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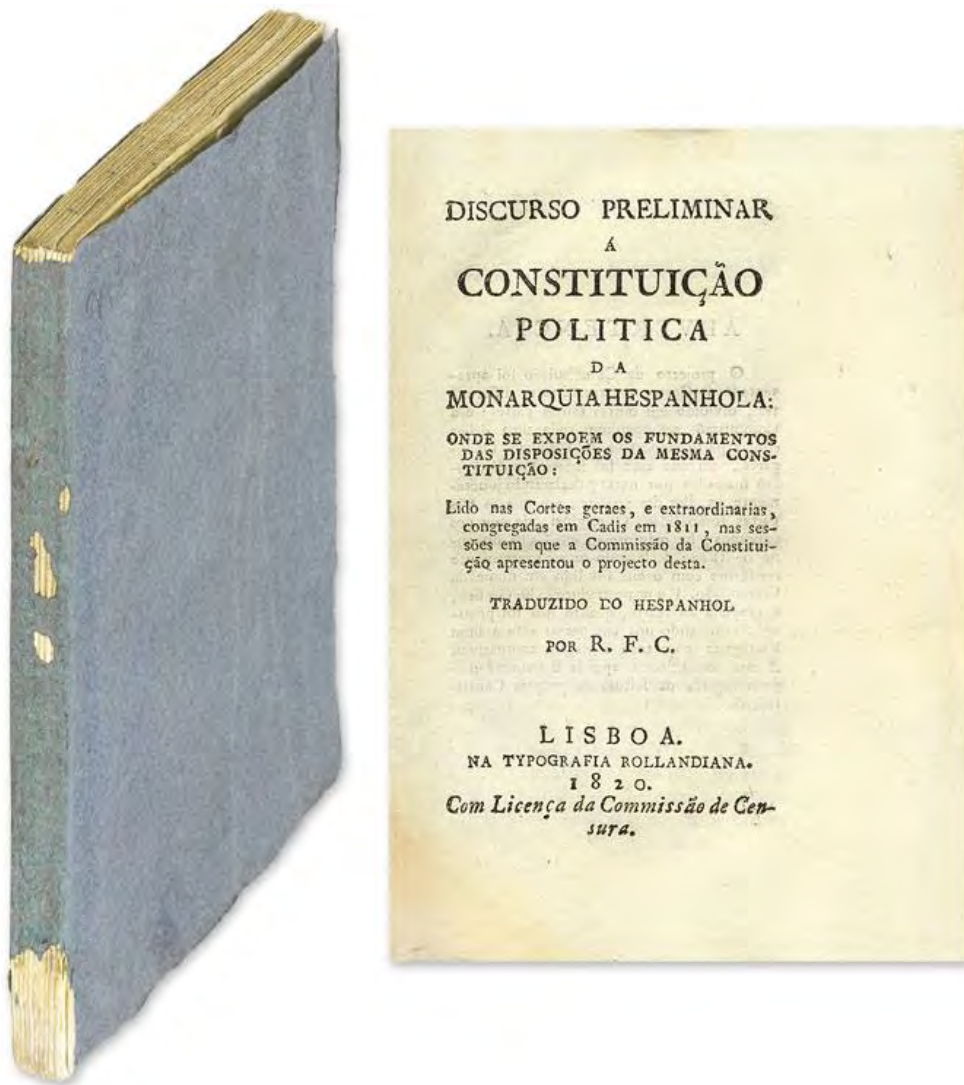
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A Profound Influence in Spain, Portugal and Latin America

1. [Arguelles, Augustin de (1776-1844)].

Discurso Preliminar a Constituicao Política de Monarquia Hespanhola: Onde se Expoem os Fundamentos das Disposicoes da Mesma Constituicao. Lido nas Cortes Geraes, E Extraordinarias, Congregadas em Cadis em 1811, Nas Sessoes em Que a Commissao da Constituicao Apresentou o Projecto Desta. Traduzido do Hespanhol por R.F.C. Lisbon: Na Typografia Rollandiana, 1820. 157, [2] pp. Octavo (6-1/4" x 4-1/4").

Original plain paper wrappers, untrimmed edges, signatures unopened. Some wear to spine ends, internally fresh. \$450.

* First edition in Portuguese. Influential in Spain and Portugal, this essay on the Spanish constitution of 1812 was also a profound influence in Latin America. It was first delivered in 1811 before the Cortes that brought constitutional monarchy to Spain. This translation was prepared on the occasion of the revolution at Porto on August 24, 1820 that overthrew the regency and paved the way for the parliamentary deliberations that resulted in the Portuguese constitution of 1822. It also helped to inspire the Latin American independence movements of the 1820s. The identity of "R.F.C." is unknown. Arguelles was a Spanish statesman and diplomat. OCLC locates 2 copies (at Harvard Law School and the University of Kansas). Another copy located at the National Library of Portugal. [Order This Item](#)



**Two Scarce Sixteenth-Century
Italian Works on Roman and Canon Law**

2. Bero, Agostino [1474-1554].

Thomasius, Joannes, Editor.

Quaestiones Familiars: Pragmaticis Percommodae. Venice: Apud Io. Antonium Bertanum, 1574. [lxxii], 445, [3] pp.

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Marzari, Francesco.

In Materiam Fideicomissariam Epitome Francisci Marzarii Vicentini Iurisconsulti ac in Rot. Genuens. Bononiens. Florentina Quondam Auditoris Integerrimi. Venice: Apud Vincentium Vianum, 1574. [viii], 67, [1] pp.

Octavo (6" x 4"). Contemporary vellum, early hand-lettered title to spine. Some soiling, a few minor stains, light rubbing to extremities, vellum beginning to crack through front and rear pastedowns, hinges cracked, text block secure. Moderate toning to text, faint dampstaining to margins of a few leaves, internally clean. Nice copies of two scarce titles. \$1,250.

* Bero, Later edition; Marzari, first edition. *Quaestiones Familiars* was first published in Bologna with title *Familiars Quaestiones*. Its 136 *quaestiones* deal mostly with Roman or canon law. Whatever the topic, most of Bero's authorities come from canon law. A durable work, it went through five editions, the last in 1629. As indicated by its title, Marzari's treatise addresses the Roman law of fideicommissum, the request by a testator to any person who benefited by his will or intestacy to give certain objects to a third party. Both titles are scarce, especially Marzari's. OCLC locates 3 copies in North America, all of the 1574 edition (UT-Austin Ransom Library, Harvard and UC-Berkeley Law Schools). *Censimento Nazionale Delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* (EDIT16) Bero: CNCE5561; Marzari CNCE38579. [Order This Item](#)



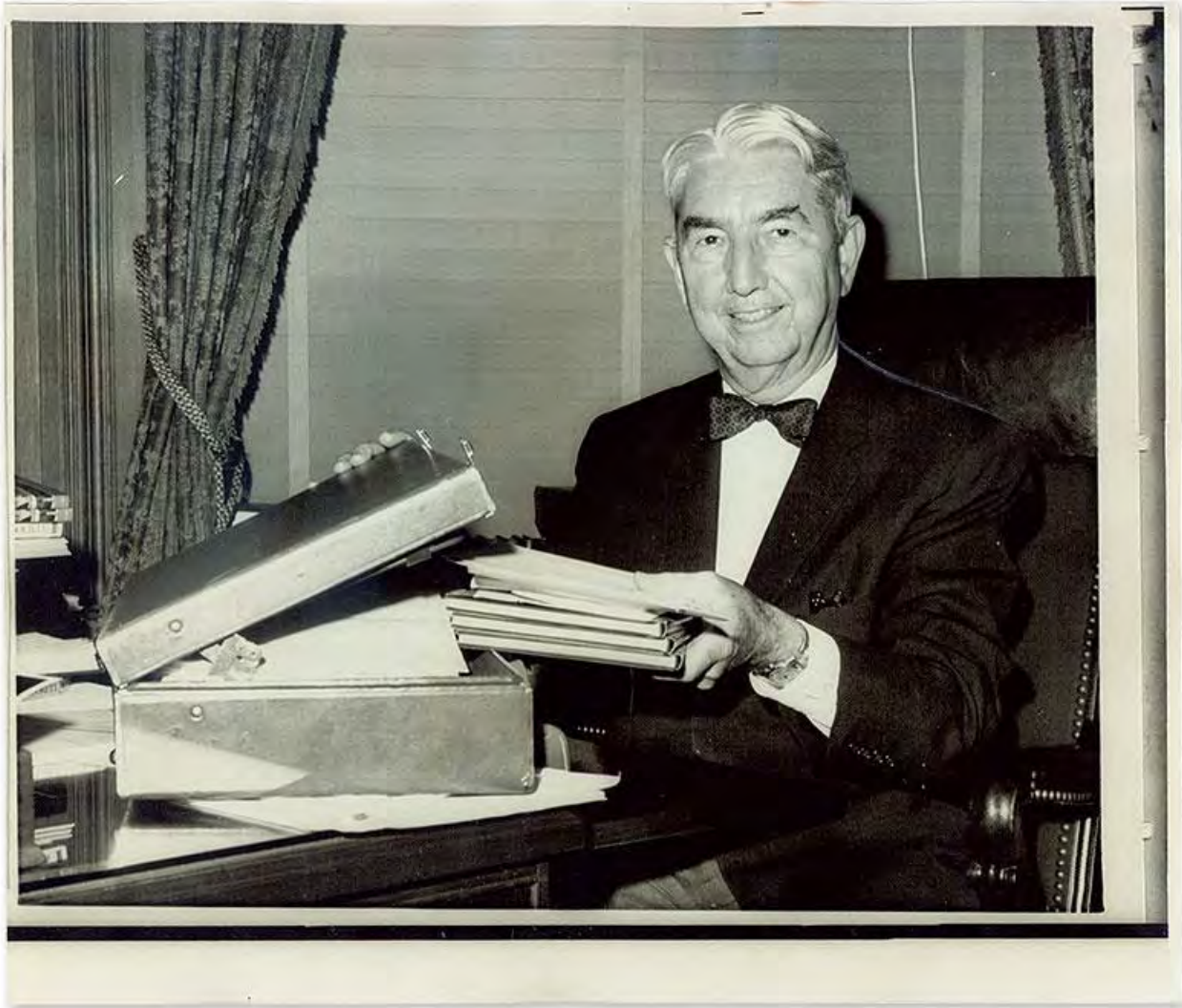
Claims and Liens

3. Carocci, Vincenzo [fl. 1584].

De Excussione Bonorum in Civilibus et Criminalibus Causis Tractatus. Nunc Primum in Germania Reiectis Innumeris Mendis, Allegationibusque a Textu Characterum Varietate Distinctis, Correctius Editus. Frankfurt: Excudebat Ioannes Saurius, Impensis Petri Kopffii, 1597. [viii], 503, [70] pp. Octavo (5-3/4" x 4").

