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Well-Respected Nineteenth-Century Treatise on Equity


The Elements of Pleas in Equity: With Precedents of Such Pleas, With Notes and References to the Subsequent Decisions and American Authorities. New York: Published by O. Halsted, 1824. xii, 362 pp. Octavo (8-1/2" x 5").

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* First American edition, based on the London edition on 1818. A second edition was published in 1838. Beames was an expert on equity. As indicated by the comments in Marvin's Legal Bibliography (1847), his works were held in the highest regard. A member of a distinguished New England family, Sheffield [1820-1907] was a United States Representative and Senator from Rhode Island. Marvin Legal Bibliography 102-103. Cohen, Bibliography of Early American Law 4931. Order this item: http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=67158
Early Duodecimo Edition of Blackstone's *Commentaries*

2. Blackstone, Sir William [1723-1780].

*Commentaries on the Laws of England, In Four Books.* Dublin: Printed for the Company of Booksellers, 1775. Four volumes. Copperplate frontispiece portrait, Table of Consanguinity, folding Table of Descents. 12mo. (6-1/2" x 3-3/4").

Contemporary mottled calf, rebacked in period style with raised bands and retained contemporary lettering pieces, hinges mended. Light rubbing and a few scratches and scuffs to boards, moderate rubbing to board edges, corners bumped and somewhat worn, faint early owner stamp to top-edges of text block. Moderate toning to text, somewhat heavier in places, faint dampstaining to margins of some leaves, early annotations and signatures to endleaves, light edgewear to Table of Descents, a few endleaves have moderate edgewear. An attractive set. $1,350.

Final Edition of a Rare Portuguese Commercial Law Dictionary

3. Borges, Jose Ferreira [1786-1838].

_Diccionario Juridico-Commercial._ Porto: Typographia de S.J. Pereira, 1856. viii, 423 pp. Main text in parallel columns. Quarto (8-1/2" x 6").

Contemporary tree sheep, lettering piece, gilt ornaments and small owner label to spine, marbled endpapers. A few minor nicks, some rubbing to extremities, corners lightly bumped, small owner bookplate to front pastedown, front free endpaper partially detached. Light toning to text, some leaves have light foxing, recent owner signature to front endleaf. A nice copy. $250.

Boult’s Continuation of Washington’s Digest of Statutes

4. Boult, Henry, Compiler
[Washington, Joseph (d. 1694), Compiler].
A Supplement to the Abridgment of All the Statutes of King William and Queen Mary, And of King William III. And Queen Anne. From the Twenty Fourth of October, 1704. To the First of April, 1708. London: Printed by Her Majesties Printers, 1708. [xxxvi], 144, [14] pp. Octavo (7-1/2” x 4-1/2”).

Recent period-style quarter calf over marbled boards, raised bands, blind ornaments and lettering piece to spine, endpapers renewed. Moderate toning to text, occasional light foxing, early owner signature to head of title page. A nice copy. $150.

* The statutes digested in this volumes cover the period spanning October 24, 1704 through April 1, 1708, the final regnal years of Queen Anne. It is a supplement to Joseph Washington’s Exact Abridgment of All the Statutes of King William and Queen Mary, And of King William III. And Queen Anne (1704), which covers the years 1689-1704. English Short-Title Catalogue N24757. Order this item: http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=67133
Early Laws of Massachusetts

5. Brigham, William, Editor.

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Illustrated Anti-Suffrage Tale of a Woman in "Search of Her Rights"

6. Claxton, Florence [1839-1879].

Stiff full-color pictorial boards, recent cloth spine, advertisements (for household products) to verso of rear board, text re-cased, upper corner of rear board mended. Light soiling, moderate rubbing to extremities with some wear and chipping to corners, light toning to margins of interior. An attractive copy of a scarce title. $1,850.

