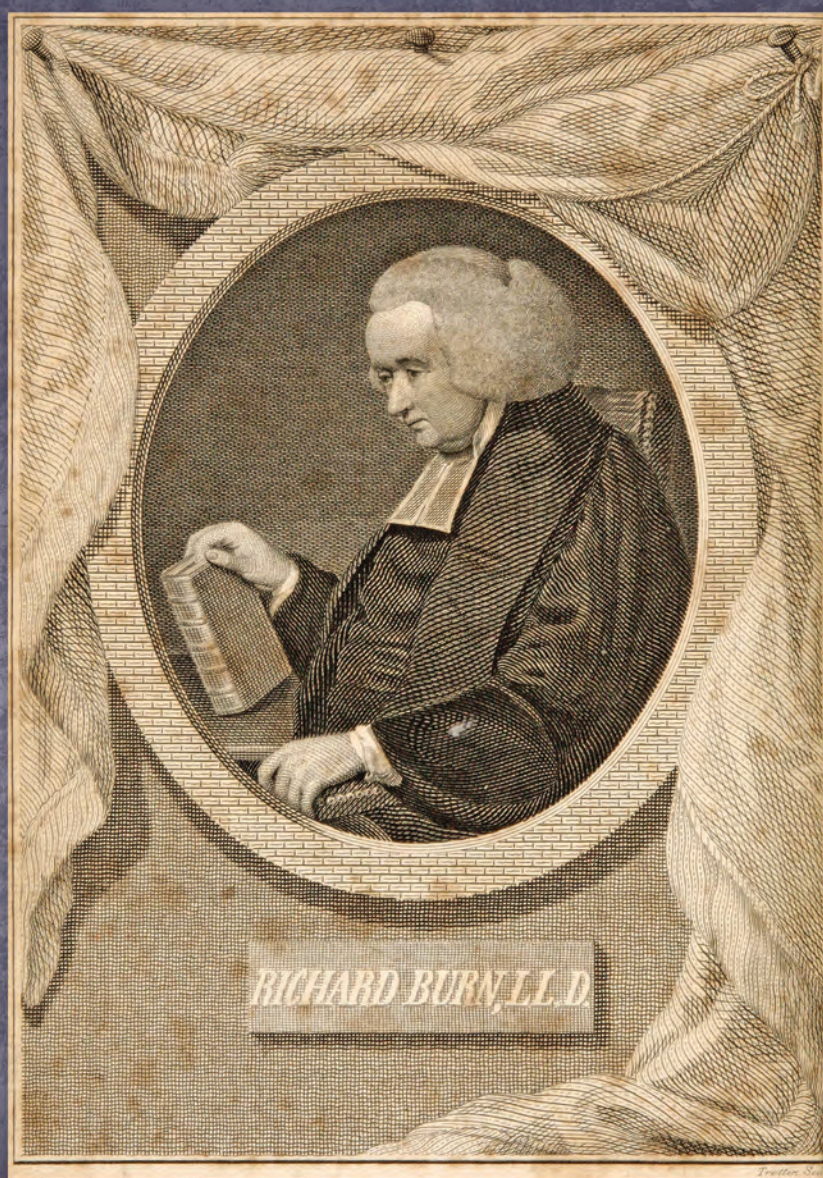


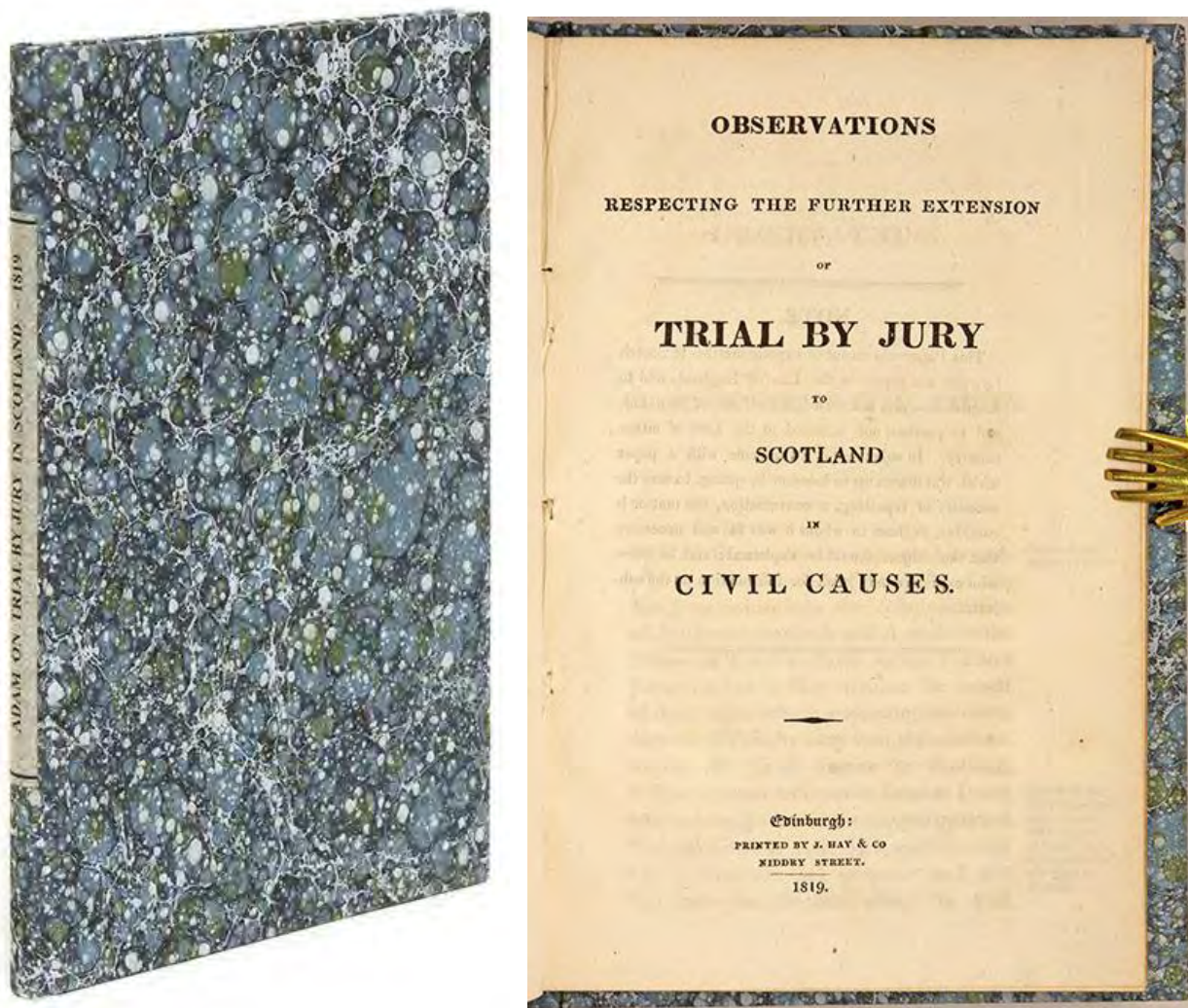
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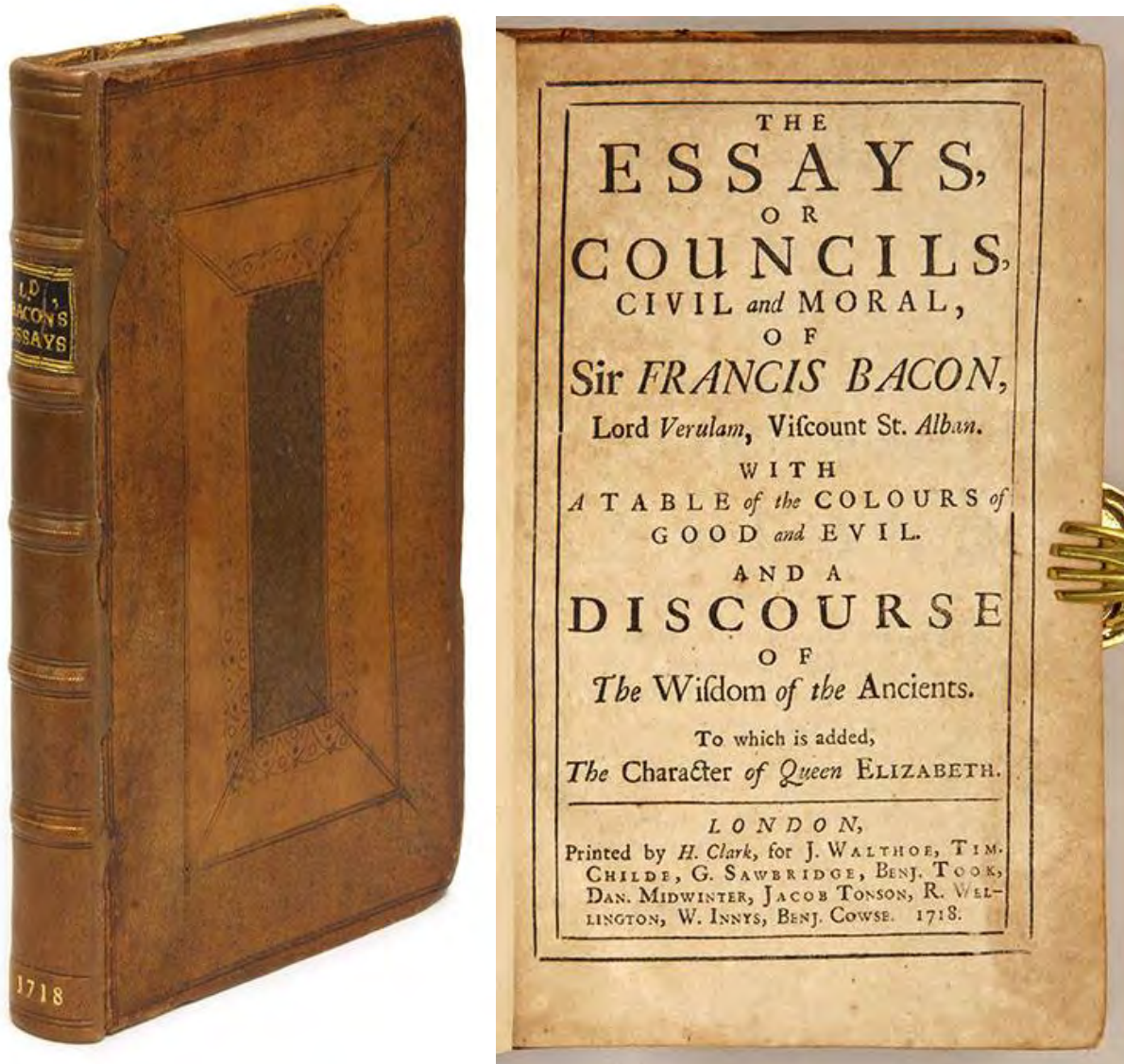
**Scarce Essay on Jury
Trials for Civil Causes in Scotland**

1. [Adam, William (1751-1839)].

Observations Respecting the Further Extension of Trial by Jury to Scotland in Civil Causes. Edinburgh: Printed by J. Hay & Co., 1819. [iv], 51, [1] pp. Quarto (7-3/4" x 5").

Recent marbled boards, printed paper title panel to spine, light toning to text. An attractive copy of a scarce title. \$350.

* Only edition. "This paper was meant to explain matters to Scotch lawyers not versed in the law of England, and to English lawyers not versed in the law of Scotland, and to persons not educated to the law of either country" (ii). OCLC locates 9 copies, 5 in North America. Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 5:3. [Order This Item](#)



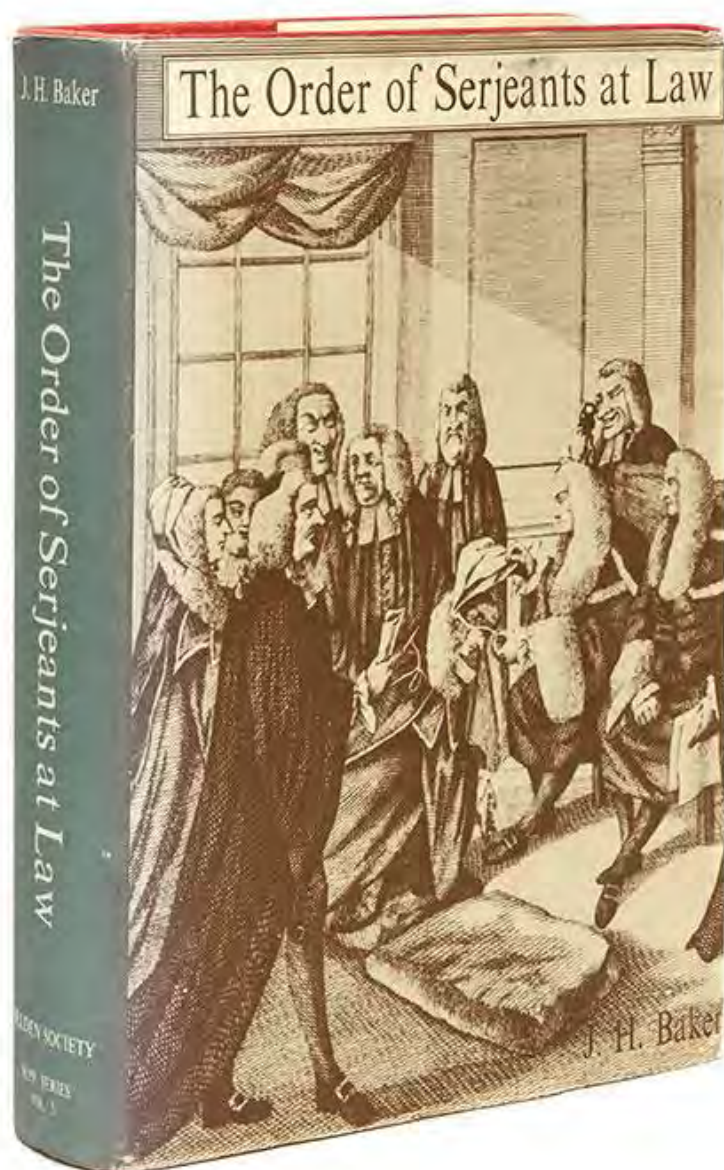
Bacon's Essays

2. Bacon, Sir Francis [1561-1626].

The Essays, Or Councils, Civil and Moral, Of Sir Francis Bacon, Lord Verulam, Viscount St. Alban. With a Table of the Colours of Good and Evil. And a Discourse of the Wisdom of the Ancients. To Which is Added, The Character of Queen Elizabeth. London: Printed by H. Clark, for J. Walthoe, Tim Childe, [et al.], 1718. [x], 167, [9], 21, [11], 102 pp. The *Table of Colours* has separate pagination and half-title; *The Wisdom of the Ancients*, which is translated by Sir Arthur Gorges, has separate pagination and title page. Octavo (7-1/2" x 4-3/4").