Contemporary vellum with lapped edges, early hand-lettered title to spine. Some soiling and shelfwear, another short work removed from rear of volume. Woodcut printer devices to title and recto of final leaf, woodcut head and tail-pieces. Light toning to text, early owner signature and small later inkstamp to margins of title page, interior otherwise clean. \$950.

* First German edition, published the same year as the first Venice edition. Carocci discusses the Roman law dealing with priorities of claims and liens. According to the title, this edition corrects numerous inaccuracies of the Venice edition. It was published at the expense of Peter Kopff, a notary in Frankfurt. A second edition was published in Venice in 1603. All are scarce. OCLC locates 3 copies of the 1597 imprints in North American law libraries, 2 of the Venice (UC-Berkeley, University of Michigan), 1 of the Frankfurt (Harvard). *Verzeichnis der im Deutschen Sprachbereich Erschienenen Drucke des 16. Jahrhunderts* C1192. [Order This Item](#)



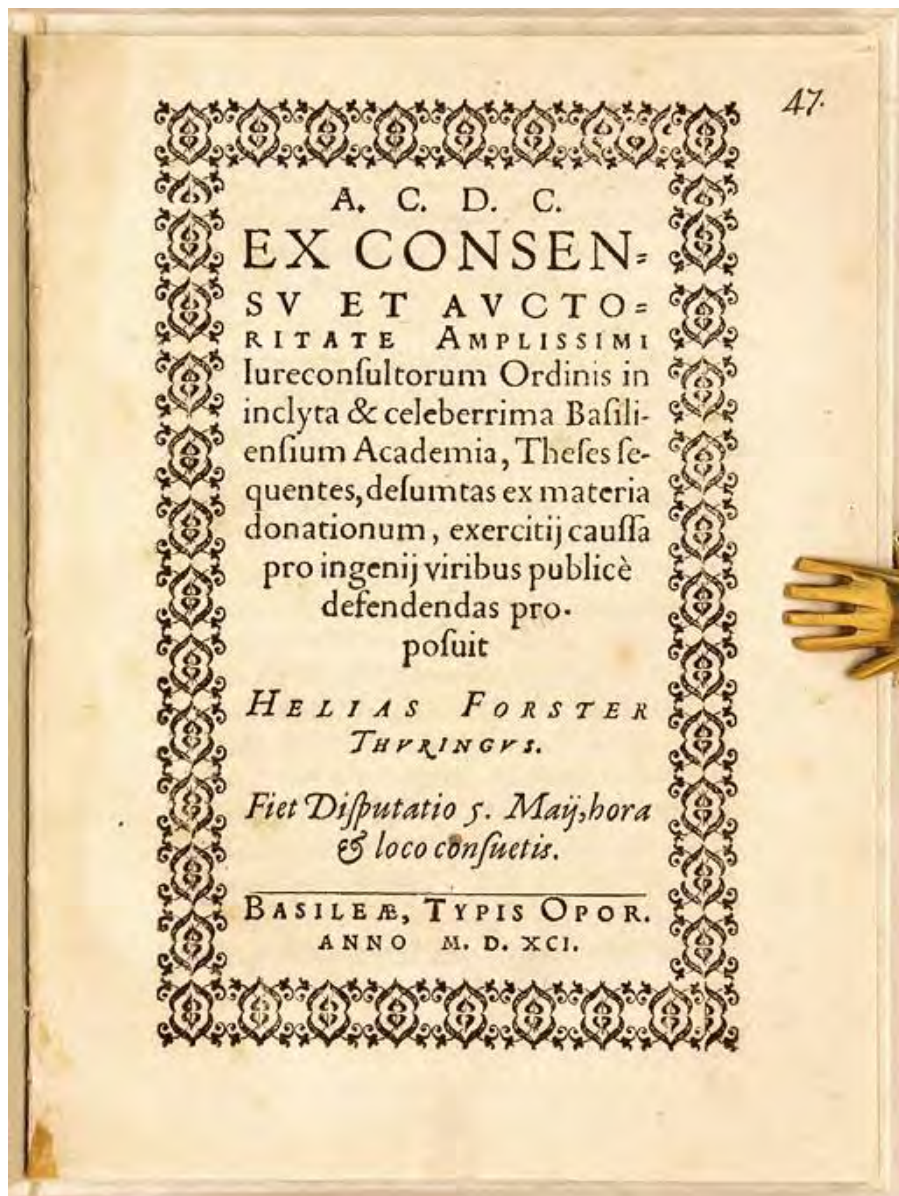
Justice Clark Retires from the Court

4. Clark, Tom C. [1899-1977].

[6" x 9-1/2" Black-and-White Press Photograph of Justice Clark]. [(New York): AP Wirephoto, June 13, 1967].

Light rubbing to edges, minor retouching to image, tipped in caption, stamps and annotations to verso. \$75.

* The caption reads: "Associate Justice Tom Clark of the U.S. Supreme Court is shown in his chambers Monday as he retired after 18 years on the bench. He took the action to avoid a conflict of interest after his son Ramsey Clark was named attorney general." [Order This Item](#)



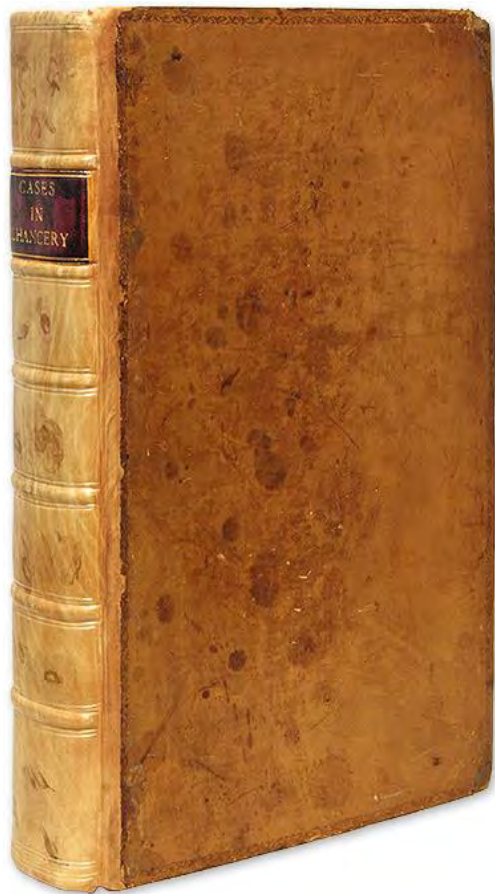
A Rare Thesis on Donations

5. Forster, Elias.

Theses Sequentes, Desumpas ex Materia Donationum, Exercitij Caussa pro Ingenij Viribus Publice Defendendas Proposuit Helias Forster. Basel: Oporinus, 1591. [16] pp. Small quarto (7-1/2" x 5-1/2").

Side-stitched pamphlet bound into recent paper-covered boards. Title printed within typographical border, large woodcut historiated capital at beginning of text, woodcut tail-piece. "47." in small early hand to head of title page, interior notably fresh. Ex-library. Small shelf label to foot of spine. A notably clean copy of a rare title in an attractive binding. \$500.

* Only edition of a legal dissertation in which the author, a native of Thüringen, defends 40 Theses at the University of Basel concerning the various categories of donations, including legacies, endowments, and 'donatio mortis causa,' that is, a deathbed gift, or a future gift made in expectation of the donor's imminent death. Not listed in *VD16*; No copies listed on OCLC, the *USTC* locates 1 copy (University of Basel). *Universal Short-Title Catalogue* 709849. [Order This Item](#)



Chancery Cases, 1660-1697

7. [Great Britain].

[Court of Chancery].

Cases Argued and Decreed in the High Court of Chancery. Carefully Corrected from the Errors of Former Impressions. To Which are Now Added Proper Notes and References to the Ancient and Modern Books of Law and Equity; With Many New Cases, Maxims and Rules, Necessary for Illustrating and Explaining the Whole. [London]: Printed by E. and R. Nutt, And R. Gosling, 1735. Two parts in one volume, each with title page. [viii], 312, [24]; [viii], 251, [21] pp.

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Select Cases in the High Court of Chancery, Solemnly Argued and Decreed by the Late Lord Chancellor: With the Assistance of the Judges. With an Exact Table to the Whole. [London]: Printed by E. and R. Nutt, And R. Gosling, [1740?]. [vi], [ii], 136 pp. Table misbound before title page.

