## Add. 7735

منطق الطير Date c.1490-1500

Title 'Aṭṭār, Manṭiq al-ṭayr

Content A Later Herat/Timurid copy of Manţiq al-Ṭayr by Farīd al-Dīn

'Attār (d. ca. 1230) containing 9 miniatures.

Illustrations:

(28v) A beggar kneeling before the princess he loves.

(30v) The hoopoe and the peacock.

(49r) Shaykh Şan'ān gazing at the Christian maiden on her balcony.

(68r) Sultān Maḥmūd helping a boy to catch fish (discoloured).

(75v) Jibrā'īl, having been sent by God to seek a follower of God in

Rum, finds him kneeling before a golden idol.

(84r) The story of the two foxes. A prince hunting with a falcon and

cheetah.

(91r) The sage telling the king about the crevice in a wall of a palace

through which 'Izrā'īl, the Angel of Death, could enter.

(151r) Sultan Maḥmūd and Ayāz on their way to play polo, waylaid by

an importunate baggar who was infatuated with Ayaz.

(181v) The prince rescues an infatuated beggar from the gallows.

Language Persian

Physical description

Material: Paper. Foliation: ff 208.

Dimensions: 24.1 x 15.9cm [leaf].

Script: Nasta'līq.

Decorations: 9 miniatures; one decorated heading; gold-ruled margins.

Ownership Acquired from estate of Claudius James Rich (1787-1821), British

Resident at Baghdad, in 1825; f 1r has several ownership inscriptions

dating from the 12th/18th century.

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