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10688 - Two columns in White Marble carved with leaves, vine branches and grapes in relief. Capitals decorated with acanthus leaves; bases decorated with leaves.

From the Church "Notre-Dame de la Daurade", Toulouse, France.

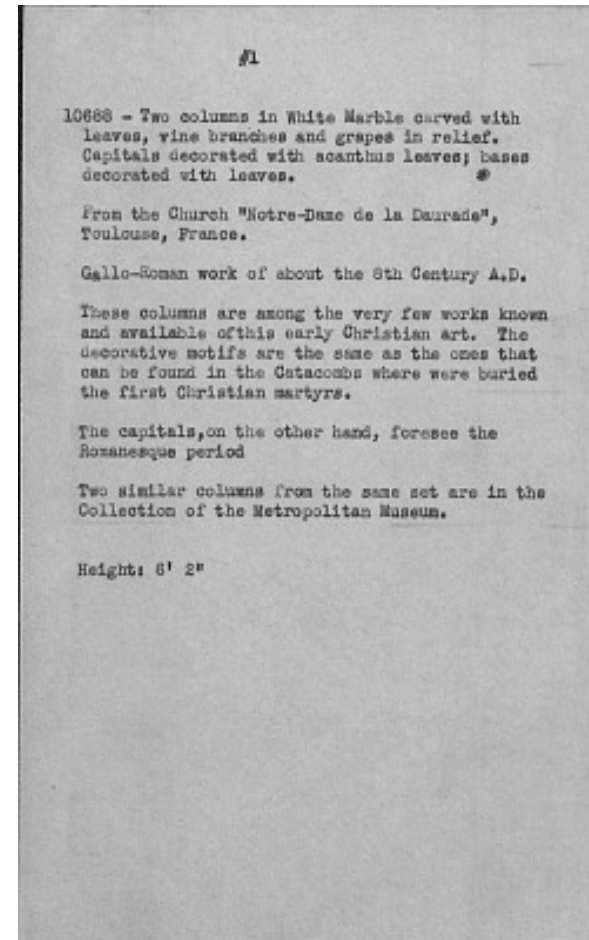
Gallo-Roman work of about the 8th Century A.D.

These columns are among the very few works known and available of this early Christian art. The decorative motifs are the same as the ones that can be found in the Catacombs where were buried the first Christian martyrs.

The capitals, on the other hand, foresee the Romanesque period

Two similar columns from the same set are in the Collection of the Metropolitan Museum.

Height: 6' 2"



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