ANTÔNIO FRANCISCO LISBOA, 'O ALEIJADINHO': AN ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY

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THE STATE OF MINAS GERAIS, ATOP THE CENTRAL BRAZILIAN PLATEAU, HAS LONG cast a spell over people of adventurous spirit. For years it supplied the Portuguese empire with a seemingly endless supply of mineral wealth. In 1698, gold was discovered and the famous 'century of gold' was ushered in. The mines of Minas proved to be among the richest ever worked by man and they provided the base for the luxurious Mineiro society that flourished throughout the eighteenth century.

The discovery of diamonds in 1729 seemed further proof to the already excited Mineiros that truly they had stumbled upon a mineral paradise. More than onefifth of the Mineiro gold was shipped to Portugal, but sufficient quantities remained in Minas to create one of the wealthiest societies of the eighteenth-century world. In 1701, the city of Ouro Prêto (then called Vila Rica) was founded. By 1720, it had become the capital of the newly created captaincy of Minas Gerais.

By 1760, Ouro Prêto had a population of over 60,000, and all the characteristics of a Klondike boom town. Like so many other Latin American mining communities, Ouru Prêto and its surrounding *municipios* contributed a huge portion of their wealth to the Church. Large sums were expended on the construction of cathedrals, churches, and monasteries. Slave labor erected the buildings, and gold from the nearby hills provided the interior ornamentation. Craftsmen from all parts of the empire flocked to Ouro Prêto, where commissions were easy to come by and the life was pleasant. Architects, sculptors, painters, and wood carvers were held in high esteem and their work was respected and much discussed.

It was into this world that Antônio Francisco Lisboa was born in 1738. He was the illegitimate son of the well-known Portuguese architect, Manuel Francisco Lisboa and a black slave girl. From his father he learned the basics of architectural design and construction. From the Brazilian sculptor Francisco Xavier de Brito he learned the stone carver's trade. Young Lisboa went on to surpass his teachers, and become, as George Kubler has said, "the greatest architect and sculptor Brazil has produced."¹

Lisboa's origin and color kept him out of the local artisans' guild. During his entire life he was forced to accept commissions through an intermediary. However, his skill and genius were widely recognized during his life and by the age of thirtynine he had made himself the leading Brazilian practitioner of the rococo style.²

¹ George Kubler and Martin Soria. Art and Architecture in Spain and Portugal and their American Dominions. Baltimore: Penguin Books, 1959, p. 141.

² Pál Keleman. Baroque and Rococo in Latin America. New York: Dover Publications, Inc. 1967, p. 248.

But from that time on, his life was plagued with misery. He became the victim of a terribly debilitating disease (see entries #29 and #43) that steadily worsened with age. Accounts have it that he gradually lost his toes and fingers, that his skin rotted and peeled off, and that he went blind. He acquired the nickname of 'O Aleijadinho' (the 'Little Cripple') and by that name he is affectionately known in Brazil to this day. Whether his sickness was leprosy or syphilis, we do not know. When José Rodrigo Ferreira Bretas wrote the first biography of Aleijadinho in 1858, he was unable to unravel fact from fantasy even though he interviewed people who had personally known or at least had seen the sculptor in his last years.

What we do know of Aleijadinho comes largely from a combination of legends, contemporary accounts, and modern scholarly examination of documents (such as receipts, commissions, and letters). It is fairly certain that from about age thirty-nine to his death at eighty-four, Lisboa suffered incredibly. He had to be carried to and from his work sites, and sculpt with his tools strapped to his stubs of wrists.

Genius is often a combination of talent and good fortune, tempered with suffering. In Aleijadinho's case the good fortune may at first be difficult to recognize. It may be found, however, in the soft soapstone with which he worked. This material is relatively soft when quarried but hardens with prolonged contact with the air. Polishing brings out a remarkably beautiful shine which enhances its color and grain. To the good fortune of Aleijadinho, the hills around Ouro Prêto are literally made of soapstone. One may wonder whether Lisboa, with his many handicaps, would have achieved such lofty success had he been forced to work with a harder material.

Aleijadinho's artistic output was enormous. He designed the beautiful Igreja do São Francisco in Ouro Prêto, and many chapels, altars, doors, and facades, in the region. In the little town of Congonhas do Campo he left his greatest achievement. There, in the open air sanctuary of the church of Bom Jesus do Matosinhos, he carved his magnificent ten-foot high statues of the twelve Prophets. Like silent sentries they guard the entrance to the church and stand as a monument to Aleijadinho's talent, faith, and perseverance. Lisboa completed the figures when he was over sixty years old and suffering the full effects of his affliction. Had he done nothing more than the Prophets, his reputation would have been established for all time. However, below the church, in a garden lined by giant royal palms are ten little chapels. Within the chapels, are beautiful life-size figures carved from wood, depicting the Stations of the Cross.

In the years since his death much has been written about Aleijadinho. Early travelers to Brazil such as Richard Burton, Saint-Hilaire, and Baron von Eschwege mentioned the presence of the crippled sculptor but their information was largely second or third hand. Following publication of the biography of Aleijadinho by Ferreira Bretas, little serious study was given to the artist during the nineteenth century. During the 1920s and 1930s he enjoyed a revival of sorts as part of a general renewed interest in Brazil's colonial past.

A landmark in this revival was the establishment in 1937 of the Serviço do

Patrimônio Histórico e Artístico Nacional. The eminent art critic and historian, Dr. Rodrigo Melo Franco de Andrade, was appointed its first director and for over two decades he filled the post with distinction. In 1952, he wrote an excellent history of S.P.H.A.N., stating that the organization, "é constituido pelo conjunto de bens móveis e imóveis existentes no país e cuja conservação seja de interêsse público: a) pela sua vinculação a fatos memoráveis da história do Brasil; b) pelo seu exceptional valor arqueológico, entológico, bibliográfico ou artístico."³ The center was crucially important to the study of Aleijadinho. One of it's first official actions was to declare Ouro Prêto a national monument, thus preserving the deteriorating works of Aleijadinho and his circle. In the early 1950s, S.P.H.A.N. carried out an extensive renovation of the statues at Congonhas (#59).

S.P.H.A.N. has also been active in a bibliographic sense. It has funded and published in its *Revista* and *Publicações* many studies of Aleijadinho and his work. The activities of S.P.H.A.N. have inspired Brazilian art critics and historians to undertake technical, documentary, and artistic studies of the sculptor's life and works. By 1939, such a mass of material had been published that the first and, until now, the only fullscale bibliography of Aleijadinho was compiled by Judite Martims and published by S.P.H.A.N. In 1943, R. A. Freudenfeld included a fine bibliography as part of his study, *Maestre Antônio Francisco Lisboa, O Aleijadinho (#41)*.

In 1948, Robert C. Smith and Elizabeth Wilder (Weismann) published their excellent study, *A Guide to the Art of Latin America*. They provided an extensive bibliographic treatment of the subject up to 1942. The work is well indexed and contains numerous citations to Aleijadinho.

Although the post-war period has seen much interest in and work on Aleijadinho, there was no attempt at bibliographic control of this material. Because the Martims and Smith-Wilder bibliographies end at 1939 and 1942 respectively, only items published after 1940 will be included in the present bibliography.

The heart of any bibliography is its annotations. So far as I know this is the first annotated bibliography of Aleijadinho produced since 1939. I have annotated all the works I was able to examine. In a very few cases, where a work was physically not available, an annotation has been borrowed from the *Handbook of Latin American Studies*, published annually by the Hispanic Foundation of the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

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