* Later edition. Trained by her father, the painter Marshall Claxton, Florence Claxton enjoyed a successful career as a book and magazine illustrator. She was the first woman to produce a woodblock cut for publication. She often worked alongside with her sister, Adelaide, who was also trained by her father. Both sisters had similar styles, and sometimes worked together, often caricaturing British society. First published in London the 1860s (in an undated edition), The Adventures of a Woman in Search of Her Rights, a satirical view of the suffrage movement, was Florence's last book. The protagonist pursues a traditional male education centered on the writings of John Stuart Mill, which destroys her looks. Since she is now ugly, she must make her way as first a lawyer, then a politician and finally a doctor. Failing at all three professions, she moves to the United States and marries the polygamous leader of the Latter Day Saints, Brigham Young. The last two illustrations are of a letter to "Mrs. Brigham Young," and an attractive young woman rising from her slumber, who says: "Thank goodness it's only a midsummer night's dream and I'm not emancipated."

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A Critical Reply to William Petyt's *Antient Rights of the Commons of England*

7. [Cooke, Edward (Of the Middle Temple)]. *Argumentum Anti-Normannicum: Or an Argument Proving, From Ancient Histories and Records, That William, Duke of Normandy, Made no Absolute Conquest of England by the Sword; In the Sense of our Modern Writers. Being an Answer to These Four Questions; Viz; I. Whether William the First Made an Absolute Conquest of this Nation at his First Entrance? II. Whether he Cancelled and Abolished All the Confessor's Laws? III. Whether he Divided All Our Estates and Fortunes Between Himself and His Nobles? IV. Whether it be Not a Grand Error to Affirm, That There were no English-Men in the Common Council of the Whole Kingdom?* London: Printed by John Darby, 1682. [x], clxiv pp. Copperplate allegorical frontispiece. Octavo (7" x 4-1/2").

Later speckled calf, gilt fillets to boards, lettering piece and gilt fillets to spine, speckled edges to text block, blind tooling to board edges. A few minor nicks and scuffs, moderate rubbings to extremities. Some toning to text, somewhat heavier in places, light foxing to a few leaves. $450.

* First edition, one of two issues from 1682. This curious work was a critical reply to William Petyt's *Antient Rights of the Commons of England* (1680), a historical study of Parliament intended to advanced Whig ideology. The allegorical frontispiece is followed by a four-page description of its iconography. Other editions were published in 1684 and 1689. It is sometimes attributed erroneously to Sir Edward Coke. *English Short-Title Catalogue* R35619.

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A Notable Abridgment of the Parliament Rolls

8. Cotton, Sir Robert [1570/1-1631].
Prynne, William [1600-1669], Editor.

An Exact Abridgment of the Records in the Tower of London, From the Reign of King Edward the Second, Unto King Richard the Third, Of All the Parliaments Holden in Each Kings Reign, And the Several Acts in Every Parliament: Together With the Names and Titles of All the Dukes, Marquesses, Earls, Viscounts, And Barons, Summoned to Every of the Said Parliaments. Collected by Sir Robert Cotton, Knight and Baronet. Rev., Rectified in Sundry Mistakes. London: Printed for William Leake, 1679. [xxxii], 716 (i.e. 588), [142] pp. Folio (11-1/2" x 7").

Contemporary reversed calf, recent period-style spine, blind rules and corner fleurons to boards, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, hinges reinforced. Moderate rubbing and a few minor stains and scuffs to boards, heavier rubbing to board edges with wear to corners. Light toning to text, somewhat heavier in places, some leaves have light foxing, recent marks in light pencil to a few leaves. $500.

* Reissue of the first edition, 1657, the final version of this work. "In the seventeenth century the importance of the Parliament Rolls was so great that transcripts were made for private use, and published by private enterprise" (Holdsworth). The most important of these editions was produced by Prynne using a manuscript originally credited to Cotton. It is now believed to have been compiled by William and Robert Bowyer. It records the substance of Acts of Parliament and other particulars, that are not extant in print, among the statutes or the Parliament Rolls, and supplies the purpose of a useful index to the Rolls of Parliament. One of the most notable and colorful figures of the period, Prynne was a contentious, erudite Puritan attorney, legal antiquarian and prolific author. In 1660, he became the Keeper of Records in the Tower of London, a post he held until the end of his life. Holdsworth, A History of English Law II:423.

