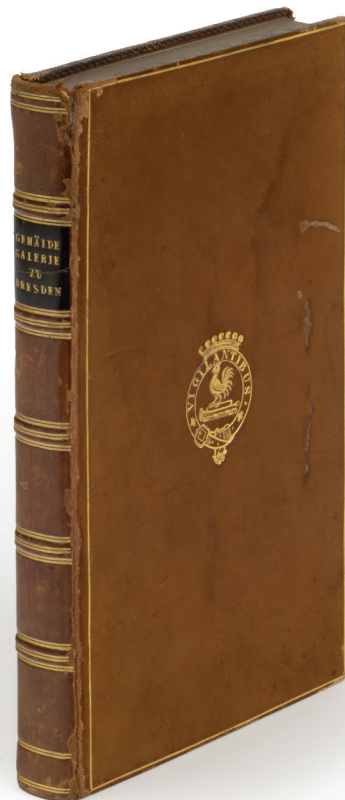




Matthäi, Johann Friedrich

Meißen 1777 – 1845 Vienna

Verzeichniß der Königlich Sächsischen Gemälde-Galerie zu Dresden.

Dresden, Gärtner, 1837

Two parts, OCTAVO (200 × 115 mm), (134, 62) ff., paginated (14) 1–252, (2) 1–130 (2); plus folding plan of the galleries.

PROVENANCE Archibald Acheson, 3rd Earl of Gosford (1806–1864), Gosford Castle, Mullabrack, Co. Armagh, the family insignia (a cockerel standing on a trumpet, motto *Vigilantibus* within the Garter, surmounted by a crown) on covers ('British armorial bindings' database, Stamp 2, [image](#)).

Occasional annotation in ink. Upper cover of binding scuffed, rubbed across joint.

BOUND in nineteenth-century polished calf, gilt insignia of the Earls of Gosford on covers; flat back decorated in gilt, black leather lettering-piece.

A **CATALOGUE OF THE PICTURES** in the royal gallery in Dresden, compiled by the painter Johann Friedrich Matthäi, professor in the art academy in Dresden (from 1809), latterly Inspektor (1823) and Direktor (1834) of the royal gallery. It stands upon the solid foundation laid by Johann Anton Riedel and Christian Friedrich Wenzel, whose *Catalogue des Tableaux de la Galerie Électorale à Dresde* was published in 1765 (reprinted 1771), later elaborated by August Joseph Pechwell (1757–1811)¹ and by an anonymous author.²

Matthäi's catalogue was first published in 1835 as *Verzeichniss der königlich Sächsischen Gemälde-Galerie zu Dresden. Von F. Matthai*, in two parts, describing respectively 'Die Gemälde der äußeren Galerie' and 'Die Gemälde der inneren Galerie'. Besides our reprint issued in 1837, an undated edition is recorded.

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¹ A.J. Pechwell, *Beschreibung der königlich-sächsischen Gemädegalerie in Dresden* (Dresden: Walther, 1807).

² *Neues Sach- und Ortverzeichniss der Königlich Sächsischen Gemälde-Galerie zu Dresden* (Dresden: [s.n.], 1817); also issued as *Catalogue explicatif des tableaux de la Galerie Royale de Dresden* (Dresden: [s.n.], 1817); reprinted 1819, 1822, 1826, 1833.