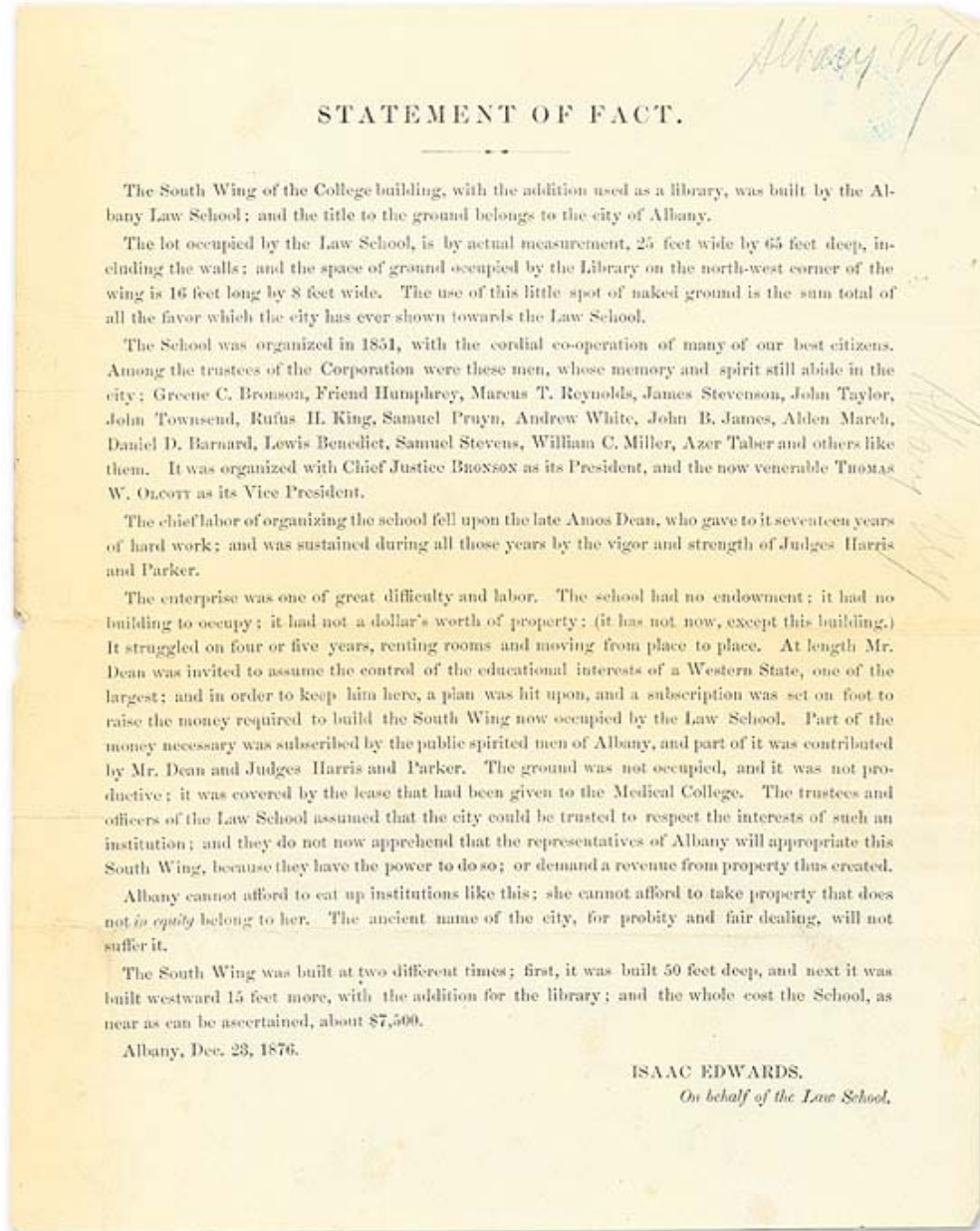


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### Albany Law School Confronts a Hostile Takeover

#### 1. Albany Law School.

*Statement of Fact.* Albany, NY, December 23, 1876.

8" x 10" broadside. Seven paragraphs of text. Signed in type by Isaac Edwards. Toning, several fold lines, light wear and a few minor tears to edges, annotations in light pencil to recto and verso. \$150.

\* The statement concerns the costs and financing of the "South Wing of the College Building." It asserts that most of the funding was private. Apparently, the city of Albany was trying to take over the institution, even though it had never contributed to its development. No copies located on OCLC.

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**For Sale: New Hampshire Farm, Saw Mill and Pasture**

2. [Broadside].

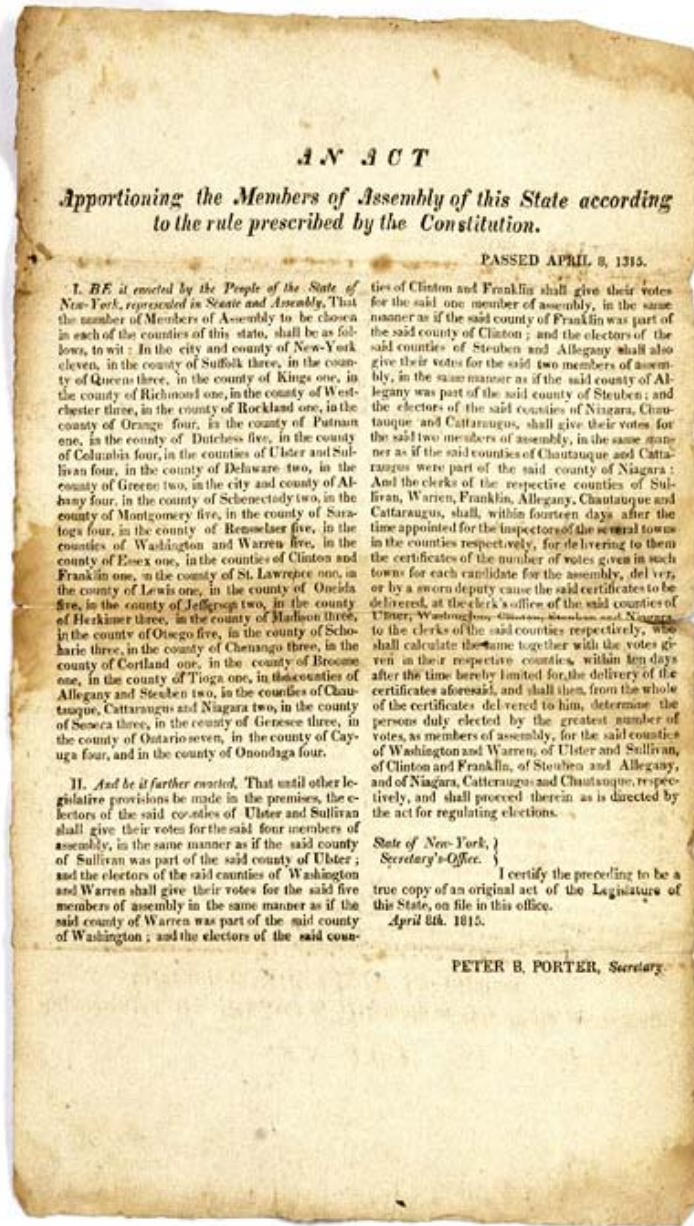
[Estates].

**Brown, W[illiam] M., Executor.**

*Executor's Sale, Valuable Real Estate at Auction!*. Concord, NH: Steam Printing Works of McFarland & Jenks, 1853.

12-1/2" x 20-1/2" broadside. Light toning, some crinkling and edgewear with small tears and chips, faint vertical and horizontal fold lines, a few minor faint stains. \$350.

\* "By virtue of a license from the Judge of Probate for the County of Merrimack, the subscriber will sell at public Auction at the Dwelling House of Dexter Pritchard, late of Boscawen, deceased, on Saturday, the 9th day of April next, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, so much of the Real Estate of said deceased, situated in said Boscawen, as may be necessary to raise \$1,600, to pay debts, legacies, and incidental charges." This state included a 100-acre farm, a saw mill and a 23-acre pasture. Order this item: <http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=59526>



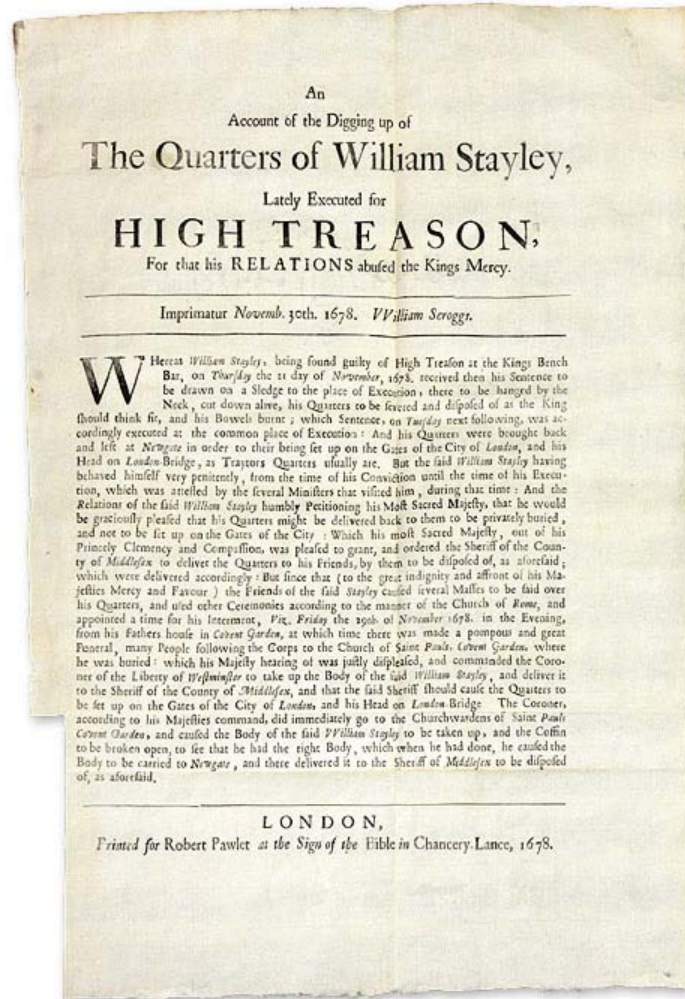
Rare 1815 New York Broadside  
Concerning Representation in the State Assembly

3. [Broadside].  
[New York].

*An Act Appointing the Members of Assembly of this State According to the Rule Prescribed by the Constitution.* [Albany]: April 8, 1815.

8" x 13" broadside. Lightly browned, light foxing and a few faint dampstains, fold lines, some edgewear, a few short tears along fold lines, annotations to verso. \$450.

\* Reflecting the growth of New York's population, this act increased the number of assemblymen from 112 to 126. Annotations on our copy show that it was sent to the clerk of the town of Lewiston. No copies listed on OCLC. Order this item: <http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=65473>



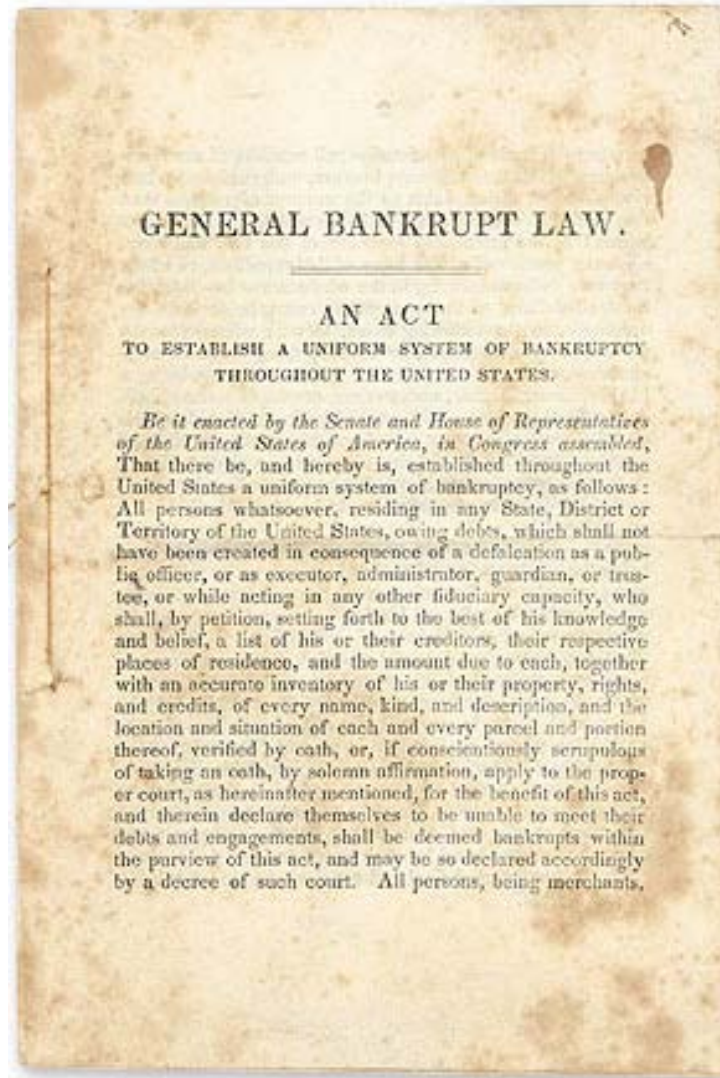
### The Last Decapitated Head Displayed On London Bridge

#### 4. [Broadside]. Stayley, William.

*An Account of the Digging Up of the Quarters of William Stayley, Lately Executed for High Treason, For That His Relations Abused the Kings Mercy.* London: Printed for Robert Pawlet at the Sign of the Bible in Chancery-Lance [sic], near Fleet-street. 1678.

