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A Scarce French Law Dictionary for Farmers

1. Barots, F-H.

[Lubin, Roche].

Dictionnaire de Droit de l'Empire Francais Commente et Analyse d'Après Merlin, Toullier, Rogron, Etc., Etc. Renfermant Par Ordre Methodique, Une Explication Claire et Succincte de la Legislation la Plus Recente en Matiere Civile, Commerciale, Criminelle, Municipale, Administrative, Rurale, Etc., Etc. Les Droits de Timbre et d'Enregistrement, Ainsi Qu'Un Tarif General des Honoraires dus aux Notaires, Avoués, Greffiers, Huissiers Suivi des Formules de Tous les Actes Sous Seing Privé le Plus Usuels, Tels que Baux, Ventes, Nantissements, Quittances, Prets, Cessions, Echanges, Etc., Etc. De la Loi Nouvelle sur les Patentes, La Loi sur les Batiments en ce Qui Concerne les Entrepreneurs, Des Lois sur les Brevets d'Invention, Les Irrigations, Les Trottoirs Publics, Les Defrichements, Etc., Etc. Augmente d'un Dictionnaire d'Agriculture et de la Medecine Veterinaire, Precis sur l'Hygiene de la Medecine Pratique des Animaux Domestiques. Paris: A L'Administration de la Jurisprudence de France, 1866. [vii], 664 pp. Main text in parallel columns. Octavo (9" x 6").

Contemporary quarter sheep over textured cloth, blind frames to boards, gilt title and ornaments to spine, marbled endpapers. Some rubbing to spine and extremities with wear to corners, hinges just starting at ends, small early bookseller stamp to half-title, chip to fore-edge of index leaf with minor loss to text. Some toning to text, light soiling and spotting to preliminaries, internally clean. \$200.

* First published in 1850, this useful household dictionary aimed at the rural consumer went through at least six subsequent editions. (The latest imprint we located is from 1868; Some issues, identical in contents, have a slightly different title beginning with *Manuel des Familles Contenant Dictionnaire...*) All editions are scarce. OCLC locates no copies of any edition in North America, but we found copies at George Washington University law library (1863) and the Library of Congress (1866). *British Museum Catalogue* (Compact Edition) 2:415 (citing an 1858 imprint).

Rare 1898 Glossary of Terms in the Constitution of Bolivia

2. Barrios, Claudio Q.

Diccionario de la Constitucion Politica de Bolivia. [La Paz: Imprenta y Lit. de "El Nacional," 1898]. [iv], v, 63, xiv pp. Quarto (8" x 5-3/4").

Stab-stitched pamphlet, wrappers not present, bound into later buckram, lettering piece to spine, hinges reinforced with cloth. Some soiling and shelfwear, front joint partially cracked, rear joint just starting at head, small chip to head of half-title, a few cracks to text block. Light toning to text, internally clean. Ex-library. Location label to spine, stamps and annotations to half-title. \$850.

* Only edition. This is a glossary and index of terms in Bolivia's 1880 Constitution, which was replaced in 1938. Each entry has a brief definition and a reference to the relevant article. This appears to be a rare title. OCLC locates 1 copy (at the University of Pennsylvania Law School). We located another copy at the Library of Congress Not in the *British Museum Catalogue*.

Classic Encyclopedia of Scottish Law

3. Bell, Robert [d.1816], Compiler.

Ross, George, Editor.

A Dictionary and Digest of the Law of Scotland, With Short explanations of the Most Ordinary English Law Terms. Edinburgh: Bell & Bradfute, 1861. vi, 873 pp. Main text in parallel columns. Octavo (10" x 6").

Later buckram, gilt title to spine, endpapers renewed. Upper corner lacking from title page, which also has a small hole near the top edge, minor dampstaining to corners of a few leaves. Light toning to text, internally clean. \$250.

* Fifth edition. This classic work was first published in 1807, its final edition, the seventh, in 1890. A notable addition to the fifth edition is the article "Titles to Land," which reviews developments in conveyancing since 1845 and discusses "what still remains to be done [to] free the transfer of land of all the feudal hindrances with which it may still be considered to be fettered" (iii-iv). Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 5:12.

**Weimar-Era
German-English Law and Business Dictionary**

4. Beseler, Dora von.

An English-German and German-English Dictionary of Law and Business Terminology. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter & Co., 1929. [vii], 223 [5] pp. Includes four-page publisher catalogue.

Original cloth, some shelfwear and soiling. Owner signature to front free endpaper, internally clean. \$65.

* A dictionary published at the end of Weimar Germany's brief period of stability and prosperity. Other editions were published in 1947, 1971, 1975, 1976 and 1986.

**Dictionary of Civil
Procedure and Commercial Law**

5. Bioche, [Charles-Jules-Armand].

Goujet, [Charles].

Dizionario Generale Ragionato Della Procedura Civile E Commerciale Contenente 1. L'Insieme Delle Regole Sulla Procedura 2. Il Reassunto Delle Opinioni di Tutti Gli Autori. 3. La Giurisprudenza Più Recente Intorno a Tutte le Quistioni. 4. I Modelli De Atti Sopra Ciascun Articolo Delle Codice con la Indicazione del Coste di Essi. Con Aggiunta di una Raccolta di Tutte le Leggi Speciali Che Completano O Emendano Il Codice di Procedura e di una Tavola di Paragone con Gli Articoli del Codice. Edizione Accresciuta dalla Legislazione e Dalla Giurisprudenza del Belgio. Versione Italiana con Annotazione Relative alla Giurisprudenza Francese e Nazionale, e col Confronto Degli Articoli del Codice Delle Due Sicilie, Ed Indicazione de' Decreti, Rescritti, E Ministeriali che Avranno Relazione Cogli Stessi Fino al 1853. Palermo: Dalla Stamperia di Pietro Pensante, 1853-54. Two volumes. 788; 784 pp. Main text in parallel columns. Quarto (10" x 7").

Contemporary quarter calf over textured paper boards, speckled edges. Some rubbing to extremities, light rubbing and a few tiny abrasions to boards. Light foxing in a few places, interiors otherwise clean and bright. \$500.

* Second and final Italian edition. This comprehensive dictionary devoted to civil procedure and commercial law was originally published in Paris in 1834-35. It went through several editions during the nineteenth century. Versions were produced for France, Belgium and the Kingdom of the Two Sicilies, which had a legal system founded on the Code Napoleon. 1 copy located in North America (at Harvard Law School). This edition not in the *British Museum Catalogue*.

Final Edition of Blount's Dictionary

6. Blount, Thomas [1618-1679].

Nelson, William, Editor.

A Law-Dictionary and Glossary, Interpreting Such Difficult and Obscure Words and Terms, As are Found Either in Our Common or Statute, Ancient or Modern, Laws. With References to the Several Statutes, Records, Registers, Charters, Ancient Deeds and Manuscripts, Wherein the Words and Terms are Used. To Which are Added Above Two Thousand Two Hundred Words, Collected from All the Laws of the Saxon, Danish and Norman Kings: And From All the Ancient Books of the Common Law, From the Monasticon Anglicanum, Du Fresne's Glossary, The Chronicon Saxonicum, And the Volumes Lately Published by Dr. Gale. Likewise an Explanation of All the Ancient Names of the Inhabitants, Cities, Towns, Villages and Rivers of Great Britain. Collected Formerly by Mr. Camden and Others, And Necessary for the True Understanding the History and Laws of this Realm. By W. Nelson, of the Middle Temple, Esq. [London]: Printed by Eliz. Nutt and R. Gosling, 1717. [330] pp. Main text in parallel columns. Folio (13" x 8").