Folio (12-1/2" x 8"). Contemporary calf, rebacked in period style, blind fillets to boards, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, hinges mended, early armorial bookplate (John Phillips, Esq., Edstone) to front pastedown. Light toning, light browning to *Second Part*, light foxing to a few leaves, light soiling and illegible faint early owner signature to head of *Cases*. \$500.

* *Cases*: third edition, title page of Part II states "Second Edition, Corrected, With Many Additional References"; *Select Cases*: fourth edition. These reports contain cases from 12 Charles II. to 4th James II. (1660-1697). According to Wallace, Kent criticized these reports, but were impressed with several reports of cases decided by Lord Chancellor Cowper. Wallace, *The Reporters* 481. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T95699, T161170. [Order This Item](#)



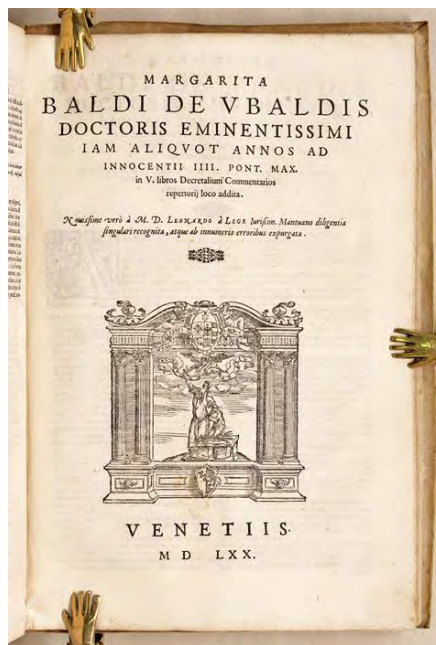
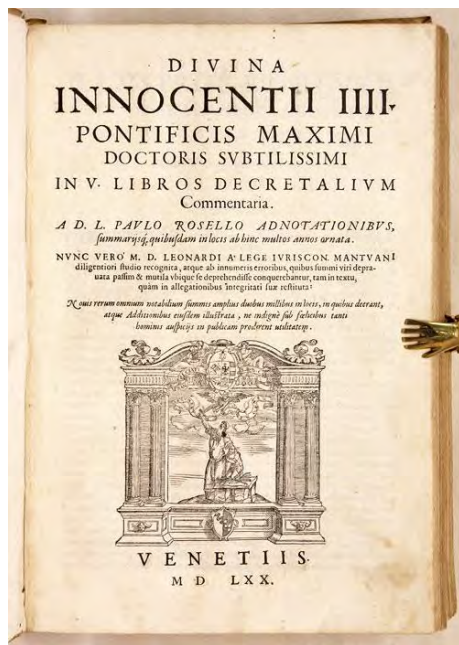
Scarce Treatise on Church-State Relations

8. Henniges (Henninges), Heinrich [1645-1711].

De Summa Imperatoris Romani Potestate Circa Profana. Liber Unicus. Nuremberg: Sumptibus Wolfgangi Mauriti Endteri, & Johannis Andrea Endteri, 1677. [xxxii], 581, [59] pp. Octavo (6-1/2" x 4").

Recent buckram, gilt title to spine. Woodcut head and tail-pieces. Some soiling to title page, light toning to text, minor worming, mostly to margins, at beginning and end of text block, internally clean. \$650.

* Second and final edition. First published in 1676, *De Summa Imperatoris*, the work of a lawyer and state official, discusses the church-state relations and their respective areas of legal authority. OCLC locates 1 copy of each edition in a law library (UC-Berkeley, first edition; Harvard, second edition). *Verzeichnis der im Deutschen Sprachraum Erschienenen Drucke des 17. Jahrhunderts* 155575H. [Order This Item](#)



Important Commentaries on Papal Decrees Enhanced with Excellent Notes

9. Innocent IV [1195-1254], Pope.

Roselli, Lucio Paolo [d. 1552], Annotations.

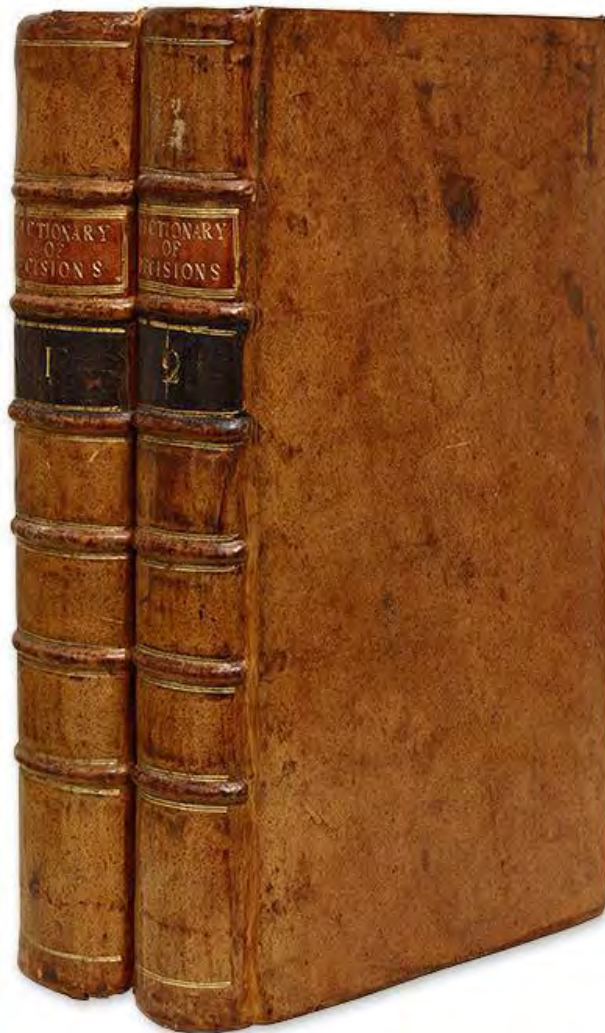
Ubaldi, Baldo degli [1327?-1400], Commentary.

Legge, Leonardo [fl. c.1550-1580], Commentary.

In V. Libros Decretalium, Commentaria, Ad D.L. Paulo Rosello Adnotationibus, Summarijsque Quibusdam in Locis ab Hinc Multos Annos Ornata. Nunc Verò M. D. Leonardi à Lege Iuriskon. Mantuani Diligentiori Studio Recognita, Atque ab Innumeris Erroribus, Quibus Summi Viri Depravata Passim & Mutila Ubique se Deprehendisse Conquirebantur, Tam in Textu, Quàm in Allegationibus Integritati Suae Restituta: Novis Rerum Omnium Notabilium Summis Amplius Duobus Millibus in Locis, In Quibus Deerant, Atque Additionibus Eiusdem Illustrata, Ne Indignè sub Soelicibus Tqanti Hominis Auspiciis in Publicam Prodirent Utrilitatem. Venice: [Apud Bernardinum Maiorinum Parmensem], 1570. [xvi], 684; [92] pp. Two parts, each with title page. Part II has title beginning: *Margarita, Baldi de Ubaldis Doctoris Eminentissimi iam Aliquot Annos ad Innocentiū IIII. Pont. Max.* Main text in parallel columns. Folio (12" x 8-1/2").

Contemporary flexible vellum with lapped edges, early hand-lettered title and somewhat later small hand-lettered label to spine, ties lacking. Some rubbing to extremities, corners and spine ends bumped, a few minor stains and spots, light soiling to spine. Light toning to text, light foxing and faint dampspotting to a few leaves. A handsome copy of a scarce title. \$1,500.

* First edition (in this form). Innocent IV, pope from 1243 to 1254, was one of the most dynamic and influential leaders of the medieval period. He began his career as a lawyer. Educated in law at the Universities of Parma and Bologna, where he may have taught after finishing his studies, he went on to a career as a church official and was considered to be one of the finest canonists of his time. His *Commentaria*, also known as the *Apparatus in Quinque Libros Decretalium*, is an influential commentary on papal decrees in the books of the *Corpus Juris Canonici*. Our 1570 edition is enhanced by the commentary of Roselli and the appended interpretive summary/index by Ubaldi, which includes notes by Legge. A second edition was published in 1571. Both editions of this work are scarce. OCLC locates 6 copies of the first edition in North America (Catholic University of America, Cornell, Emory University, University of Illinois, University of Louisville, Northwestern University Law School, University of Wisconsin). *Censimento Nazionale Delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* CNCE43060. [Order This Item](#)