9. Covert, Nicholas.


Contemporary calf, rebacked in period style, blind rules to boards, blind fillets to spine, raised bands and retained contemporary lettering pieces to spines. Light rubbing to boards, faint early owner signatures to rear boards, moderate rubbing to board edges, corners bumped and somewhat worn, hinges mended. Moderate toning and occasional light foxing to text, early annotations to endleaves. $350.

* Fifth and final edition. First published in 1695, this popular formbook was addressed to the needs of professionals and laymen. *English Short-Title Catalogue* R171570.

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The Act of Tonnage & Poundage, And Book of Rates; With Several Statutes at Large Relating to the Customs; Carefully Examined by the Records: Out of Which are Collected The Variations from the Book of Rates and Act of Tonnage and Poundage, as now Practis’d. With an Abridgment of several other Statutes concerning the Customs. As also The Usual Tares, Ports of England and Wales, Lawful Keys, And Wharfs in the Port of London; With the Tables of Officers Fees, Scavage, Package, Balliage, And Packers-Porters Duties. Together with an Index of the Whole Alphabetically Digested. London: Printed by the Assigns of John Bill and Christopher Barker, 1675. [x], 325, [1] pp. 12mo. (6-1/4" x 3-1/2).

Contemporary calf, rebacked retaining spine with raised bands, blind rules to boards, gilt dentelles to board edges, endpapers renewed. Light rubbing to boards and extremities, minor wear to corners, recent owner bookplate to front pastedown. Light tonong to text, early owner signature to front endleaf. An attractive copy. $300.

* Later edition. This handbook offers an excellent perspective on the practical application of customs regulation by clerks, collectors and other dockside officials. Like many books of this kind, they are valuable sources of detailed information that is difficult to find elsewhere. The first edition was published in 1660. It went through several editions, the last appearing in 1737. It incorporates the various acts granting the Crown taxes on imports of wines, tobacco and linen and silk. English Short-Title Catalogue R23868. Order this item: http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=67082

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Eighteenth-Century Justice of the Peace Manual

The Civil and Executive Officer's Assistant; Containing the Forms of Bonds, Bills, Deeds, Letters of Attorney, Policies of Insurance, Releases, Wills, Writs, Pleas, Officers Returns and Justices Records of Court. With the Power and Duty of Justices of the Peace as contained in the laws of the State of Connecticut, And Exhibiting the Duty and Province of Select-Men, Constables, Grand-Jurors, &c: With an Appendix, Containing a Concise Mode of Casting Interest, Keeping Town Accompts, And Transacting Public Business with Facility and Accuracy.

By John Goodrich, Esq.

Contemporary tree sheep, lettering piece and blind fillets to spine. Moderate rubbing, minor wear to spine ends and corners, minor chipping to edges of lettering piece. Light browning to text, occasional light foxing, early owner signature and brief annotation to front free endpaper. A nice copy. $100.

* Second and final edition. Educated at Dartmouth and Yale, Goodrich "had several different occupations, in 1784 he became a member of the County Medical Society; in 1786 and for a few years thereafter, he ran a drug store; later he kept an inn and served as a constable; and by 1793 he had become a lawyer": Cohen, Bibliography of Early American Law 8009. Order this item: http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=67157
Limited Fine-Press Edition of Hamilton's "Reynolds Pamphlet"


Later stiff-paper wrappers, original title panel affixed to front cover, deckle edges. Very light soiling, negligible light rubbing to extremities, faint offsetting from bookend to front cover, front free endpaper detached. Light toning to interior, early presentation inscription to front free endpaper. $750.