Contemporary calf, blind rules to boards, blind fillets to joints, raised bands to spine, lettering piece lacking. Light rubbing to extremities, somewhat heavier rubbing to spine, a few scuffs to boards, a small length of calf lacking from fore-edge of rear board, corners bumped, some chipping to head of spine, minor worming to rear pastedown, front joint starting at ends, front hinge cracked, early bookplate (of G. Helyar) to front pastedown. Some toning to text, internally clean. \$850.

* Third and final edition. Blount was a barrister and a member of the Inner Temple. Prohibited to practice at the Bar because he was a Catholic, Blount turned to legal scholarship and lexicography. Blount aimed to correct the defects he found in Cowell's *Interpreter* (1607) and Rastell's *Termes de la Ley* (1523). Nelson, the editor of the final edition, claimed to have added nearly three thousand words, which he collected from all the laws of the Saxon, Danish and Norman kings. Blount's *Dictionary* was first published in 1656, and along with Rastell's, Cowell's and Spelman's, is one of the earliest English law dictionaries. Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 1:6. Cowley, *A Bibliography of Abridgments, Digest, Dictionaries and Indexes to the Year 1800* 202.

Final Edition of a Rare Portuguese Commercial Law Dictionary

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

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

Contemporary sheep treated to resemble tree calf, lettering piece, gilt fillets and ornaments to spine, marbled endpapers. Light rubbing to extremities, front hinge cracked, bookseller ticket to front pastedown. Some toning to text, light foxing and negligible dampstaining in places. An attractive copy. \$850.

* Second and final edition. A highly regarded dictionary dealing with commercial law, commerce and political economy. According to the preface, it was intended to be a companion to the author's *Codigo Commercial Portuguez* (1836). It was originally published in 1839. Both editions of this dictionary are rare. OCLC locates 2 copies of the first in North American law libraries (Harvard, UC-Berkeley), 1 of the second (at the Library of Congress). *Catalogo da Livraria de Azevedo-Samodães* 1204.

The Application of Shorthand to Legal Writing

8. Botley, Samuel [1642-1696?].

Rich, Jeremiah [d.c. 1660].

Maximum in Minimo, Or, Mr. Jeremiah Richs Pens Dexterity Compleated With the Whole Terms of the Law. London: Printed for John Man, [c.1690]. 31 ff. Content on facing leaves. Two copperplate portrait frontispieces. Octavo (7" x 4-1/2").

Contemporary wrappers bound into later library buckram, gilt title to spine. Some rubbing to extremities with light wear to corners, chipping to spine ends, front joint and hinge partially cracked, library bookplates to front pastedown. Copperplate title page with architectural border, copperplate leaves, all with vignettes. Moderate toning, some foxing to text, light edgewear to preliminaries and final few leaves, embossed library stamp to foot of first frontispiece, later annotation to its verso, other library stamps to verso of title page. A solid copy of a scarce title. \$1,250.

* Rich was an English stenographer who published a series of manuals on shorthand writing based on the work of his uncle, William Cartwright. First published in 1659, *The Penns Dexterity Compleated* is the definitive exposition of the Cartwright-Rich system. It was a popular work that went through 20 editions by 1792. Illustrated throughout with religious figures and symbols, Botley's attractive edition has a section on "the whole terms of the law." There were five editions of Botley's work, but their publication dates are not clear. *English Short-Title Catalogue* R24215.

A Curious Hybrid of Encyclopedia, Treatise and Reform Tract

9. [Bretonnier, Barthelemy-Joseph (1656-1727)].

Recueil Par Ordre Alphabetique des Principales Questions de Droit, Qui se Jugent Diversement dans les Differens Tribunaux du Royaume. Avec des Reflexions pour Concilier la Diversite de la Jurisprudence, & la Rendre Uniforme dans tous les Tribunaux. Paris: Chez Emery, 1718. lxxii, 463, [18] pp. Octavo (6-1/2" x 3-3/4").

Contemporary sheep, blind rules to boards, gilt spine with raised bands and lettering piece, edges rouged, marbled endpapers, ribbon marker. Light rubbing to extremities, front joint just starting at head, corners bumped and lightly worn, early armorial book plate to front pastedown. Light soiling to title page, light toning to text. Early owner inscription to title page (Ex Libris Menand), interior otherwise clean. A nice copy. \$1,250.

* First edition. Organized alphabetically, this guide to French law and judicial administration is a curious hybrid of encyclopedia, treatise and reform tract. As the title indicates, it outlines different jurisdictions in order to advance an argument for a comprehensive uniform court system. The "questions" relate, for the most part, to tricky aspects of family law. Some of the topics its covers are the marriage of wives of absent husbands, dowries, bastards, the passing on of jewelry, the marriage of minors, second marriages, subrogation, wills, and wards. Bretonnier was an avocat of the Paris Parlement. First published in 1718, his treatise went through five editions, the final appearing in 1783. All are scarce in North America. OCLC locates 3 copies of the first edition in North America, 2 in law libraries (Harvard, University of Michigan). This edition not in Camus.

Uncommon 1920s Virginia and West Virginia Dictionary-Digest

10. Caldwell, Fred P, Editor.

The Virginia and West-Virginia Judicial Dictionary-Digest: Words and Phrases. Being a Compilation of All Words, Phrases and Maxims Which Have Been Defined, Constructed, Interpreted or Applied in Virginia and West Virginia Cases and in the Codes of Those States, Combined with a Digest of Virginia and West Virginia Cases and Principles of Law as Therein Applied. Cincinnati: W.H. Anderson Co., [c. 1922-23]. Six volumes. Main text in parallel columns.

Original buckram, red and black lettering pieces to spine. Moderate soiling and some shelfwear, chipping to lettering pieces, most hinges cracked or starting, all secure, internally clean. Ex-law office library. Stamps to endleaves. A solid copy of an uncommon title. \$300.

* Only edition. "[This book] combines the features of a Digest, a Law Dictionary, a Word-Index and a book on Words and Phrases. Its purpose is to enable Virginia and West Virginia lawyers and judges to find cases and principles of law quickly and in the most direct manner" (Preface). OCLC locates 15 copies.

Important Seventeenth-Century Law Dictionary

11. Calvinus, Johannes (Kahl, Johannis). [c.1550-c.1610].

Lexicon Juridicum: Juris Caesarei Simul, et Canonici: Feudalis Item, Civilis, Criminalis, Theoretici, ac Practici: & in Schola, & in Foro Usitatarum, ac Tum ex Ipso Juris Utriusque Corpore, Tum ex Doctoribus & Glossis, Tam Veteribus, Quam Recentioribus Collectarum Vocum Penus: Simul & Locorum Communium, & Dictionarii Vicem Sustinens: Feudale Lexicon; Leges ac Magistratus Romanos, & Caetera Huic Operi Adjecta Vide in Complemento, Post Sinum Operis Ipsius. Collectum Vero est Hoc Opus ex Collatis Inter Sese Juridicis, Quotquot Hactenus Fere Proderunt, & Antiquioribus & Recentioribus Lexicis. Auctum Deinde, Expoliturum et Emendatum, Ex Hactenus Editis Accuratissimis Locubrationibus Dn. Cujacii, Brissonii, Donelli, Duareni, Gothofredi, Pacii, Vultei, Goeddae Item Corrasii, Fabri, Wesembec Aliorumque Praestantissimorum Virorum: Quorum Catalogum Mox Post Praefationes Inuenies. Cum Praefationibus Clar. & Emin. Juris-Consultorum Dion. Gothofredi & Herm. Vultei. Editio Postrema, Auctior, & ab Innumeris Mendis Expurgata. Geneva: Sumptibus Iohannis Antonii Chouet, 1653. [xii], 1047 pp. Main text in parallel columns. Folio (13-1/2" x 8-1/2").