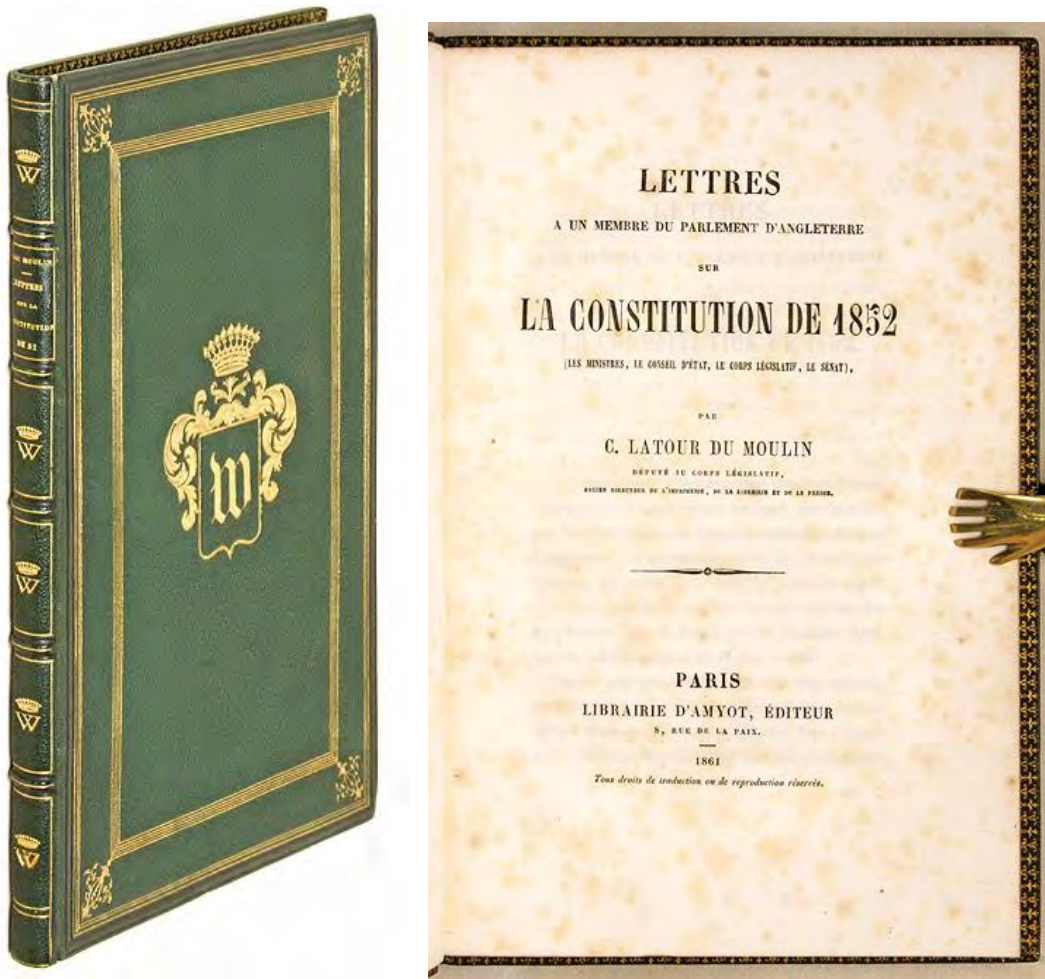
Kames's *Decisions* in "Form of a Dictionary"

10. [Kames, Henry Home, Lord (1696-1782)].

The Decisions of the Court of Session, From Its First Institution to the Present Time. Abridged, And Digested Under the Proper Heads, In Form of a Dictionary. Collected from a Great Number of Manuscripts, Never Before Published, As Well as from Printed Decisions. Edinburgh: Printed by Richard Watkins, 1741. Two volumes. [iv], vii, [i], [xxxvi], 601; [xxxii], 555, [32] pp. Folio (12" x 7-1/2").

Contemporary speckled calf, red and black lettering pieces and gilt-edged raised bands to spine, blind tooling to board edges. Negligible light rubbing and a few minor nicks and scuffs to boards, somewhat heavier rubbing to extremities, recent repair to front joint of Volume I, corners bumped and lightly worn, partial crack to text block of Volume I between front free endpaper and title page. Title pages printed in red and black. Early owner annotation to front pastedown of Volume I, text notably fresh. A handsome set. \$2,500.

* First edition, one of two issues from 1741. The leading Scottish jurist of his day and an important figure of the Scottish Enlightenment, Kames was an influence on David Hume, James Boswell and Adam Smith. A remarkable work of synthesis and organization, his *Decisions* went through later editions in 1778, 1791 and 1797. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T79943. [Order This Item](#)



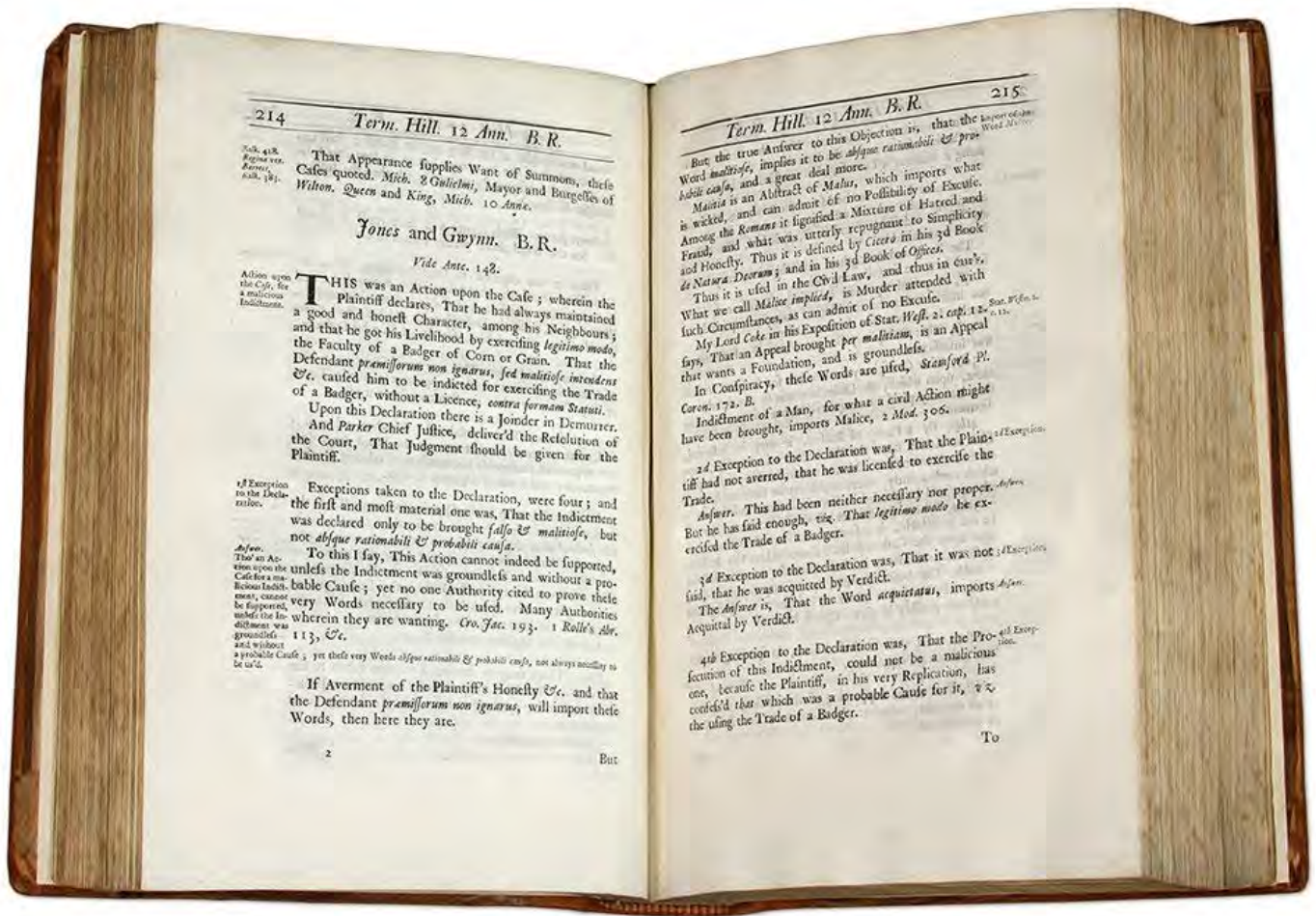
Presentation Copy from the Author to Napoleon's Son in a Superb Binding

**11. Latour Du Moulin, C[élestin] [1823-1888].
[Walewski, Alexander, Count (1810-1868)].**

Lettres à un Membre du Parlement d'Angleterre sur la Constitution de 1852 (Les Ministres, le Conseil d'Etat, le Corps Législatif, le Sénat). Paris: Libraire D'Amyot, 1861. 119, [1] pp. Octavo, (9-1/2" x 6-1/4").

Contemporary signed morocco binding by Despierres, gilt frames enclosing arms of Count Walewski to boards, raised bands, gilt title and gilt Walewski crests to spine, all edges gilt, gilt inside dentelles, moiré-stamped endpapers, later armorial bookplate to front pastedown, woodcut of Walewski from a contemporary periodical laid in. Light rubbing to extremities, corners lightly bumped. Moderate toning, some leaves have light foxing, occasional small inkstamps to bottom margins. An appealing association copy of a scarce title. \$1,750.

* First edition. This interesting comparison between the English and French political systems was through later editions in 1862, 1863 and 1864. Its author was a leading political journalist. Count Alexander Walewski, to whom this book is inscribed, was the natural son of Napoleon I and Marie Walewska. A notable diplomat, he was ambassador to Florence, Naples, Madrid and London. Minister of foreign affairs from 1855 to 1860, he opposed Napoleon III on the Italian question and resigned his position. He went on to become the minister of fine arts. Despierres, the binder of this copy, was also binder to the emperor. All editions of this title are scarce. OCLC locates no copies of any edition in North America. *British Museum Catalogue* 14:931. [Order This Item](#)



Cases Temp. Macclesfield

12. Lucas, Robert [d. 1776].

Cases in Law and Equity, Chiefly During the Time the Late Earl of Macclesfield Presided in the Courts of King's Bench and Chancery. [London]: Printed by Henry Lintot for Francis Gosling, MDCCXLI [1741]. [ii], ii, [8], 538, [94] pp. Folio (12" x 8").

Contemporary calf, rebounded in period style, raised bands and retained contemporary lettering piece to spine, endpapers renewed. Moderate rubbing and scuffing to boards, corners worn, armorial bookplate of William Curtis Noyes to front pastedown, an annotation in his hand to front endleaf. Light toning to text, somewhat heavier in places, light foxing to some leaves, owner signature (Rich Robins 1838) to head of p. [1]. \$750.