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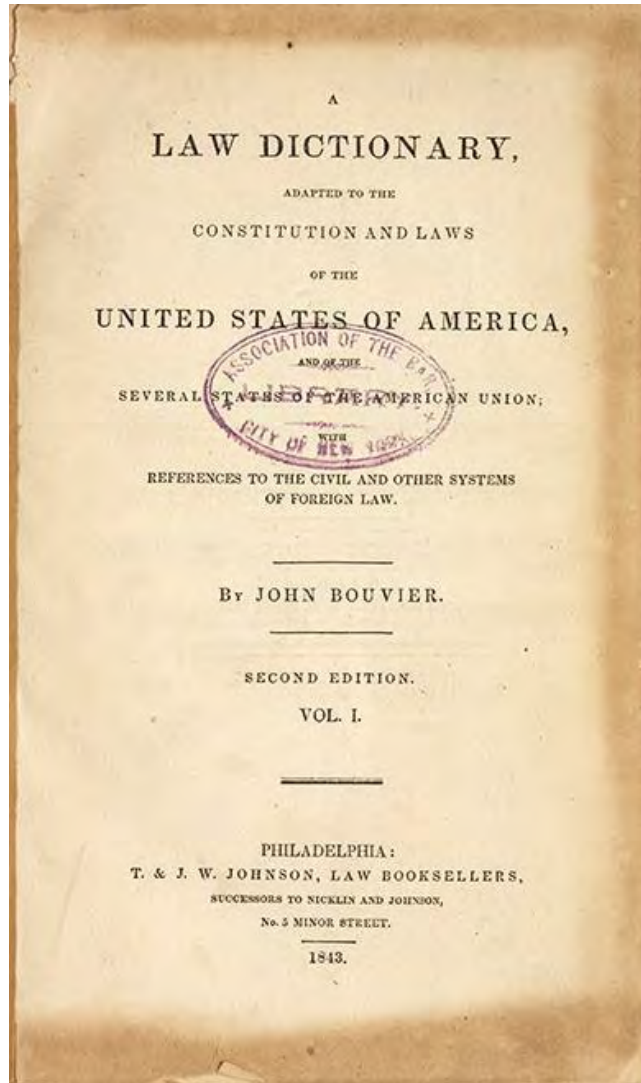
History of Serjeants at Law

3. Baker, J.H.

The Order of Serjeants at Law: A Chronicle of Creations, with Related Texts and a Historical Introduction. London: Selden Society, 1984. xxvi, 610 pp.

Cloth very good in lightly worn dust jacket, small owner stamp to front free endpaper. A nice copy. \$25.

* Serjeants at Law were the elite of the English bar and occupied a position more exclusive than that of a Queen's Counsel today. This book contains a list of all known members of the order, with their dates of creation, from the time of Edward I to the last Serjeant, Lord Lindley (1828-1921). The first part traces the history of the Serjeants and attempts to explain their origins, constitution and eventual disappearance. Sixteen plates illustrate their distinctive garb. An appendix gives short biographies of all the Serjeants listed in the book. [Order This Item](#)



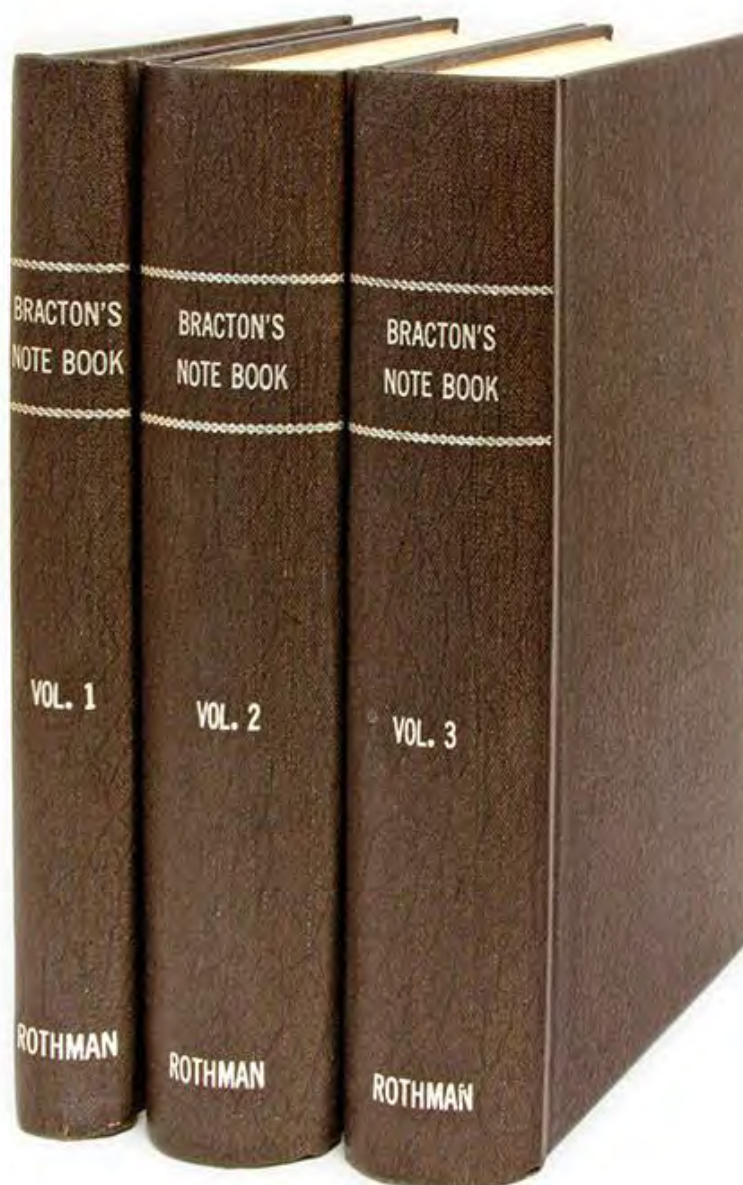
Second Edition of Bouvier's *Law Dictionary*

4. Bouvier, John [1787-1851].

A Law Dictionary, Adapted to the Constitution and Laws of the United States of America, And of the Several states of the American Union; With References to the Civil and Other Systems of Foreign Law. Philadelphia: T. & J.W. Johnson, Law Booksellers, 1843. Two volumes. viii, 740; 772 pp. Main text in parallel columns. Octavo (9" x 5-1/2").

Recent period-style quarter calf over cloth, raised bands and lettering pieces to spine, endpapers renewed. Moderate toning, some edgewear to preliminaries and final few leaves of each column, tiny chip to pp. 301-302 with minor loss to text, legibility not affected. Ex-library. Stamps to title pages, annotations and stamps to versos. A nice copy of a scarce title in a handsome binding. \$1,500.

* Second edition. In this edition Bouvier revised about half of his entries and added a thousand new ones. He also incorporated numerous local references, which were compiled through an extensive correspondence with members of all but one of the state bars. The second volume concludes with two appendices. The first is a list of English Chancery, Common Law and Ecclesiastical Reports and a list of the titles published by *The Law Library* (First, Second and Third Series). The second is a reprint of Robert Kelham's *A Dictionary of the Norman or Old French Language*. Cohen, *Bibliography of Early American Law* 5433. [Order This Item](#)



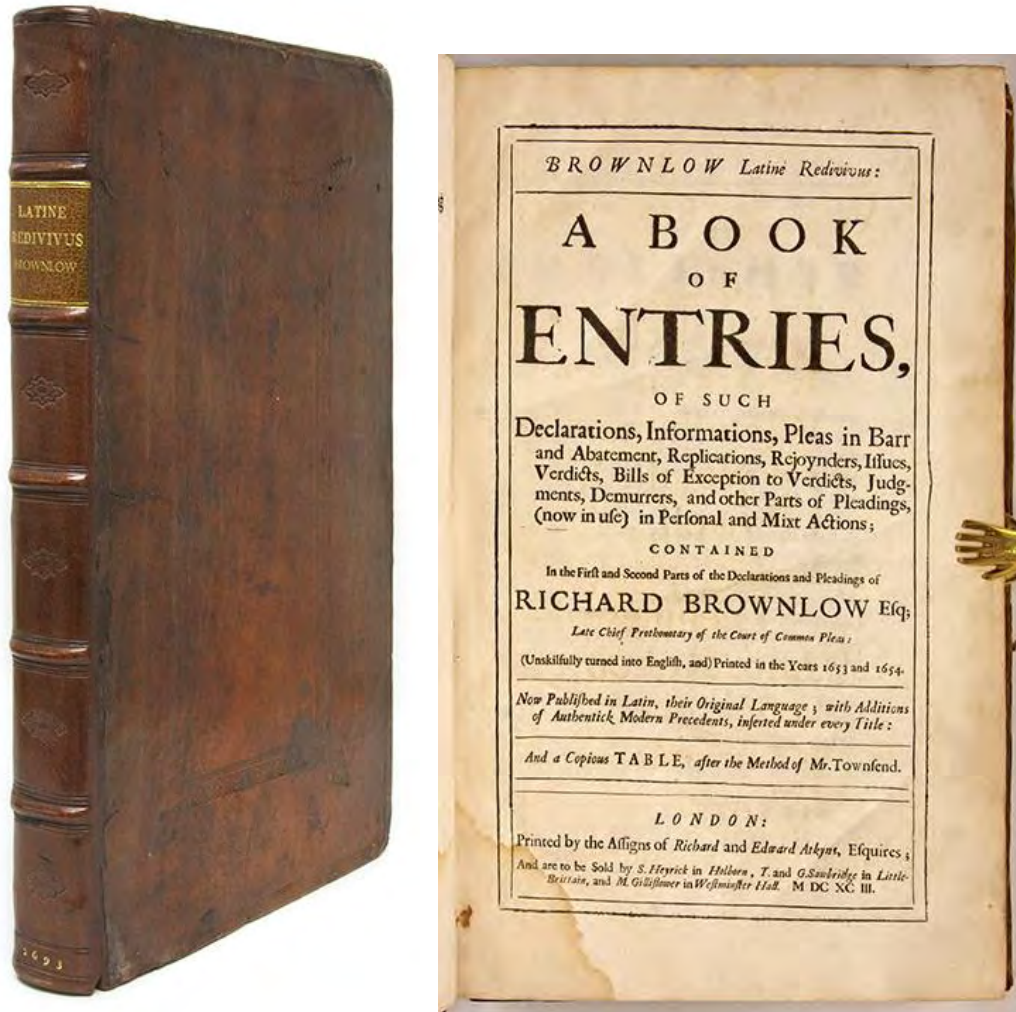
Maitland's Edition of Bracton

5. Bracton, Henry de, [d. 1268].

Maitland, F[rederick] W[illiam] [1850-1906], Editor.

Bracton's Note Book: A Collection of Cases Decided in the King's Courts During the Reign of Henry the Third, Annotated by a Lawyer of that Time, Seemingly by Henry of Bracton. London: C.J. Clay & Sons, 1887. Reprint. Buffalo: William. S. Hein Co. 1999. Three volumes. Cloth hardcover. Small owner stamps to front free endpapers, otherwise fine. \$125.

* Excepting the footnotes, Volumes II and III are in Latin. "The student of legal history cannot be too grateful for this publication... The 'Note Book' fills the last two volumes of the work. In the first volume the reader will find four separate indices of Actions, Things, Places, and Persons. These are preceded by an extremely interesting introduction...[in which] we get by far the best account of Bracton and his great 'Treatise' that has yet been written": Marke, *A Catalogue of the Law Collection at New York University* (1953) 11. [Order This Item](#)



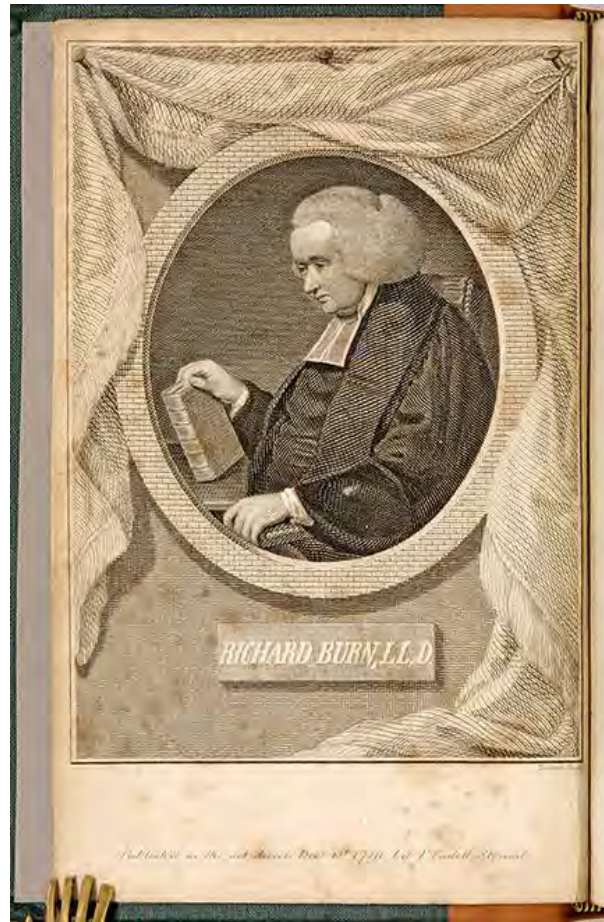
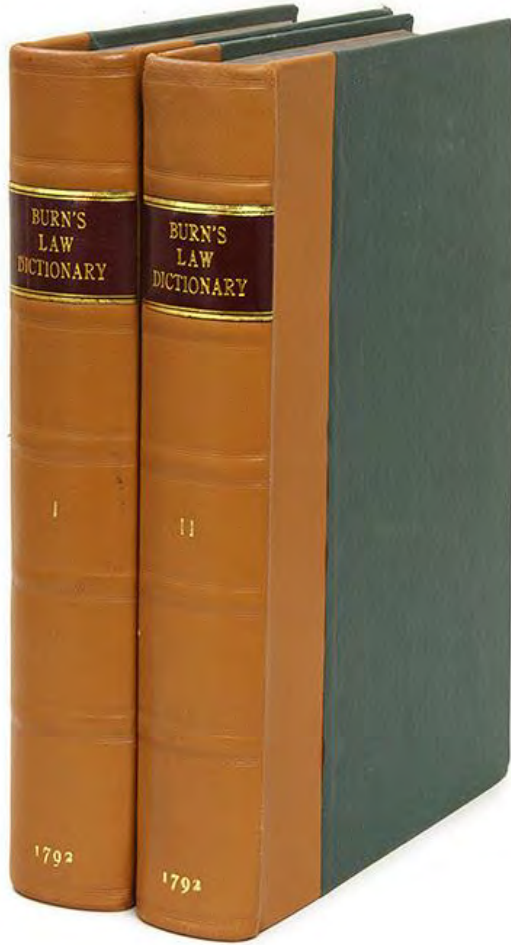
Best Edition of Brownlow's Book of Entries

6. Brownlow, Richard [1553-1638].

Brownlow Latine Redivivus: A Book of Entries, Of such Declarations, Informations, Pleas in Barr and Abatement, Replications, Rejoynders, Issues, Verdicts, Bills of Exception to Verdicts, Judgments, Demurrers, And Other Parts of Pleadings, (Now in Use) in Personal and Mixt Actions; Contained in the First and Second Parts of the Declarations and Pleadings of Richard Brownlow Esq; Late Chief Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas: (Unskilfully Turned into English, And) Printed in the Years 1653 and 1654. Now Published in Latin, Their Original Language; With Additions of Authentick Modern Precedents, Inserted Under Every Title: And a Copious Table, After the Method of Mr. Townsend. London: Printed by the Assigns of Richard and Edward Atkyns, 1693. [vi], 506, [46] pp. Folio (13-3/4" x 8").

