

Adjustments at the biography of the chronicler Macarie (Abstract)

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The personality of the scholar Macarie, the bishop who from the command of Peter Rareș wrote a chronicle in slavonic, is generally well known, although there remain many aspects of his life and work that requires a reevaluation from many points of view (historiographical, documentary). According to that idea, this text focuses on the period when Macarie was abbot of the Neamț Monastery, who is placed, by the author of this lines, between years 1522/ 1523-1527. Also, this study shows that in 1527, at the beginning of the reign of Peter Rareș, the hieromonk of the Neamț Monastery was transferred as abbot in the Bistrița Monastery, where he remained until 23 april 1531, when he become bishop. Consequently, the writing of the chronicle was entrusted to the abbot of Bistrița at shortly after 20 January 1527, when was the beginning of the reign of Peter Rareș, but before 15 March 1527, when at Neamț Monastery was installed, already, another abbot.

Also, the study focuses on the period when the bishop of Roman not was in his dignity, because he was removed from the seat of the bishop by Iliăș Rareș, as a result of the opposition manifested to the fiscal policy excessive of voïvode. That time not coincide with the years 1548-1551, how Macarie said in his chronicle, because a document of 21 March 1551 shows that the bishop of Roman was in your seat of hierarch, so his dismissal should be placed after this date.