* From an edition of 50, this number 15. This remarkable work, better known as the "Reynolds Pamphlet," relates to one of the first sex scandals in American political history. While secretary of the treasury, Hamilton had a three-year affair with a woman named Maria Reynolds. This affair was instigated and encouraged by her husband, James, as a way to extort hush money from Hamilton. Jailed for his participation in a shady speculative scheme, Reynolds attempted to implicate Hamilton in exchange for his freedom, through the help of political enemies, believing Hamilton would claim responsibility if he threatened with public exposure of the affair. In the meantime rumors linking Hamilton to the speculative scheme began to circulate and find their way into print, most notably in Callender's History of the United States. In a bold move to protect his public reputation, Hamilton addressed the rumors and prevented a political scandal by confessing the truth. Denying any charges of public financial impropriety, he admitted his "amorous connection" with Maria Reynolds with her husband's "privity and connivance." According to Sabin, Mrs. Hamilton tried to buy up all copies of the 1797 pamphlet, but some escaped. A second edition was reprinted in 1800 in the midst of the Jefferson-Burr election by a group of anti-Federalists. As one would expect, a small number of first editions exist today. The Hamilton Club reprint of the first edition was also issued as a quarto in 1865 in an edition limited to 25 copies.

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Clerk’s Manual With Plates Depicting Court and Chancery Hands

13. [Hawkins, John].
Cocker, Edward, Calligraphic Plates.
The Young Clerk’s Tutor Enlarged: Being a Most Useful Collection of the Best Presidents of Recognizances, Obligations, Conditions, Acquittances, Bills of Sale, Warrants of Attorney, &c. Also Names of Men & Women in Latin, Day of the Date, The Several Sums of Money, And Addition of Several Trades, In Their Proper Cases, As They Stand in the Obligations. With Directions of Writs of Habeas Corpus, Certiorari, Writs of Errors, &c. To All Cities and Towns Corporate, Hundred and Manor Courts. Likewise the Best Presidents of All Manner of Conords of Fines and Directions How to Sue Out a Fine with Many Judicious Observations Therein. With Many Other Things Very Necessary, And Readily Fitting Every Man’s Occasion: As by a New and Exact Table of What is Contained in This Book, Will Appear. To Which are Annexed Several of the Best Copies Both of Court and Chancery Hand Now Extant, By Edward Cocker. Purged From the Errors of All Former Impressions. London: Printed for, and are to be sold by Robert Battersby, 1705. [xvi], 206, [2] pp. 4 calligraphic plates (of chancery hands). With a half-title and advertisment leaf. Octavo (5-3/4” x 3-1/2”).

Recent period-style quarter red morocco over cloth, raised bands and gilt title to spine, endpapers renewed. Title page with in ruled border. Light browning to text, foxing to some leaves, rule at foot of title page affected by trimming. Early owner signature to verso of first plate, interior otherwise clean. A handsome copy. $750.

* Fifteenth edition. This popular guide was first published in 1660. It went through several editions and revisions. Cocker, who created the plates depicting chancery hands, was known for his writing manuals and arithmetical works. Pepys mentions him several times in diary entries for 1664. English Short-Title Catalogue N14344.
Order this item: http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=67108
A Handy Summary of a Well-Regarded Set of Seventeenth-Century Reports

14. Hughes, William [1587 or 1588-1663?].
More, Sir Francis [1558-1621].
With initial imprimatur leaf. Last leaf blank. Octavo (6-1/2" x 4-1/2").

Contemporary sheep, rebacked in period style, blind rules to boards, raised bands, gilt fillets, lettering piece and blind ornaments to spines, hinges mended. A few shallow scuffs to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities, corners bumped and lightly worn. Some toning to text, some leaves have light foxing, a few have early inkstains, light soiling to title page. Two early owner signatures in tiny hand to title page, a few leaves have brief early annotations. $350.