Contemporary vellum, blind rules to boards, early hand-lettered title to spine, edges rouged. Spine painted green, chipping to head of spine, boards slightly bowed, a few minor spots and stains to boards, vellum partially cracked through pastedowns. Recent owner stamp to front pastedown. Red and black title page with large printer device, woodcut head-pieces, tail-pieces and decorated initials. Minor worming and edgewear to preliminaries and following 15 leaves, creases to final few leaves. Toning to text, internally clean. Ex-library. Location labels to spine and front pastedown, two small inkstamps to title page. \$550.

* Later edition. With prefaces by Denis Godefroy [1549-1622] and Hermann Vultei [1565-1634]. Calvinus was a German jurist and professor of law at the University of Heidelberg who wrote several books on politics, Jewish law and Roman law. The *Lexicon Juridicum* proved to be his most honored and durable publication. First published in 1600, it went through numerous editions during the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. It draws on several authors, including Albericus, Brisson, Cicero, Hotoman and Tacitus. A scholarly work, it contains an extensive list of sources. The definitions are admirably clear and concise; each one includes a list of citations. Roberts says this dictionary is "more useful" than those of Vicat and Brisson. KVK locates 4 copies of this edition. This edition not listed in the *British Museum Catalogue*. Roberts, *South African Legal Bibliography* 72 (citing other editions).

Owned by an Important New York Jurist

12. Calvinus, Johannes (Kahl, Johannis). [c.1550-c.1610].

Lexicon Iuridicum: Juris Caesarei Simul, Et Canonici: Feudalis Item, Civilis, Criminalis, Theoretici, Ac Practici: & in Schola, & in Foro Usitatarum, Ac Tum ex Ipso Juris Utriusque Corpore, Tum ex Doctoribus & Glossis, Tam Veteribus, Quam Recentioribus Collectarum Vocum Penus: Simul & Locorum Communium, & Dictionarii Vicem Sustinens: Feudale Lexicon; Leges ac Magistratus Romanos, & Caetera Huic Operi Adjecta Vide in Complemento, Post Sinem Operis Ipsius. Collectum Vero est Hoc Opus ex Collatis Inter Sese Iuridicis, Quotquot Hactenus Fere Proderunt, & Antiquioribus & Recentioribus Lexicis. Auctum Deinde, Expoliturum et Emendatum, Ex Hactenus Editis Accuratissimis Locubrationibus Do. Cujacii, Brissonii, Donelli, Duareni, Gothofredi, Pacii, Vultei, Goeddae Item Corrasii, Fabri, Wesembecii, Aliorumque Praestantissimorum Virorum: Quorum Catalogum Mox Post Praefationes Inuenies; Editio Postrema, Prioribus Auctior et Longe Limatior, Cum Praefationibus Clarissimorum & Eminentissimorum Hujus avi Iurisconsultorum Dionisii Gothofredi, & Hermanni Vultei. Geneva: Sumptibus Leonardi Chouet, & Socii, 1684. [xii], 1047 pp. Main text in parallel columns. Folio (13-3/4" x 8-1/2").

Contemporary calf, rebaked in period style with raised bands and lettering piece, corners mended, front free endpaper renewed, title page re-hinged. Some rubbing to boards, corners bumped, crack in text between title page and following leaf, armorial book plate of William Curtis Noyes to front pastedown. Title page printed in red and black. Large woodcut printer device, head-pieces, tail-pieces and decorated initials. Some edgewear to preliminaries, toning to text, occasional light foxing and dampstaining, internally clean. \$600.

* Later edition. Noyes [1805-1864] was a leading New York lawyer and a member of the commission to codify the state's laws, which resulted in the Field Codes. A man of extensive learning, he owned one of the finest law libraries in the United States. Roberts, *South African Legal Bibliography* 72 (citing other editions).

Rare Dictionary for Notaries in the Kingdom of Piedmont-Sardinia

13. [Calza, Giovanni].

Nuovo Dizionario Teorico-Pratico del Notariato nel Quale si Espongono per Ordine Alfabetico le Leggi Romane e Patrie le Disposizioni del Nuovo Codice Civile, Le Decisioni dei Supremi Magistrati e le Istruzioni Ministeriali che Risguardano la Scienza del Notajo. Turin: Dai Tipografi Cassone, Marzorati e Vercellotti, 1839. Two volumes. [iv], 8, 511, [1]; 519, [1] pp. Main text in parallel columns. Quarto (10" x 7").

Contemporary quarter morocco over marbled boards, gilt titles and volume numbers to spines, speckled edges. Some rubbing to boards and extremities with wear to corners. Interior has light to moderate toning and light foxing in places. Early owner stamp to title pages, interior otherwise clean. \$1,250.

* Only edition. With indexes. Encyclopedic in scope, this is a reference for notaries in the Kingdom of Sardinia (Piedmont-Sardinia). The entries are quite detailed; several entries have sub-divisions and many contain cross-references. A Sardinian notary was an important legal officer with a role analogous to a present-day English solicitor. The Kingdom of Sardinia led the Risorgimento and its legal system was adopted by the states that comprise present-day Italy. One copy found on OCLC (at UC-Berkeley Law Library). KVK locates 2 copies worldwide, both in Italy. Not in the *British Museum Catalogue*.

An Uncommon Chinese Law Dictionary

14. [China].

Zhou, Guochao, Zheng Du and Furong Xu.

Faxue Cidian. [Fa Xue Ci Dian]. Shanghai: Shanghai Ci Shu Chu Ban She: Xin Hua Shu Dian Shanghai fa Xing Suo Fa Xing, 1980. [4], 51, 742, 10 pp. Four leaves of plates.

Original cloth, gilt titles to spine and front board, light shelfwear. Owner name to front free endpaper, internally clean. \$45.

* With index. A handy general law dictionary. This is an uncommon book in the trade.

1873 Law Dictionary for Businessmen

15. Cowdery, Jabez F. [1834-1914].

The Pacific Law Encyclopedia: Complete Hand Book of all Matters Ordinarily Coming Before Judges, Attorneys, Justices of the Peace ... Farmers, Merchants and Business Men ... With Forms, in Conformity With the Statutes of, And Designed for Use in the States and Territories of the Pacific Coast. Fourth Edition. San Francisco: A. L. Bancroft and Co., 1873. [iv], iv, 814 pp. Octavo (9" x 5-1/2").

Original sheep, blind frames to boards, red and black lettering pieces to spine. Light rubbing to extremities, small chip to head of spine, some wear to corners. Moderate toning to text, light foxing to a few places, internally clean. A nice copy. \$250.

* Styled "fourth edition," this is in fact the third printing of the second, revised edition of 1871, preceded by a "third edition," i.e. second printing of the 1871 edition, published in 1872. A "third, revised edition" was published in 1875. In the Preface the author writes, "This book, as its name indicates, is an Encyclopedia, or Dictionary of Law, intended for general use, and especially for the guidance of business men... To those who are so fortunate as to have always at hand a good lawyer, who never charges for his services, this book will be of little service; to all others it will prove convenient - to many invaluable." OCLC locates 5 copies this edition in North American law libraries (Brigham Young, Columbia, Iowa State Law Library, Stanford, UC-Berkeley).

