



FEHİM SÜLEYMAN EFENDİ

FEHİM SÜLEYMAN (FAHİM SOLAYMĀN) EFENDİ, a Persian teacher and poet of Turkish origin (b. Istanbul, 1203/1789; d. 1262/1846). There is no information available concerning his youth and education. He was a servant and student of the well-known contemporary scholar Esmā'īl Farroḡ Efendi. He matured under his tutelage and, above all, became highly accomplished in Persian. After serving in several capacities at the imperial court, the imperial mint, and in Rumelia, he came to Istanbul and settled there to give Persian lessons. Among his students were Jevdet Pasha, the statesman and historian, and Fatīn Efendi, author of a *taḍkera* of Turkish poets. Fehim Süleyman Efendi's works include a small *divan* (Istanbul, 1262/1846), and a translation of Dawlatšāh's *Taḍkerat al-šo'arā'* entitled *Safīnat al-šo'arā'*, which also utilized Jāmī's *Nafahat al-ons*, the *Taḍkera* of Sām Mīrzā, and 'Alī-Šīr Navā'ī's *Majāles al-nafā'es*. Written at the beginning of the reign of Maḥmud II (1223-55/1808-39), FEDĀ'ĪĀNE KALQ this translation was dedicated to the state FEHİM SÜLEYMAN (FAHİM SOLAYMĀN) EFENDİsman Hâlet (Ḳāled) Efendi. It is a very abridged and loose translation of Dawlatšāh's *taḍkera*. Although the *taḍkera* of Dawlatšāh is divided into seven classes, Fahim's *taḍkera* is comprised of only four classes and an appendix. In addition, it is somewhat careless in the order of presentation of the poets. The work was published in Istanbul in 1259/1843.



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