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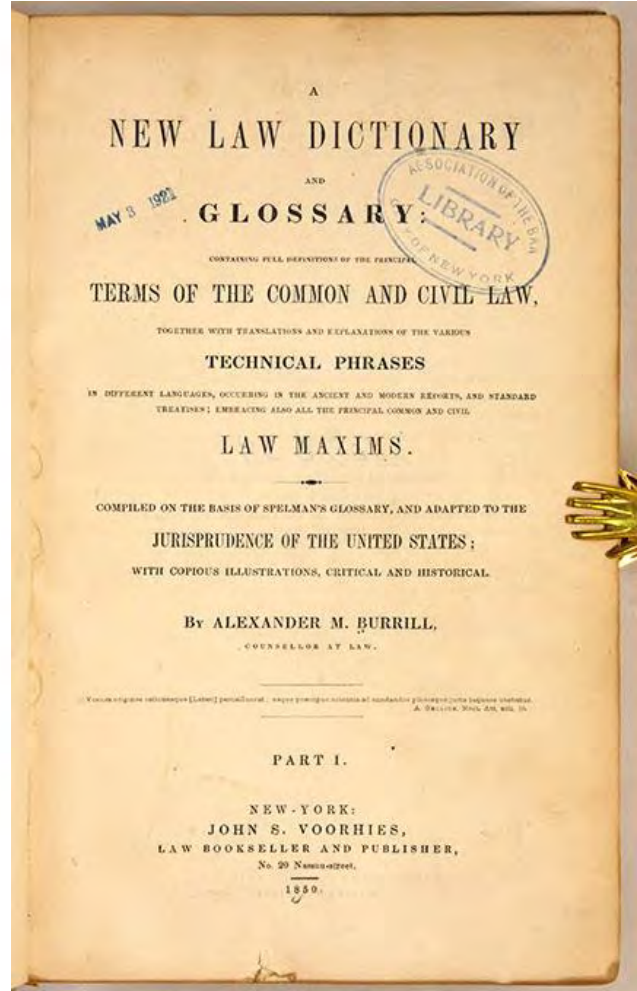
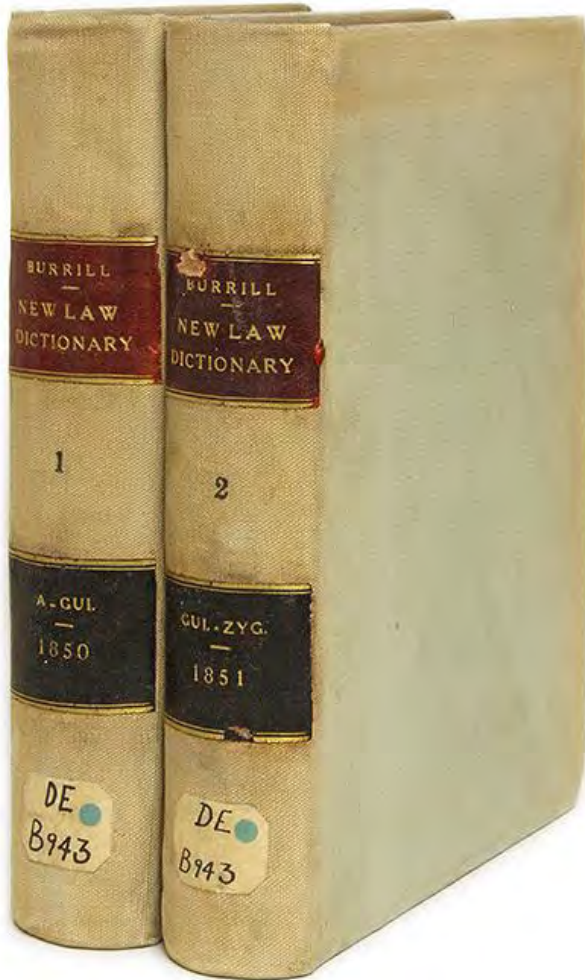
7. Burn, Richard [1709-1785].

Burn, John [1744?-1802].

A New Law Dictionary: Intended for General Use, As Well as For Gentlemen of the Profession. By Richard Burn, LL. D. Late Chancellor of the Diocese of Carlisle. And Continued to the Present time by John Burn, Esq. His Son, One of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the Counties of Westmorland and Cumberland. In Two Volumes. London: Printed by A. Strahan and W. Woodfall, 1792. Two volumes. Copperplate portrait frontispiece. vii, 442; [ii], 446, [1] pp. Includes one-page publisher catalogue. Octavo (8-1/2" x 5-1/2").

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* Only edition. Intended to be a practical tool, Burn eliminated most of the definitions in Law-French found in earlier dictionaries. (They became obsolete when George II ordered the exclusive use of English in 1733.) This elimination cleared space for other material and longer entries. Indeed, Burn's articles on such subjects as judgment, jury, purchase and will are broader, more detailed and better organized than they are in earlier dictionaries of this kind. It is unclear whether Burn intended to publish this book; it was edited, expanded and published posthumously by his son, John Burn. A reissue of this book was published in Dublin the same year as the London edition. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T112656. [Order This Item](#)



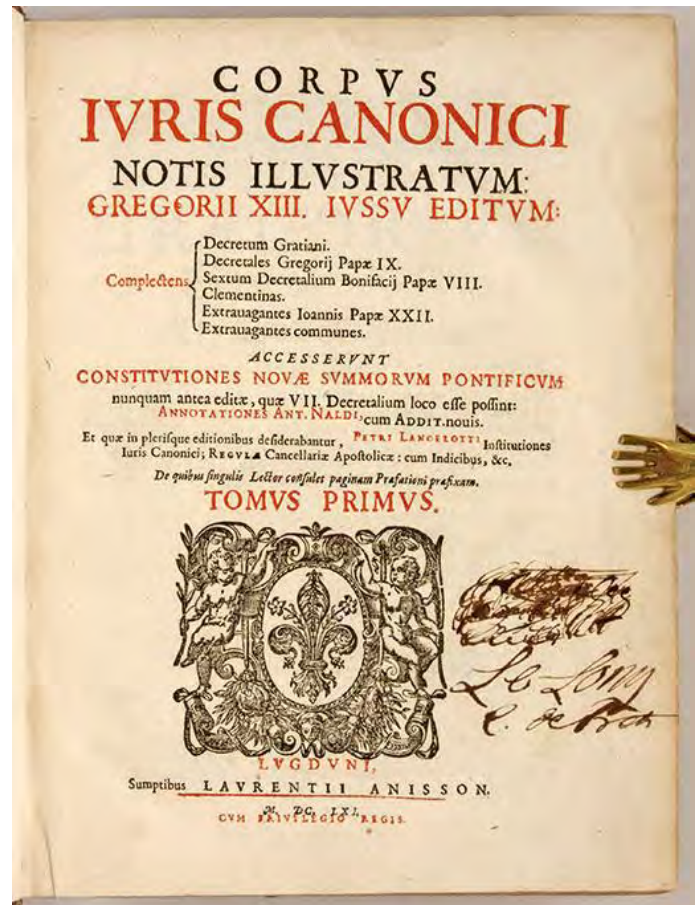
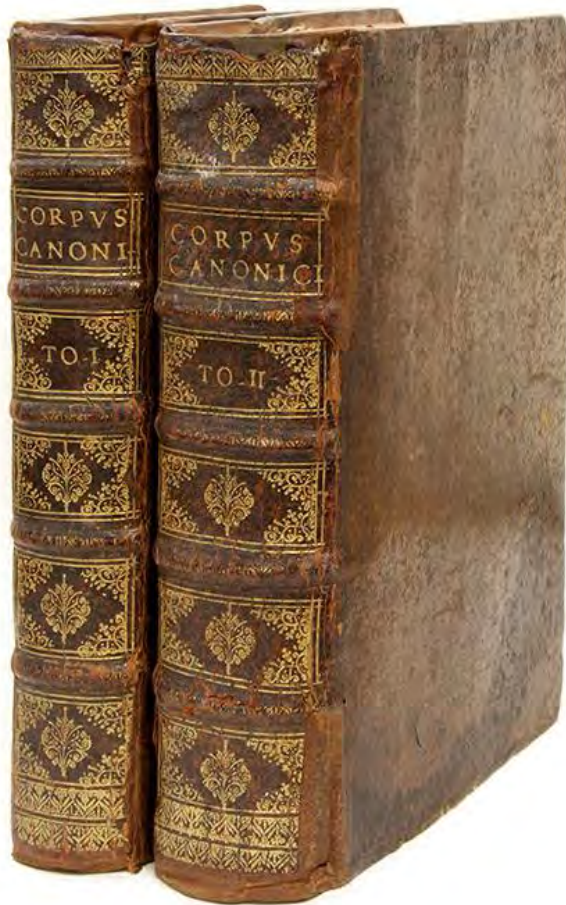
First Edition of Burrill's Dictionary

8. Burrill, Alexander M. [1807-1869].

A New Law Dictionary and Glossary: Containing Full Definitions of the Principal Terms of the Common and Civil Law, Together With Translations and Explanations of the Various Technical Phrases in Different Languages, Occurring in the Ancient and Modern Reports, and Standard Treatises; Embracing Also All the Principal Common and Civil Law Maxims. Compiled on the Basis of Spelman's Glossary, and Adapted to the Jurisprudence of the United States; With Copious Illustrations, Critical and Historical. New York: John S. Voorhies, 1850-1851. Two volumes. xviii, 552; [ii], 553-1099, [1] pp. Main text in parallel columns. Octavo (10" x 6-1/2").

Later cloth, red and black lettering pieces to spines. Light soiling, some rubbing to extremities, corners bumped, some chipping to edges of lettering pieces. Moderate toning to text, chipping to edges of some leaves. Ex-library. Location labels to spines, bookplates to front pastedowns, inkstamps to title pages, annotations to versos, tiny date stamps to rear pastedowns. \$750.

* First edition. Burrill, a graduate of Columbia College who studied with James Kent, enjoyed a high reputation as a scholarly legal writer. The *Dictionary of American Biography* describes this dictionary as "a work of very high standard, which at once took its place as perhaps the best book of its kind so far produced. All his books were distinguished for their graceful style and a scholarly precision and finish which earned the unstinted commendation of the judiciary. In addition, their accuracy of statement and definition was fully recognized at the time by the profession at large.": *Dictionary of American Biography* 2:325. Cohen, *Bibliography of Early American Law* 5442. [Order This Item](#)



Handsome 1661 Edition of the *Corpus Juris Canonici* that Includes Lancellotti's *Institutiones Iuris Canonici*

9. [Canon Law].

Naldi, Antonio [d.1645], Editor.

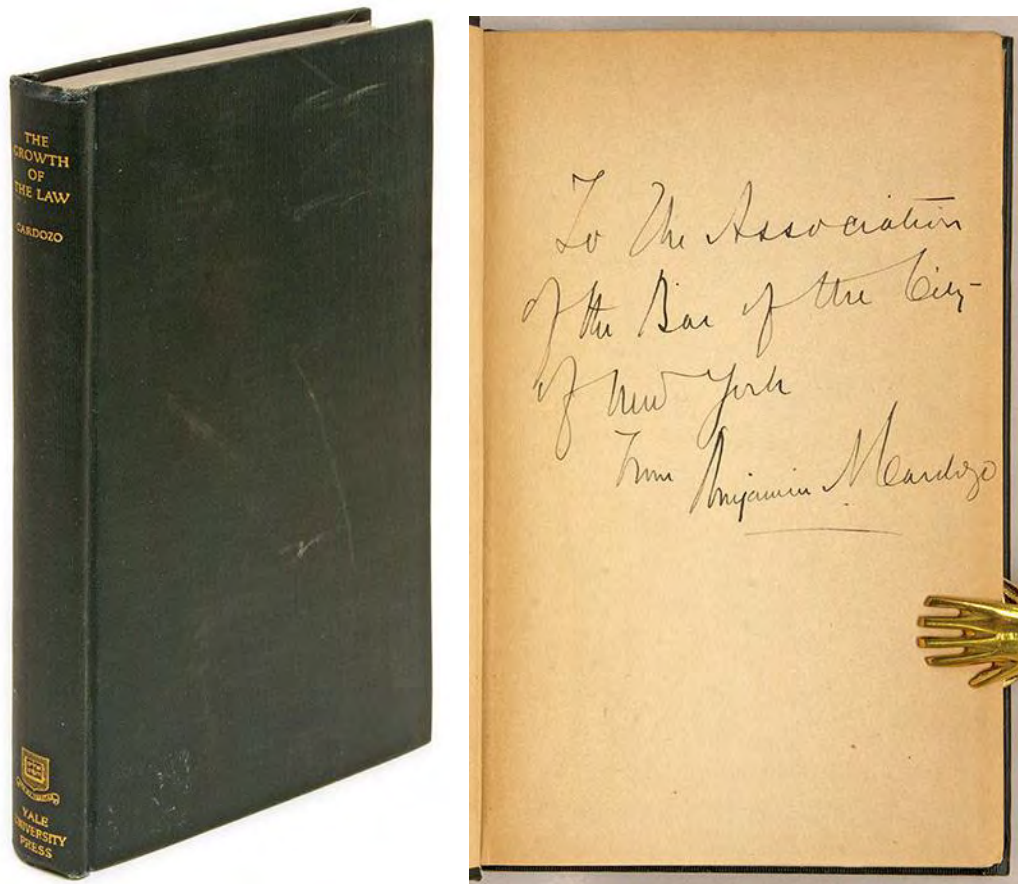
Lancellotti, Giovanni Paoli [1522-1590].

Corpus Iuris Canonici Notis Illustratum: Gregorii XIII. Inssu Editum: Complectens Decretum Gratiani, Decretales Gregorii Papae IX, Sextum Decretalium Bonifacii Papae VIII, Clementinas, Extravagantes Ioannis Papae XXII, Extravagantes Communes, Accesserunt Constitutiones Novae Summorum Pontificum Nunquam Antea Editae, Quae VII. Decretalium Loco Esse Possint, Annotationes Ant. Naldi, Cum Addit. Novis, Et Quae in Plerisque Editionibus Desiderabantur, Petri Lancelotti Institutiones Iuris Canonici. Lyons: Sumptibus Laurentii Anisson, 1661. Two volumes. [lxiv] pp., 1272 cols.; [xx] pp., 752 cols., [12] pp., 406 cols., [9] pp., 158 cols., [69] pp., 256 cols., [24] pp., 98 columns, [19] pp. Main texts in parallel columns. Quarto (9-3/4" x 7-1/2").