* Second edition, one of two issues from 1741. Covering the years 1709-1725, this collection is known as *Lucas's Reports, Cases Temp. Macclesfield* or *Macclesfield's Reports*. It is not considered an authority, but Wallace notes that "in the great case of *Mostyn v. Fabrigas* Lord Mansfield cited a case from it." 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. Wallace, *The Reporters* 386. *English Short-Title Catalogue* N28591.

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**Nineteenth-Century Docket
Book with Unusually Detailed Entries**

**13. [Manuscript].
[Arkansas].**

[Justice's Docket Book]. Stone County, Arkansas, 1873-1911. [xxvi], 412 pp. Thumb-tabbed index. Folio (13-3/4" x 8-3/4").

Reversed calf, raised bands to spine, black-stamped panels and calf panels to boards. Rubbed with considerable wear to spine and corners, a few sections lacking from boards, hinges partially cracked. Content in neat hand to approximately 325 pp., 9 related documents laid-in, a few others attached to pages. Moderate toning, occasional staining and edgewear, ink faded in a few places a few leaves excised. \$1,500.

* Situated in the Ozark Mountains of north-central Arkansas, Stone County was created in 1873 from parts of various neighboring counties. Containing unusually detailed entries, most of them before 1900, this docket is a rich chronicle of the county's earliest legal history. It contains civil and criminal matters including hearings, trials, suits, jury verdicts, judgments, awarding of damages, case continuances and dismissals, orders of attachment, writs of garnishment, orders to sell foreclosed properties, enforcement of liens, disturbing the peace, attempted murder, assault and battery, disorderly conduct and unlawful detainment of property. The entries are in the hands of various justices of the peace including W. A. Younger, J. A. Carman, J. W. Smith, J. L. Pruett, and J. A. Blair. Signatures of those same judicial officers appear throughout volume. Many entries reflect the county's predominantly agricultural economy. Others concern allegations of violence, such as "William J. Goodman [made] an attempt with a knife to take my life" and "William Ball...slapped his wife Lucinda Steel, and cussed and abused her and threatened to kick her out of his yard if she ever set foot inside of it."

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Land Indenture Signed by Richard Varick

14. [Manuscript].

[New York City].

[Varick, Richard (1753-1831)].

[Indenture for New York City Property Signed by Mayor Richard Varick]. New York City, 8 May 1800.

16" x 21" bifolium, top edge indentured. Toning, fold lines, light wear to edges, a few minor tears along folds. \$300.

* This indenture (with seals) records the conveyance of a plot of land on Barclay Street, New York City, from "Cornelius Pawles of the City of New York Carpenter and his wife" to "Martin Pawles of Harrington in the county of Bergen and State of New Jersey." The verso has a one-page endorsement by Mayor Richard Varick signed with a bold signature.

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**Ravishment, Excommunication,
Spousal Abuse and Other Matters**

15. [Manuscript].

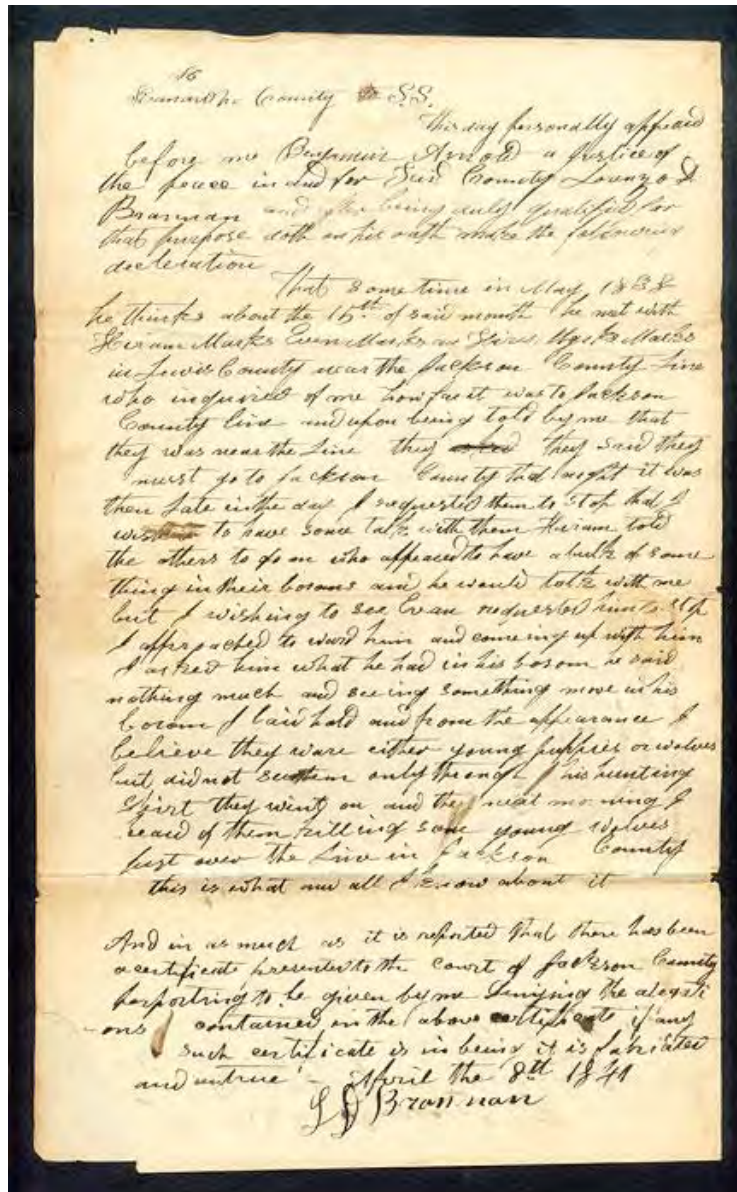
[Trials].

[Great Britain].

[Legal Documents Relating to Six Trials]. Great Britain, 1631-1632. 6 items, 2 are single leaves, 4 bifolia, sizes range from 9-1/2" x 8-1/3/4" to 12" x 7-1/2."

Moderate toning and soiling, occasional browning, vertical folds, 5 items docketed, some tears, edgewear and wear holes with loss to text in a few places. \$4,500.

* Submitted to the ecclesiastical courts, these documents are, to use modern language, depositions: Thomas Knowsley *v.* William Welch and Jane Dawson for fornication and libel (1632), Samuel Royle *v.* Grace Royle for abusing him, "ill healing" him and leaving him with his mother-in-law (1632), excommunication of Thomas Edge for contempt of court (1631), John Smith *v.* Richard Hyde for (unspecified) slander (1631), John Bale *v.* Alice Eaton "for calling him a whoremonger" (1631) and Thomas Eaton for the ravishment of Elizabeth Eaton while her husband was attending church (1631). [Order This Item](#)



Fraudulent Collection of Wolf Bounties in Virginia

16. [Manuscript].

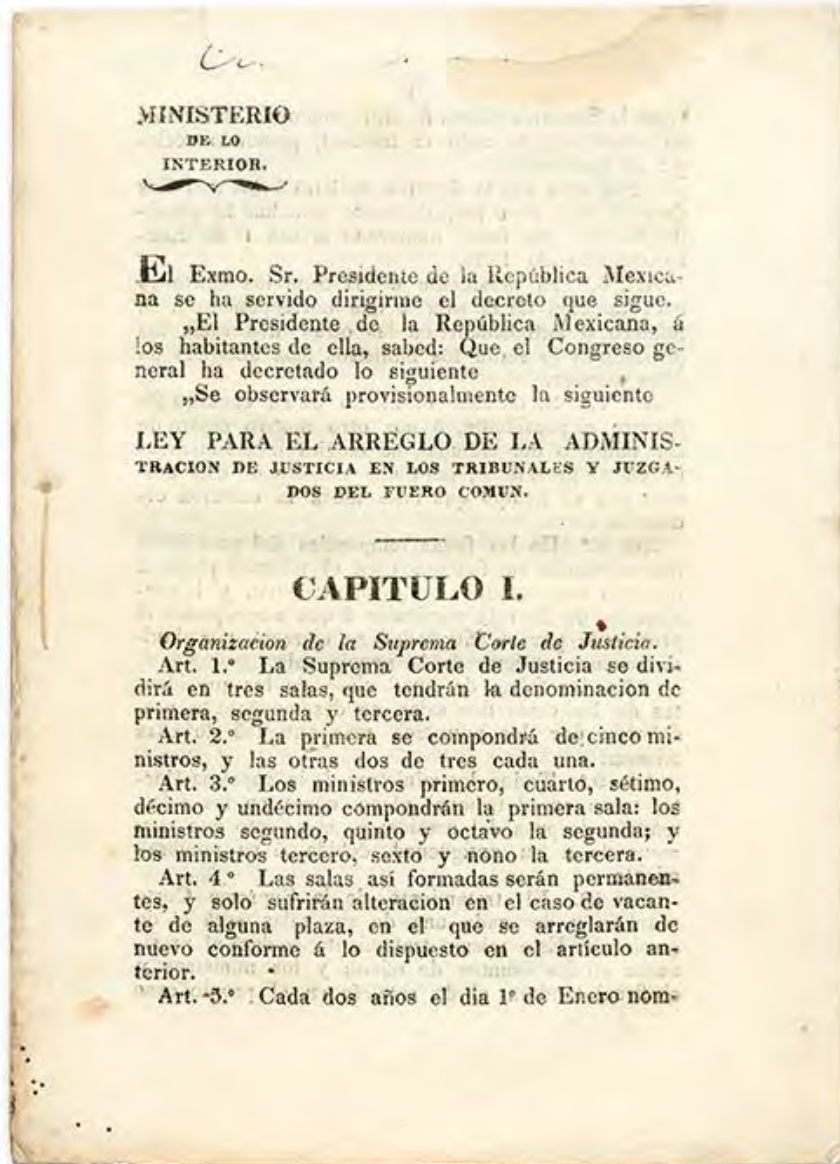
[Virginia].