* Only edition. Hughes, a distinguished and versatile legal writer, is best known for his *Grand Abridgment of the Law Continued* (1660-1662), a three-volume supplement to Robert Brooke's *Graunde Abridgement* (1573). He produced several editions of summarized cases, often translated from Law-French, by leading reporters of the day. All include additional editorial material about the legal points elucidated by the cases. First issued in 1663, Moore's reports "enjoyed a reputation for accuracy. They were well known and were cited in MS. many years before their publication...." (Wallace). OCLC locates 7 copies in North American law libraries (Columbia, Georgetown, Harvard, Library of Congress, UC-Berkeley, University of Minnesota, Yale). Wallace, *The Reporters 122. English Short-Title Catalogue* R22481.
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1829 Collection of Illinois Laws, Has an Interesting Section on "Negroes"

15. [Illinois].
The Revised Code of Laws of Illinois: Containing Those of a General and Permanent Nature Passed by the Sixth General Assembly, At Their Session Held at Vandalia, Commencing on the First Monday of December, 1828; And Those Enacted Previous Thereto, And Ordered by the Said General Assembly to be Re-Published. Shawneetown, Ill. : Published by Alexander F. Grant & Co., Cincinnati: Lodge, L'Hommedieu, And Hammond-Printers, 1829. 278 pp. Octavo (7-3/4" x 4-3/4").

Contemporary three-quarter sheep of paper-covered boards, lettering piece, blind fillets and fragment of owner label to spine. Light soiling, rubbing with wear to boards, spine ends and corners. Moderate toning, somewhat heavier in places, and light foxing, occasional faint dampstaining. A solidly bound copy. $400.

* The second post-statehood collection, the first published in 1827. Included are laws relating to boundary lines, elections, horse, idiots, militias, the poor, roads, schools and smugglers. The section of the code concerning "Negroes" restricts their entry into the State, requires resident African-Americans to be registered with the state (as indicated by the possession of a registration certificate) and any non-registered African American as a runaway slave. Also, courts are ordered to dismiss any suit brought by a Slave petitioning a court for his or her freedom. Babbitt, Hand-List of Legislative Sessions and Session Laws

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Excluding Jews from the Textile Industry in Seventeenth-Century Florence

16. [Jews].
[Italy].

Stab-stitched pamphlet in self-wrappers, untrimmed edges. Light soiling to exterior, small stain to front cover, which has large woodcut Medici arms, light toning to interior, small woodcut stamps to upper corners of two pages. $1,750.

* The manufacture and finishing of textiles was one of Florence's most important industries during the seventeenth century. As one would expect, it was subject to extensive regulation. The first two acts restated in this 1649 pamphlet restricted the importation of foreign textiles. They were originally issued in 1606 and 1607. The third act, from 1649, prohibited Jews from the trade's main commercial activities, including the sale of locally produced and imported fabrics, notions (such as lace and ribbons), buttons and ornamental gold, silver and precious stones. This act indicates the hostility towards Florence's Jewish community that flourished during the long reign of Cosimo III de' Medici (1670-1723). OCLC locates 2 copies in North America (Harvard, Hebrew Union College).

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The Status of English Catholics at the End of the Nineteenth Century


Original moire cloth, blind rules to boards, gilt title and fillets to spine. Light rubbing to extremities with minor wear to corners, spine ends bumped, tiny tear to head of spine. Light toning to text, browning to half-title, minor crinkles to margins of some leaves. A nice copy of a scarce title. $150.

1576 Printing of Magna Carta and Later Statutes with Contemporary Annotations

18. [Magna Carta].


Later three-quarter calf over cloth, endpapers renewed, all edges gilt. Light rubbing to boards, some rubbing to extremities, a few minor scuffs near spine ends, corners bumped. Text printed on wide-margined paper. Light toning, dampstaining to lower corner of text block, some loss to corners of preliminaries and rear free endpaper. Early signature dated 1578 to head of title page, text annotated throughout in same hand. Another later signature to title page, a few notes in that hand. A few annotations affected by dampstaining or trimming, but without loss of legibility. $4,500.