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work is the cornerstone of the body of texts known as the *Corpus Juris Canonici*. The next great step was taken in 1234 with the *Liber Quinque Decretalium* of Gregory IX, the first official collection of canon law. The *Liber Sextus* of Boniface VIII (1298) added updates and modifications. John XXII added the final official collection of canon law, the *Liber Septimus Decretalium*, better known as the "Constitutiones Clementis V" or simply "Clementinae" (1317). Two more texts were added later: the *Extravagantes* of John XXII (1325) and the *Extravagantes Communes* of other popes to 1484. The texts in this volume are drawn from the edition produced between 1580 and 1582 by the *Correctores Romani*, a commission established by the Council of Trent. (The title page notes the editorial approval of Gregory XIII, the pope who supervised the revisions.) The *Corpus Juris Canonici* remained in force until the promulgation of the *Codex Juris Canonici* in 1917. Our 1661 edition includes Giovanni Paoli Lancelotti's *Institutionum Juris Canonici Commentarium* (1563). Also known as the *Appendix Pauli Lancelotti*, it is a textbook in the manner of the *Institutes* from the *Corpus Juris Civilis*. This edition not in the *British Museum Catalogue* or Ferreira-Ibarra. [Order This Item](#)



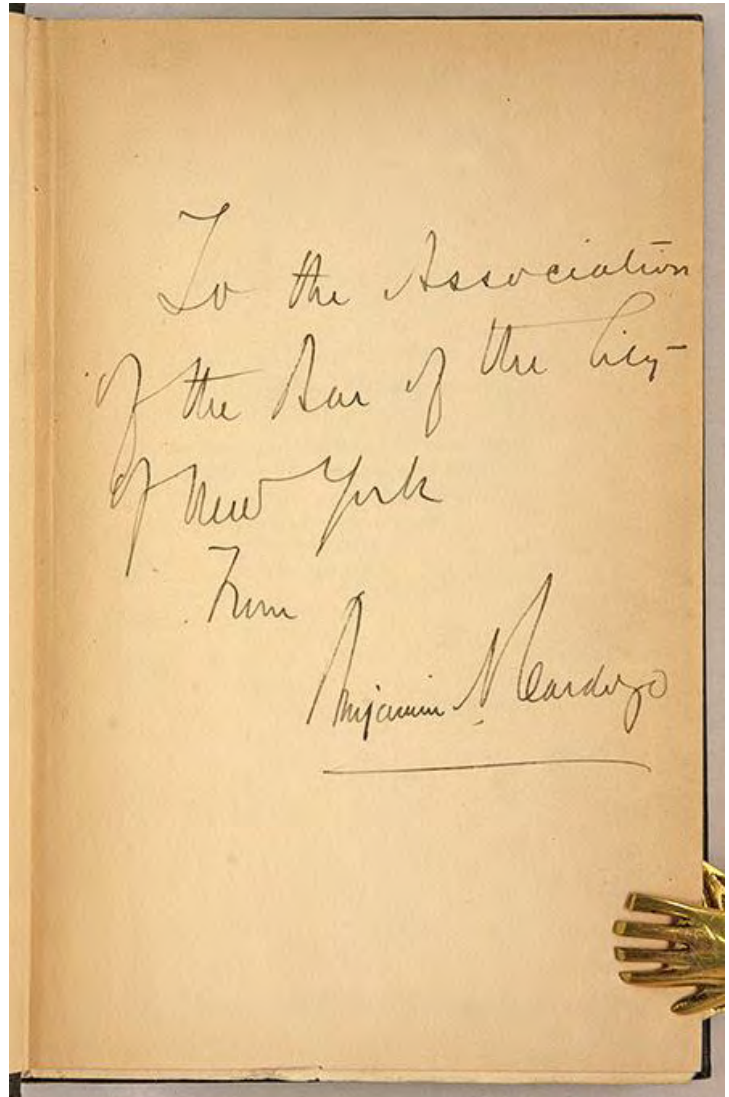
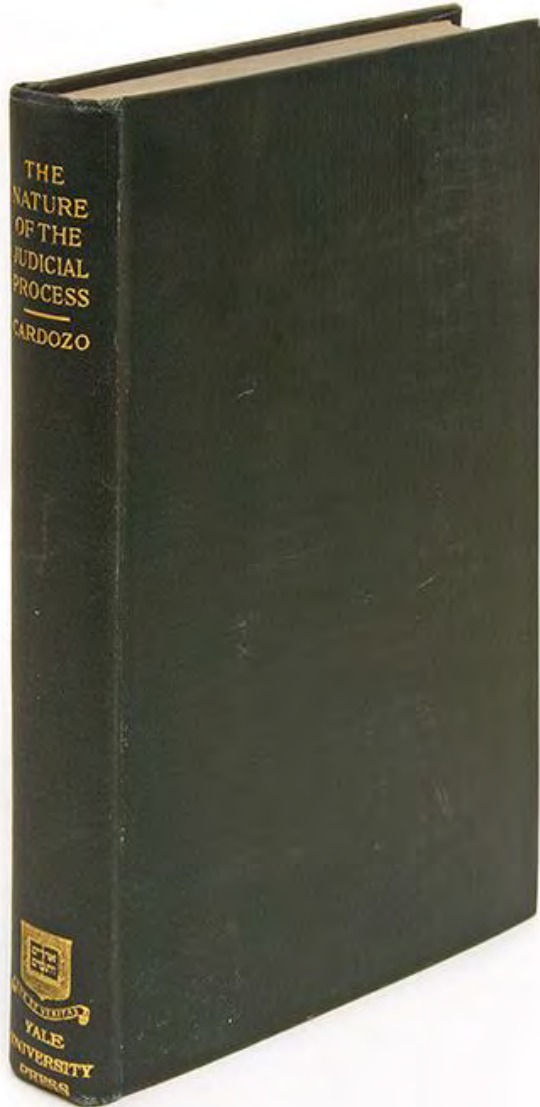
The Growth of the Law, Inscribed by Cardozo

10. Cardozo, Benjamin N. [1870-1938].

The Growth of the Law. New Haven: Yale University Press, [1924 (1927 printing)]. 145 pp.

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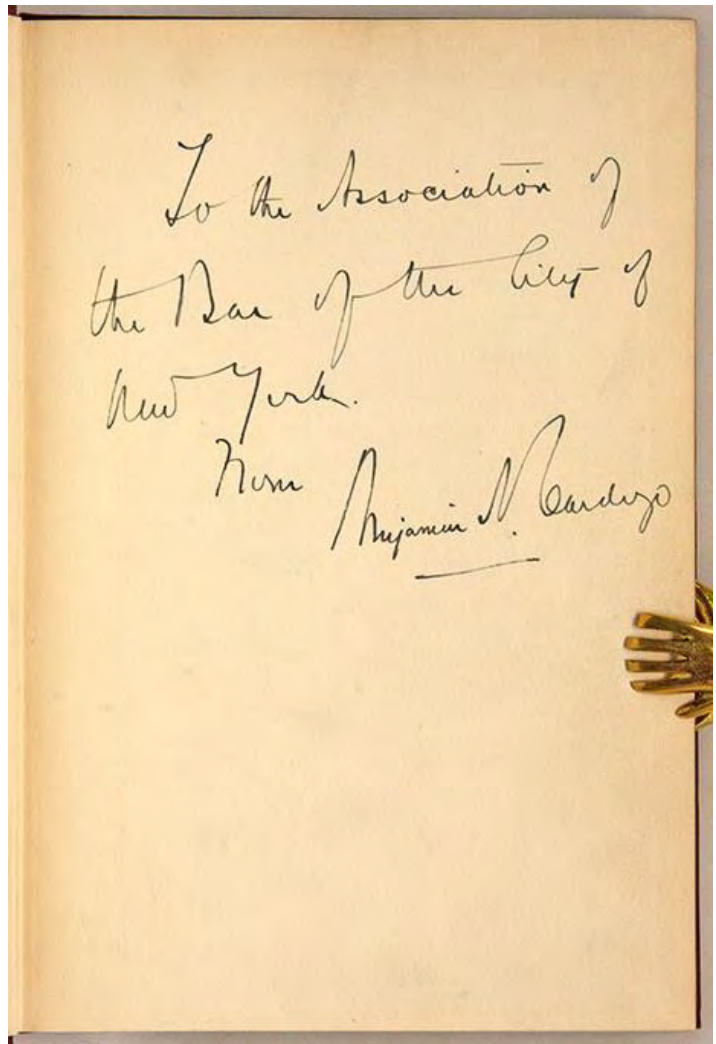
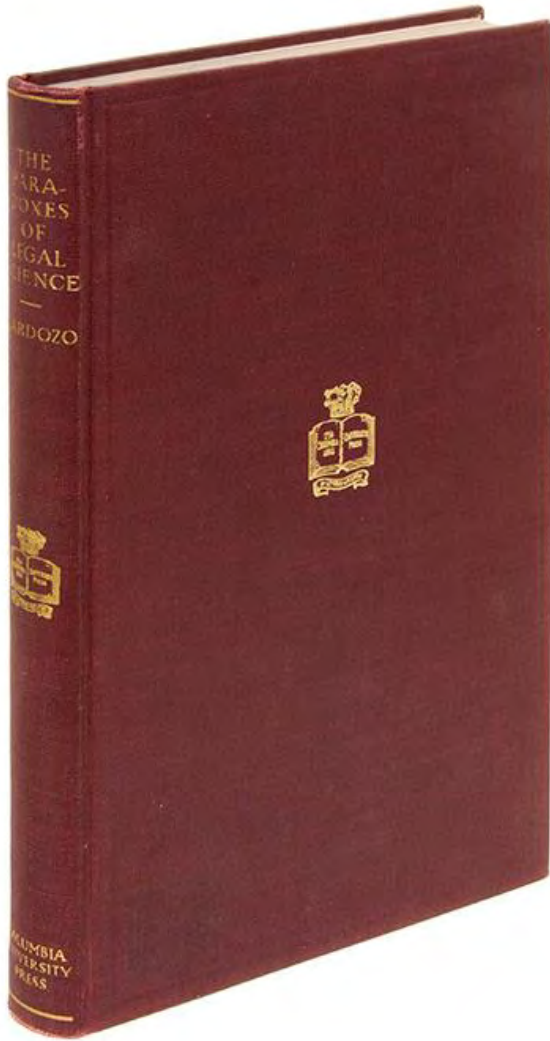
11. Cardozo, Benjamin N.

The Nature of the Judicial Process. New Haven: Yale University Press, [1921 (1928 printing)]. 180 pp.

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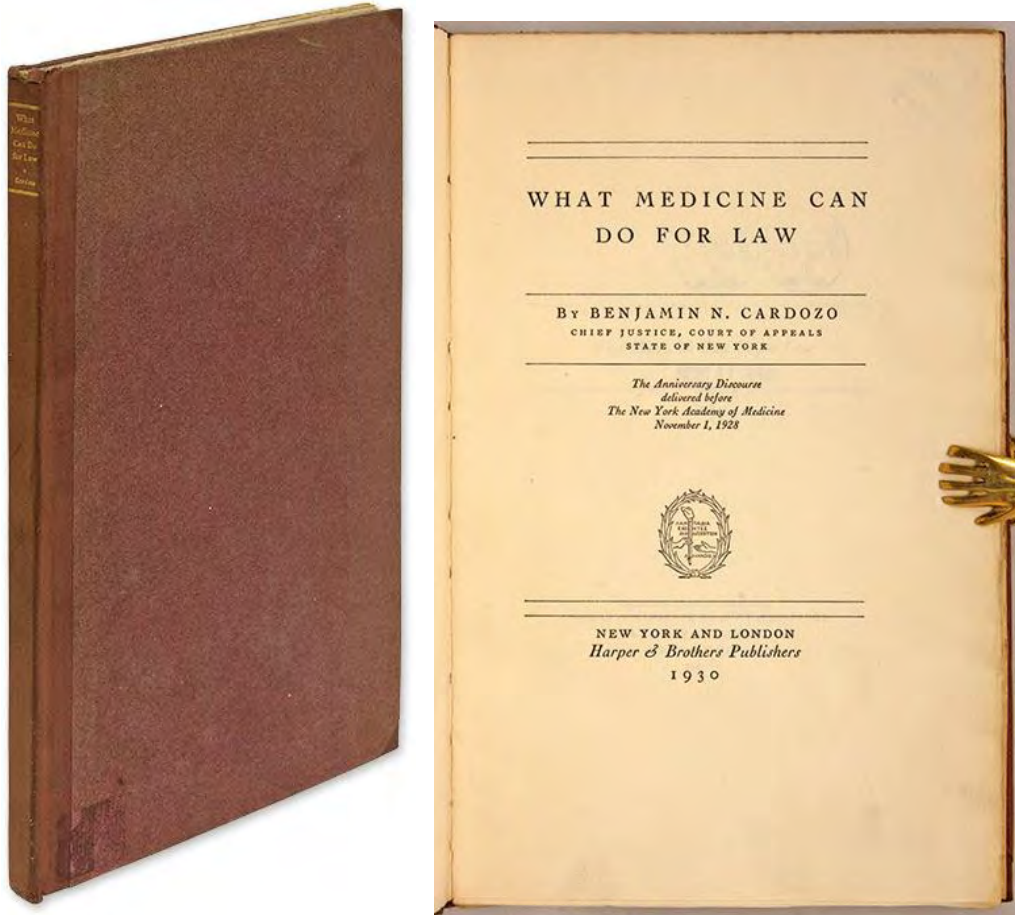
**First Edition of
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12. Cardozo, Benjamin N.

The Paradoxes of Legal Science. New York: Columbia University Press, 1928 (1930 printing)]. v, 142 pp.

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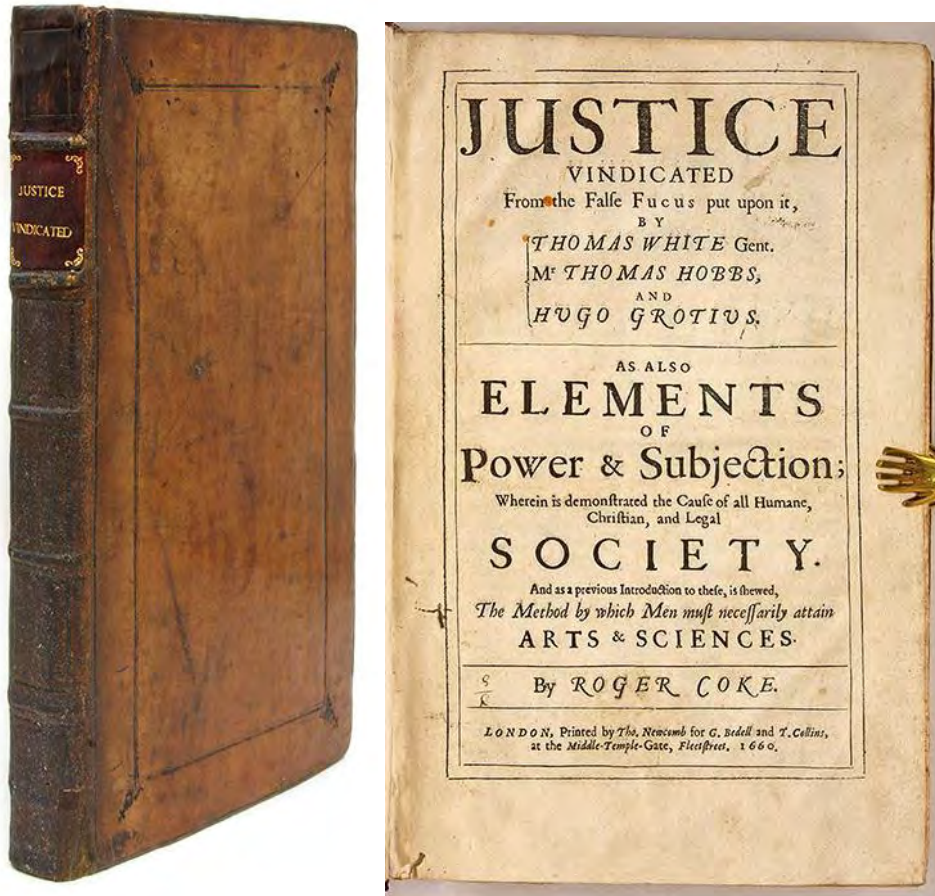
13. Cardozo, Benjamin N. [1870-1938].