16" x 11-1/2" broadside. Light toning, faint vertical and horizontal fold lines, 4-1/2" section excised from foot of left margin, old tear professionally repaired with no loss of printed surface. A well-preserved copy. \$850.

\* William Staley (or Stayley) was one of the victims of the Popish Plot, one of the cruelest hoaxes in British history and the inspiration for a wave of anti-Catholic violence. It was the invention of Titus Oates, an Anglican clergyman, and his friend, Dr. Israel Tonge, a cleric and passionate anti-Catholic. They pretended to have discovered a Jesuit plot to assassinate the King, massacre Protestants, and set James, Duke of York, the King's Catholic brother, on the throne. Convicted as a conspirator, Staley was executed and quartered in 1678. "Instead of his quarters being set upon the city gates the king allowed them to be delivered to his relatives. Mass was said over his remains and a 'grand' funeral was arranged from his father's house on 29 November, before his burial in St Paul's, Covent Garden. This incensed the government so much that the coroner ordered the body to be dug up and delivered to the sheriff to be set upon the city gates" [*Oxford Dictionary of National Biography*]. Stayley's head has a small place in London's history; it was the last to be displayed on London Bridge. *English Short-Title Catalogue* R211806. Order this item: <http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=64526>



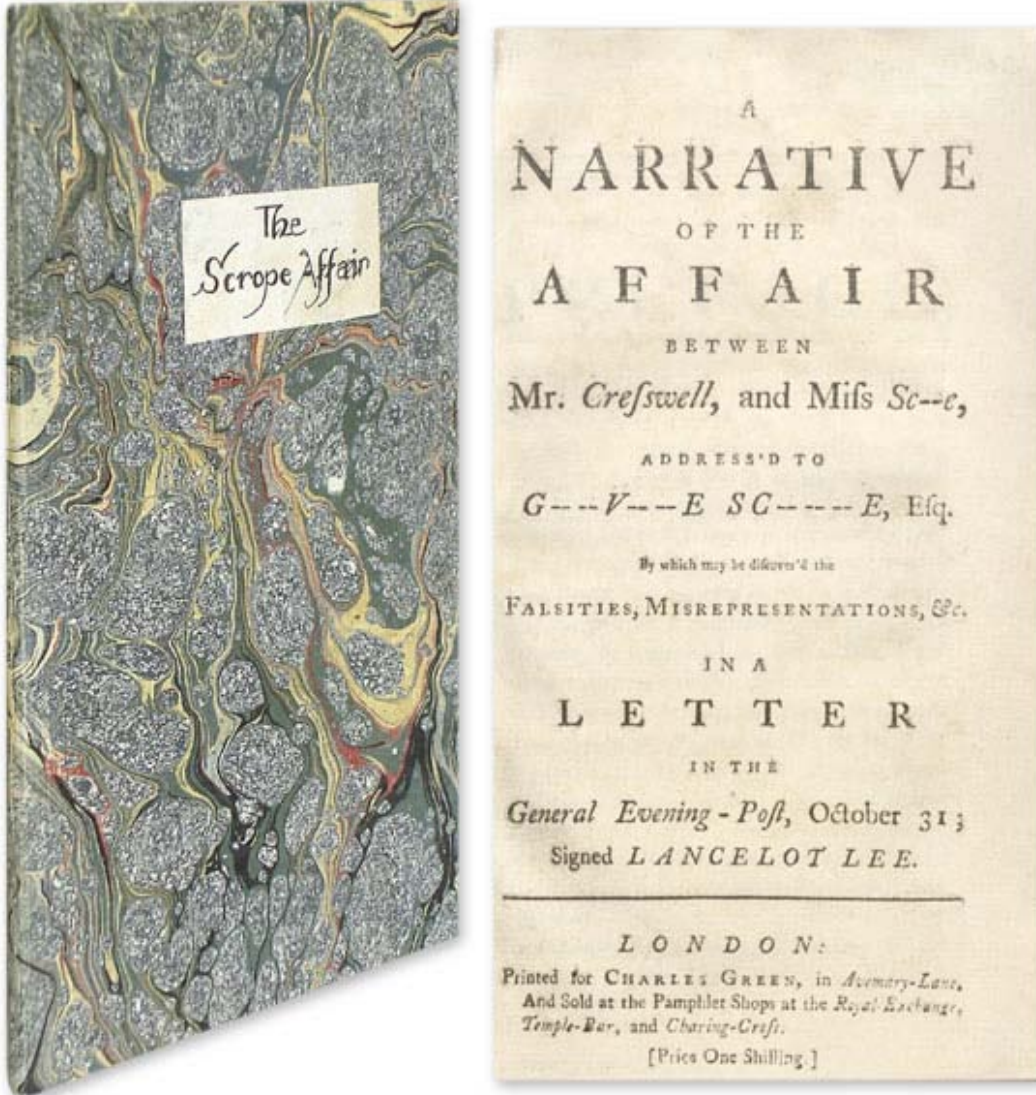
**Rare Printing of 1841 Federal Bankruptcy Law**

**5. [Congress, United States].**

*General Bankrupt Law. An Act to Establish a Uniform System of Bankruptcy Through the United States* [caption title]. [Washington?: 1841]. 16 pp. Octavo (6-1/2" x 4").

Stab-stitched self-wrappers. Minor edgewear, foxed, a few tiny ink stains, occasional contemporary notes in faint pencil to margins of a few leaves. \$750.

\* Signed in type by President John Tyler. Enacted in February 1800 with a slim majority, the first Federal bankruptcy act aimed to encourage economic risk and supersede the patchwork of debtor laws in force in the different states. Never a popular law, it was routinely attacked as a shield for the financially irresponsible and finally repealed in November 1803. Claiming this would retard economic development, supporters of the defeated bill launched a campaign to restore the law or enact a similar one. Attitudes changed after the Panic of 1837 and the five-year depression that followed. Sponsored by Daniel Webster, the *General Bankrupt Law* was enacted in 1841. It was repealed two years later. Not found in OCLC, Hollis, or the Library of Congress. Order this item: <http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=53666>



### A "Load of Infamy"

#### 6. Cresswell, Thomas Estcourt [d.1788].

*A Narrative of the Affair Between Mr. Cresswell, And Miss Scrope, Address'd to G--v--e Scrope, Esq. By Which May be Discover'd the Falsities, Misrepresentations, &c. In a Letter in the General Evening-Post, October 31; Signed Lancelot Lee.* London: Printed for Charles Green, [1747]. [iv], 78 pp. Octavo (7-1/2" x 4-1/2").

Stab-stitched pamphlet in later (?) marbled paper wrappers, small hand-lettered title label to front, light shelfwear. Toning and light foxing to title page and verso of final leaf, interior otherwise fresh. A well-preserved copy. \$250.

\* Only edition. This pamphlet offers a unique perspective on contemporary English law concerning breach of promise, bigamy, adultery. In it Cresswell defends himself against accusations of these transgressions, along with much else, by Gervase Scrope, the father of Elizabeth Scrope. "I thought myself under a necessity of publishing the following Sheets, in order to take off part of that Load of Infamy that has been laid upon me" (Preface). Mr. Scrope was right, however. A few years after entering into a clandestine marriage with Elizabeth Cresswell he married Anne Warneford in order to acquire her fortune. This scandal was one of the great events of the day. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T39569.

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**Inscribed Portrait  
Photograph of William O. Douglas**

**7. Douglas, William O. [1898-1980].**

[*Inscribed Portrait Photograph of Douglas in Judicial Attire*]. N.p., c. 1960.

4" x 5" halftone black-and-white photograph on 8" x 10" sheet, tipped-in to an 8" x 10" illustration board. Autograph inscription by Douglas below image. Small stain to upper right hand corner, smudge though part of inscription, otherwise fine. \$100.

\* The inscription reads: For Norman C. Zeter/ with all good wishes/ W O Douglas." This photo was probably produced for newspapers and magazines. Order this item: <http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=51057>





### A Reconciliation?

#### 8. Doyle, John [1797-1868].

*A Broad Hint.* [London]: Published by S. Gans, [1829].

14" x 11" hand-colored lithograph in 16-1/2" x 19" hinged matte. Light soiling to matte, some toning to margins, a few miniscule spots to image, colors vivid. \$350.

\* Doyle moved English caricature from the ridiculous, grotesque and sometimes bawdy style of Thomas Rowlandson and James Gillray to the more witty and genteel manner developed further by later cartoonists, such as those associated with *Vanity Fair*. Doyle's pictures appeared anonymously in the London *Times* and a series of books, *Political Sketches*, between 1830 and 1851 under the signature H.B. They were commentaries on recent events and were sometimes accompanied by explanatory essays. *A Broad Hint* depicts the Duke of Wellington, then Prime Minister, Lord Chancellor Lyndhurst and Lord Brougham, then a leading member of the House of Commons who advocated legal reform and education of the poor, causes Wellington opposed. Doyle satirizes the opposition between these two men in the guise of a reconciliation managed by Lyndhurst. This is a re-strike of a plate issued by T. McLean, July 18, 1829. Stephens, *Catalogue of Political and Personal Satires in the Department of Prints and Drawings in the British Museum* 15837.A.

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### The Rotten Boroughs

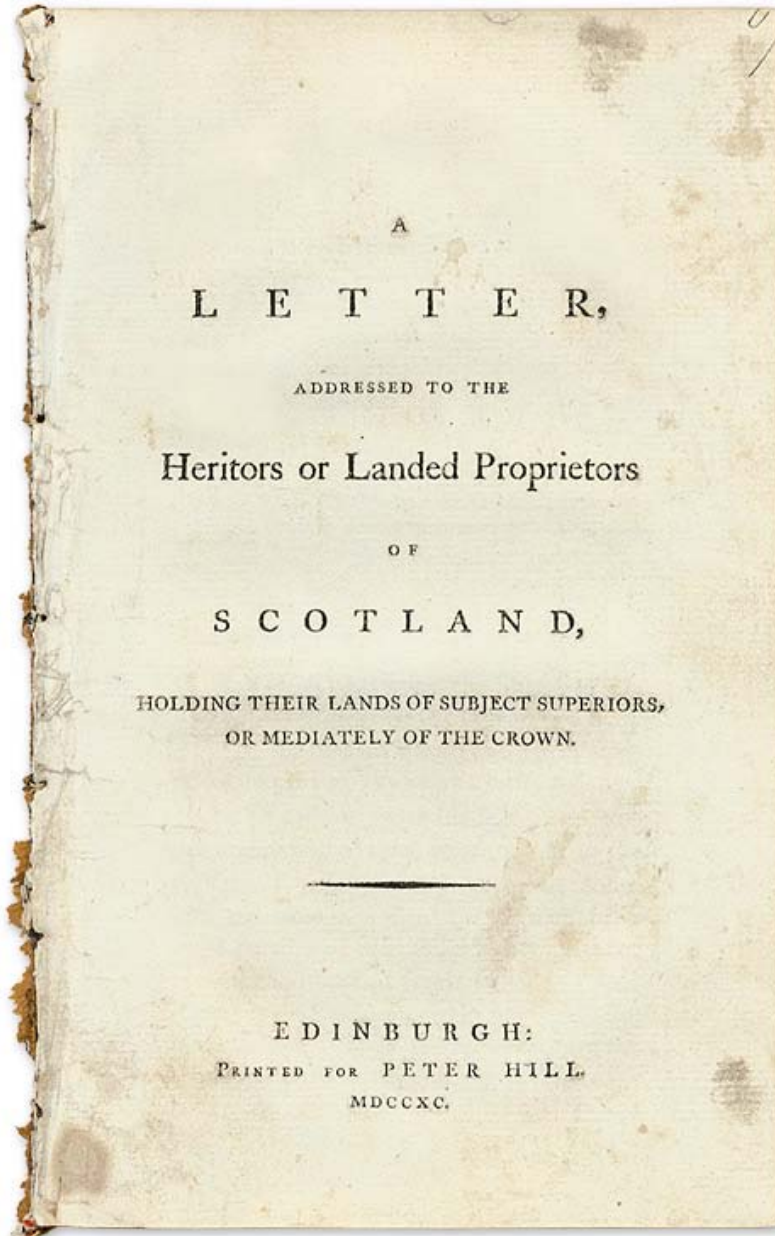
#### 9. Doyle, John.