[Wolf Bounties].

[Autograph Deposition Addressed to J.P. Thomasson and other justices of Jackson County, Signed by Justice of the Peace Benjamin Arnold, Kanawho County, Virginia, April 8, 1841]. 4 pp. 12-1/2" x 7-1/2" bifolium, docketed on verso of second leaf.

Horizontal fold lines, a few with minor tears, tear through most of fold between the leaves, light browning and minor edgewear, a few small chips to edges. Content in neat small hand filling one page and a quarter of another. \$300.

* This deposition says the Marks family from Lewis County was carrying wolf puppies into Jackson county lines in order to kill them there in order to collect wolf-killing bounties awarded by the county. [Order This Item](#)



The Organization of Mexico's Courts in 1837

17. [Mexico].

Ministerio de lo Interior.

Pena y Pena, Manuel de la [1789-1850].

Ley Para el Arreglo de la Administracion de Justicia en Los Tribunales y Juzgados del Fuero Comun. [Mexico City: S.n., 1837]. 32 pp. Octavo (8" x 5-3/4").

Stab-stitched pamphlet in self-wrappers. Negligible light soiling to exterior, strip of paper torn from upper margin of first leaf removing a signature, no loss to text. \$950.

* The rules for the organization of the Courts in Mexico, from the lowest courts to the Supreme Court. Pena y Pena was a member of the Mexican Supreme Court and served as Mexico's interim President in 1847-1848. He signed the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo. No copies listed on OCLC. [Order This Item](#)



**Illustrated Account of a Belgian Priest With a
Gambling Addiction Who Committed Several Murders**

18. [Murder].

[Pierlot, Jacques (1750-1786)].

La Vie de Jacques Pierlot, Prêtre & Marguillier de la Paroisse de Vervier, Ville de la Principauté de Liège; Avec tous les Détails de son Crime, De sa Dégradation, & De son Supplice. Liège: Chez Lemarié, 1786. 52 [i.e., 50] pp. Etched portrait frontispiece. Four etched plates. Octavo (6-1/2" x 4").

Nineteenth-century quarter sheep over marbled boards, gilt fillets and title to spine, marbled endpapers. Moderate rubbing to extremities with some wear to spine ends and corners, recent owner bookplate to front pastedown. Moderate toning to text, faint dampstaining to head of frontispiece and title page, clean tear to lower inner corner of title repaired on verso, bottom line of caption cropped on second plate, final two leaves cropped and re-hinged. Laid in is a copy of the 17 March 1786 *Avertissemens de Liège*, a handbill of local publisher advertisements, including one for this publication. \$1,850.

* Only edition. A sensationalistic chapbook about a Belgian priest with a gambling addiction who murdered a creditor and members of the latter's household. He was sentenced by an ecclesiastical tribunal to degradation (permanent removal from clerical office), which was carried out in a public ceremony, then sentenced by a municipal tribunal to be tortured and strangled. The plates depict his degradation and punishment. Chapbooks such as this one were an expression of the anti-clericalism that was a vital part of Enlightenment Francophone culture in the years preceding the French Revolution. OCLC locates 12 copies, 1 in North America (Library of Congress). Not in the *British Museum Catalogue*. [Order This Item](#)



Salesman's Sample Book for a Popular Account of a Sensational Trial

19. [Salesman's Sample Book]. Breckinridge, William C.P. [1837-1904], Defendant.

The Celebrated Trial, Madeline Pollard vs. Breckinridge, The Most Noted Breach of Promise Suit in the History of Court Records. Containing a Graphic Story of the Sensational Incidents in the Joint Lives of the Now Famous Litigants, as Given in Their Own Words. The Two Stories Differ Widely as to the Material Facts in the Case, Testimony of the Kentucky School Girl Directly Contradicts the Story of the Silver-Tongued Orator and Statesman, Testimony of Prominent Witness From Various States Uncovering Startling Incidents in the Lives of Plaintiff and Defendant. The Surprising Disclosure and Dramatic Scenes that Filled the Court Room With a Throng of Excited Spectators Fully Described, the Most Sensational Testimony Ever Produced in Court. One of the Most Dramatic and Hotly Contested Legal Battles of Modern Times, An Array of Legal Talent Rarely Equaled in Court Annals in Point of Ability and Eloquence. Judge Bradley's Charge to the Jury. Speeches of Counsel and Decision of the Jury. To Which is Added a Complete Biography of Colonel Breckinridge and Miss Pollard, His College Days, War Record, Prominence in Congress. With Many Portraits and Illustrations. [N.p.]: [The American Printing and Binding Company, 1894]. Irregular pagination; pages appear to have been assembled to highlight salacious headlines and passages. 7 plates. Title page preceded by added pictorial title page (also the front cover for softbound copies). Octavo (8" x 5").

Original cloth, black-stamped title and decoration to front board. Moderate rubbing and dampspotting, spine ends and corners bumped. Light browning to text, preliminaries and a few other leaves detached and lightly edgeworn, three leaves lacking. An interesting piece of law book publishing and marketing history. \$450.

* This sample book was used to sell copies of a popular account of one of the most sensational trials of the day. Breckinridge was a notable Kentucky lawyer, statesman, editor and Civil War hero from a prominent political family. This suit, which coincided with his campaign for a sixth term in the U.S. Congress, was front-page news nationally for six weeks. Many were aroused to indignation. Suffragists opposed him with rallies and petitions; the National Christian League for the Promotion of Social Purity denounced him. The court decided in Pollard's favor and awarded her \$15,000 in damages. Tainted by scandal, Breckinridge lost the election. He never held office again. The complete book is a fairly hefty, a 320-page octavo. The considerably lighter sample book was carried door-to-door by salesmen. It contains the title page, the front wrapper of a softbound version, selected pages and plates, a leaf with selling points and price information and two ruled leaves in which to list subscribers. [Order This Item](#)



Selden's Ground-Breaking *Uxor Ebraica*

20. Selden, John [1584-1654].

Uxor Ebraica, Seu de Nuptiis et Divortiis Ex Jure Civili, Id est, Divino & Talmudico, Veterum Ebraeorum, Libri Tres. Ejusdem de Successionibus ad Leges Ebraeorum, Libri Tres, Ejusdem de Successionibus ad Leges Ebraeorum in Bona Defunctorum. Liber Singularis: in Pontificatum, Libri Duo. Frankfurt-on-Oder: Sumptibus Jeremiae Schrey, 1695. [2], 456 [i.e. 460], [36], 248 pp. Two parts with individual pagination; second part, *De Successionibus*, preceded by divisional title page. Quarto (8" x 6-1/2").

Contemporary vellum, blind frames and large central arabesques to boards, raised bands and early hand-lettered title to spine, endpapers renewed. Light soiling, corners and spine ends bumped, a few minor scuffs to rear board, some creases and edgewear to endleaves. Main title page printed in red and black. Moderate toning to text, occasional light foxing to text, light soiling to title page. "102" in small recent hand to front pastedown, interior otherwise clean. \$850.

* Later edition. A scarce edition of Selden's work on the laws of Jewish marriage and divorce, applying his more general theory of natural law, and approaching the views of Milton. It was first published in 1646. Speaking of this and other works dealing with Jewish customs the DNB says "[his] acquaintance with the original of the Old Testament and the ancient versions and commentaries which all these works display is very great. Their author's familiarity with rabbinical literature was such as has been acquired by few non-Israelite scholars; and many details of oriental civilisation and antiquities were certainly brought to the knowledge of Europeans for the first time in them" (DNB). Despite the importance of this work it was not translated into English until 1991. *Dictionary of National Biography* XVII:1157. *Das Verzeichnis der im Deutschen Sprachraum Erschienenen Drucke des 17. Jahrhunderts* 14:019894G. [Order This Item](#)



**Justices Stewart and Whittaker Accompany
Their Wives to a Dinner at the White House**

**21. Stewart, Potter [1915-1985].
Whittaker, Charles [1901-1973].**

[9" x 7" *Black-and-White Press Photograph of Justices Stewart and Whittaker with Their Wives*]. [(New York): United Press International, December 12, 1958].

Light rubbing and a few minor creases to edges, caption to right of image, stamp and annotation to verso. \$75.

* The caption reads: "Supreme Court Justices Potter Stewart (left) and Charles Whittaker, each with his wife, arrive at the north portico of the White House 12/11 to attend a state dinner honoring the Supreme Court. Mrs. Eisenhower opened the shortest White House social season on record with the dinner. Only four other dinners are scheduled for the 1958-59 season." [Order This Item](#)



The Stone Court Visits President Truman

22. [Supreme Court, United States].

[6-1/2" x 8-1/2" Black-and-White Press Photograph of the Stone Court at the White House with President Truman]. [(New York): International News Photos, October 16, 1945].

Light rubbing and a few tiny creases to edges, tipped-in caption and stamps to verso. \$150.

* The caption reads: "The Supreme Court Justices call at the White House to make their annual visit and to see President Truman. Photo shows Justices with President Truman. Front row left to right: Chief Justice Harlan Fiske Stone, President Harry Truman, Justice Hugo Black, Justice Felix Frankfurter. Second row left to right: Justice Stanley Reed, Justice Harold Burton, Justice Wiley Rutledge, Justice Frank Murphy. Top row left to right: Justice William O. Douglas, Charles E. Copley, Clerk of the Court. J. Howard McGrath, Solicitor General, Thomas E. Waggaman, Marshal, and Attorney General Tom C. Clark." [Order This Item](#)



The Vinson Court in 1947

23. [Supreme Court, United States].