What Medicine Can Do For Law. New York: Harper & Brothers, 1930.

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* First edition. "This noteworthy address, with its appreciation of the scientific problems involved, its courage and social vision, will go down in history as one of the most valuable contributions in our time to medico-legal jurisprudence.": Shientag, *Moulders of Legal Thought* 39 cited in Marke, *A Catalogue of the Law Collection at New York University* (1953) 717.

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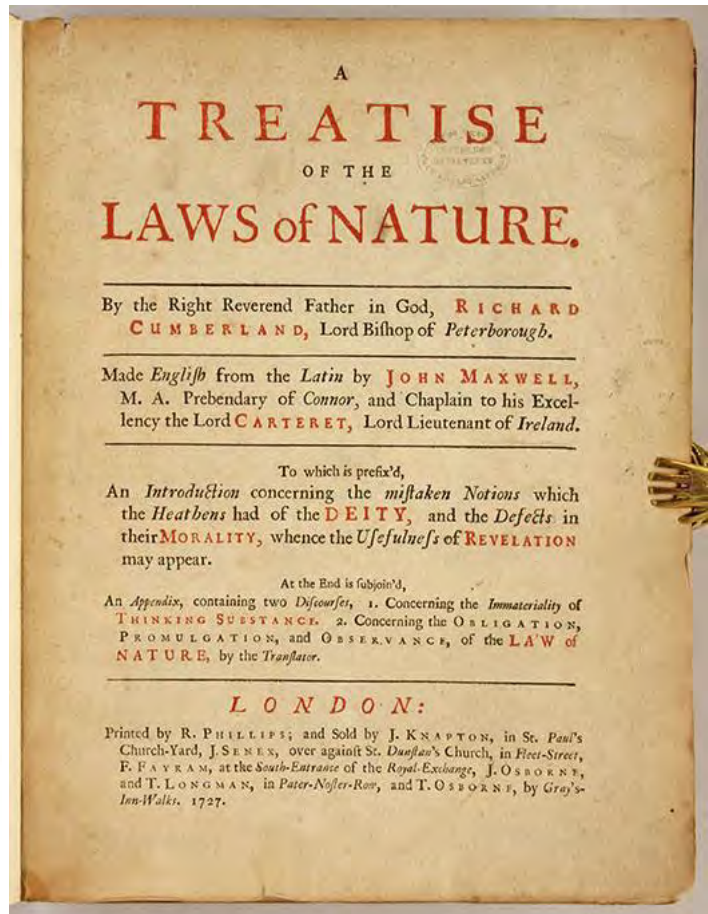
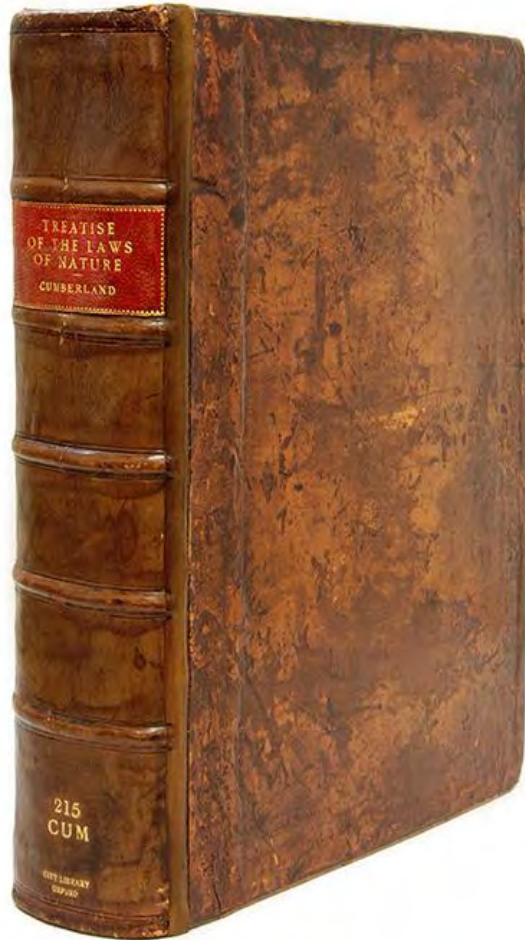
Sir Edward Coke's Grandson
Criticizes Grotius, Hobbes and White

14. Coke, Roger [c.1628-1703?].

Justice Vindicated from the False Fucus put Upon It, By Thomas White Gent. Mr. Thomas Hobbs, And Hugo Grotius. As Also Elements of Power & Subjection; Wherein is Demonstrated the Cause of All Humane, Christian, And Legal Society. And as a Previous Introduction to These, is Shewed, The Method by Which Men Must Necessarily Attain Arts & Sciences. London: Printed by Tho. Newcomb for G. Bedell and T. Collins, 1660. [xxxvi]; 24; [2], 54, [2]; [8], 270 pp. Complete. *Observations upon Mr Tho: White's Grounds of Obedience & Government* and *Elements of Power & Subjection: Or the Causes of All Humane, Christian, & Legal Society* have separate dated title pages; *Observations upon Mr. Tho. White Gent. His Grounds of Obedience and Government* headed with caption title. Folio (11-1/2" x 7-1/2").

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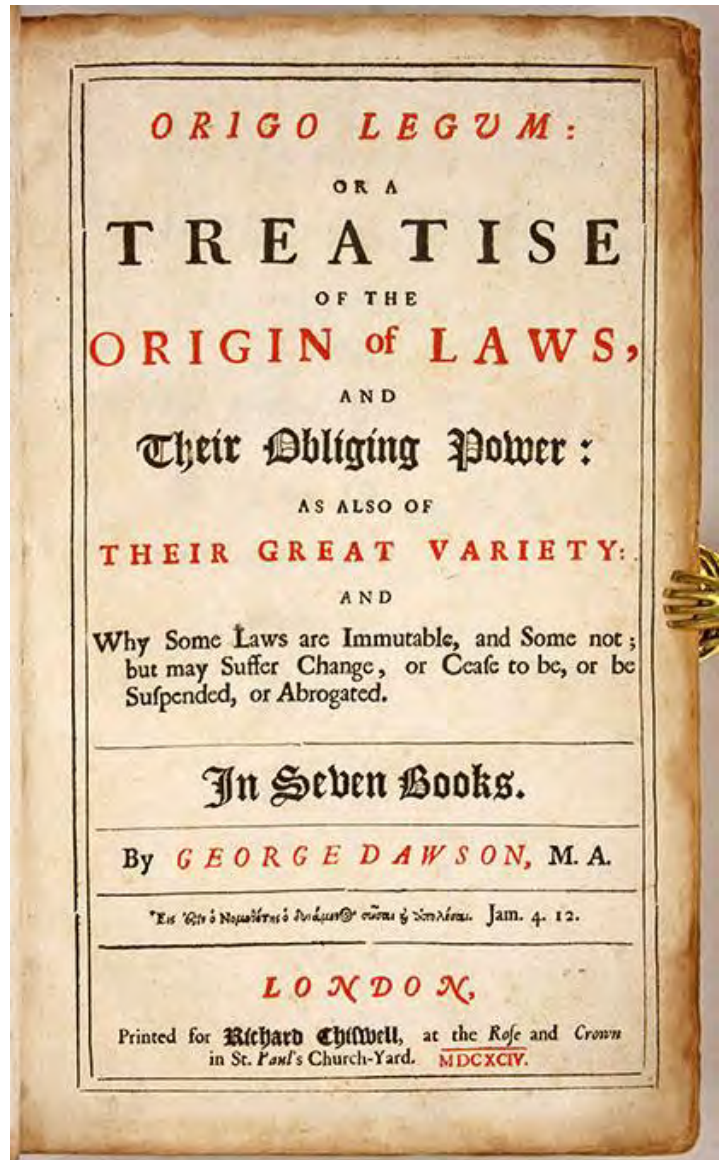
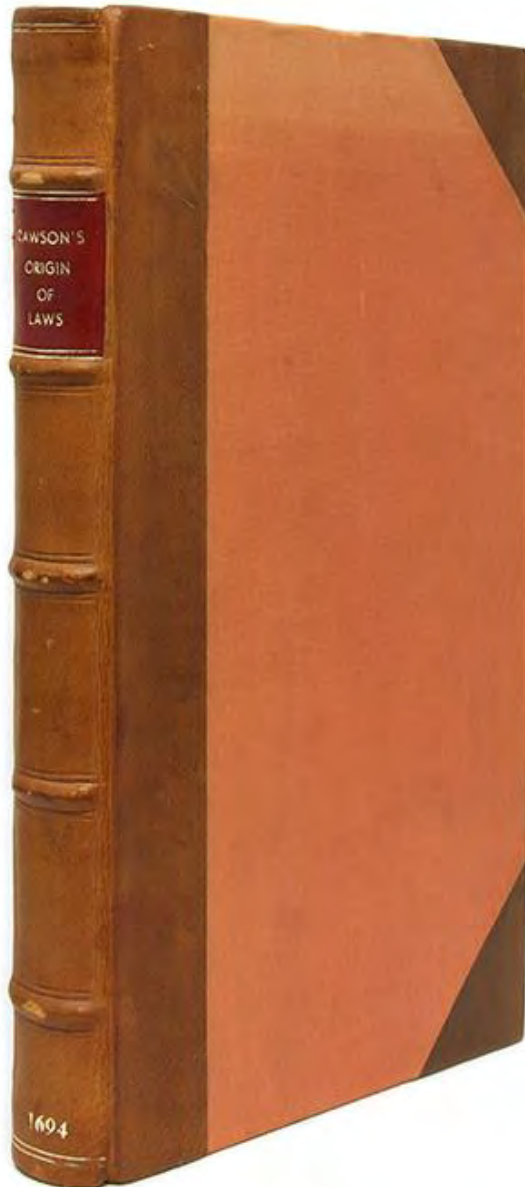
A Contemporary Response to Hobbes's *Leviathan*

15. Cumberland, Richard [1631-1718].

A Treatise of the Laws of Nature. Made English from the Latin by John Maxwell. To Which is Prefix'd, An Introduction Concerning the Mistaken Notions Which the Heathens Had of the Deity, And the Defects in Their Morality, Whence the Usefulness of Revelation May Appear. At the End is Subjoin'd, An appendix, Containing Two Discourses, 1. Concerning the Immateriality of Thinking Substance. 2. Concerning the Obligation, Promulgation, And Observance, of the Law Nature, By the Translator. London: Printed by R. Phillips; And Sold by J. Knapton, 1727. [xxiv], [2], 377, clxviii, [5], 6-167, [25], xxviii pp. Each section has its own title page. Two folding copperplates. Text complete, first and second sections reversed (should be clxviii, [2], 377). Quarto (10-3/4" x 8-1/2").

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* First edition. Cumberland is one of the most important jurisprudential writers of the early modern period. According to the *Dictionary of National Biography*, "[he] occupies an important place in English ethical speculation, and his influence seems traceable in the writings of Shaftesbury and Hutcheson" (V:290). In this, his most important work, he proposes a novel scientific approach to questions of moral and political obligation that counters Hobbes's suggestion that ethics could be reduced to self-interest alone. The plates depict the nervous system and the solar system. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T97625. [Order This Item](#)



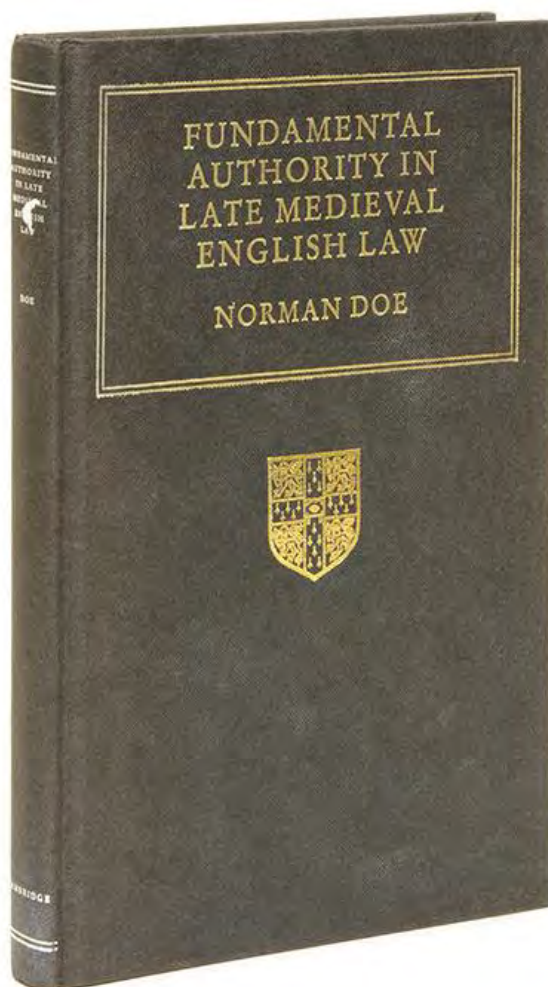
"A Very Fair Introduction to an Academical Study of Law"

16. Dawson, George [1637-1700].

Origo Legum: Or a Treatise of the Origin of Laws, And Their Obliging Power: As Also of Their Great Variety: And Why Some Laws are Immutable, And Some Not; But May Suffer Change, Or Cease to Be, Or Be Suspended, Or Abrogated. In Seven Books. London: Printed for Richard Chiswell, 1694. [xxviii], 168, 219, [1] pp. Includes license leaf and one-page publisher catalogue. Complete. Folio (12" x 8").

Recent three-quarter calf over cloth, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, marbled endpapers added. Light rubbing to extremities with negligible minor wear in a few places, a few partial cracks to text block. Title page printed in red and black. Moderate toning to text, occasional faint dampstaining and light soiling to margins, soiling and some edgewear to preliminaries, which are just starting to detach at foot, early owner inscription to license leaf. An attractive copy of a scarce title. \$950.