* An early printing of the Magna Carta, which was first printed around 1508 by Richard Pynson. It also includes the Charta de Foresta of Henry III, the Statutes of Merton and Marlebridge, the Statutes of Edward I and other statutes, which are digested by topic. Among the most notorious statutes are those of Edward concerning Jews, including the Edict of Expulsion (1290), which banished them from England. Other statutes relate to women, wills, forcible entry, "Fraudulent Deedes" and other topics. The annotations are quite extensive and interpretive in nature. Some of these include references to cases in the Year Books. Beale, Bibliography of Early English Law Books $18.

A Digest of Manwood for Hunters and Fisherman

19. Manwood, John [d.1610].
[Cox, Nicholas (fl. 1673-1731), Editor].

Recent period-style paneled calf, gilt title and blind rules to spine, endpapers renewed, blind tooling to board edges. Light rubbing to extremities with negligible light wear to spine ends. Title page printed within ruled border. Moderate toning to text, somewhat heavier in places, light foxing to a few leaves. Small bookseller's label on verso of front free endpaper, Henry Sotheran Ltd. A nice copy. $750.

* First edition. A member of Lincoln's Inn, a barrister, gamekeeper of Waltham Forest and a justice of the New Forest, Manwood was a leading authority on forest law. First published in 1598, his Treatise and Discourse of the Lawes of the Forrest was a standard text into the twentieth century. Cox's Abridgment was issued in two forms: as a section in the fourth edition of his treatise The Gentleman's Recreation, In Four Parts; (Viz.) Hunting, Hawking, Fowling, Fishing (1697) and as an independent work. Later editions of the Abridgment were published in 1705 and 1721. All editions are scarce. OCLC locates 12 copies of the first edition, 4 in North American law libraries (UC-Davis, University of Minnesota, University of Pennsylvania, Yale). Wing, Short-Title Catalogue of Books Printed in England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, and British America M553. English Short-Title Catalogue R2155. Order this item: http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=67151
Clandestine Marriages

20. [Marriage]. [Great Britain].

Considerations on the Bill for Preventing Clandestine Marriages. By a Freeholder. London: Printed for W. Owen, 1753. [ii], 30 pp. Octavo (7-3/4" x 4-1/2").

Stab-stitched pamphlet in recent paper-covered boards, black-stamped title to spine, title page, with repair to inner margin, rehinged. Light soiling and few minor smudges and stains, minor wear to spine ends and corners, rear joint cracked, small recent owner bookplate to front pastedown. Light toning to text, light soiling to title page. $500.

* Only edition. "Freeholder" offers a negative appraisal of the Marriage Act of 1753, which was then being debated in Parliament. Enacted in 1754, and repealed in 1823, this act was the first statute intended to regulate marriage. It required a licence (or publication of banns), parental consent for parties under the age of 21, and a ceremony officiated by an Anglican clergyman in parish where at least one of the parties was resident. It was a reaction to "clandestine" marriages, such as common-law marriage, Scottish civil-law marriage, marriages performed by Anglican clergymen outside the rules codified by the act and marriages between Non-Conformists. "Freeholder" believes the bill is contrary to the natural rights of Englishmen. OCLC locates 14 copies, 9 in North America, 1 in a law library (Harvard). English Short-Title Catalogue T94308. Order this item: http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=67154
Records of the Massachusetts Constitutional Convention

21. [Massachusetts].

Original paneled moire cloth, gilt Massachusetts great seal to front board, blind seal to rear, gilt title and blind stamping to spine. Spine ends lightly bumped, negligible minor wear to spine ends. Light toning to text, light foxing in a few places. Ex-library. Small stamp and bookplate to front pastedown. A notably handsome copy. $100.

* Only edition. This was a contentious convention that resulted in a small majority in favor of ratification (187 to 168). This book contains three separate and independent records of the Convention’s proceedings: the Official Journal kept by the Secretary of the of the Convention, the Report of Debates taken by the editors of newspapers and Judge Parson’s Minutes (which are incomplete). The first and third items were first published in this volume, and the second is reprinted from an 1808 edition. Catalogue of the Library of the Harvard Law School (1909) II:80.
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The Powerful Tinners of Cornwall

22. [Mining].
Convocation of Stannators.