1684 Interpreter, The Second Edition by Manley

16. Cowel[], John [1554-1611].

[Manley, Thomas (1628-1690), Editor].

NOMOTHEAS. The Interpreter, Containing the Genuine Signification of Such Obscure Words and Terms Used Either in the Common or Statute Laws of this Realm. First Compiled by the Learned Dr. Cowel, and Now Enlarged from the Collections of All Others Who Have Written in This Kind. With an Addition of Many Words Omitted by All Former Writers, and Pertinent to This Matter, with Their Etymologies as Often as They Occur: As Also Tenures Whether Jocular, or Others Statutes and Records, Wherein the Alterations are Expressed, and their Agreement or Dissonancy, with the Law at Present Declared. Whereto is Subjoyned, An Appendix, containing the Ancient Names of Places Here in England, Very Necessary for the Use of All Young Students, Who Intend to Converse with Old Records, Deeds or Charters. The Second Edition, Wherein Many Errors and Mistakes in the Former are Carefully Corrected. London: Printed by the Assigns of Richard Atkins Esq., 1684. [294] pp. Folio (12-1/2" x 7-1/2").

Contemporary calf, rebacked in period style with gilt titles and gilt-edges raised bands, endpapers renewed. Some rubbing and a few scuffs, moderate wear to edges and corners, upper corner of rear board repaired. Some wear to margins of endleaves, early signatures to margin of title page, interior otherwise remarkably fresh. A desirable copy. \$500.

* Fifth edition, second Manley edition. *The Interpreter* was considered to be the best law dictionary until Jacob's, and was, and still is, used by scholars of early English legal texts. (This is especially true of this and other later editions.) Indeed, Walker describes Cowell as "reputed the most learned civilian of his time." But its publication was not without controversy. At a time when Parliament and crown were vying for power, the Commons disapproved of Cowell's monarchical orientation, which was evident in such definitions as "King," "Parliament," "Prerogative," "Recoveries," and "Subsidies." When a joint committee of lords and councilors reviewed the work, the ensuing controversy nearly halted the affairs of government. James I intervened in fear that his own fiscal interests would not be approved by Parliament, and ordered a proclamation that imprisoned Cowell, suppressed the book and ordered all copies burned by a public hangman on March 10, 1610. Moreover, *The Interpreter* contained a quotation that criticized Littleton's scholarship, which angered Coke. It comes as no surprise that he was instrumental in the book's suppression and in Cowell's persecution. Cowley, *A Bibliography of Abridgments, Digest, Dictionaries and Indexes to the Year 1800* 175. Sowerby, *Catalogue of the Library of Thomas Jefferson* 1812 (1672 ed.).

Eminent Nineteenth-Century Spanish Law Dictionary

17. Escriche, Joaquin [1784-1847].

Diccionario Razonado de Legislacion y Jurisprudencia. Nueva Edicion en que van Corregidos Numerosos Yerro de las Anteriores; Aumentada con Multitud de Articulos Nuevos Sobre el Derecho Vigente en Espana y America. Lleva Ademas en un Suplemento el Codigo Comercio, La Ley de Enjuiciamiento en Materias y Causas de Comercio, La Nueva Ley de Enjuiciamiento Civil, Etc., Etc. Paris: Garnier Hermanos, [1901]. vii, 1787 pp. Main text in parallel columns.

[With]

Escriche, Joaquin.

Pi y Arsuaga, Francisco, Editor.

Novisima Edicion del Diccionario Razonado de Legislacion y Jurisprudencia. Acompanada de un Extenso Suplemento que Contiene mas de 700 Articulos con Notas y Referencias a las Principales Legislaciones Latino-Americanas y el Extracto de Diez y Seis de Sus Constituciones, Compilado, Concordado y Comentado por D. Francisco Pi y Arsuaga. Paris: Garnier Hermanos, 1901. viii, 500 pp. Main text in parallel columns.

Uniform contemporary quarter calf over pebbled cloth, blind frames to boards, raised bands, gilt titles and gilt ornaments to spines, marbled endpapers. Light rubbing to extremities with minor wear, crack in text block between front free endpaper and title page. Toning and occasional light browning to text, early owner signature to front free endpaper of *Diccionario*, interior otherwise clean. \$650.

* First published in 1831, this eminent dictionary went through several editions in the nineteenth century and reached its latest edition in 1998. Along with imprints issued in Madrid and Paris were several issued by Latin American publishers in Mexico City, Caracas, Valparaiso, Santiago and Bogota. It is a comprehensive work with lengthy descriptions. The *Diccionario* has an appendix that compares the Spanish constitutions of 1869 and 1876. As their titles indicate, our volumes have supplemental material about Latin America. All editions are scarce. OCLC locates 2 copies identical to ours, one in North America (at the University of Michigan Law School). These editions not in the *British Museum Catalogue*.

The First Law-French Dictionary

18. F.O.

The Law-French Dictionary Alphabetically Digested, Very Useful for All Young Students in the Common Laws of England. To Which is Added the Law-Latin Dictionary: Being an Alphabetical Collection of Such Law-Latin Words as Are Found in Several Authentic Manuscripts, and Printed Books of Precedents, Whereby Entering-Clerks, and Others, May be Furnished with Fit and Proper Words, in a Common Law Sense, for Any Thing They Shall Have Occasion to Make Use of, in Drawing Declarations, or Any Parts of Pleading. Also, A More Compendious and Accurate Exposition of the Terms of the Common Law (Interspers'd Throughout) Than in any Hitberto Extant, Containing Many Important Words of Art Used in Law Books. Collected Out of the Best Authors by F.O. London: Printed for Isaac Cleave and John Hartley, 1701. [156]; [500] pp. Two volumes in one, each with title page and individual pagination, title page of first volume is a bound-in facsimile on matching paper. Octavo (7" x 4-1/2").

Recent period-style quarter calf over cloth, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, endpapers renewed, early hand-lettered title to fore-edge. Toning to margins, faint dampspotting to a few leaves, interior otherwise fresh. A handsome copy. \$400.

* First edition. This landmark work was the first dictionary written to aid lawyers in the translation of the Year Books, old deeds and other early documents. Each definition carries one or more references to examples in works by such authors as Brook, Coke, Crompton, Fitzherbert, Littleton and Plowden. The second part is a Latin dictionary that aimed to assist attorneys in the drafting of pleadings. Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 1:9.

**A Well-Regarded
Dictionary of Legal Precedents**

19. [Forms].

[Great Britain].

By an Attorney at Law, Author of the Practice Epitomized.

The Attorney's Compleat Pocket-Book. Containing Above Four Hundred of Such Choice and Approved Precedents, In Law, Equity, And Conveyancing, As an Attorney May Have Occasion For, When Absent from His Office; Digested Under the Following Heads; Acknowledgements, Acquittances, Affidavits, Agreements, Appointments, Assignments, Awards, Bail-Pieces, Bargains and Sales, Bills, Bonds, Covenants, Defeasances, Distress for Rent, Exchanges, Fines, Gifts, Grants, Leases, Lease and Release, Letters of Attorney, Letters of Licence and Composition, Livery of Seisin and Attornments, Memorials, Mortgages, Notices, Partition, Petitions, Promissory Notes, Protections, Recoveries, Releases, Revocations, Separation, Settlements, Tickets, Uses, Warrants, Wills. Calculated for the Use of Practisers in General, But More Particularly for the Assistance of Country Attornies and Their Clerks: Also Necessary for Gentlemen, Landlords, Stewards, Tenants, &c. To Which are Now Added the Proper Stamps to the Various Kinds of Precedents, And Other Useful Additions. [London]: Printed by His Majesty's Law Printers, 1767. Two volumes. [iv], 342, [30]; [iv], 297, [11] pp. Octavo (6-1/2" x 4").