* Only edition. In a survey of seventeenth century English legal literature Holdsworth observes that the least satisfactory books are those dealing with legal theory. Dawson's *Origo Legum* is the only notable exception. It remains, moreover, "a very fair introduction to an academic study of law." It contains seven books: I. Law in General and Its Origin; of the Divers Kinds of Laws and the Law Eternal; II. What Laws Man is to Act By; III. Of *Jus Gentium Civile* or the Law of Nations; IV. Of the *Jus Gentium Militare* or the Law of Arms and War; V. Of the *Jus Gentium Ecclesiasticum* or the Laws and Government of the Church Catholic; VI. Of the Laws and Government of the Church of England; VII. Why Some laws are Immutable and Some Not, but May Be Changed or Cease, be Suspended or Obrogated. Holdsworth, *A History of English Law* VI:612. *English Short-Title Catalogue* R1427. [Order This Item](#)



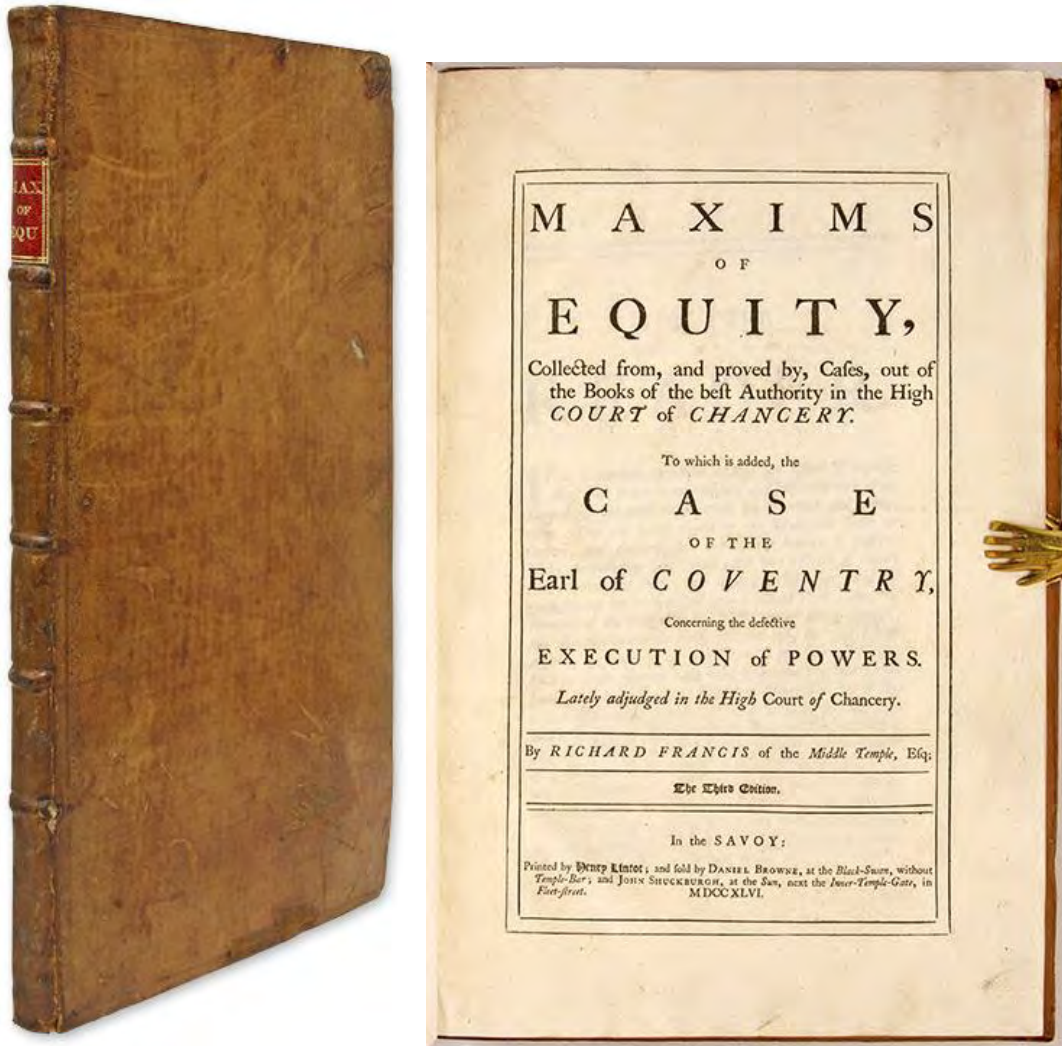
**The Nature of Law and
Authority in Medieval England**

17. Doe, Norman.

Fundamental Authority in Late Medieval English Law. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, [1990]. xxi, 197 pp.

Hardbound, tiny stain to spine, small owner stamp to front free endpaper, faint marks in pencil to margins in a few places. \$65.

* "Reconstructs basic ideas about the nature of law and its fundamental authority as found in the literature of late medieval legal theory and practice." [Order This Item](#)



The Book that Established the Field of Equity Jurisprudence

18. Francis, Richard [fl. 1719-1728].

Maxims of Equity, Collected From, And Proved by Cases, Out of the Books of the Best Authority in the High Court of Chancery. To Which is Added the Case of the Earl of Coventry, Concerning the Defective Execution of Powers Lately Adjudged in the High Court of Chancery. [London]: Printed by Henry Lintot, 1746. [viii], 72, [14], 20 pp. Folio (12" x 7-1/2").

Contemporary calf, blind rules to boards, blind fillets along joints, raised bands and recent period-style lettering piece to spine, blind tooling to board edges. Light rubbing and some shallow scuffing to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities with some wear to foot of spine, front joint just starting at foot, corners bumped and somewhat worn, interior notably clean and bright. \$850.

* Third and final edition. First published in 1727, this was the first textbook on equity published since St. Germain's *Doctor and Student* (1523). It is generally considered to be the book that founded the field of equity jurisprudence. Francis outlines fourteen maxims, such as "Equality is Equity" and "Equity suffers not a right to be without a remedy." Each maxim is followed by a brief summary of cases that illustrate its application. As Roscoe Pound observed, Francis created a precursor to the casebook: "his maxims for the most part are independent attempts to state principles derived from the study of cases" (Pound). The third edition was reissued in Dublin in 1791. Pound, "On Certain Maxims of Equity" in *Cambridge Legal Essays* 261-262. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T101042. [Order This Item](#)



**A Much-Resented 1711 Act to Reserve
Colonial Pine Trees for the Use of the Royal Navy**

19. [Great Britain].
[Parliament].
[American Colonies].

An Act for the Preservation of White and Other Pine-Trees Growing in Her Majesties Colonies of New Hampshire, The Massachusetts-Bay, And Province of Main, Rhode-Island, And Providence-Plantation, The Narraganset Country, Or Kings-Province, And Connecticut in New-England, And New York, And New-Jersey, In America, For the Masting of Her Majesties Navy. London: Printed for the Assigns of Thomas Newcomb, And Henry Hills, 1711. [ii], 387-388 pp. Small folio (10-3/4" x 7-1/4").

Disbound, stab-stitched, light toning, a few tiny smudges. Woodcut arms of Great Britain to title page, internally clean. \$250.

* First edition. White pine timber was an ideal material for masts. In order to ensure a supply of this wood for the Royal Navy, Parliament passed the White Pine Act of 1711. Extending the scope of a 1691 act for Massachusetts, the act prohibited colonists from felling any white pine trees larger than 24 inches in diameter. It was one of the first Parliamentary acts to inspire colonial resistance. Although it remained in force until the Revolution, colonists subverted, resisted and evaded this law on a regular basis. Bibliographically distinct, this imprint is a one of the session laws issued under general title pages beginning *Anno Regni Annae Reginae Magnae Britanniae, Franciae, & Hiberniae*. These were issued serially over the course of the legislative session and gathered up into volumes at the end of the term. *English Short-Title Catalogue* N52280. [Order This Item](#)



Impressive Documentary History of Parliament from 1072 to 1660

**20. [Great Britain].
[Parliament].**

The Parliamentary or Constitutional History of England; Being a Faithful Account of All the Most Remarkable Transactions in Parliament, From the Earliest Times. Collected from the Journals of Houses, The Records, Original Manuscripts, Scarce Speeches, And Tracts; All Compared with the Several Contemporary Writers, And Connected, Throughout, With the History of the Times. By Several Hands. London: Printed; And Sold by Thomas Osborne; And William Sandby, 1751-1761. 24 volumes. Complete set. Octavo (7-3/4" x 4-3/4").

Contemporary speckled calf, blind rules to boards, raised bands, lettering pieces and gilt ornaments to spines, blind tooling to board edges. Light rubbing and some shallow scuffing to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities, minor chipping to spine ends, joints and hinges of most volumes cracked or starting, front board of Volume I beginning to separate, other boards secure, early armorial bookplates and signatures to front pastedowns. Light toning to text, light foxing in places, brief annotations to a few passages in Volume I. An attractive set in uniform bindings. \$3,000.

* First edition. One of the earliest documentary works on the subject, this remarkable work addresses the history of Parliament from 1072 to 1660. Its dedication to the archbishop of Canterbury, the lord high chancellor and the speaker of the House of Commons suggests it was a semi-official or officially sanctioned work. It contains a great deal of material that is difficult to find elsewhere, including several items that are not in Cobbett's *Parliamentary History*. Indeed, the *Parliamentary or Constitutional History* is an excellent companion to Cobbett's work. Volume XXIV is an index volume. The set was reprinted in 1762 with cancel title pages stating "second edition." *English Short-Title Catalogue* N11319. [Order This Item](#)



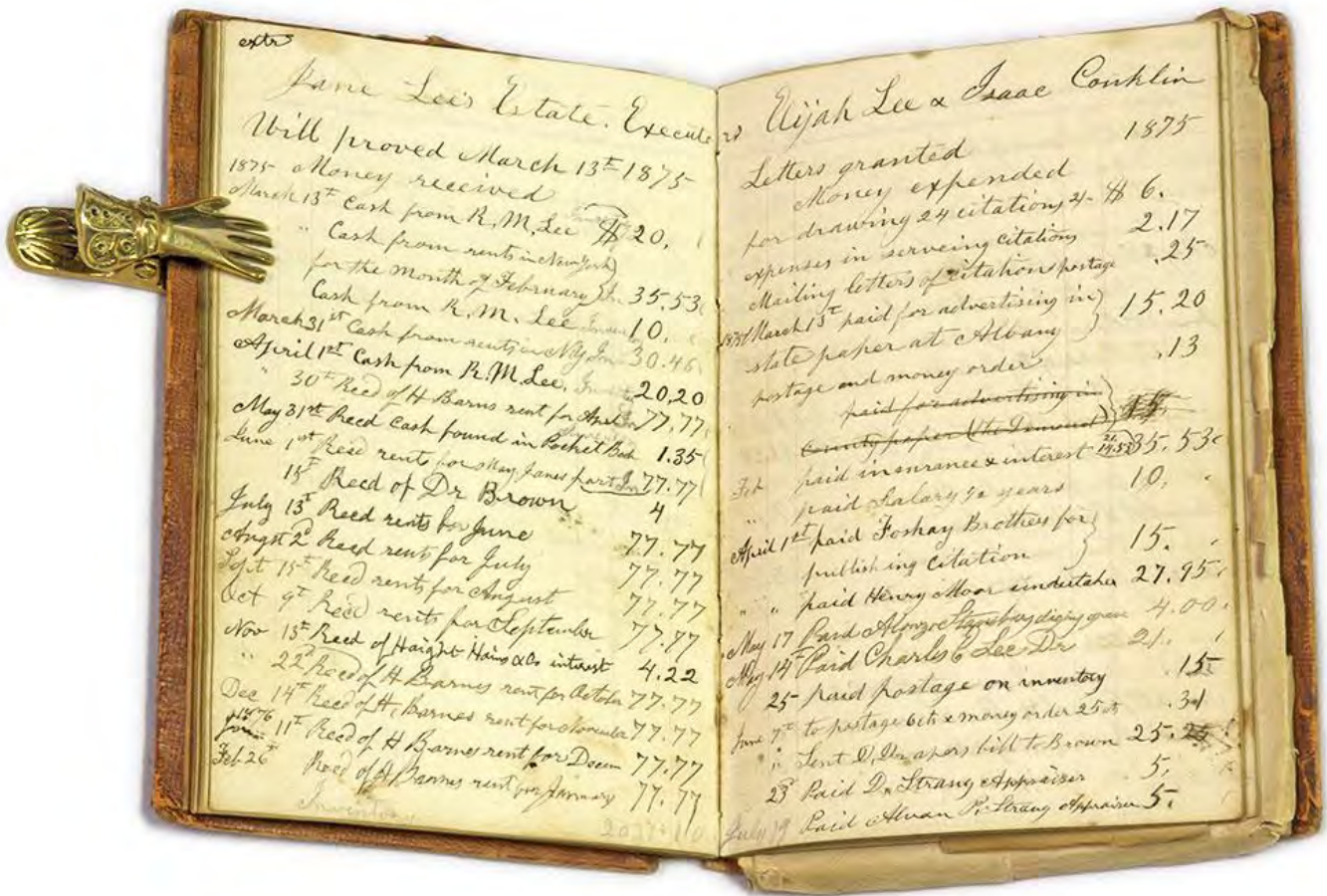
**1631 English Manuscript
Court Record of Divorce Proceedings**

21. [Manuscript].
[Divorce].
[Great Britain].

[Divorce Proceedings Between Thomas and Ann Hooton]. Bebington, Cheshire, 9 March 1631. [4] pp. Folio (12" x 8").

Moderate toning, light soiling and a few minor stains, heavier soiling to p. [4], untrimmed edges, three vertical fold lines, three small chips to bottom edges with minor loss to text. Content in Latin in neat hand to rectos and versos, a few brief notes in pencil to margins, docketed on verso of p. [4]. \$1,250.

* This court document records the initiation of the divorce proceedings of Thomas and Ann Hooton, a couple who lived in Bebington, Cheshire, a small town in the north of England about 5 miles from Liverpool. At this time divorces took place in the Ecclesiastical Courts. Its proceedings were conducted in Latin according to English Ecclesiastical Law. Little is known about these two, but records indicate that the Hootons were an old and prominent family in Cheshire. It was certainly a wealthy family. Due to their expense, and cumbersome, invasive procedures, there were few divorces in seventeenth-century England, so manuscripts such as ours are rare. [Order This Item](#)



Details the Management of an Eminent Westchester, New York Lawyer-Businessman's Estate

22. [Manuscript].

[Lee, Elijah (1824-1902)].

Account Book as Executor of the Estate of Thomas Rathbone Lee [Cover Title]. [Somers, New York, 1860-1889; 1917-1920]. [150] pp. 5 leaves tipped or pinned in. Octavo (7-1/2" x 4-3/4").

Calf, blind fillets to boards. Moderate rubbing to boards, spine backstrip perished, a few cracks to text block, final gathering detached, some edgewear to tipped-in and laid-in leaves. Small owner stamp of Elijah Lee to front pastedown an verso of front free endpaper, note in later hand identifying the nature of this manuscript to its recto. Light toning, content in neat hand. \$500.

* This manuscript details the administration of properties owned by the estate of the eminent Westchester County lawyer Thomas Rathbone Lee [1800-1860] of Somers, New York. The entries span a period of 60 years. The entries to 1889 were written Lee's half-brother Elijah Lee. The other entries, in unknown hands, deal with the estates of other members of this prominent family. Thomas Lee was a lawyer with a businessman with many interests. His clients included members of several prominent Westchester families, such as Purdys and Wrights. In addition to his extensive property holding, he had several business interests, such as the ownership of the Croton House hotel in Croton Falls. *History of Westchester County, New York* (1886) II: 534. [Order This Item](#)



Interesting Seventeenth-Century Sammelband with Treatises
on Polygamy, Punishments for Lawyers and Laws Concerning Clothing

23. Monaco (Monachus), Antonio.

Tractatus de Executione in Vestibus. Cum Indice Verborum, & Materiarum Locupletissimo. Omnibus Iudicibus, Advocatis, Procuratoribus, Notariis, & Aliis Omnibus in Foro Versantibus Utilis ac Necessarius. Cologne: Apud Matthaem Smitz, 1620. [viii], 165, [50] pp.

[And]

Feltman, Gerhard [1637-1696].

