 Slatyer History of Great
Britanie, small folio, old calf 1621 5s”

The following books, currently on the ILAB list of stolen books, have since been
discovered:

Jocelin, Elizabeth, The mothers legacie, to her vnborne childe (London, 1624)

Wright, Thomas, The passions of the minde in generall : corrected, enlarged, and with
sundry new discourses augemented (London: Printed by Valentine Simmes [and A. Islip] for
Walter Burre ..., 1604).