*The Last of the Boroughbridges.* [London]: Published by Thomas McLean, March 7, 1831.

11" x 13" Hand-colored lithograph. Some toning to margins, a few miniscule spots to image, colors vivid. \$350.

\* This image is a commentary on Parliamentary efforts to eradicate the last of the "rotten boroughs." Also called "pocket boroughs," these were small towns with tiny (and easy to bribe) electorates that were used by a patron to gain undue influence within the House of Commons. Stephens and George, *Catalogue of Political and Personal Satires Preserved in the Department of Prints and Drawings in the British Museum* 16602.

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**Scarce Scottish Pamphlet Land Tenure and Parliamentary Representation**

**10. [Grant, James (1743-1835)].**

*A Letter, Addressed to the Heritors or Landed Proprietors of Scotland, Holding Their Lands of Subject Superiors, Or MediateLY of the Crown.* Edinburgh: Printed for Peter Hill, 1790. [ii], 37, [1] pp. Octavo (8-1/4" x 5").

Disbound pamphlet, spine secure. Toning, light soiling and minor stains to title page, internally clean. \$125.

\* Only edition. This pamphlet addresses land tenure and the right of landed proprietors in Scotland to choose their representatives in Parliament. The pamphlet is signed Scoto-Britannus. OCLC locates 9 copies, 5 in North America (at the NY Public Library, Harvard Law School, Columbia University, the University of Missouri, Columbia, and Princeton University). *Kress Library of Business and Economics Catalogue* B.1892.

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Impressive 1554 Edition of the Decretals of Gregory IX

11. Gregory IX, Pope [1227-1241].

Raymond of Penaforte, Saint [1175?-1275], Compiler.

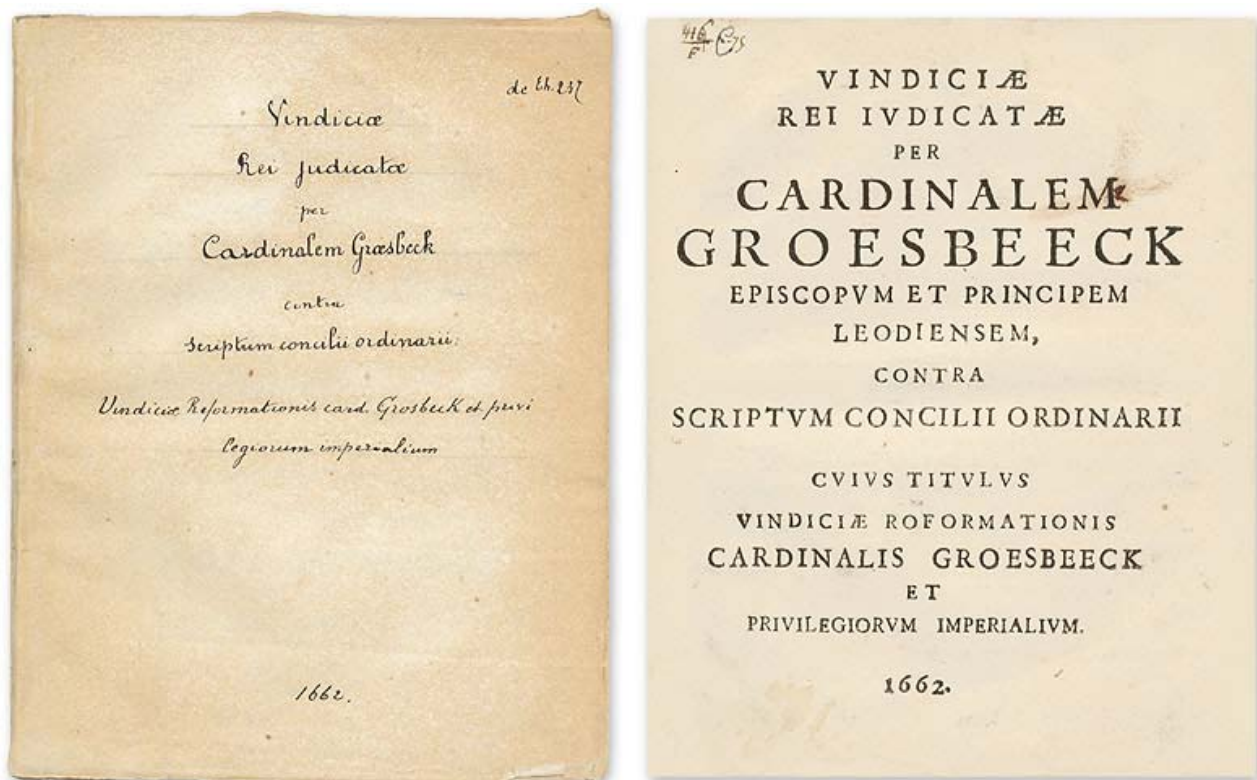
[Bottoni, Bernardo (d.1266), Glosses].

[D'Andrea, Giovanni (c.1270-1348), Glosses].

, *Quibus Additae Fuerunt Doctissimorum Virorum non Minus Necessariae Quam Utiles Annotationes & Expositiones*. Lyons: Senneton Freres, 1554. [10] ff., 1804 columns, [4], 16 ff. Woodcut tables of descent and consanguinity. Main text in parallel columns. Folio (16" x 11").

Contemporary paneled pigskin, raised bands, ties lacking. Moderate rubbing to extremities, a few minor scuffs and stains, chipping to foot of spine, corners bumped and somewhat worn, vellum just beginning to crack through pastedowns, edgewear and a few holes to endleaves, partial crack in text block between front free endpaper and title page, later owner bookplate to front pastedown, earlier over stamp to verso of front free endpaper. Printed in red and black throughout, attractive woodcut title page with architectural border and large Salamandre device, frontispiece depicting the presentation of the *Decretals* to Gregory, attractive woodcut pictorial initials. Some toning to text, faint dampspotting in a few places, moderate edgewear and some dampstaining to margins of title page and few other leaves. A solid copy of an impressive volume. \$1,750.

\* With rubrics, glossary, marginal glosses, table and index. The glosses are those originally compiled by Bernardo Bottoni, with later accretions by Giovanni D'Andrea and others. "Decretals are letters containing a papal ruling, particularly one relating to canonical discipline, and most precisely a papal prescript in response to an appeal...the *Decretals* of Gregory IX are the first authentic general collection of papal decretals and constitutions, compiled by Raymond of Penaforte at the request of Pope Gregory IX in 1230-1234 and promulgated in 1234. (...) It gave rise to a vast amount of commentaries and literature" (Walker). Gregory's *Decretals* is one of the four works known collectively as the *Corpus Juris Canonici*, a collection of papal decisions concerning ecclesiastical hierarchy, procedure, the functions and duties of clerks, marriage, and crime. This edition predates the Reformation-inspired *Correctores Romani* (1580-1582), which was definitive until the revision of 1917. Walker, *The Oxford Companion to Law* 177-179. Adams, *Catalogue of Books Printed on the Continent of Europe 1501-1600* 1222. Order this item: <http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=62642>



### A Conflict with the Holy Roman Emperor

#### 12. [Groesbeeck, Gerardus de (1564-1580)].

*Vindiciae Rei Iudicatae per Cardinalem Groesbeeck Episcopum et Principem Leodiensem, Contra Scriptum Concilii Ordinarii Cuius Titulus Vindiciae Roformationis [sic] Cardinalis Groesbeeck et Privilegiorum Imperialium.* [Liege: s.n]. 1662. 21 [i.e. 35], 1 pp. Quarto (6-3/4" x 5-1/4").

Later wrappers treated to look like old vellum, hand-lettered title to front. Some edgewear, lower corner of rear cover lacking. Light browning, tiny inkstains to a few leaves, internally clean. A nice copy of a scarce title. \$125.

\* This is a reprint of a title defending the Prince-Bishop of Liege in his conflict with the Holy Roman Emperor during the wars of religion that followed the Reformation. No copies located on OCLC. Not in the *British Museum Catalogue*. De Theux, *Precis de Methodologie Juridique: Les Sources Documentaires de Droit* 237.

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"Give Me My Seals and Be Off!"

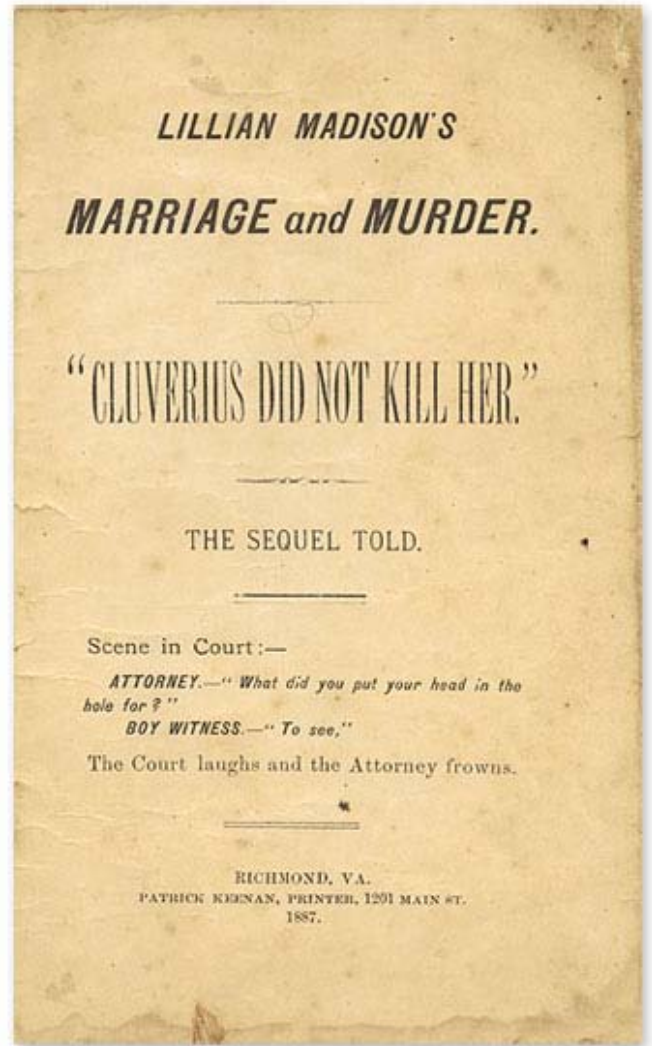
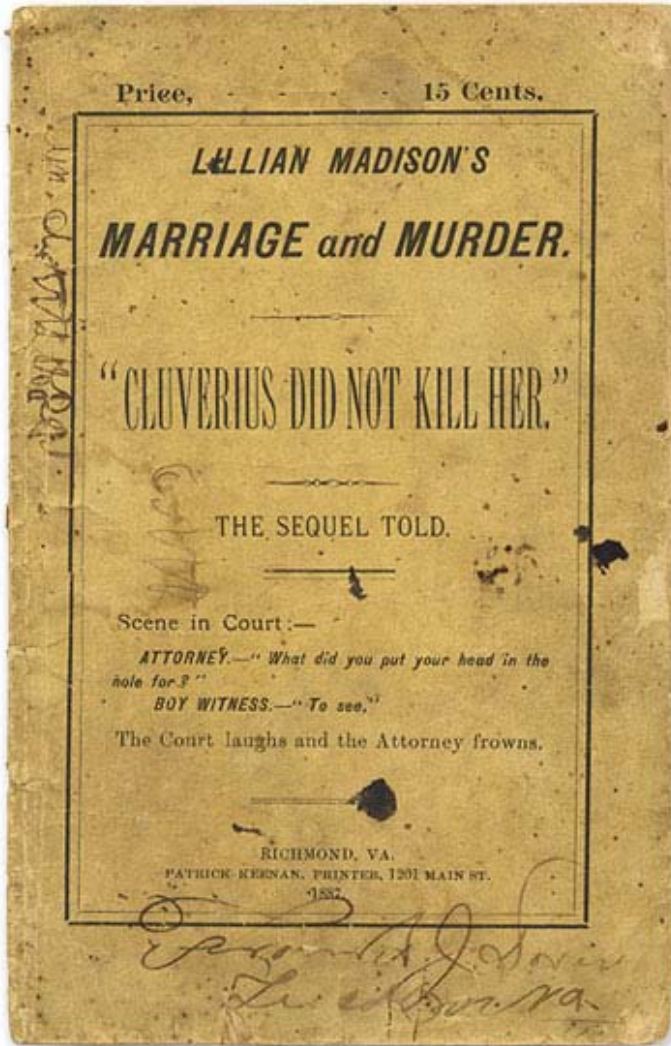
13. J.H. (or H.J., I.H. or H.I.).