[7" x 9" Black-and-White Press Photograph of the Vinson Court]. [New York: Associated Press, January 28, 1947].

Light rubbing to edges, small tear to upper left corner just touching image, tipped-in caption, annotations and stamps to verso. \$150.

* The caption reads: "Members of the United States Supreme Court sit in Washington, D.C. for this 'official' group photo. Left to right, front, are: Associate Justices Felix Frankfurter; Hugo Lafayette Black; Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson; Associate Justices Stanley Forman Reed, And William Orville Douglas. Rear row, left to right, are: Associate Justices Wiley Rutledge; Frank Murphy; Robert H. Jackson, And Harold Hitz Burton." [Order This Item](#)



(WX4) WASHINGTON, June 9--JUSTICES SAY GOODBYE WITH GIFTS--Members of the Supreme Court pose today with a long-time court official who is retiring and the gifts they have for him. The justices assembled to say goodbye to Thomas E. Waggaman, marshal of the high court for 15 years, on the last day of the court's current term. Left to right: Associate Justices Tom Clark, Felix Frankfurter, Robert H. Jackson and Hugo Black, Marshal Waggaman, Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson and Associate Justices Stanley Reed, William O. Douglas, Harold H. Burton and Sherman Minton. The gifts (on table) include a fishing rod, an outboard motor, a photograph album, a copy of the court's record on the day more than 40 years ago that Waggaman started his court career as a page, and a copy of Vinson's statement prepared for the farewell to Waggaman. (AP Wirephoto)(rmb21740stf-bhr)1952

The Vinson Court Says Goodbye to a Long-Time Court Official

24. [Supreme Court, United States].

[6-1/2" x 9-1/4" Black-and-White Press Photograph of the Vinson Court and Retiring Marshall Thomas E. Waggaman]. [(New York): Associated Press, June 9, 1952].

Light rubbing to edges, margins removed, caption below image, stamp to verso. \$150.

* The caption reads: "Justices say goodbye with gifts--Members of the Supreme Court pose today with a long-time court official and the gifts they have for him. The justices assembled to say goodbye to Thomas E. Waggaman, marshal of the court for 15 years, on the last day of the court's current term. Left to right: Associate Justices Tom Clark, Felix Frankfurter, Robert H. Jackson and Hugo Black, Marshal Waggaman, Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson and Associate Justices Stanley Reed, William O. Douglas, Harold H. Burton and Sherman Minton. The gifts (on the table) include a fishing rod, an outboard motor, a photograph album, a copy of the court's record on the day more than 40 years ago that Waggaman started his court career as a page, and a copy of Vinson's statement prepared for the farewell to Waggaman."

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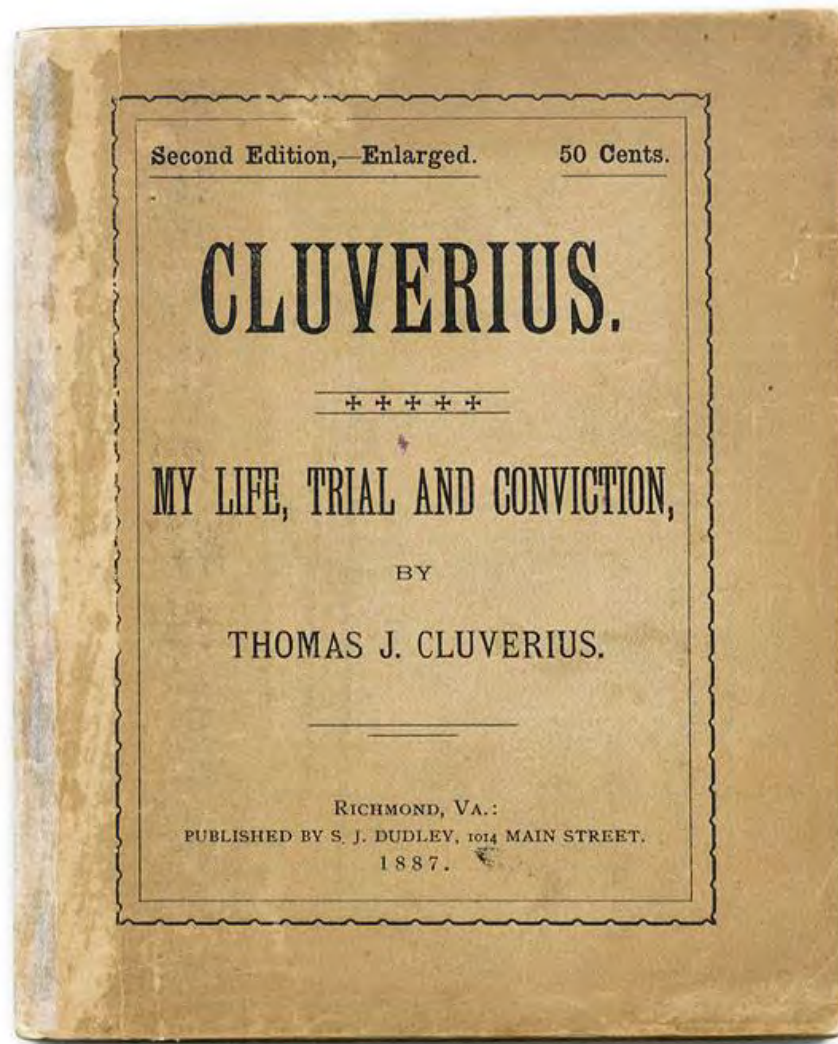
Commemorating Brown v. Board of Education

25. [Supreme Court, United States].

[7" x 9" Black-and-White Press Photograph of the Warren Court]. [New York: Associated Press, 1954.].

Light rubbing and a few tiny creases to edges, tipped-in caption from May 17, 1964, annotation and stamps to verso.
\$150.

* The caption reads: "Nine Men Who Made History with Decision in 1954. Seated, Frankfurter, Black, Warren, Reed, Douglas. Standing: Clark, Jackson, Burton and Minton." [Order This Item](#)



**Augmented Edition of
Cluverius's Account of His Life and Trial**

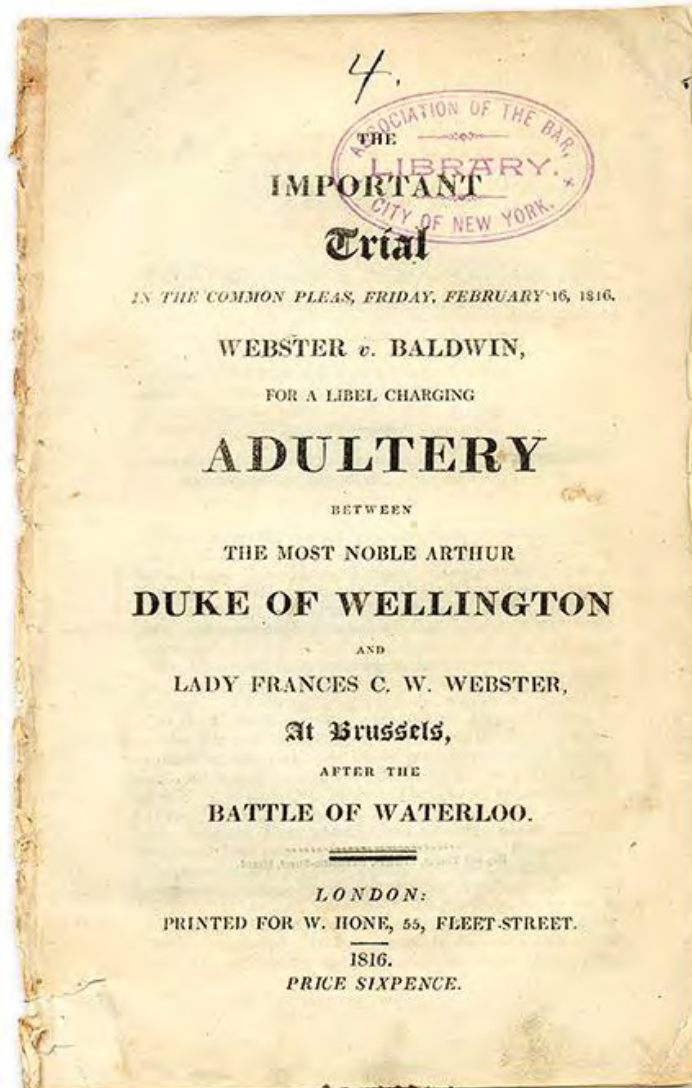
26. [Trial].

Cluverius, Thomas J. [1861-1887].

Cluverius. My Life, Trial and Conviction. Enlarged. Richmond: Published by S.S. Dudley, 1887. 128 pp. Quarto (5-3/4" x 4-1/2").

Printed wrappers. Light soiling, light rubbing to extremities, spine reinforced with archival tape, light toning to interior. Ex-library. Small inkstamp to verso of front wrapper, shelf mark to verso of title page. A well-preserved copy. \$150.

* Second edition. "Cluverius came from one of the 'better' Virginia families. He had married Lillian Madison, a country girl, but had kept the marriage a secret from his family and friends. 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). Both editions of Cluverius's memoir were published in 1887. The second edition adds an account of his execution. Both editions are scarce. McDade, *The Annals of Murder* 193. [Order This Item](#)



An Affair with the Duke of Wellington?

27. [Trial].

Webster, James Webster Wedderburn, Plaintiff.

The Important Trial in the Common Pleas, Friday, February 16, 1816, Webster v. Baldwin, For a Libel Charging Adultery Between the Most Noble Arthur, Duke of Wellington, And Lady Frances C.W. Webster, At Brussels, After the Battle of Waterloo. London: Printed for W. Hone, 1816. 16 pp. Octavo (8-1/4" x 5-1/4").