Contemporary calf, blind rules and fillets to boards, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, Volume I carefully rebacked retaining spine. Light rubbing to extremities, a few minor scuffs to boards, corners bumped, hinges partially cracked. Light toning to text, annotation to front free endpaper of Volume I, early owner signature to its title page. A handsome copy. \$750.

* Sixth and final edition. First published in 1741, this useful work went through five more editions. Its utility extended from urban law offices to the libraries of "gentlemen" and "country attorneys and their clerks." All editions of this work are scarce. OCLC locates 7 copies on this edition in North American law libraries. Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 1:263 (17).

**Rare Nineteenth-Century
Brazilian Law Dictionary**

20. Freitas, Augusto Teixeira de [1816-1883], Compiler.

Vocabulario Juridico: Com Appendices. I-Logar, E Tempo. II-Pessoas. III-Cousas. IV-Factos. Rio de Janeiro: B.L. Garnier, 1883. viii, 771 pp. Octavo (9" x 5-1/2").

Contemporary three-quarter morocco over marbled boards, rebacked retaining original spine with raised bands and gilt title, hinges mended. Some rubbing to extremities, corners bumped. Toning, faint dampstaining and some worming to first few and final signatures, several leaves repaired, legibility not affected, internally clean. A solid copy of a rare title. \$1,500.

* Only edition. This dictionary appeared near the end of the Empire Era (1825-1889) and is thus a useful tool for the study of the legal system of that time. Freitas was a prominent Brazilian jurist and state official. An industrious scholar, he composed the first systematic compilation of Brazilian civil law and produced a draft *Esboco deCodigo Civil* (1860-64). He never finished it, but it was nonetheless a pioneering work that served as the basis for codifications in Brazil, Argentina and other South American nations. OCLC locates three copies of the *Vocabulario* in North American law libraries (Library of Congress, SMU and the University of Pennsylvania). We located another copy at UC-Berkeley Law School. Not in the *British Museum Catalogue*.

**Popular
Nineteenth-Century German Style Manual**

21. Heinsius, [Otto Friedrich] Theodor [1770-1849].

Der Deutsche Rathgeber, Oder Alphabetisches Noth- und Hulfs-Worterbuch zur Grammatischen Rechtschreibung und Wortsugung in Allan Zweifelhaften Fallen, Fur Diejeniben, Welche Briefe und Aufsätze aller Ort Moglisch Fehlerfrei zu Schreiben Wunschen. Berlin: Im Verlage bei J.W. Boise, 1828. [iii], 254. Octavo (8" x 5").

Contemporary three-quarter tree calf over marbled boards, lettering piece and gilt fillets to spine. Light rubbing to extremities, heavy rubbing to boards. Early owner stamp to title page, interior otherwise clean. A handsome copy. \$300.

* Sixth edition, enlarged. *Der Deutsche Rathgeber* was a standard reference for lawyers, bureaucrats and other professionals. Both a style manual and dictionary, it is a useful resource when dealing with nineteenth-century German texts. Heinsius, a professor at the Berlin Gymnasium, wrote several books on German grammar and literature. *Der Deutsche Rathgeber* was first published in 1825. *British Museum Catalogue* (Compact Edition) 11:1108.

**First Edition of a Scarce
German Dictionary of Roman Law Terms**

22. Heumann, H[ermann] G[ottlieb].

Handlexicon zum Corpus Juris Civilis: Nach den Quellen Bearbeitet. Jena: Verlag von Carl Hochhausen, 1846. iv, 563 pp. Main text in parallel columns. Octavo (8-1/2" x 5-1/4").

Contemporary marbled boards, lettering piece and gilt fillets to spine. Rubbing to extremities with some wear to spine ends and corners. Some toning and occasional foxing to text. Ex-library. Inkstamps to front endleaves and title page, fragment of card pocket to rear pastedown. A solid copy of a scarce title. \$450.

* First edition. This useful dictionary of terms in Roman law with references to passages in the *Corpus Juris Civilis* and other sources. The fourth and final edition was published in 1884. All are scarce, especially in North America. OCLC locates no copies of any edition in North America. This edition not in the *British Museum Catalogue*.

First American Edition of Holthouse's Dictionary

23. Holthouse, Henry James.

Pennington, Henry, Editor.

A New Law Dictionary, Containing Explanations of Such Technical Terms and Phrases As Occur in the Works of Legal Authors, In the Practice of the Courts, And in the Parliamentary Proceedings of the Houses of Lords and Commons; To Which Is Added An Outline of An Action at Law and of A Suit in Equity. Edited, from the Second and Enlarged London Edition, With Numerous Additions, by Henry Pennington. Philadelphia: Lea and Blanchard, 1847. viii, [17]-495, 8 pp. Includes eight-page publisher catalogue. Octavo (8" x 5").

Original plain publisher wrappers, untrimmed edges, early hand-lettered title to spine. Wrappers moderately worn and soiled, front joint reinforced with archival tape, a few cracks to text block. Light toning to text, occasional light foxing. Early owner signature to head of title page, interior otherwise clean. \$150.

* First American edition, edited from the second enlarged London edition. This work approaches the law as a science. Noteworthy because each definition is followed by an example, and because this edition includes American terms that aren't included in the London edition. The Appendix contains an outline of an action at law and of a suit in equity, intended to explain and show the relationship that exists between the words. "[O]ne of the best concise law dictionaries in use.": Marvin, *Legal Bibliography* 394. Cohen, *Bibliography of Early American Law* 5444.

Sixth Edition of Jacob's Seminal Dictionary

24. Jacob, Giles [1686-1744].

[Holt, Sir John (1642-1710)].

A New Law-Dictionary: Containing, The Interpretation and Definition of Words and Terms used in the Law; and Also the Whole Law, and the Practice Thereof, Under All the Heads and Titles of the Same. Together With Such Informations Relating Thereto, as Explain the History and Antiquity of the Law, and Our Manners, Customs, and Original Government. Collected and Abstracted From All Dictionaries, Abridgments, Institutes, Reports, Year-Books, Charters, Registers, Chronicles, and Histories, Published to This Time. And Fitted for the Use of Barristers, Students, and Practisers of the Law, Members of Parliament, and Other Gentlemen, Justices of the Peaces, Clergymen, &c. The Law-Proceedings Being Done Into English, with Great Additions and Improvements to this Time. To Which is Annexed, a Table of References to All the Arguments and Resolutions of the Lord Chief Justice Holt; in the Several Volumes of the Reports. London: Printed by Henry Lintot, 1750. [832] pp. Printed in double columns. Folio (14" x 9").

Recent period-style quarter calf over marbled boards, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, endpapers renewed. Negligible light rubbing to extremities, title page and following leaf re-hinged. Early owner signature to head of title page, another signature near fore-edge excised. Toning and light foxing in few places, somewhat later annotations and check marks in pencil to a group of leaves, many erased, interior otherwise clean. \$450.