*Ejection & Symptoms of Rejection!*. No. 4. London: Published by S.W. Fores, 41 Piccadilly, c. 1832-1834.

15-1/2" x 11-1/2" hand-colored lithograph in 20-1/4" x 16-1/2" hinged matte. Light soiling to matte, white areas lightly toned, colors vivid. \$350.

\* Currently unidentified, the creator of this print worked in the style of John Doyle [1797-1868], the leading English caricaturist of the 1830s to 1850s. *Ejection & Symptoms of Rejection* is commentary on the work of the 1832 Royal Commission into the Operation of the Poor Laws, which drafted the Poor Law Amendment Act. Passed in 1834, it created the system of laws and workhouses described by Dickens.

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**Cluverius Defended  
by a Friend of the Family, McDade 194**

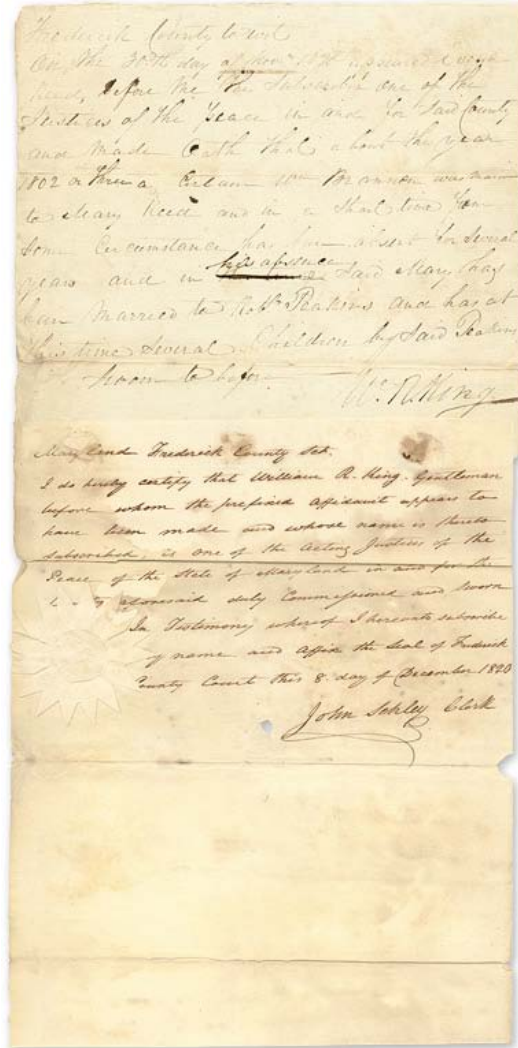
14. [Leigh, Phillip].

[Cluverius, Thomas J. (1861-1887), Defendant].

*Lillian Madison's Marriage and Murder: Cluverius Did Not Kill Her. The Sequel Told.* Richmond, VA: Patrick Keenan, Printer, 1887. 29 pp. Octavo (7-3/4" x 5").

Stab-stitched pamphlet in printed wrappers. Some soiling, staining and edgewear, toning and light foxing to text. Early signatures to front cover, internally clean. A solid copy of a rare title. \$650.

\* Only edition. Dedicated to Willie Cluverius, this is a defense by a friend of the Cluverius family. Cluverius had a secret romantic relationship with his cousin, Lillian Madison. "He finally had her come to Richmond, where he murdered her and threw her body into the reservoir. He was quickly traced, tried, and executed" (McDade). OCLC locates two copies (at the New-York Historical Society and the University of Michigan, Clements Library). McDade, *The Annals of Murder* 194. Order this item: <http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=55413>



**Manuscript Document Relating to a Bigamy Case in Maryland**

15. [Manuscript].

[Maryland].

**King, William R., And John Schley, Justices of the Peace.**

*Frederick County to Wit. On the 20th Day of November 1820 Appeared Evem [Evan or Eben] Reed, Before Me the Subscriber One of the Justices of the Peace in and for Said County and Made Oath That About the Year 1802 or Three a Certain William Brannon was Married to Mary Reed. [Frederick County, Maryland.] December 8, 1820.*

Two 16-1/2" x 8" leaves sealed together with wax, embossed paper seal. Toning and some light stains, five horizontal fold lines, partial tear near center. \$250.

\* A curious pair of conjoined documents relating to a bigamy case. One is signed by William R. King, justice of the peace, who attests that an Evem [Evan or Eben] Reed made an oath before him. Reed claimed that in 1802 a man named William Brannon was married to a Mary Reed "and in a short time from some circumstance has been absent for several years. And in his absence said Mary has been married to Robert Peakins and has at this time several Children by said Peakins." The second item is signed and sealed by John Schley, clerk of Frederick County Court, Maryland. It verifies William R. King is a justice of the peace. Order this item: <http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=53694>





### An Important Paduan Jurist

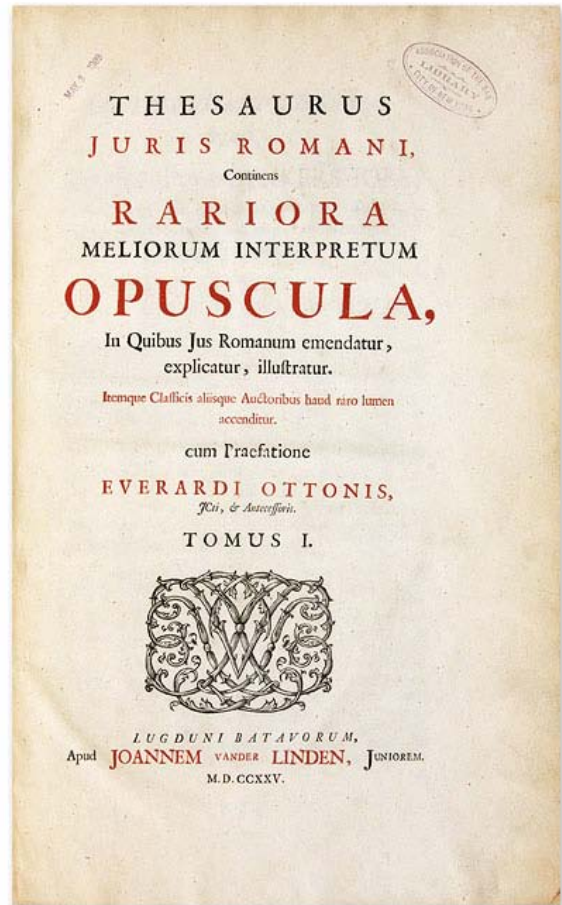
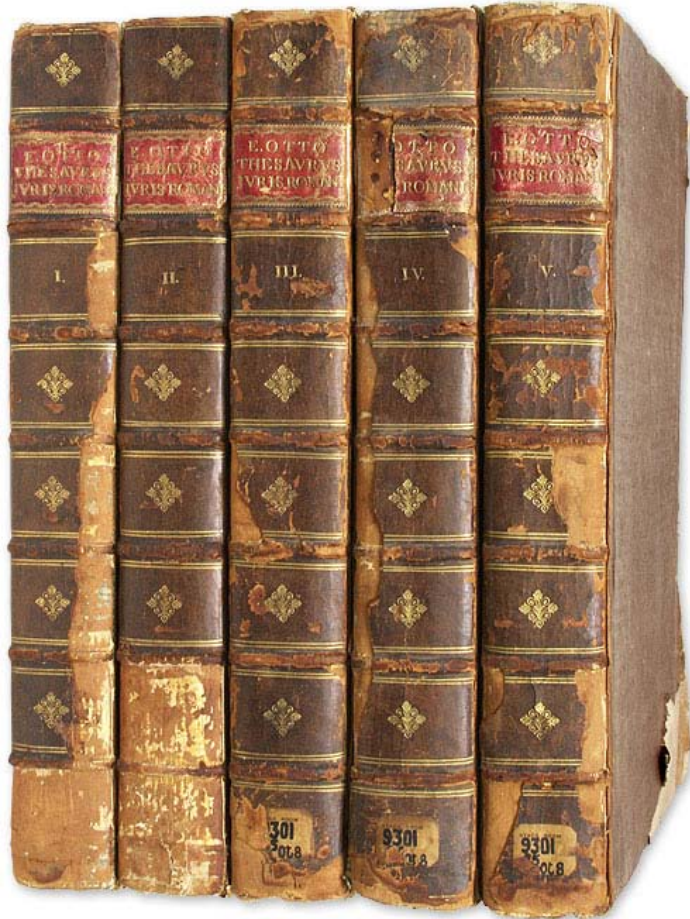
#### 16. Menochio, Giacomo [1532-1607].

*De Arbitrariis Iudicium Quaestionibus et Causis, Libri Duo, Varia, Recondita, Perfectaque Eruditione Referti, & Omnibus, Iudicia Prefertim Exercentibus...* Venice: Ad Signum Concordiae, [Apud Franciscum de Franciscis], 1590. [lxx], 352 ff; [xxxii], 139 pp. Two volumes in one. Main text printed in parallel Columns. Folio (12-1/2" x 8-1/2").

Later calf, gilt double frames with corner fleurons to boards, gilt spine with raised bands and lettering piece, speckled edges, marbled endpapers. Some rubbing, chipping to spine ends, front board detached, rear boards beginning to separate. Large woodcut printer devices to title pages. Some toning, light soiling to first title page, minor worm holes to margins of a few leaves with no loss to text. Ex-library. Early location labels to spine, small blindstamp to title page and a few other leaves. A nice copy. \$500.

\* Final edition, corrected. Editorial changes noted with pointing hands (manicules) in margins. Highly regarded in his time, Menochio was a professor of law at the University of Padua. This volume is a collection of writings dealing with judges, judicial discretion and civil procedure, actions and defenses in Roman law. It was first published in 1569 and went through seven subsequent editions. OCLC locates 3 copies of this imprint (at Harvard and UC-Berkeley Law Schools and the University of Kansas). *Censimento Nazionale delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* CNCE 24943.

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**An Important Collection  
of Critical Writings on Roman Law**

**17. Otto, Everhard [1685-1756].**

*Thesaurus Juris Romani, Continens Rariora Meliorum Interpretum, in Quibus Jus Romanum Emendatur, Explicatur, Illustratur. Itemque Classicis Aliisque Auctoribus Haud Raro Lumen Accenditur.* Volumes I-IV: Leiden: Apud Joannem van der Linden, 1725-1729; Volume V: Utrecht: Apud: Joannem Broadelet, 1735. Five volumes. Complete. Main text in parallel columns. Folio (17" x 10-1/2").

Contemporary three-quarter calf over speckled boards, gilt ornaments, raised bands and lettering pieces to spines. Rubbing to extremities, wear to spine ends and corners, backstrips abraded with considerable loss, scuffing to boards, several joints and a few hinges cracked. Title pages printed in red and black. Light toning to text, somewhat heavier in places, internally clean. Ex-library. Location labels to spines, small inkstamps to title pages. \$950.

