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The Fate of the Roman Kinship Elements in Today Romanian Kinship

There are many centuries between the Roman and Romanian kinship and as any other social fact the study of the kinship is often deductive, in the absence of objective data spread in time and space.

This paper works with certain terms, namely the patrician Roman family from the time Dacia was conquered and the traditional peasant Romanian family between the two World Wars. In fact, both the extended family and the nuclear family are discussed. The defining historical moments from the forming of the kinship on the actual territory of Romania are marked. Some elements of the territorial communities are emphasized.

The family of the Roman citizens is taken into consideration and some of its important features are discussed. This family is compared to rural Romanian kinship, with some references to the urban ones, as they appear in the works of Romanian authors based upon ethnological data as well as in field data recorded by the author herself.

There are some examples of Roman and Romanian customs which have similitudes or marked nearness, possible indication of the presence of Latin heritage on our land. As regard this matter aspects of the passage rites are shown.

This paper underlines that beyond doubt, proofs of the Roman survival in Romanian kinship are the Latin etymologies of the large majority of the Romanian kinship terms. Because similitudes or even possible identities between the two types of families here discussed could be sometimes accidental, such as some culture and civilization facts.

It is also mentioned the present dissolution of the community rules which has a major impact on Romanian society and obviously on the kinship.

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Orice comparație între structuri sociale distanțate în timp și/sau spațiu implică printre alte riscuri, și pe acela de a lăsa impresia că există numai similitudinile sau diferențele semnalate. Evident, ele s-ar putea regăsi și în alte demersuri care să implice construcții diferite.

Multe secole se întind între încrengăturile familiale romane încheiate și cele românești și ca orice fenomen social, studiul înrudirii este de multe ori deductiv, în absența unor date obiective extinse temporal și spațial. Dar școala CNRS vorbește