* Sixth edition. According to Cowley, the *New Law-Dictionary* (First edition, 1729) was both Jacob's masterpiece and "an entirely new departure in legal literature" that provided a model for several subsequent efforts. In contrast to earlier works, each entry summarizes all of the laws relating to the subject and offers extensive interpretive commentary. Jacob was also careful to omit obsolete terms. It was recognized almost immediately that Jacob had created a highly useful legal encyclopedia that was both more detailed and concise than any other abridgment of the period. An extremely popular work that went through twelve editions by 1800, it offers unparalleled insights into Anglo-American law during the eighteenth century. Cowley, *A Bibliography of Abridgments, Digests, Dictionaries and Indexes to the Year 1800* xc-xci, 244. Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 1:9 (33).

Trilingual Dictionary of International Law

25. Jin, Guangming, and Qipeng Li, Compilers.

Ying Fa Han Guo Ji Fa Ci Dian/English, French, Chinese Dictionary of International Law. Taipei Shi: Wu Zhou Chu Ban She, 1983. 543 pp. Hardbound, spine ends and corners bumped, internally clean. \$65.

* The terms are arranged in parallel columns. OCLC locates 7 copies.

Fifteenth-Century Venetian Imprint of an Important Law Dictionary in a Handsome Contemporary Binding

26. [Jodocus of Erfurt, Attributed].

Vocabularium Iuris. [Venice: Bernardini Stagninus de Tridino, 1498]. Collation: A-B6, C7, D-M6. 73 ff. Complete. Text in parallel columns. Folio (12" x 8").

Contemporary half-calf with elaborate blind tooling over wooden boards, raised bands to spine, clasps lacking, buckles present, earlier liturgical musical manuscript on vellum used as endpapers, leaves from an earlier manuscript used as pastedowns, early hand-lettered title to head of text block. A few cracks to spine, small chip to head. Text printed in 71-line Gothic type on wide-margined paper, large woodcut capital at beginning of text. Light toning to text, faint dampspotting to a few leaves. Later annotations to front pastedown, partially erased early owner signature to title page, interior otherwise clean. \$18,500.

* A work of great authority, the *Vocabularius*, as it is popularly known, is attributed occasionally to Jacobus of Erfurt. First published around 1474 in Basel, it went through more than seventy editions over the following 150 years. (It had a second life as the first section of the 1559 edition of Elio Antonio de Nebrija's *Lexicon Juris Civilis*, a work that was reissued into the seventeenth century.) A useful and highly respected reference work, the *Vocabularius* is a collection of terms dealing with the *Ius Commune* taken from such late-scholastic texts as the *Vocabularius Stuttgardiensis* (1432), the *Collectio Terminorum Legalium* (c. 1400) and the *Introductorium pro Studio Sacrorum Canonum* of Hermann von Schildesch (c. 1330). OCLC locates 1 copy of this imprint in North America (at the University of Michigan Law Library). We located other copies at George Washington University and UNC-Chapel Hill. The collation listed in the *GW* indicates 6 leaves in Gathering C and a page count of 74 ff. Our copy is complete, however, matching the collations of the copies held at GWU, Michigan and UNC. Goff, *Incunabula in American Libraries* V356. *Gesamtkatalog der Wiegendrucke* M12676.

Two Important Early Legal Reference Works

27. [Jodocus of Erfurt, Attributed].

Vocabularius Iuris Utriusque. [Strasbourg: Georg Husner, 27 May 1500]. Collation: a8 b6 c8 d-x6. 130 ff. Complete. Text in parallel columns.

[Bound with]

Formulare Registrorum Seu Terminorum Observandorum in Curia Romana: Noviter Impressum Aprime Utile Practicam Nancisci Cupientibus. [Leipzig: Wolfgang Stockel, 19 March, 1506]. Collation: [*]2(-*2) a6 +*2 b6 C-K6. [ü], lix, [1] ff. Complete. Text in parallel columns.

Folio (10-1/2" x 8"). Contemporary blind-tooled deerskin over wooden boards, remains of brass fore-edge clasp, somewhat later re-staining of spine and addition of lettering piece. Some rubbing to extremities, a few cracks to spine, some chipping and a few minor tears to foot. Text printed in Gothic type, *Vocabularius* with initial spaces with printed guide letters. Light soiling and stains in places, light toning to *Vocabularius*, *Formulare* evenly browned some trimming to headlines, final leaf (colophon) used as rear pastedown. Owner inscription (of the Jesuit house of Millstatt [Carinthia]) to head of a2, interior otherwise clean. Appealing copies in a handsome contemporary binding. \$20,000.

* The second work is a well-known formulary (vocabulary and form book) on procedure in the papal courts produced for the German market. The first edition has not been determined, but two incunabula editions with similar titles were printed in Rome. *Vocabularius*: OCLC locates 1 copy of this imprint in a North American law library (UC-Berkeley). Goff, *Incunabula in American Libraries* V358; *Formularium*: OCLC locates no copies of this imprint in North America. *Verzeichnis der im Deutschen Sprachbereich Erschienenen Drucke des 16. Jahrhunderts* F1893.

Pioneering Law-French Dictionary that Includes a Treatise on Early Anglo-Saxon Laws

28. Kelham, Robert [1717-1808].

A Dictionary of the Norman or Old French Language; Collected From Such Acts of Parliament, Parliament Rolls, Journals, Acts of State, Records, Law Books, Antient Historians, And Manuscripts, As Relate to this Nation. Calculated To Illustrate the Rights and Customs of Former Ages, The Forms of Laws and Jurisprudence, The Names of Dignities and Offices, of Persons and Places; And to Render the Reading of Those Records, More Easy; As Well as

Restore the True Sense and Meaning of Many Words, Hitherto Deemed Quite Obscure or Mistranslated. To Which are Added The Laws of William the Conqueror, With Notes and References. London: Printed for W. Clarke, and Sons, n.d. [c.1800]. Two volumes in one, each with title page and individual pagination. vii, 259, [1]; xii, 88 pp. Octavo (8" x 5").

Contemporary calf, blind frames to boards, raised bands and lettering piece to spine. Some rubbing to extremities with some wear to spine ends, joints starting at ends, hinges cracked but secure. Armorial bookplate (of R. Townley Parker, 1858) to front pastedown, another (of Reginald Arthur Tatton) to front free endpaper. Toning, light foxing to a few leaves, internally clean. \$400.

* Second edition. This pioneering work was not superseded until the twentieth century. In 1843 it was reprinted and appended to Bouvier's *Law Dictionary*. The second part containing the laws of William the Conqueror is printed in three columns containing the text in Norman, Latin translations by a Dr. Wilkins and English translations by Kelham. "Though far from complete, it is the best work of the Kind" (Marvin). The *ESTC* locates 6 copies in the British Isles, 8 in North America, with no copy found in a law library; it notes: "Maxted says the 'W. Clarke and Sons' imprint begins from 1802; but title page looks [1800?]." Marvin, *Legal Bibliography* 435. This edition not in Sweet & Maxwell.

A "Portable" Law Dictionary from 1763

29. [Lacombe de Prezel, Honore (b. 1725)].

