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Mekes : Creating an Imagery of the Kingship and the Transmission of Power in Ancient Egypt The mekes was an important part of royal ceremonial regalia known from the time of the First Dynasty pharaoh Den (2914 - 2867 BC), where it was frequently depicted in reliefs as the pharaoh grasps it in his raised left hand with the nxAxA-flail in the other, when he performs a ritual race during his coronation ceremonies. The aim of the present article is to build upon the analysis included in previous studies, to propose a proper translation of the currently investigated object or its meaning, and to demonstrate its political and socio-religious connotations as well as the iconographic meaning communicated by it. After a survey of previous studies, the question of its name will be briefly tackled, and an analysis of its attestations will be presented. However, given the largess of potential data sources, we have delimited the survey to the inscriptions of Edfu temple as a sample to the Ptolemaic and Roman temples. Keywords: mekes, succession act, divine right, Osiris, Horus, Thoth, Amun-Re	ملخص البحث باللغة الإنجليزية