Tractatus de Polygamia. Das Ist, Gewissenschafftes und Schriftmässiges Gespräch Zwischen Weltmann und Sittmann, Dem Gewissenlosen und Unschriftmässigen, Zwischen Monogamus und Polygamus, Von der Vielweiberey Gehalten Gespräch Entgegen Gesetz. Leipzig: In Verlegung Matthäus Birckners, Druckts Johann Köhler, 1677. [ii], 217 pp.

[Bound with]

Fritsch, Ahasver [1629-1701].

Advocatus Peccans, Sive Tractatus De Peccatis Advocatorum Et Procuratorum, Conscientiae Ipsorum Excutiendae Inserviens. Frankfurt and Leipzig: Sumptibus Esaiæ Fellgibel, [1678]. [x], 154, [20] pp.

[And]

Temmen, Heinrich (Henricus).

Tractatus Novus & Absolutus de Litium Expensis: In Tredecim Capita Certasq; Sectiones Distributus; Singularem Cura & Labore Succincte. Osnabruck: Apud Joh. Georg. Schwänderum, 1678. [xvi], 537, [63] pp.

[And]

[Limbach, Johann Christoph].

Summorum In Germania Tribunalium Processus Informativus Sive Schreiben umb Bericht Und Gegen-Bericht. Frankfurt: Sumptibus Joh. Davidi Zunneri, 1677. 79, [1] pp.

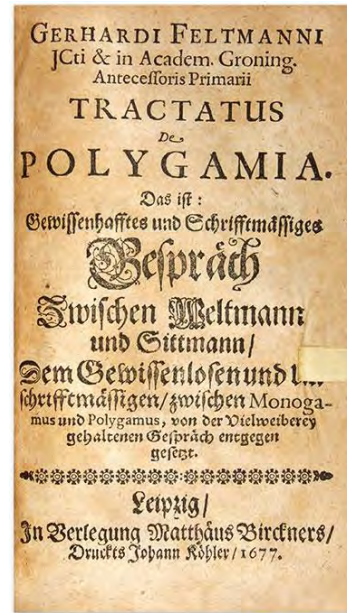
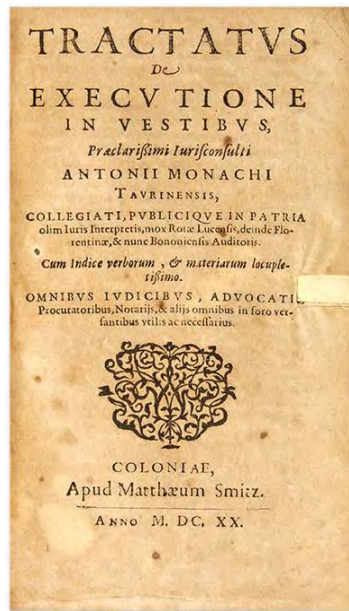
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Pace, Giulio [1550-1635].

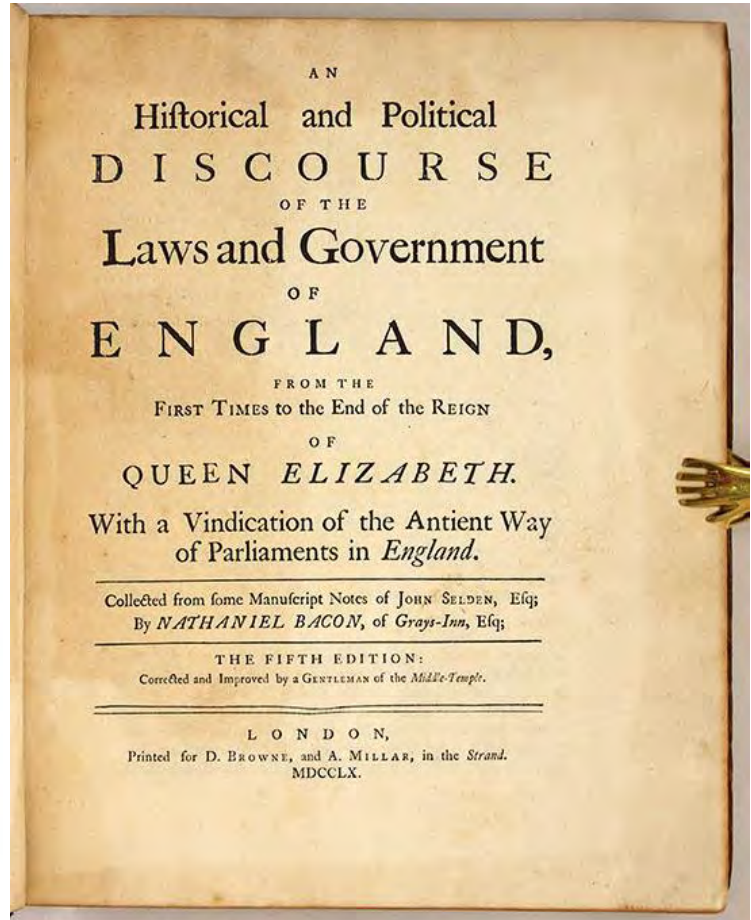
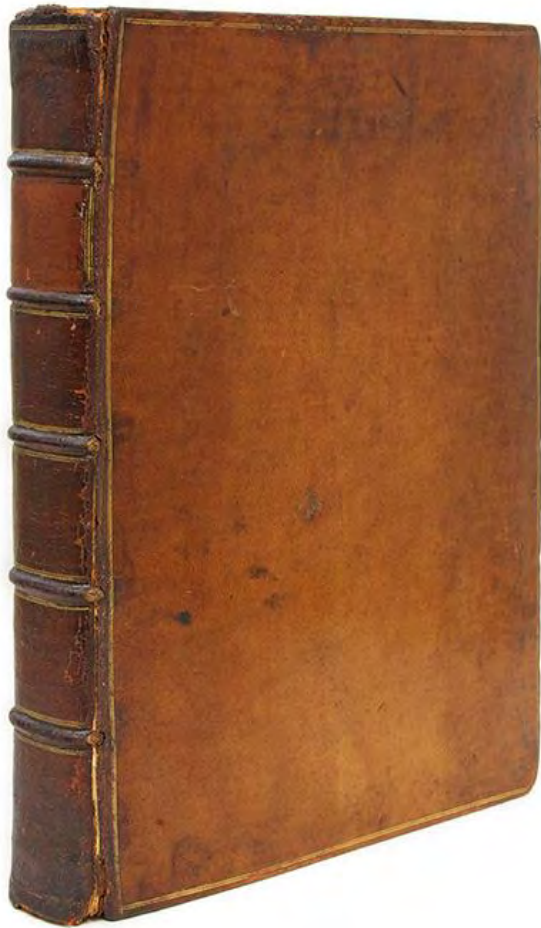
De Dominio Maris Hadriatici Disceptatio: Inter Sereniss. Regem Hispaniarum ob Regnum Neapolitanum, & Sereniss. Rempublicam Venetam. [Accesserunt Eiusdem Authoris Artis Lullianae Emendatae, Libri Quatuor. Lyons: Sumptibus Bartholomaei Vincentii, 1619]. [x], 83, [3] pp.

Octavo (6-1/4" x 3-3/4"). Contemporary vellum with lapped edges, later rebacking, hand-lettered titles to spine, thumb-tabs to title pages. Light soiling, joints starting at ends, corners bumped and somewhat worn, front free endpaper lacking. Moderate toning and light foxing, lower third of title page of final work repaired with plain paper, some text lacking as a result. An interesting sammelband with six scarce titles. \$3,500.

* Monaco's treatise on sumptuary law discusses, in detail, items of clothing and the people entitled to wear them. Feltman's treatise on polygamy has interesting commentary on marriage and divorce. Three titles in this sammelband deal with practice and procedure. Fritsch's *Advocatus Peccans* addresses punishments for crimes committed by lawyers and legal officials and Temmen's *Tractatus Novus* reviews court costs and expenses. Limbach's *Summorum* is a handbook on forms and procedure. The final title is Pace's notable defence of the Venetian Republic's legal dominion over the Adriatic Sea. *Das Verzeichnis der im Deutschen Sprachraum Erschienenen Drucke des 17. Jahrhunderts* 1:007930F (Feltman), 1:002121S (Fritsch), 384:712558E (Limbach), 3:008606V (Monaco), 23:269577W (Temmen). Pace: *British Museum Catalogue* (Compact Edition) 19:186.



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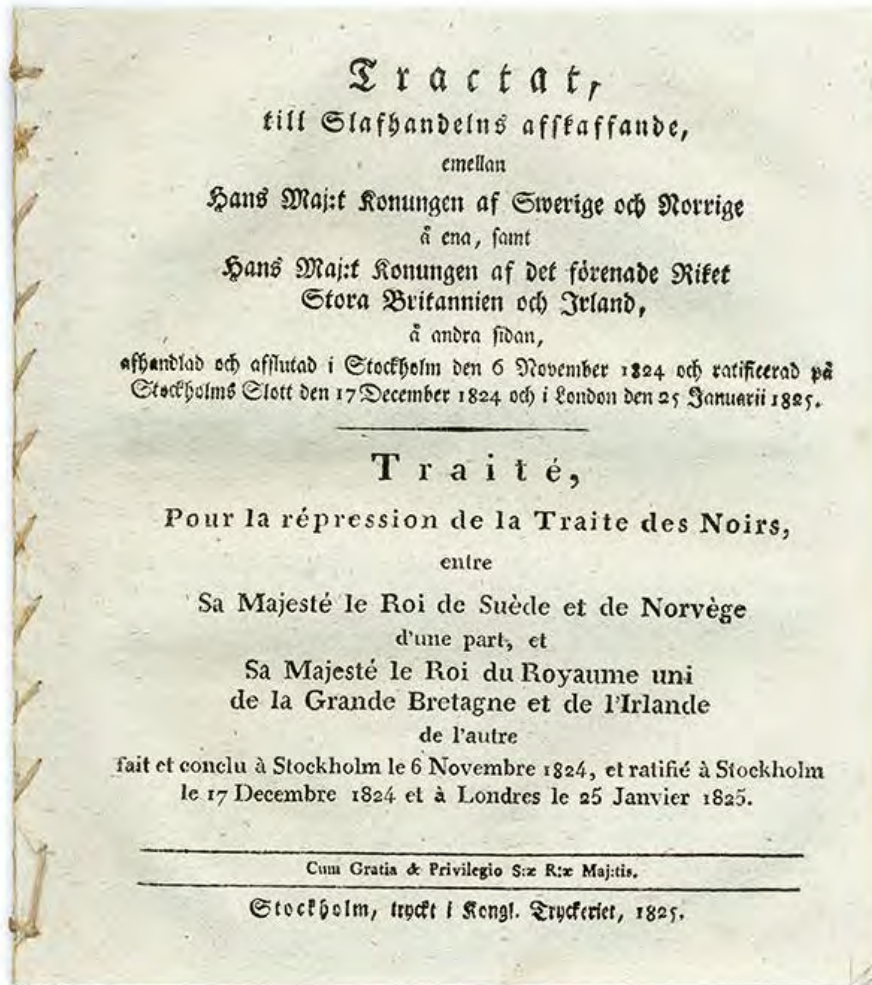
24. Selden, John [1584-1654]

Bacon, Nathaniel [1593-1660], Editor, Attributed Author.

An Historical and Political Discourse of the Laws and Government of England, From the First Times to the End of the Reign of Queen Elizabeth. With a Vindication of the Antient Way of Parliaments in England. Collected from Some Manuscript Notes of John Selden, Esq; By Nathaniel Bacon, Of Grays Inn, Esq; Corrected and Improved by a Gentleman of the Middle-Temple. London: Printed for D. Browne and A. Millar, 1760. [iv], viii, xiii-xix, 203, [1]; xii, 178, [8] pp. Complete. Quarto (11-1/4" x 9-1/4").

Contemporary speckled calf, raised bands to spine, gilt fillets to boards, gilt-stamped title on spine rubbed away. Light rubbing and few minor nicks and scuffs to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities, joints and front hinge cracked, negligible light gatoring to spine, some chipping to spine ends, corners bumped and somewhat worn, early armorial bookplate to front pastedown. Moderate toning to text, occasional light browning to outer edges of margins. \$950.

* Fifth and final edition. Often attributed to Bacon, the *Historical Discourse* "is a sort of constitutional history of England, showing much knowledge of the development of the institutions, civil and ecclesiastical, and pervaded by a strong spirit of hostility to the claims of the royal prerogative and to hierarchical pretensions." (DNB). "The first edition having become so rare a second edition was secretly printed in 1672 which was suppressed. It was again secretly reprinted in 1682 and the publishers were prosecuted. The 1682 edition appears to have been reissued in 1689 with the 1682 imprint" (Sweet & Maxwell). *Dictionary of National Biography* 1:836-837. Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 1:99 (9). *English Short-Title Catalogue* T108171. [Order This Item](#)



Sweden Agrees to Repress the Slave Trade

25. [Slave Trade].