Disbound stab-stitched pamphlet. Light soiling to exterior, moderate edgewear, "4" in early hand and later library stamp to head of title page, some toning to text, early underlining and check marks in a few places. \$650.

* Only edition. Lady Frances Caroline Wedderburn-Webster [1793-1837] was linked romantically, either in fact or rumor, to several notable men, including Lord Byron. Charles Baldwin published an article about an affair between Wedderburn-Webster and the Duke of Wellington in his newspaper, the *St. James Chronicle*. He was sued for libel and found guilty. The publisher of this pamphlet, William Hone, was a notable publisher, satirist and advocate of free speech. OCLC locates 9 copies, 1 in a law library (Georgetown). McCoy, *Freedom of the Press* (Supplement) 1B37. [Order This Item](#)



Three Items about a Plot to Assassinate King George III with a Poison Dart, One Inscribed by an Alleged Plotter

28. [Trials].

Lemaitre, P[aul] T[homas] [1776-1864], Defendant.

High Treason!! Narrative of the Arrest, Examinations Before the Privy Council, And Imprisonment of P.T Lemaitre, Accused of Being a Party in the Pop-Gun Plot, or, A Pretended Plot to Kill the King! In Which is Introduced the Correspondence with the Privy Council. London: Printed for P.T. Lemaitre, 1795. [iv], 60 pp.

[Bound with]

[Lemaitre, Paul Thomas].

Petition of Paul Thomas Lemaitre Against the Suspension of the Habeas Corpus Act. Extract from the Journals of the House of Commons. Lunae, 23 die Junii, 1817 (No. 41) [drop-head title]. [(London): Causton, Printer, Birch Lane, Cornhill, (1817)]. 4 pp.

[And]

Crossfield, Robert Thomas [1759-1802], Defendant.

Gurney, Joseph [1744-1815], Reporter.

The Trial of Robert Thomas Crossfield, For High Treason, At the Sessions House in the Old Bailey, On Wednesday the Eleventh, And Thursday the Twelfth of May, 1796. Taken in Short-Hand. London: Sold by Martha Gurney, 1796. 328, iii, [5] pp. With two leaves of publisher advertisements.

Octavo (8-1/2" x 5-1/2"); *Petition*, Folio (11" x 7-1/2"), bottom margin trimmed, bound along gutter, and folded twice. Two stab-stitched pamphlets and one bifolium bound into 20th-century cloth, "Pop-Gun Plot" and "1795-96" gilt stamped to spine. Negligible shelfwear, moderate toning to interior, light foxing in a few places, presentation inscription from Lemaitre "to his friend Miss Starling" to half-title of *High Treason!!*. \$1,250.

* *High Treason!!*: second edition; *Trial, Petition*: only edition. The Popgun Plot was an alleged 1794 conspiracy by members of the London Corresponding Society, a British Radical organization, to assassinate King George III with a poison dart fired from a pop-gun (airgun). Lemaitre and Crossfield were two of four men indicted as conspirators and charged with treason. All four were acquitted in May 1796 because the chief witness against them died. The first edition of Lemaitre's account was first published in 1794. Both editions are rare. OCLC locates 16 copies of both editions, 1 in a North American law library (Social Law, which has a first edition). OCLC locates 9 copies of *Trial* in North American law libraries. The *Petition* appears to be unrecorded; no copies are listed on OCLC or COPAC. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T81543 (*High Treason!!*), T80824 (*Trial*). [Order This Item](#)



A Volume of Four Rare and Scarce Nineteenth-Century American Trials

**29. [Trials].
[United States].**

[*Sammelband of Four Murder Trials and One Adultery Trial, 1830-1846*]. Octavo (9" x 5-1/2").

Stab-stitched pamphlets bound into contemporary three-quarter morocco over marbled boards, raised bands and gilt title (reading *Miscellany*) to spine. Light rubbing to boards, slightly heavier rubbing to extremities, corners lightly bumped. Moderate toning, occasional light foxing, some leaves have minor tears or edgewear, early owner signature (Prof. F.M. Dodge. Wenham, Mass) to front free endpaper. \$2,000.

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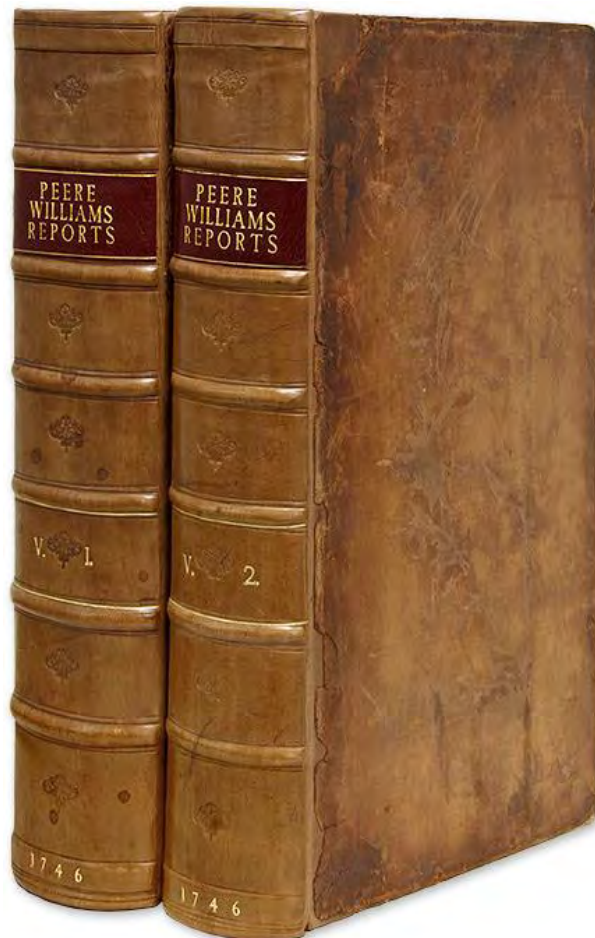
-**Citizen of Danvers**, *A Biographical Sketch of the Celebrated Salem Murder, Who for Ten Years Past has been the Terror of Essex County, Mass. Including a Full and Authentic Account of His Daring Exploits; Together with Many New and Interesting Particulars of the Late Murder*. Boston: Printed for the Author, 1830. 24 pp. Woodcut frontispiece. Wrappers lacking. Foot of text block trimmed. OCLC locates 10 copies. McDade, *The Annals of Murder* 564.

-*A Full Report of the Trial of Albert John Tirrell for the Murder of Mrs. Maria Ann Bickford in Boston, To Which is Added, The Argument of Hon. Rufus Choate, With the Judge's Charge, And the Verdict*. Boston: S.n., 1846. 32 pp. Text in parallel columns. Self-wrappers. Not in McDade. OCLC locates 1 copy (U.S. Supreme Court).

-[*Trial of Henry G. Green, For the Murder of His Wife. Containing the District Attorney's Opening, The Testimony Complete, Judge Parker's Charge in Full, The Verdict and Sentence, The Letter of His Mother, To Green, A Poem Suggested by the Occasion*. Troy: Printed at the Budget Office, 1845]. 48 pp. Text in parallel columns. Wrappers lacking. McDade 388 OCLC locates 14 copies.

-*Trial of Professor John W. Webster, For the Murder of Dr. George Parkman in the Medical College, November 23, 1849*. [Boston]: John A. French, Boston Herald Steam Press, 1850. 91, [5] pp. Text in parallel columns. Two full-page plates of Webster and Parkman, several text illustrations. Wrappers lacking. "Perfect Likeness" in contemporary hand to foot of Parkman plate. McDade 1067

-*Mr. Fairchild's Trial*. [Boston]: S.n., [1842 or 1845]. 24 pp. Text in parallel columns. Wrappers lacking. OCLC locates 5 copies, 3 dated 1842 date (Cornell, University of Chicago, Western University, Ontario), 2 dated 1845 (American Antiquarian Society, Harvard). [Order This Item](#)



"The First Full, And Clear Reporter of Chancery Cases"

30. Williams, William Peere [1664-1736].

Williams, William Peere, Jr., Editor.

Reports of Cases Argued and Determined in the High Court of Chancery, And of Some Special Cases Adjudged in the Court of King's Bench: Collected by William Peere Williams, Late of Gray's Inn, Esq; Published with Notes and References, And Two Tables to Each Volume; One of the Names of Cases, The Other of the Principal Matters: By his Son William Peere Williams, Of the Inner Temple, Esq; Corrected, With Additional References. [London]: Printed by Henry Lintot, 1746. Two volumes. [xv], 788, [lxxxiii]; [ix], 687, [71] pp. Copperplate portrait frontispiece. Folio (12-1/4" x 8").

Contemporary calf, rebaked in period style, lettering pieces, gilt-edged raised bands and blind ornaments to spine, hinges mended. Some rubbing and scuffing to boards, corners bumped and worn, later owner bookplate to front pastedowns. Moderate toning, light foxing in places, early owner signatures (Geo. Hayward and an illegible name dated 1784) to title pages. An attractive set. \$500.

* Second Edition. Covers the period from 1695-1736. "These reports, embracing a term of time when a succession of eminent men presided in Chancery, and when Equity was assuming, and in a considerable degree had assumed, the character of a science, were regarded as one of the most perspicuous, useful, and interesting repositories of equity law to be found in the language. (...) 'We may perhaps regard Peere Williams,' says my valued correspondent, Mr. Heterick, 'as the first full, and clear reporter of chancery cases that is.'": Wallace, *The Reporters* 498-499. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T94601. [Order This Item](#)