Laws of the Stannaries of Cornwall, Made at the Convocation or Parliament of Tinners, At Truro, Sept. 13, anno 27° Geo. II. In Which the Laws Made 22° Jac. I. 12° Car. I. 4° Jac. II. Are Recited and Confirmed. To Which are Added, The Laws made at Truro, 2° Annæ Reg. [London?: S.n., 1753]. [ii], 126 pp. Octavo (7-3/4" x 4-3/4").

Later three-quarter calf over marbled boards, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, endpapers renewed. A few minor scratches, binding (very) slightly cocked. Light toning to text, light foxing to a few leaves, brief annotations in early hand in a few places, recent notes in pencil to a few others. A handsomely bound copy of a scarce title. $350.

* Only edition. Under customary law, confirmed by several royal charters since Edward I, the Convocation of Stannators (i.e. tanners) exercised rights of jurisdiction over much of Cornwall. This power was granted and confirmed in recognition of the tin industry's economic value. The successor to a collection issued in 1725, this volume is a codification of the Convocation's laws. The Stannary laws are sometimes cited today as evidence of a unique political identity by Cornish Nationalists, who claim these laws were never formally repealed by the English crown. OCLC locates 11 copies, 1 in a North American law library (Georgetown). The ESTC adds Columbia and Harvard Law Schools. English Short-Title Catalogue T112915. Order this item: http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=67162
A Selection of Notable Chancery Cases

23. Nelson, W[illiam] [d. 1653], Compiler.
Reports of Special Cases Argued and Decreed in the Court of Chancery, In the Reigns of King Charles I. King Charles II. and King William III. None of Them Ever Before Printed. [London]: Printed by Eliz. Nutt, And R. Gosling, (Assignees of Edward Sayer Esq) for B. Lintott [et al.], 1717. [xvi], 207, [17] pp. Octavo (7-3/4" x 4-3/4").

Recent period-style three-quarter calf over marbled boards, raised bands, lettering piece and blind ornaments to spine, endpapers renewed. Toning and occasional faint dampspotting to text. Ex-library. Small inkstamps to title page and a few other leaves. A handsomely bound copy. $300.

* First edition. This is a selection of notable unpublished reports of Chancery cases from 1625-1701 taken from records of various officers connected to that court. Nelson, the compiler of this volume, was a highly skilled and versatile legal writer. In addition to treatises on evidence, game law, land tenure and a notable JP manual, he produced editions of Dalton’s Country Justice, Blount’s Nomo Lexicon and Manwood’s Laws of the Forest. English Short-Title Catalogue T95687.
Order this item: http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=67095
"One of the Handful of First-Rate Economic Treatises and a Classic on Its Subject"

24. [Petty, Sir William (1623-1687)].

London: Printed for Edward Poole, 1689. [x], 72 pp. Lacking half-title and two initial blank leaves. Quarto (7-3/4" x 6").

Stub-stitched pamphlet bound into later cloth, gilt title to spine, endleaves renewed. Light rubbing, a few minor stains, spine ends and corners bumped. Very light browning and light foxing to text, early repairs to margins of a few leaves. $3,500.

* Sixth and final edition. Petty, an economist, scientist and philosopher, is considered the father of laissez-faire economic policy and an important theorist of the division of labor. Originally published in 1662, A Treatise of Taxes and Contributions, addresses the theoretical foundations of value and wages, profit or surplus, interest, the value of land, and foreign exchange. "Written in the midst of urgent practical tasks, the Treatise was plainly occasioned by another question of great
immediate importance - the reorganisation of the Revenue by the Restoration Parliament. However, in contrast to the many economic treatises written in defence of concrete interests, while professing to be unbiased theoretical pronouncements, Petty's work is even more remarkable for its theoretical digressions than for its acute and important analysis of its immediate subject. So far from making any claim to scientific detachment, it contains a devastating attack on his bêtes noires, the parasites on the body politic, primarily the clergy and the lawyers, but its greatest achievement is his searching treatment of the main problems of scientific economics. The book is brimful of brilliant ideas, although it inevitably suffers from the defects of its qualities - lack of system, prejudice and sometimes inconsistency. These blemishes cannot shake its position as one of the handful of first-rate economic treatises and a classic on its subject" (Strauss). All editions of this work are scarce. OCLC locates 16 copies of the sixth edition, 9 in North America, none in law libraries. Strauss, Sir William Petty: Portrait of a Genius 176. Goldsmiths'-Kress Library of Economic Literature 2749. English Short-Title Catalogue R20953. Order this item: http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=67168

