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## Second Half of the Shāhnāmeḥ of Ferdowsi

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A complete manuscript of high quality containing 232 folios measuring 35.3 x 24 cm. that constitute the second half of the *Shāhnāmeḥ*. Another volume that constitutes the first half of the epic is in the collection of Prince Sadruddin Aga Khan, in Geneva (Ms. C). The text is written in good *nasta'liq* in four columns, twenty-five lines per page. There is one double page illuminated frontispiece (ff. 1v and 2), and twenty-one miniature paintings, all signed by Mo'īn Moṣavver, which are for the most part clever solutions to unique compositional problems.

**Location:**

Dublin, Chester Beatty Library, Ms. no. 270.

**Dating:**

The manuscript itself is undated, but the last miniature (f. 223) is dated Moḥarram 1066/ November 1655.

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