

1019. MOZART IN EDMUND WEBER'S¹ ALBUM, VIENNA²

[Vienna, 8th January, 1787]

Be diligent – flee idleness – and never forget, sir,

Vienna, 8th January, 1787

At 5 o'clock in the morning, before departing.

the cousin who loves you from the heart.

Wolfgang Amadè Mozart mp³ ∇:.

¹ BD: Franz Edmund Kaspar Joseph Maria (von) Weber (1766-1828), obviously a Freemason from the entry made here, is the stepbrother of the composer Carl Maria von Weber, born of his father's first marriage. He was an actor, musician, director, music director and composer. His second marriage, in 1797, was to the singer Aloysia (Luise) Spizeder (1779-1806). Mozart's son Franz Xaver (* 1791) met him in Lübeck in December, 1819. On 11th November, 1787, his aunt Adelheid (c. 1729-1807, a sister of Fridolin Weber, i.e. of Mozart's father-in-law) made an entry in Mozart's album.

² BD: This entry was made immediately before Mozart's departure for Prague. Joseph Haydn wrote an entry on 22nd May, 1788: "Fear God – love your neighbour – and / your teacher Joseph Haydn / who loves you from the heart." On 3rd April, 1788, Abbé Maximilian Stadler left this sentence: "Draw level soon with your teacher Haydn and your friend Mozart."

³ mp = *manu propria* = in his own hand. The triangle with three dots indicated his membership of the Masonic Order.