Cases Concerning the Poor, 1727-1742

25. [Poor Laws]. [Great Britain].
Cases and Resolutions of Cases, Adjudg'd in the Court of King's Bench. Concerning Settlements and Removals, From the First Year of King George I. To the Present Time. Corrected, With Additions, And an Appendix. [London]: Printed by Henry Lintot, 1742. [xxiv], 417, [31] pp. Octavo (7-3/4" x 4-3/4").

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* Fourth and final edition. Rich in sociological detail, and with a useful index, this book collects cases from 1727-1742 concerning the poor. Several cases concern orphans and children born out of wedlock. The first two editions were published in 1729, the third edition in 1732. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T97043.


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[Great Britain].

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* Only edition. This anonymous treatise provides a detailed and admirably clear analysis of two (rather convoluted) methods of conveyancing. Used to disentail an estate, a fine was an amicable agreement following a suit (fictitious or actual) used to determine the possessor of a piece of land. Difficult to summarize, a recovery was an elaborate proceeding, full of legal fictions, through with a tenant in tail disentailed a fee-tail estate. Both methods were abolished in 1833 by the Fine and Recovery Act. OCLC locates 2 copies (Harvard Law School, University of Minnesota). The ESTC locates 1 copy (Harvard Law School). We located a copy at the Library of Congress. Black's Law Dictionary (10th Ed.) 333-334, 749-750. English Short-Title Catalogue N10294. Order this item: http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=67146
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* Second and final edition. This well-regarded work was popularly known as "Reese's Manual." Though it was used by lawyers, this handbook was intended for laymen. As one would expect, this treatise includes sections on slaves and "Negroes." It was first published in 1858. Both editions are uncommon outside of Georgia. Cohen, _Bibliography of Early American Law_ 4652. Order this item: [http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=67166](http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=67166)
"Learned and Perspicuous Display...of the Law of Feuds"

29. Wright, Sir Martin [1691-1767]. [Binney, Horace (1780-1875)].


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* Third edition. Originally published 1730, this work "contains a learned and perspicuous display of those parts of the law of feuds which are chiefly necessary for the elucidation of the learning relative to the origin of estates and their legal properties" (Sweet & Maxwell). Horace Binney began his practice in 1800 and was the undisputed leader of the Pennsylvania bar during the mid-nineteenth century. Also an accomplished poet and scholar, he is best known for his three pamphlets on habeas corpus under the American Constitution published in 1861, 1862 and 1865, which defended President Lincoln's suspension of the writ. Sweet & Maxwell, A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth 1:460. English Short-Title Catalogue N8623. Order this item: http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=67139
Forfeiture for High Treason

30. [Yorke, Charles (1722-1770)].

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* Third edition. First published in 1745, Yorke's essay argues that corruption of blood and forfeiture are justifiable consequences of treason. This work was a response to the cases of treason that followed the Jacobite Rebellion of 1745 and a defense of treason legislation introduced by Yorke's father, the Earl of Hardwicke, who was then Lord Chancellor. Going beyond the common law, Yorke draws on examples from Athenian, Roman, Jewish and feudal sources. The final edition of this book, designated the fourth, was published in 1795. All editions are scarce. No copies of this edition located on OCLC. The ESTC locates 2 copies, both in North America (Harvard University, Harvard Law School). English Short-Title Catalogue T16276. Order this item: http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=67172