\* First edition, except for Volume V, a second edition. Otto was a leading member of the Elegant School of Dutch jurisprudence. Originally published in 1725-1729, this remarkable work collects nearly a hundred humanistic studies of Roman law by leading European jurists and scholars. It remains a fundamental anthology of humanistic legal scholarship and philology. Complete in itself, it became a seven-volume set with the addition of two supplemental volumes in 1741 and 1745. Dekkers, *Bibliotheca Belgica Juridica* 127.

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**Impressive (and Scarce) Collection of Consilia**

**18. Parisio, Pier Paolo [1473-1545].**

*Prima [-Quarta] Pars Consiliorum Petri Pauli Parisii Pontificii Caesareique Iur. Consultissimi, Ex Innumeris Quibus Scatebat Mendis, Olim Purgata, Nunc Vero Maiore Cura Pristino Candori Poenitus Restituta, Necnon Argumentis Locupletissimis Illustrata. Ac Praeter Locupletissimum Indicem Elementario Ordine Confectum, Accedunt Multa, Quae in Coeteris Voluminibus non Reperies, None Sine Maxima Studiosorum Utilitate.*

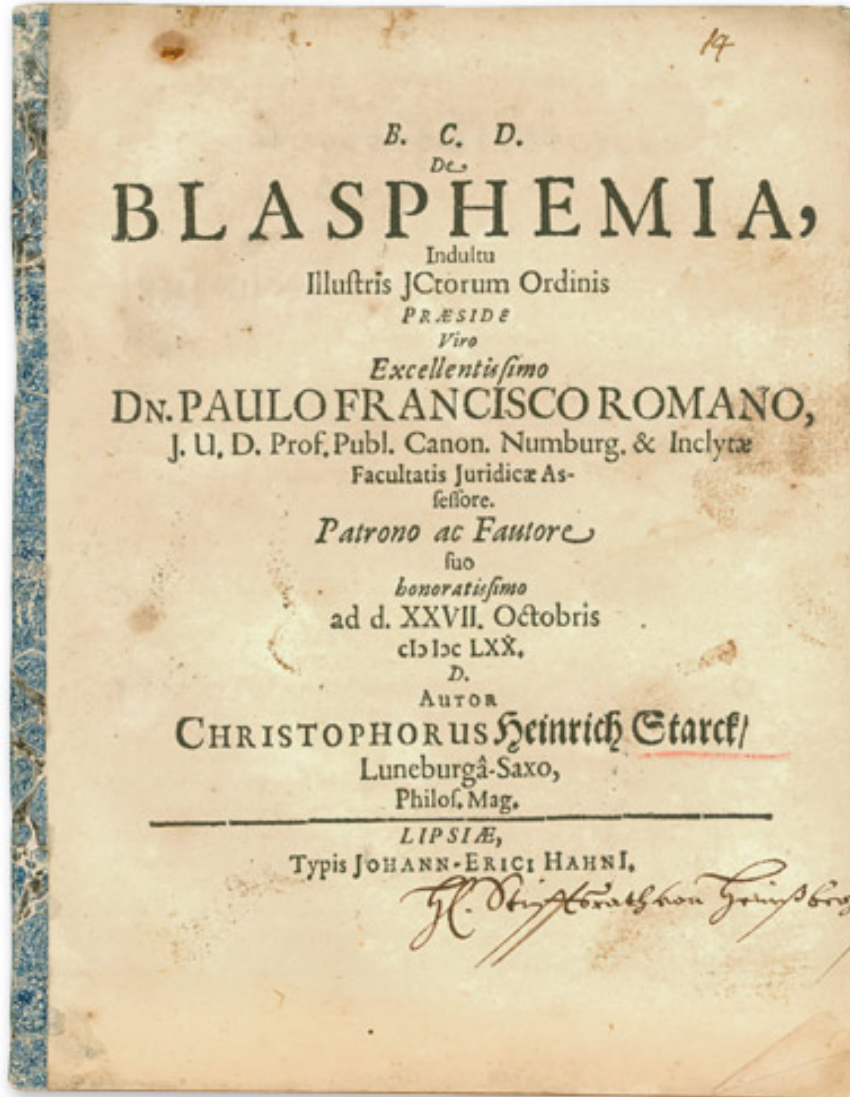
**[And]**

*Repertorium in Quatuor Volumi Consiliorum Petri Pauli Parisii.*

Venice: S.n., 1552. 5 volumes, bound in 2 books. Each volume with title page and individual pagination. Main texts in parallel columns. Folio (17" x 11-1/2").

Contemporary vellum, early repairs to spine of first volume using early manuscript leaf, early hand-lettered titles to spine and bottom edges of text blocks. Some soiling, edgewear and worming, pastedowns loose, hinges cracked or starting, a few partial cracks to text blocks. Title pages printed in red and black within impressive woodcut architectural frames, handsome large woodcut vignettes and decorated initials. Light soiling to title pages at beginning of each volume, minor edgewear to following few leaves. Toning, light browning and dampspotting in a few places, internally clean. \$5,000.

\* Second edition. With indexes. Parisio was a professor of law, later the Bishop of Nusco and an influential cardinal. These impressive volumes collect over 500 of his consilia on a variety of topics. Other editions were published in 1543, 1570-71, 1573, 1580 and 1593. All are scarce, especially in North America. OCLC locates copies of the 1543, 1552, 1570 and 1573 editions at Harvard Law School, the University of Alberta, University of Glasgow, and UC-Berkeley Law School respectively. The Library of Congress has copies of the 1543, 1570 and 1593 editions. *Censimento Nazionale delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* CNCE 68118. Order this item: <http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=56864>



1670 Thesis on Blasphemy

19. Romanus, Paul Franz [d.1675].

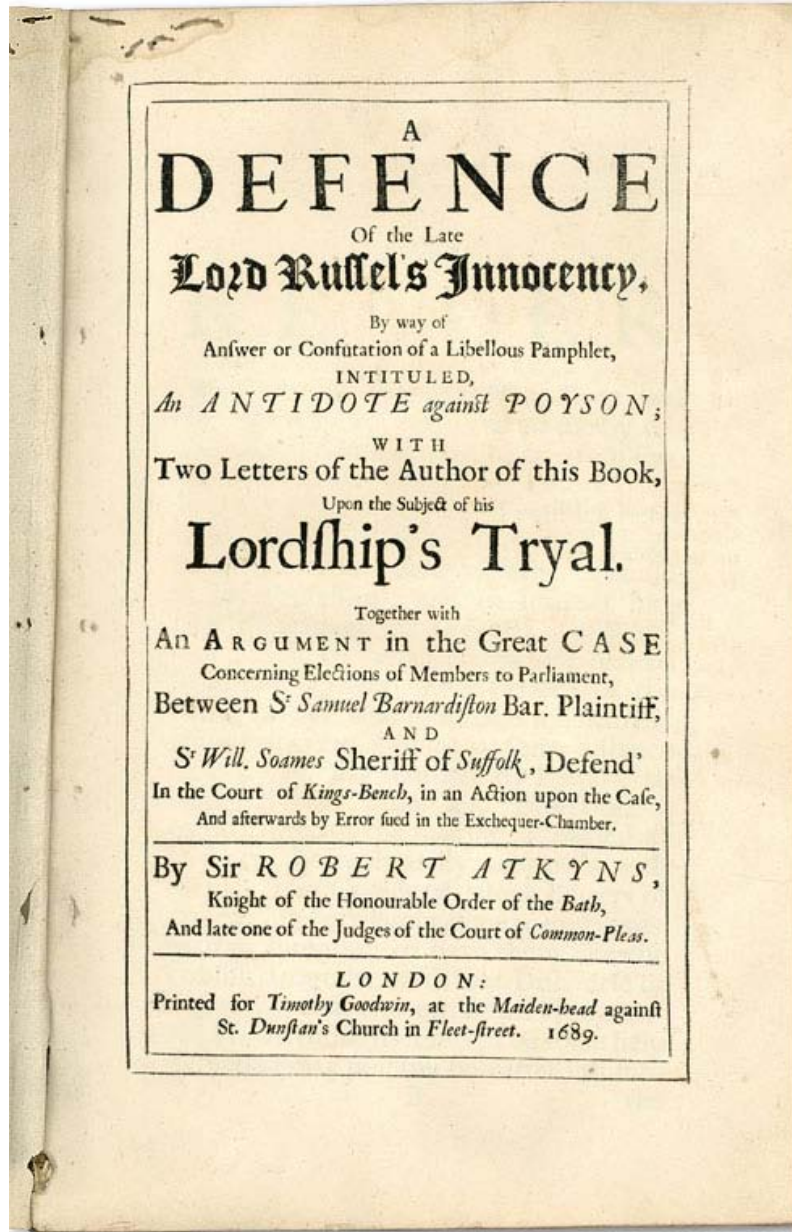
Starck, Christoph Heinrich [fl. 1662-70], Respondent.

*De Blasphemia, Indultu Illustris Jctorum Ordinis Praeside Viro Excellentissimo Dn. Paulo Francesco Romano...Patrono ac Fautore Suo Honoratissimo ad d. XXVII. Octobris MDCLXX. D. Auctor Christophorus Heinrich Starck.* Leipzig: Typis Johann-Erici Hahni, [1670]. 31, 3 pp. Quarto (7-1/2" x 6").

Sewn pamphlet with contemporary reinforced spine, woodcut head-piece. Light rubbing to extremities, some soiling and minor stains to title page and verso of final leaf, spotting to a few text leaves. Early owner signature to title page, internally clean. A well-preserved copy of a scarce item. \$500.

\* Only edition. This is the text of a thesis on blasphemy in canon law and the law of Saxony and the Holy Roman Empire defended on October 30, 1670 at the University of Leipzig. OCLC locates no copies in North America. We located 1 copy at Harvard Law School. *Verzeichnis der im Deutschen Sprachraum Erschienenen Drucke des 17. Jahrhunderts* 12:161905V.

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### The Legality of Lord Russell's Trial

#### 20. [Rye House Plot].

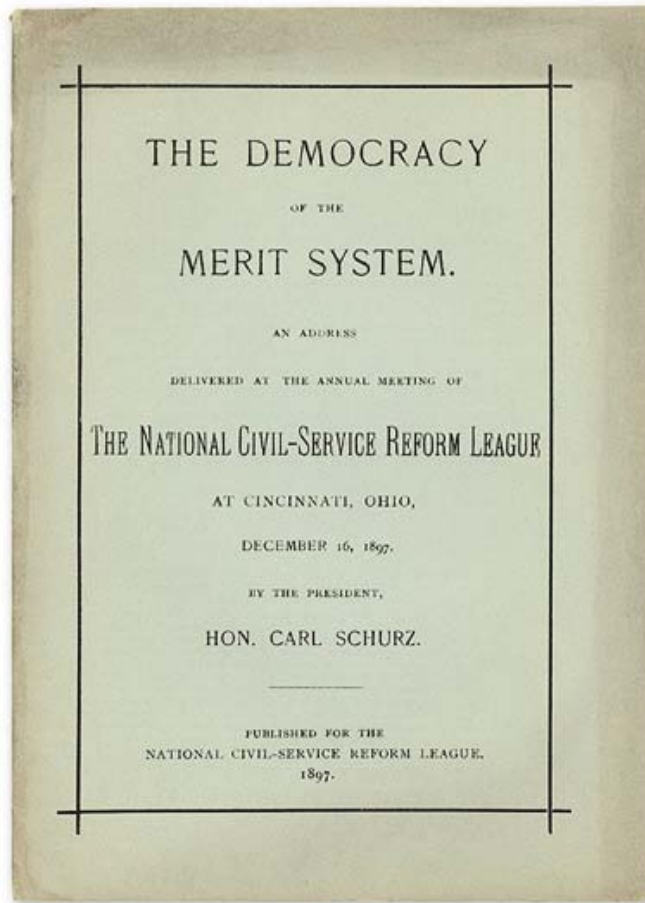
Atkyns, Sir Robert [1621-1709].