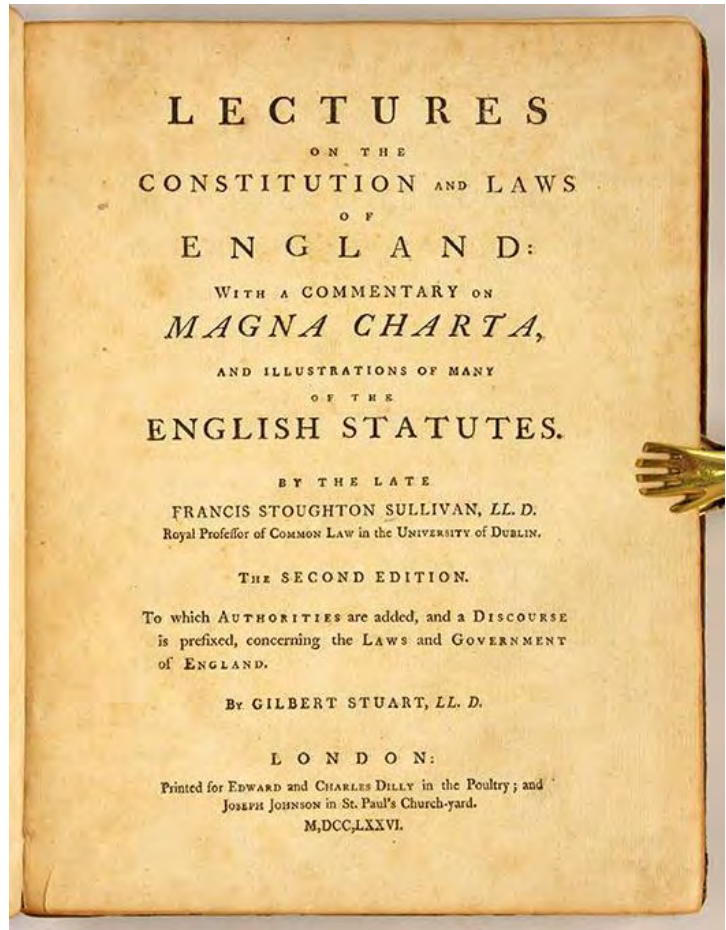
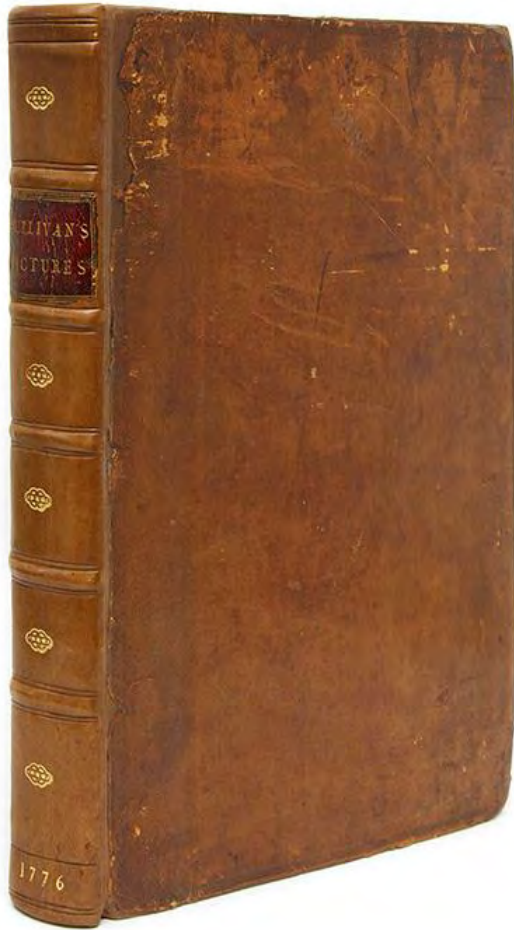
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Tractat, Till Slafhandels Afskaffande, Emellan Hans Maj:t Konungen af Sverige och Norrige å Ena, Samt Hans Maj:t Konungen af det Förenade Riket Stora Britannien och Irland, Å Andra Sidan, Afhandlad och Afslutad i Stockholm den 6 November 1824 Och Ratificerad på Stockholms Slott den 17 December 1824 Och i London den 25 Januarii 1825. / Traité, pour la Répression de la Traite des Noirs, Entre sa Majesté le Roi de Suède et de Norvège d'une Part, Et sa Majesté le Roi du Royaume uni de la Grande Bretagne et de l'Irlande de l'Autre Fait et Conclu à Stockholm le 6 Novembre 1824, Et Ratifié à Stockholm le 17 Decembre 1824 et à Londres le 25 Janvier 1825. Cum Gratia & Privilegio S:ae R:ae Maj:tis. Stockholm: Tryckt i Kongl. Tryckeriet, 1825. 44 pp. Swedish text with parallel French translation. Quarto (7-1/4" x 6-1/2").

Disbound stab-stitched pamphlet. Negligible light soiling to exterior, light toning. A well-preserved item. \$1,350.

* Only edition. After abolishing slavery in 1807, Great Britain worked successfully to convince other slave-trading nations to follow its example. Sweden, a nation with a large and active trade in slaves, outlawed the practice in 1813. This 1825 treaty ratified a commitment by Sweden to use its navy to intercept slave traders, a practice initiated by the West Africa Squadron of Britain's Royal Navy in 1808. OCLC locates 8 copies, 3 in North America (Boston Public Library, Cornell, University of Minnesota). [Order This Item](#)



An Excellent Companion to Blackstone

**26. Sullivan, Francis Stoughton [1719-1776].
Stuart, Gilbert, Editor.**

Lectures on the Constitution and Laws of England: With a Commentary on Magna Charta, And Illustrations of Many of the English Statutes. The Second Edition. To Which Authorities are Added, and a Discourse is Prefixed, Concerning the Laws and Government of England. London: Printed for Edward and Charles Dilly, 1776. xvi, xxxii, 415, [1] pp. Quarto (10" x 8").

Contemporary calf, rebaked, blind rules to boards, raised bands and retained contemporary lettering piece, hinges mended. Light rubbing and some shallow scuffing to boards, heavier rubbing to extremities, corners bumped and worn. Recent owner signature and stamp to front pastedown. Moderate toning to text, light foxing in a few places, minor nicks to bottom edges of a few leaves, recent owner stamp to bottom edge of p. 113. A nice copy. \$450.

* Second edition. Sullivan was Royal Professor of the Common Law at the University of Dublin. One of the first attempts to sketch the outlines of English constitutional law, this book had its origins in a series of lectures. Holdsworth notes that the "needs of [Sullivan's] students had made it necessary for him to adopt a plan which was different from the plan adopted by Blackstone. Blackstone's students were more advanced; and, as Blackstone's lectures were given in a law vacation, they could supplement the information which he gave them by information acquired by means of attendance upon the courts of Westminster." As a result Sullivan is more elementary in its scope, but also more detailed because it explains several matters that are only implied or omitted altogether by Blackstone. This book is thus an excellent companion to Blackstone and a valuable primary source for the study of eighteenth-century English common law. Holdsworth, *A History of English Law* XII:342-343. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T100100. [Order This Item](#)



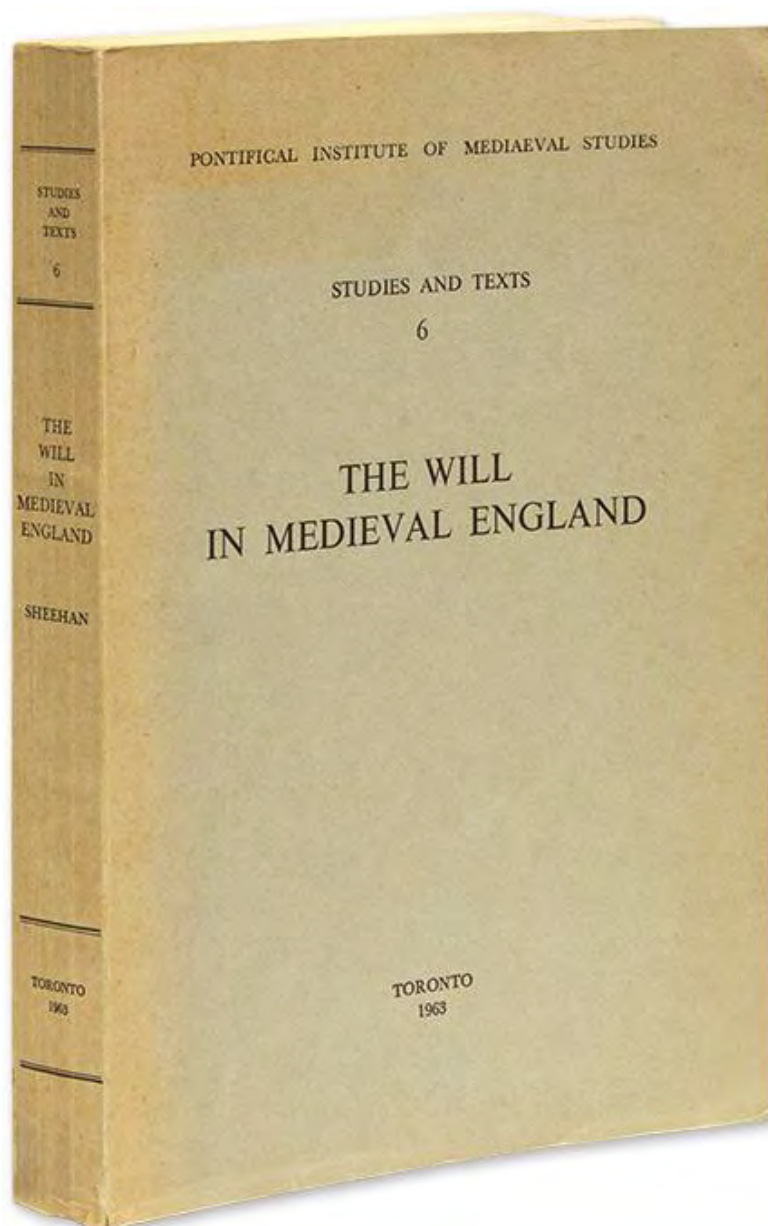
Scarce Eighteenth-Century Treatise on Maritime Law

27. Surland, Johann Julius [1687-1748].

Grund-Sätze des Europäischen See-Rechts. Hannover: Im Verlag Seel. Nicolaus Försters und Sohns Erben Hofbuchhandlung, 1750. [xvi], 142 pp. Octavo (7-1/2" x 4-1/2").

Contemporary three-quarter vellum over marbled boards, gilt title to spine. Moderate rubbing, two minor tears to paper covering front board, light browning to text, tiny early owner initials to foot of title page. \$1,250.

* First edition. This manual of maritime law also appeared in 1751 as a Dutch translation titled *Grondt-Stellingen van t'Europeaische Zee-Recht*. It describes laws covering ships, cargo, supercargos, contracts and the rights and responsibilities of those involved in the ownership or operation of vessels. The work has a large final chapter devoted to sea fishing. Surland was a diplomat, later a lecturer at the University of Göttingen and a professor of law at the Universities of Marburg and Frankfurt an der Oder. Both editions of this are scarce. OCLC locates 6 copies of the first edition in North America, 5 in law libraries (Columbia, Harvard, Library of Congress, UC-Berkeley, University of Virginia). *Das Verzeichnis Deutscher Drucke des 18. Jahrhunderts* 14734486. [Order This Item](#)



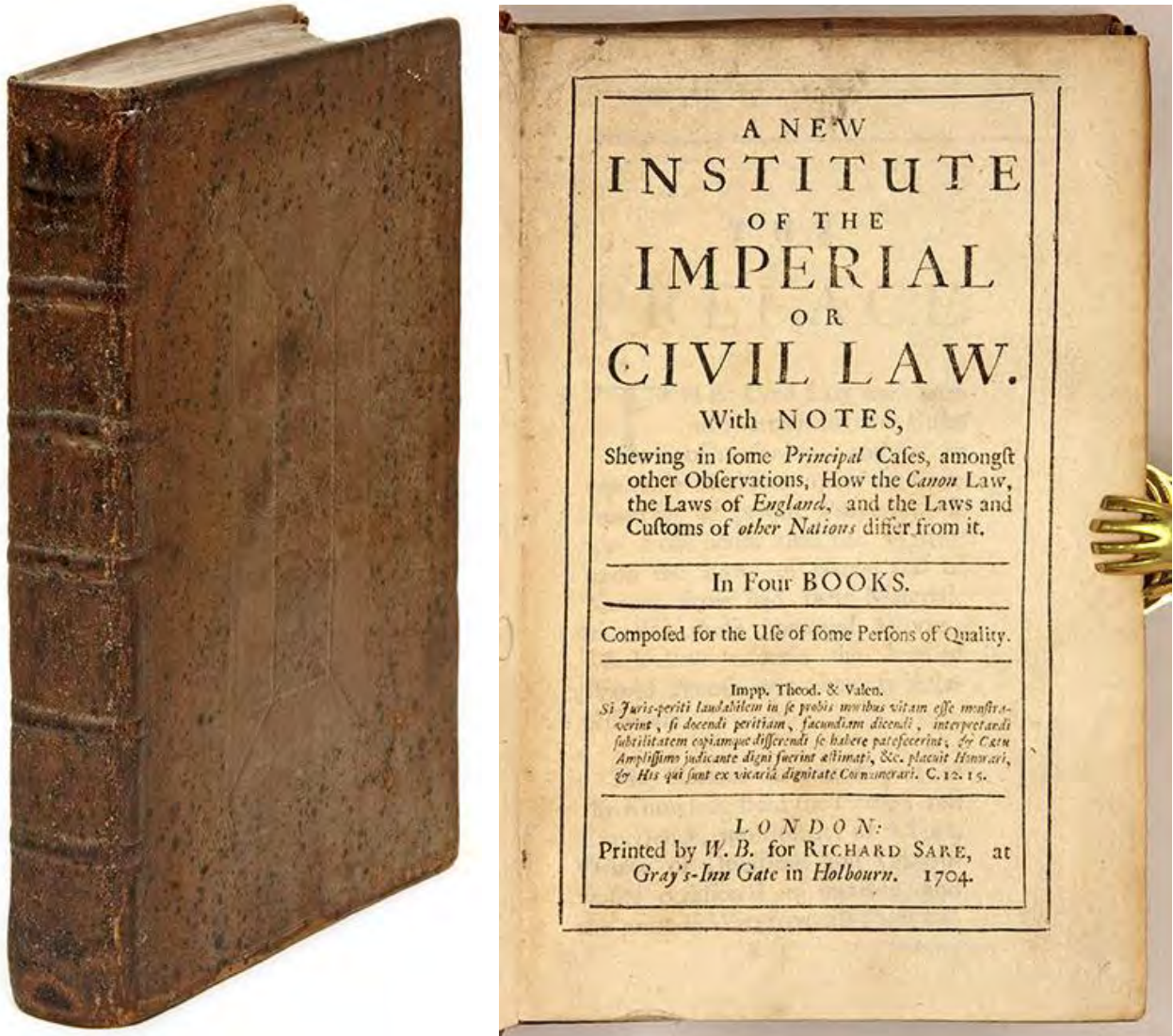
Wills in Medieval England

28. Sheehan, Michael MacMahan.

The Will in Medieval England, From the Conversion of the Anglo-Saxons to the End of the Thirteenth Century. Toronto: Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies, 1963. xii, 359 pp.

Softbound, negligible light shelfwear, owner stamp to inside front cover. \$150.

* Title 6 in the series Studies and Texts. A highly regarded and oft-cited study. [Order This Item](#)



Civil Law for "Persons of Quality"

29. [Wood, Thomas (1661-1722)].

A New Institute of the Imperial or Civil Law. With Notes, Shewing in Some Principal Cases, Amongst Other Observations, How the Canon Law, The Laws of England, And the Laws and Customs of Other Nations Differ From It. In Four Books. Composed For the Use of Some Persons of Quality. London: Printed by W.B. for Richard Sare, 1704. [iv], xvii, [7], 361, [11] pp. Octavo (7-1/2" x 5").

Contemporary paneled speckled calf, raised bands to spine. Light rubbing to boards, somewhat heavier rubbing to extremities, two small tears to head of spine, corners bumped, hinges cracked, moderate toning to text. A handsome copy. \$500.

* First edition. Wood's *New Institute* was a standard Anglo-American treatise during the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries and a well-thumbed reference for jurists who wished to apply an element of civilian learning to their work, such as Joseph Story. As the title suggests, it is not only a summary adapted to the needs of students, but also a pioneering essay in comparative law. Wood pays some attention as well to Roman law's influence on the historical development of English law. Indeed, he observes that "Fleta and Bracton would look very naked if every Roman lawyer should pluck away his feathers" (ix). Later editions were published in 1712, 1721 and 1730. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T112596. [Order This Item](#)



Lectura on the Institutes, c. 1200

**30. Zulueta, Francis de.
Stein, Peter.**

The Teaching Of Roman Law In England Around 1200. London: Selden Society, 1990. lxxxiv, 138, 138, [3] pp. facsimiles; 26 cm.

Hardcover, light fading to foot of spine, owner stamp to front free endpaper. A handsome copy. \$60.

* *Selden Society Supplementary Series, Volume 8*. Includes text of a *Lectura on the Institutes* (British Library, Royal MS. 4 B.IV) in Latin with English translation on opposite page, formerly associated with Master Vacarius of Oxford but apparently given by one of his pupils in the late 1190s. Professor Stein's introduction illuminates the teaching of Roman civil law in Anglo-Norman England. Includes bibliographical references and index. [Order This Item](#)