Dictionnaire Portatif de Jurisprudence et de Pratique; A l'Usage de Tous les Citoyens & Principalement de ceux qui se Destinent au Barreau. Contenant les Dispositions des Ordonnances, Edits & Declarations du Roi, les Statuts Particuliers des Coutumes, La Jurisprudence des Arrêts, Les Usages Observés dans les Differens Tribunaux & la Définition des Termes de Droit & de Pratique. On y a Joint ce qui Regarde les Chambres de Comptes, Un Abrege des Prerogatives & Privileges des Jurisdictions, Des Offices de Judicature & Autres, & Une Notice des Plus Celebres Jurisconsultes Anciens & Modernes, Francois & Etrangers. Paris: Le Clerc [et al.], 1763. Three volumes. [viii], 559; [iv], 524; [iv], 570, [2] pp. Main text in parallel columns. Octavo (6-3/4" x 4-1/4").

Contemporary three-quarter sheep over speckled boards, red-speckled edges. Light rubbing to spines and boards, moderate rubbing to extremities, corners bumped, early owner bookplates to front pastedowns. Light toning to text, early owner signatures and small private library inkstamps to title pages. An attractive set. \$1,850.

* First edition. Prezel, an industrious lexicographer, was the author of a *Dictionnaire du Citoyen; Ou, Abrege Historique, Theorique et Pratique du Commerce* (1762) and *Dictionnaire des Portraits historiques, Anecdotes, Et Traits Remarquables des Hommes Illustres* (1768). The *Dictionnaire Portatif*, is a handy, "portable," dictionary with concise definitions. It was a fairly successful work; two re-issues were published in 1764 and 1766. All are scarce. OCLC locates 5 copies in North American law libraries (Harvard, UC-Berkeley, UT-Austin and Yale, which have the 1763 edition, and the University of Arizona, which has a 1765 issue).

Scarce Early Swedish Law Dictionary

30. Loccenius, Johannes (Locken, Johan) [1598-1677], Compiler.

Lexicon Juris Sueo-Gothici; Ex Variorum Iuris Patrii Peritorum Propriisque Observationibus Collectum & Conscriptum. Editio Tertia, Multo Emendatior & Auctior. Accedit Appendix seu Explicatio Verborum Gotho-Teutonicarum Iuris Feudalis. Stockholm: Typis & Sumptibus, Henrici Keyzers, 1674. 186 pp. Octavo (6-1/2" x 3-1/2").

Contemporary marbled publisher boards, backstrip lacking. Moderate rubbing with some wear to corners, boards beginning to separate from text (but still quite secure), a few cracks to text block, section excised from foot of title page with no loss to text. Early owner signatures to front pastedown and title page, interior otherwise clean. \$750.

* Third and final edition. Definitions in Latin. Born in Hamburg, Loccenius received his doctorate in law from the University of Leiden. Recruited for the University of Uppsala by King Gustavus Adolphus, where he became one of its most distinguished professors, Loccenius was also the queen's librarian and the royal historiographer. He is best known for his writings on international law and the legal history of Sweden. First published in 1651, with the second edition in 1665, this was one of the earliest Swedish law dictionaries. It contains brief entries of current and obsolete terms. It was a standard work for many years, and it is a useful resource today. KVK locates 10 copies of this edition, all in Europe. OCLC locates 6 copies worldwide, three in North American law libraries (Harvard, Iowa and UC-Berkeley). Collijn, *Sveriges Bibliografi 1600-Talet* 530.

"The Young Clerk's Vocabulary"

31. Meriton, George [1634-1711].

Nomenclatura Clericalis: Or, The Young Clerk's Vocabulary, In English & Latine, Being a Collection of Several Useful and Necessary Things Digested into Several Sections, Under Proper Heads, Very Necessary and Useful not Only for Young Clerks, But Also for Young Scholars, Apothecaries, Chirurgions, Coroners, Clerks of the Peace, &c. And Several Other Persons. In this Vocabulary are Several Hundreds of English Words Rendred into Latine, Not Elsewhere to be Found. And After all are Several Presidents of Warrants, And Other Things Useful for Young Clerks, Not in Print in Any Other Book. London: Printed for Richard Lambert, 1685. [iii], v, [1], v, [1], 128, 127-238, 299-474 pp. Text in English with parallel Latin translation. Octavo (5-3/4" x 3-3/4").

Contemporary calf, rebaked in period style, blind rules to boards, lettering piece and blind fillets to spine, endpapers renewed. Light toning to text, somewhat heavier in places, faint dampstaining to foot of text block, light foxing to a few leaves. \$2,500.

* Only edition. Meriton was a lawyer and a prodigious writer on a wide range of legal and non-legal topics. Born in the North Riding of Yorkshire, he is also remembered for his dialect poem *The Praise of Yorkshire Ale* (1683). *Nomenclatura Clericalis* is a wide-ranging glossary of legal terms in English with their Latin equivalents. Not restricted to legal terms, it has sections devoted to such fields as botany, medicine, food and commerce. The final section is a collection of precedents. OCLC locates 2 copies in North American law libraries (Harvard, University of Pennsylvania). *English Short-Title Catalogue* R23284. Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 1:19 (43).

Rare Nineteenth-Century Italian Law Dictionary

32. Napolitani, Vincentio [1814-1886].

Lexicon Universi Corporis Juris in Quo Repertorium Sententiarum et Regularum, Relatio Legum, Verborum Significatio, Index Titulorum Omnium, Nec non Legum in Universo Corpore Juris Comprebensarum Continentur. Naples: Ex Tipographia Androsio, 1853-56. Four volumes in three books. Main text in parallel columns. Quarto (10" x 7-3/4").

Contemporary quarter calf over patterned boards, gilt titles and ornaments to spines, speckled edges. Some rubbing to boards and extremities, stains to front board of Volume II. Toning, occasional foxing, faint dampstaining in places, internally clean. \$2,950.

* Only edition. With indexes. Devoted to Roman and canon law, this work appears to have been produced as an aid for practicing attorneys. It contains word definitions, phrases and maxims. Its brief entries refer the reader to passages in the *Corpus Juris Civilis* and *Corpus Juris Canonici*. OCLC locates 3 copies worldwide, 2 in North America (at the law libraries of Harvard and UC-Berkeley). Not in the *British Museum Catalogue*.

First Edition of Osborn's Law Dictionary

33. Osborn, P[ercy] G[eorge].

A Concise Law Dictionary for Students and Practitioners: With Summaries of the Leading Cases and a Translation of Roman Law Terms and Latin Maxims. London: Sweet & Maxwell, 1927. xxvii, 306, [32] pp. Includes 32 page publisher catalogue.

Original cloth, some rubbing to extremities, binding slightly cocked. Early owner signature (of P.C. Edwards) to front free endpaper, interior otherwise clean. \$25.

* First edition. Esteemed for its comprehensive scope and concise definitions, Osborn's dictionary was a standard reference work throughout the British Commonwealth. Its latest edition, the tenth, was published in 2005.

Osborn's Law Dictionary, Second Edition

34. Osborn, P[ercy] G[eorge].

A Concise Law Dictionary for Students and Practitioners. London: Sweet & Maxwell, 1937. [vii], 358 pp.

Original cloth, light rubbing, corners and spine ends bumped. Early bookplate to front pastedown, internally clean. \$20.

Encyclopedia on Fire Insurance

35. Remington, Bernard, Editor.

Dictionary of Fire Insurance: A Comprehensive Encyclopaedia of the Law and Principles of Fire Insurance, and Home and Foreign Practice. With Contributions by Many Well-Known Officials of Fire Insurance Companies, and Other Experts. London: Sir Isaac Pitman & Sons, Ltd., 1927. [vi], 480, [2] pp.