*A Defence of the Late Lord Russel's Innocency, By Way of An Answer or Confutation of a Libellous Pamphlet, Intituled, An Antidote Against Poyson; With Two Letters of the Author of This Book, Upon the Subject of His Lordship's Tryal. Together with an Argument in the Great Case Concerning Elections of Members to Parliament, Between Sr Samuel Barnardiston Bar. Plaintiff....* London: Printed for Timothy Goodwin, 1689. [iii], 51 pp. Title page preceded by advertisement leaf. *Argument in the Great Case* preceded by divisional title page. Folio (12" x 7").

Disbound, text secure. Some edgewear and soiling to first and final leaves, worming through upper margins of most leaves with no loss to text. Toning, small faint stains to a few leaves, internally clean. \$250.

\* First edition. This is a reply to a pamphlet by Sir Bartholomew Shower that defended the legal position of the Russell trial. Atkyns was Russell's legal advisor. Russell [1639-1683] was implicated in and ultimately executed due to his supposed involvement in the Rye House Plot, a plan to assassinate King Charles II and his brother (and heir to the throne) James, Duke of York devised by a group of Whigs. Some historians believe this plot was largely fabricated by Charles II as a way to destroy the Whigs, most notably Russell and Algernon Sydney [1623-1683], who were convicted and executed on the basis of flimsy evidence. *English Short-Title Catalogue* R4958.

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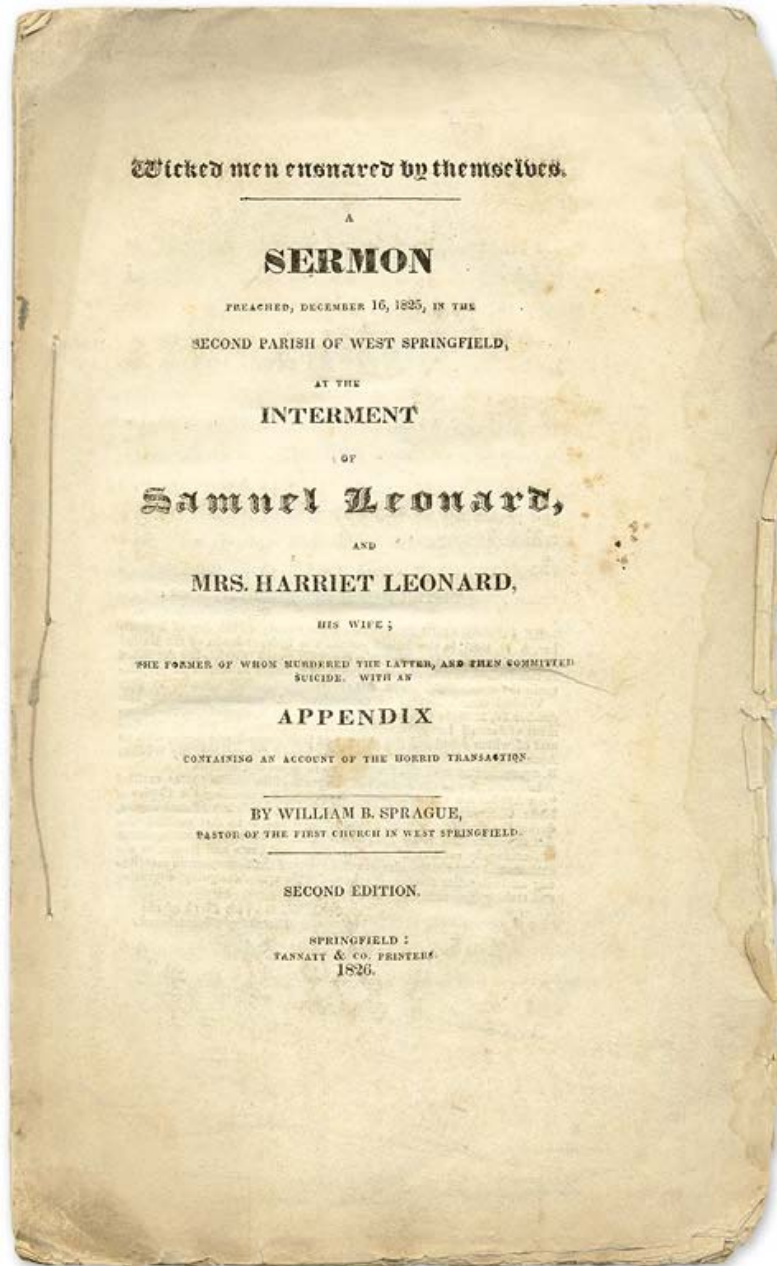
**Carl Schurz Reviews the Progress of Civil Service Reform**

**21. Schurz, Carl [1829-1906].**

*The Democracy of the Merit System: An Address Delivered at the Annual Meeting of the National Civil-Service Reform League at Cincinnati, Ohio, December 16, 1897.* [Cincinnati]: Published for the National Civil-Service Reform League, 1897. 36 pp. Octavo (8" x 5-1/2").

Printed wrappers, some discoloration to edges of covers, light browning to text, internally clean. \$125.

\* Schurz, the great German-American statesman and reformer, was president of the League. In this address he reviews the progress of civil service reform and discusses its prospects in the incoming McKinley administration. OCLC locates 7 copies. Order this item: <http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=53617>



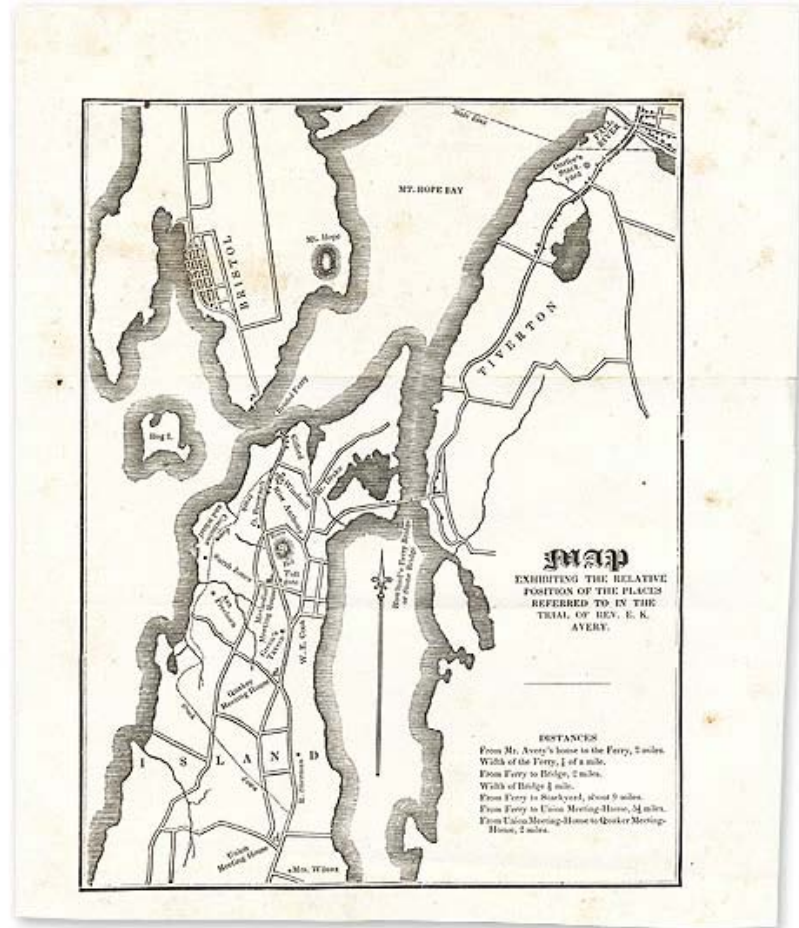
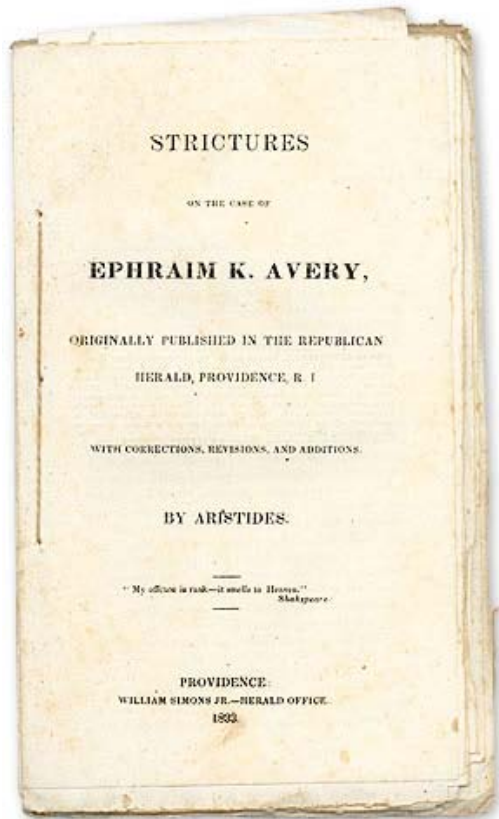
**Wicked Men Ensnared by Themselves, McDade 601.**

**22. Sprague, William Buell [1795-1876].**

*Wicked Men Ensnared by Themselves: A Sermon Preached, December 16, 1825 in the Second Parish of West Springfield, At the Interment of Samuel Leonard, And Mrs. Harriet Leonard, His Wife; The Former of Whom Murdered the Latter, And then Committed Suicide.* Springfield, MA: Tannatt & Co., Printers, 1826. [iii], 4-44 pp. Octavo (9-3/4" x 5-3/4").

Stab-stitched pamphlet, untrimmed edges. Toning, light soiling and faint dampstain to title page, internally clean. \$200.

\* Only edition. After threatening several times to do so, Leonard killed his wife with an ax and then cut his own throat": McDade, *The Annals of Murder* 601. Order this item: <http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=56632>



### A Famous Rhode Island Murder Trial

#### 23. [Trial].

Aristides.

**Avery, Rev. Ephraim K. (d.1869), Defendant.**

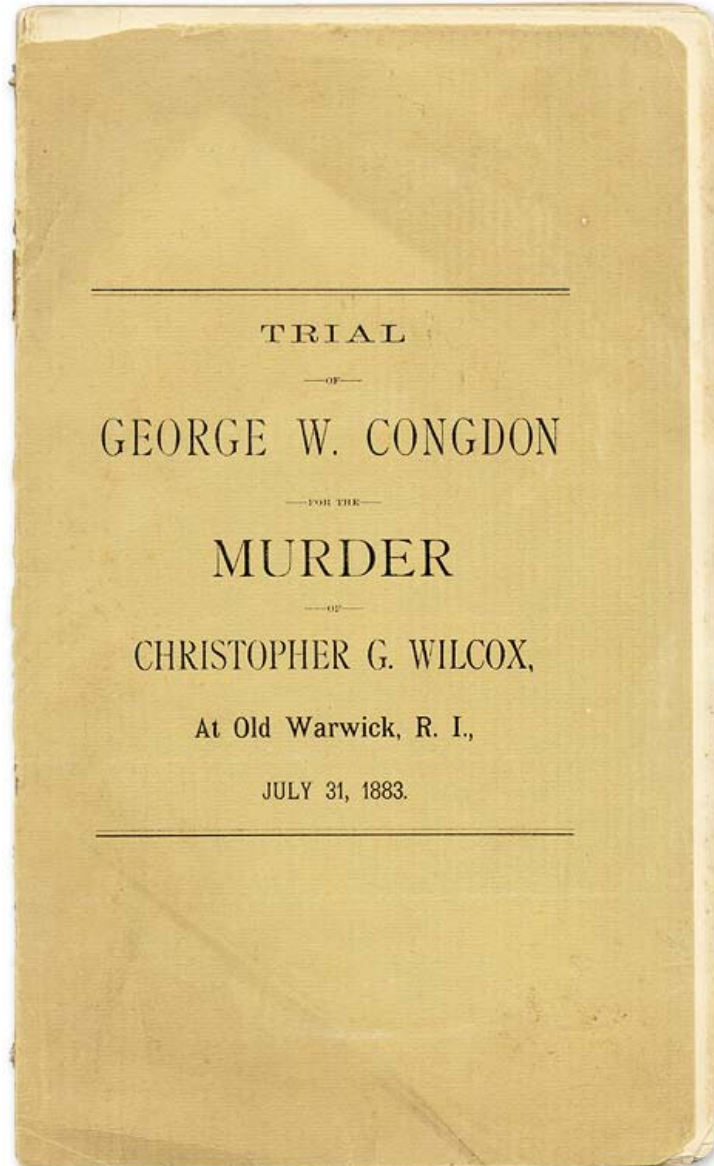
*Strictures on the Case of Ephraim K. Avery, Originally Published in the Republican Herald, Providence, R.I. With Corrections, Revisions, And Additions. By Aristides.* Providence: William Simons, Jr., 1833. [ii], [3]-100 pp. Fold-out map. Octavo (8-1/2" x 5").

