

**Memoire sur l'Inde: memoire sur l'insurrection de  
l'Inde angloise, rédigé par le révérand Père Benoît,  
missionnaire à la résidence de Poonah ...**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Creator</b>	Lévis, Pierre-Marc-Gaston, duc de, 1764-1830
<b>Title</b>	Memoire sur l'Inde: memoire sur l'insurrection de l'Inde angloise, rédigé par le révérand Père Benoît, missionnaire à la résidence de Poonah ...
<b>Call number</b>	Ms. Codex 1938
<b>Date</b>	circa 1806
<b>Extent</b>	1 volume
<b>Language</b>	French
<b>Language Note</b>	In French.
<b>Abstract</b>	A volume comprising a manuscript portion from volume 2 of Lévis work entitled <i>Les voyages de Kang-Hi, ou nouvelles lettres chinoises</i> . The manuscript was written in French around 1806 and is probably in Lévis hand.

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## Biography/History

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Lévis was the second Duke of Lévis son of the first Duke of Lévis Marshal Francis Gaston. Lévis was an author, economist, politician, peer of France and député to the National Constituent Assembly. During the French Revolution Lévis escaped to England. His mother and two of his sisters were sent to the guillotine. Lévis returned to France following the revolution. He was elected Académie française in 1816.

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## Scope and Contents

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A slim, hand-sewn, paper volume comprising a manuscript portion from volume 2 of Lévis work entitled *Les voyages de Kang-Hi, ou nouvelles lettres chinoises*. The manuscript was written in French around 1806 and is probably in Lévis hand. The heading on each leaf reads *Suite du Memoire sur l'Inde*. The manuscript is Lévis' fictional account of the Maratha rebellion in India relayed through letters of a Chinese man named Kang Hi traveling in Europe in 1910 . Many corrections and note appear throughout the volume. The pages are numbered 1 to 17. Line numbers are written in the left margins. A notation indicating the manuscript is a second draft is on the first page.

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### SUBJECT(S)

- French literature--19th century

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