Contemporary three-quarter calf over cloth, moderate rubbing, wear to joints, chipping to head of spine, front hinge cracked but secure, internally clean. \$100.

* "This book is an attempt to condense the principles and practice of modern fire insurance into reference form for the company's official, the agent, and the student. It embodies many items of information not previously published, and of these it is hoped that the compendium of law cases and the articles on foreign methods and requirements will be especially useful.": Preface [iv].

A Notable German Humanist

36. Schard, Simon [1535-1573].

Kamphausen, Rudolph von, Editor.

Lexicon Iuridicum Iuris Rom. Simul et Pontificii a Doctoribus Item et Practicis in Schola Atque Foro Usitatarum Vocum Penus. In hac Editione non Solum Plurima Loca Suae Integritati Restituta, Sed & Multa Secundo et Tertio Repetita, Sublata. Studio et Opera Rudolphi a Kamphausen. Catalogum Auctorum Quorum in Hoc Schardii Etymologico Fit Mentio, & Ex Quibus Potissimum est Desumptum, Statim Post Praefationem Invenies. Cologne: Apud Ioannem Gyminicum, Sub Monocerote, 1593. [viii], 1040 [i.e. 1038], [2] pp. Main text in parallel columns. Folio (14" x 8-1/2").

Contemporary paneled pigskin with elaborate blind tooling, raised bands and faint hand-lettered title to spine. Some soiling, a few minor stains and worm holes, moderate rubbing to extremities, spine ends bumped, corners bumped and somewhat worn, boards slightly bowed, front free endpaper lacking, large eighteenth-century (?) armorial bookplate and fragment of later bookplate to front pastedown. Some toning to text, occasional faint dampstaining to outer margins, minor stains and spark burns to a few leaves, minor edgewear to preliminaries and final few leaves of text. Early owner annotation and signature to title page, interior otherwise clean. \$950.

* Second edition. Schard was a humanist publisher, writer and lawyer. First published in 1582, his dictionary is a practical work derived mostly from a variety of earlier dictionaries, which are listed at the beginning of the text. Some of the definitions are detailed and long, but most are concise. All are notable for their clarity and lucid prose. A fairly successful work, it went through three more editions in 1593, 1600 and 1616. All are scarce. OCLC locates two copies of the 1599 edition in North America (Northwestern Law School, UC-Berkeley Law School). *Verzeichnis der im Deutschen Sprachbereich Erschienenen Drucke des 16. Jahrhunderts* S2281.

Sixteenth-Century Roman and Canon Law Dictionary

37. Soares da Ribeira, Manual [16th c.].

Thesaurus Receptarum Sententiarum: Quas Vulgus Interpretum Communes Opiniones Vocat, In Alphabeti Seriem Digestarum Post Omnes Omnium ea de re Lucubrations. Venice: Apud Io. Baptistam Somasum, & Fratres, 1569. [viii], [251], [1] ff. Octavo (5-3/4" x 4").

Contemporary limp vellum, early calligraphic title to spine, ties lacking. Darkening and some staining to spine, minor worming to front hinge, partial crack in text block between front free endpaper and title page, lower corner with later library stamp excised from lower corner and carefully mended. Attractive woodcut printer device, head-piece and decorated initials. Light toning to text, negligible faint dampspotting to a few leaves, internally clean. An appealing copy of a scarce title. \$1,500.

* Second edition. Ribeira, a canon lawyer, produced this dictionary to aid lawyers. First published in 1568, it is a thorough practical dictionary on the *ius commune* that favors breadth over depth. The entries are concise, ranging from two to six sentences. It was a useful and oft-consulted work and it reached its third and final edition in 1593. OCLC and KVK locate 3 copies in North America. UC Berkeley Law Library and Princeton University have copies of the 1568 edition, the Library of Congress has a 1569 edition. *Censimento Nazionale delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* CNCE 32789.

Important Humanistic Law Dictionary with Striking Title Page

38. [Spiegel, Jakob (Jacobus) (1483-c.1547)].

[Oldendorp, Johannes (1487-1567), And Others].

Lexicon Iuris Civilis per C.U.D. Iac. Spiegelium, Postremo Auctum & Recognitum. Basel: Apud Ioan. Hervagium, 1549. Main text printed in double columns. [357] ff., 420 cols., [4] ff. Folio (12" x 8").

Mid-seventeenth-century French (?) vellum, painted with diagonal black-ink lines at corners within a mitered black-ink border, leaving a central lozenge shape in which is inked an oval centered with a blindstamped stylized pomegranate, raised bands, calf lettering piece, blind-stamped fleur-de-lys, inked fillets and stylized crown-like floral ornaments to spine, colored edges, marbled endpapers, ribbon marker. Light soiling, some rubbing to extremities, minor chipping to ends of front joint, corners bumped, front hinge cracked. Attractive woodcut pictorial title page. Light toning, title dusty with a few small stains, dampstaining to margins of first few leaves, occasional worming to margins with no damage to text, a few notes to margins of second part in a slightly later hand. A desirable copy of an important title. \$3,500.

* Third edition (stated). Spiegel was a lawyer, a privy counselor to Holy Roman Emperor Charles V and a notable humanist scholar who corresponded with Erasmus. The *Lexicon Iuris Civilis*, a dictionary of terms in Roman and canon law, is his best and most successful work. It went through twelve editions, the first in 1538, the last in 1577. The entries are rather brief, ranging from a sentence to a few paragraphs, and they contain references to examples in the Roman juristic literature. The second part of the work, *Quae Lexico Huic Postrema Editione Recens Accessere*, contains additional texts. It starts with a work entitled "In Verba Legum XII Tabularum Scholia," an edition of the Twelve Tables by Oldendorp, and is followed by several other texts by Oldenburg and Spiegel. Also appearing for the first time is the comprehensive addendum, which includes a commentary on aspects of Oldendorp's contemporary dictionary, *De Copia Verborum*. There are also pieces by Protestant leader Philip Melancthon ("Oratio de Scripto Iure, & Dignitate Veterum Interpretum Iuris", 'Romanum Ius Antecedere Legibus Aliarum Gentium', and his "Censura de Legibus") and Claude Chansonnette ("De Ratione Studii Legalis Paraenesis," Christoph Hegendorff ("Epitome Tyrocinii Iuris Civilis," "Exegeses in XII Libros Codicis" and Compendiariae Titulorum Codicis Iustiniani Exegeses"). The somewhat bizarre vellum binding on our copy defies identification or localization. Just as arresting is the unusual borderless woodcut title page, which appeared for the first time in this edition. OCLC locates 6 copies in North America, 3 in law libraries (Harvard, Library of Congress, UC-Berkeley). Another copy located at Yale Law School. Adams, *Catalogue of Books Printed on the Continent of Europe* S1585.

Vasan's Canadian Law Dictionary

39. Vasan, R.S., Editor-in-Chief.

The Canadian Law Dictionary. Toronto: Law and Business Publications (Canada), Inc., [1980]. 647 pp. Thumb-tabbed. Cloth in lightly worn dust jacket. \$15.

* With a table of cases, a table of British Regnal Years, a dictionary of Latin words and phrases and the texts of the Code of Ethics for Lawyers, the Code of Judicial Conduct, the Judges Act, the British North American Act, the Bill of Rights and other documents relating to Canada's constitutional history.

Final Edition of a Classic Encyclopedia of Scottish Law

40. Watson, George.

[Bell, Robert (d.1816)].

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