Stab-stitched pamphlet in printed wrappers, untrimmed edges. Map detached, light foxing to most of text, internally clean. A nice copy of a scarce item. \$200.

\* Only edition. This was one of the most famous American murder trials of the nineteenth century. Although questions about this case remain, it appears that Avery murdered Cornell when he learned she was pregnant with his child. After strangling her he put a noose around her neck and hung her from a barn rafter to make it appear that she had committed suicide. The evidence, including the letters reproduced in this pamphlet, supported this scenario, but it was not quite convincing. The trial, which lasted 27 days and involved 196 witnesses, resulted in Avery's acquittal. "Aristides" offers eighteen reasoned articles on the case and is strongly anti-Avery. McDade, *The Annals of Murder* 47.

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**It Began as a Dispute Over a "Quantity of Scallop Shells"**

**24. [Trial].**

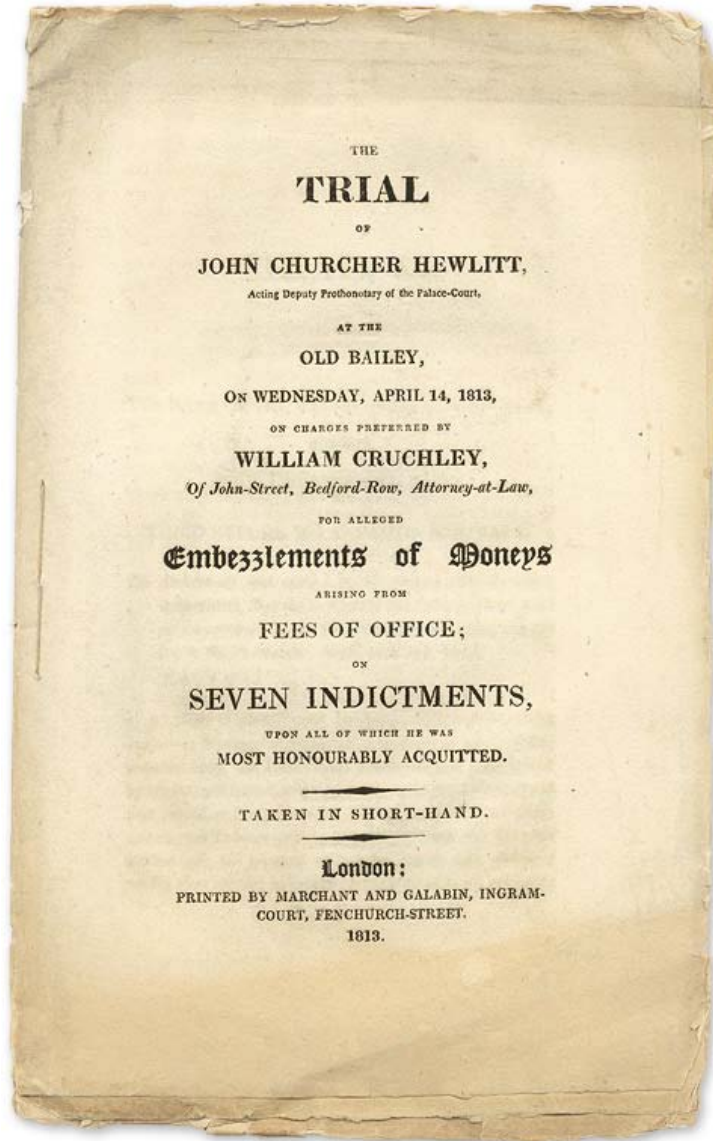
**Congdon, George W., Defendant.**

*The Trial of George W. Congdon for the Murder of Christopher Wilcox.* Providence, RI: Sidney S. Rider, 1884. [iv], 176 pp. Octavo (10" x 6").

Original printed wrappers, front cover and first two signatures detached, light soiling to covers, chipping to edges of some leaves, most signatures unopened. \$100.

\* Heading above title: The Law of Self-Defense. "The shooting, which took place at Warwick, Rhode Island, was the culmination of a dispute over a quantity of scallop shells which had lead to a law suit. Congdon was convicted of manslaughter." McDade, *The Annals of Murder* 209.

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### Scarce English Embezzlement Trial

#### 25. [Trial].

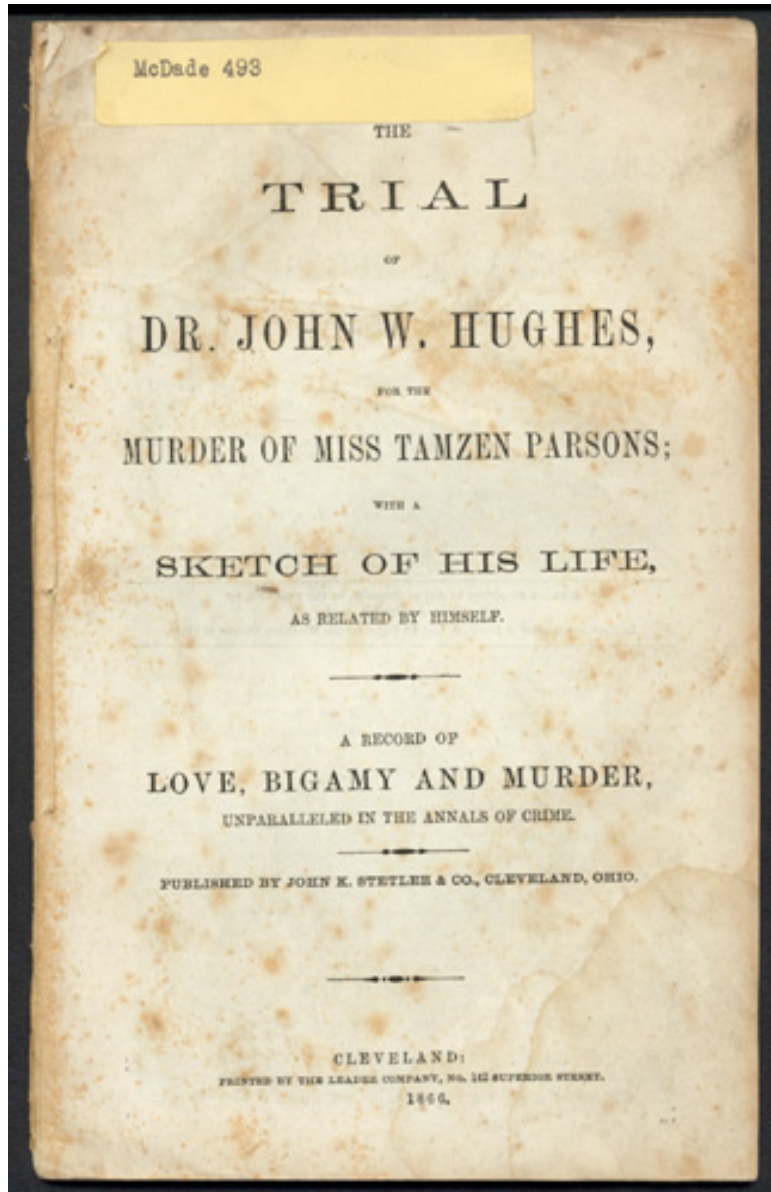
#### Hewlitt, John Churcher, Defendant.

*The Trial of John Churcher Hewlitt, Acting Deputy Prothonotary of the Place-Court, At the Old Bailey, On Wednesday, April 14, 1813, on Charges Preferred by William Cruchley, Of John-Street, Bedford-Row, Attorney-at-Law, For Alleged Embezzlements of Moneys Arising from Fees of Office; On Seven Indictments, Upon All of Which he was Most Honourably Acquitted. Taken in Short-Hand.* London: Printed by Marchant and Galabin, 1813. [ii], 16 pp. Octavo (9" x 5-1/2").

Stab-stitched pamphlet. Light browning, several leaves unopened, internally clean. \$450.

\* Only edition. Hewlitt was accused of embezzlement by his employer, Cruchley. This appears to be a vindication of Hewlitt's honor and innocence. It may have been published at his expense or urging. OCLC locates 4 copies in North America, 2 in law libraries (Harvard and Social Law).

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An "Unparalleled" Record of Love, Bigamy and Murder

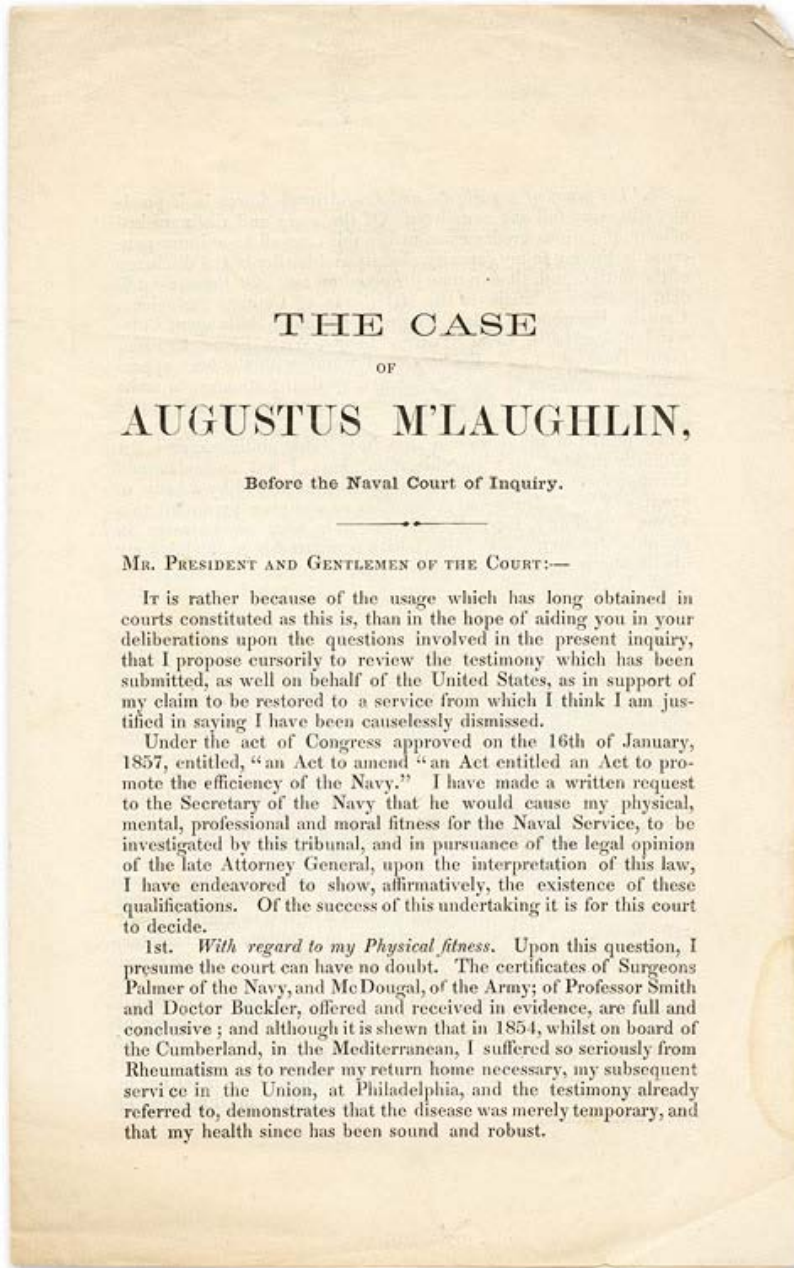
26. [Trial].

**Hughes, Dr. John W., Defendant.**

*The Trial of Dr. John W. Hughes, For the Murder of Miss Tamzen Parsons; With a Sketch of His Life, As Related by Himself. A Record of Love, Bigamy and Murder, Unparalleled in the Annals of Crime.* Cleveland: Printed by the Leader Company, 1866. 58 pp. Octavo (9" x 5-3/4").

Stab-stitched pamphlet with printed back wrapper. Some wear to edges, occasional foxing and faint dampstaining. Small typed label stating "McDade 493" to head of title page, internally clean. \$350.

