

## **The Seneschal Constantin Cantacuzino, the Religious Book and its Preservation**

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### **Abstract**

The Seneschal Constantin Cantacuzino stands among the outstanding Romanian intellectuals. In our paper we try to demonstrate that his love for books was easy to understand considering his background and experience gained from his trips to Edirne, Istanbul, Italy, Austria, Germany, Poland etc. He thus realised the superiority of the printed book to the manuscript. At the same time, he understood the value of the religious book in people's hearts, as a key to rescuing the ethnic groups threatened by the expansion of the great neighbouring empires. These are outstanding merits that help him remain among the extraordinary figures of the Orthodox culture of all Romanians and not only.