\* "Jealous and intoxicated, Hughes, on the streets of Bedford, Ohio, shot the seventeen year old girl he had seduced. At his execution, he spoke for fifteen minutes until the sheriff reminded him 'Time is going.' Then he dropped." McDade, *The Annals of Murder* 493. Order this item: <http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=47159>



### Naval Officer Disputes His Dismissal

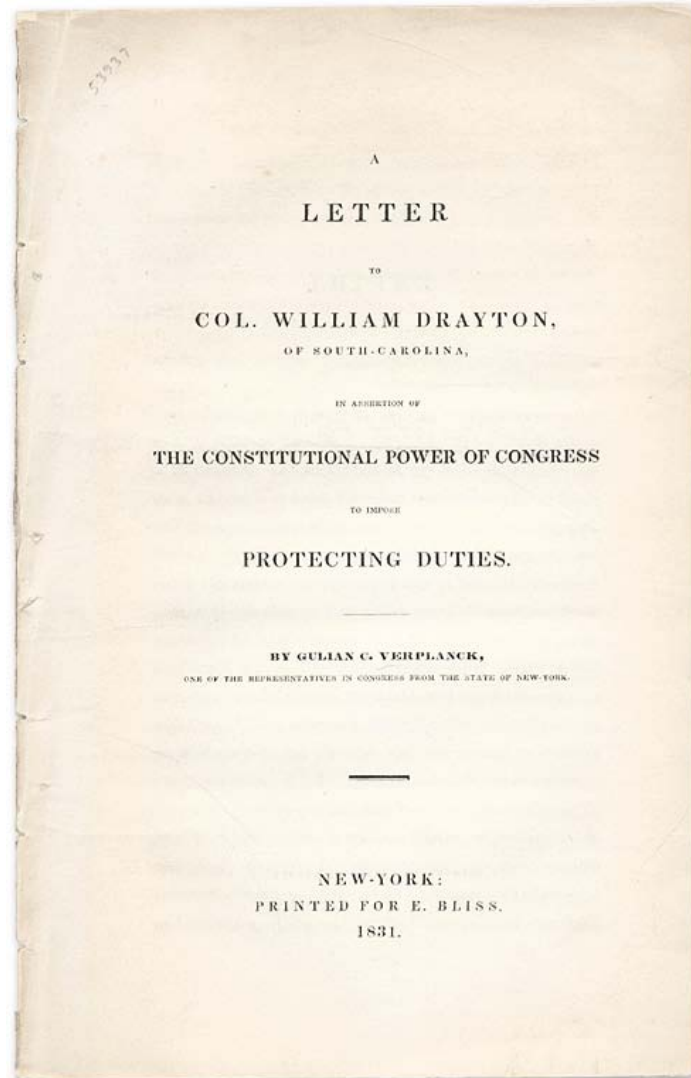
27. [Trial].

[McLaughlin, Augustus, Defendant and Author].

*The Case of Augustus M'Laughlin, Before the Naval Court of Inquiry* [Caption title]. N.p.: S.n, c. 1857. 4 pp. Octavo (9" x 5-1/2").

Single folded leaf. Light soiling, minor wear to corners, tiny stain to fore-edges, two faint horizontal fold lines. \$100.

\* Only edition. McLaughlin was dismissed due to deficiencies in his "physical, mental, and moral fitness." He, understandably, refutes these charges. OCLC locates 1 copy (at the Huntington Library). Not in Cohen or the *Harvard Law Catalogue*. Order this item: <http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=56533>



**A New York Congressman on Nullification**

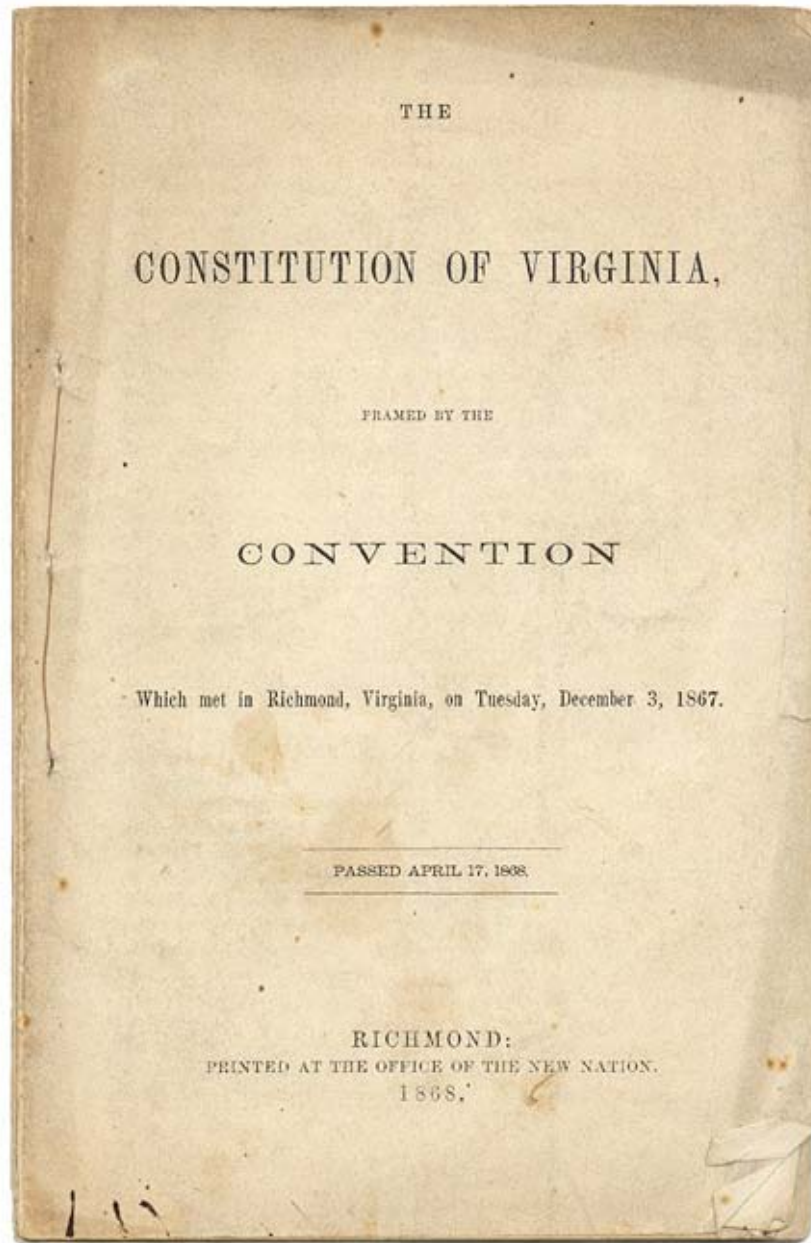
**28. Verplanck, Gulian C. [1786-1870].**

*A Letter to Col. William Drayton, of South Carolina, In Assertion of the Constitutional Power of Congress to Impose Protecting Duties.* New York: Printed for E. Bliss, 1831. 31 pp. Octavo (8" x 5-1/2").

Disbound, light toning, minor edgewear, internally clean. A nice copy of a scarce item. \$150.

\* Verplanck was a U.S. Congressman from New York and a member of the Committee of Ways and Means. Drayton was a Congressman from South Carolina. Attempting to foster economic development, Congress enacted a body of legislation in 1824 that included transportation subsidies and a protective tariff on imports. Many southerners believed these policies promoted northern growth at their expense. By the early 1830s Drayton and other southern leaders began to assert the right to nullify laws if they found them to be harmful to their region. In 1832 South Carolina declared the tariff unconstitutional and took steps to block tariff collections within the state. President Jackson acted quickly to uphold federal supremacy and threatened to use military force. The crisis was defused by Jackson's response and Congress' decision to reduce the tariff in 1833. Cohen, *Bibliography of Early American Law* 10585.

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### Virginia's 1868 Constitution

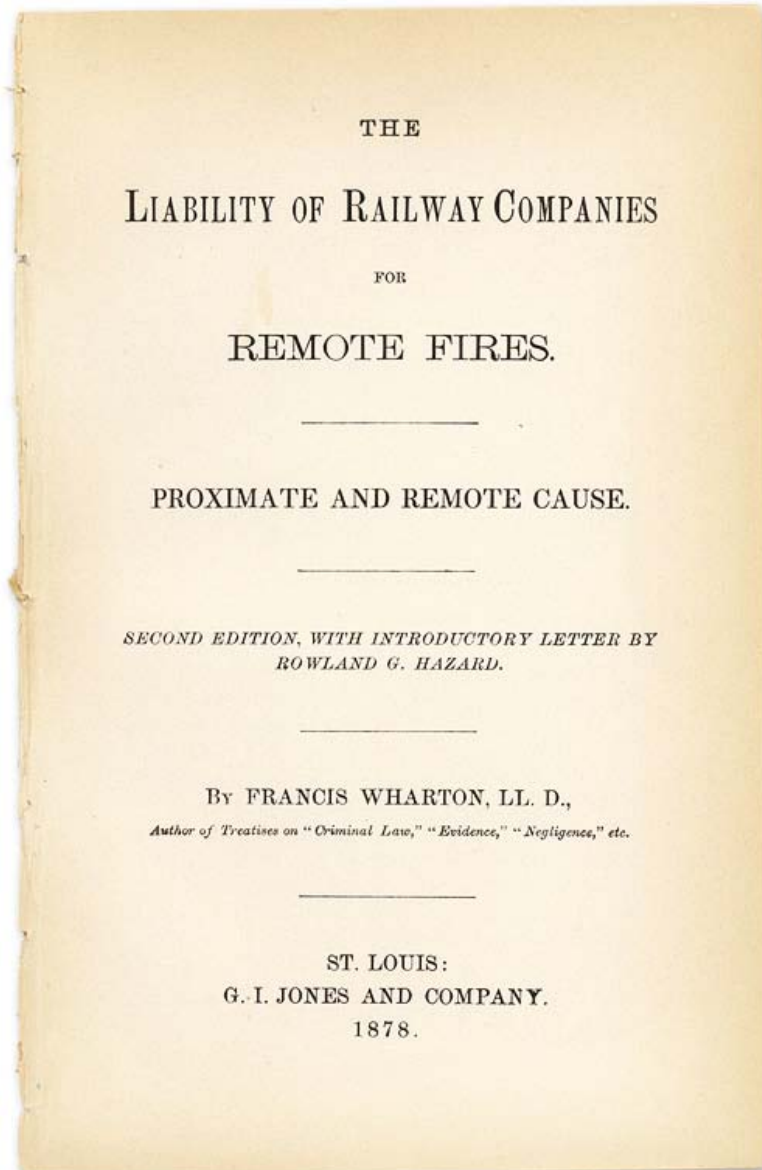
#### 29. [Virginia].

*The Constitution of Virginia, Framed by the Convention Which Met in Richmond, Virginia, On Tuesday, December 3, 1867.* Richmond: Printed at the Office of the New Nation, 1868. 37, [3] pp. Octavo (9" x 6").

Stab-stitched pamphlet. Some wear to edges, light soiling to title page and verso of final leaf, internally clean. \$350.

\* First edition. In force until 1902, this constitution legalized Virginia's acceptance of Congressional Reconstruction. Babbitt, *Hand-List of Legislative Sessions and Session Laws* 599.

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**Interesting Essay on Railroads and Contributory Negligence**

**30. Wharton, Francis [1820-1889].**

*The Liability of Railway Companies for Remote Fires. Proximate and Remote Cause. With Introductory Letter by Rowland G. Hazard.* St. Louis: G.I. Jones and Company, 1878. xi, 19 pp. Octavo (8-1/2" x 5-1/2").

Disbound stab-stitched pamphlet, gatherings somewhat loose, internally clean. \$150.

\* Second edition. "Whether a railroad company is to be liable for all fires of which its locomotives are the occasion, is a question so important to the industrial interests of the land, that I may be excused for giving to it in this place a more elaborate discussion than I was able to do in my Treatise on Negligence" (1). Although Wharton is perhaps best known for his works on international law, he was also an authoritative writer in other fields, including evidence, contracts, civil and criminal law. OCLC locates 10 copies, all of the second edition. Not in the *Catalogue of the Library of the Harvard Law School* (1909). Order this item: <http://www.lawbookexchange.com/details.php?record=50210>