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# BROADSIDES

30 ITEMS

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*May 19, 2020*

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**First Day of January next.**

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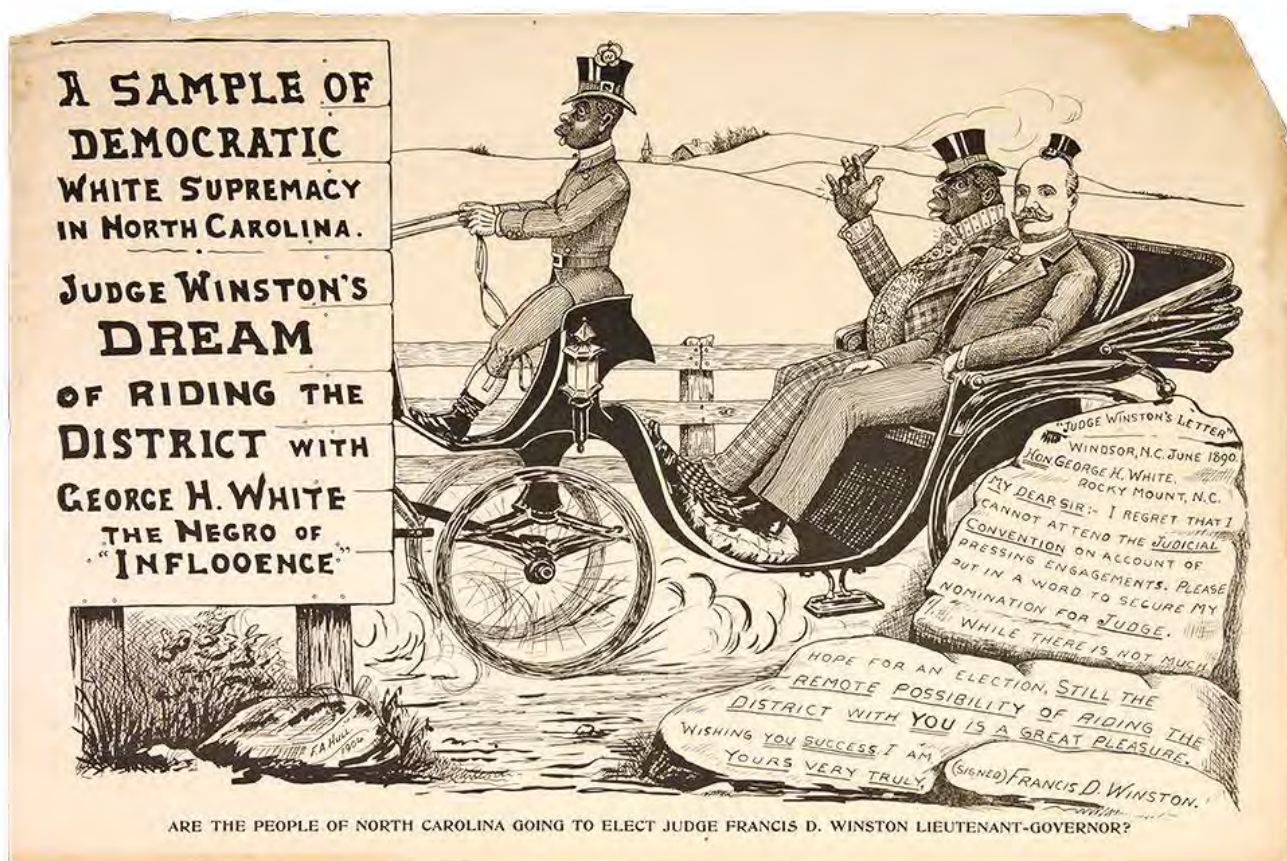
#### A Fatal Fall Through Thin Ice

1. [Accidental Death].  
[Illinois].

*\$50.00 Reward! The Above Reward will be Paid for the Recovery the [sic] Body of Miss Jennie Warren, Who was Drowned by Breaking Through the Ice at Hampton, Saturday, February 1st. Hampton, Illinois: S.n., c.1875.*

13" x 9-1/2" broadside. Light browning, some wear and chipping to edges, vertical and horizontal fold lines, some with clean tears, which are mended on verso with archival tape, tiny hole near center where fold lines cross. A curious, and poignant, item. \$350.

\* The victim was "17 years of age, short, dark completed, weight about 115 pounds." This appears to be an unrecorded broadside. [Order This Item](#)



### The "Negro of 'Infloence'"

2. [African-Americans].

[North Carolina].

Hull, F[red] A., Engraver.

*A Sample of Democratic White Supremacy in North Carolina. Judge Winston's Dream of Riding the District with George H. White, the Negro of "Infloence." Are the People of North Carolina Going To Elect Judge Francis D. Winston Lieutenant-Governor?* [Asheville?] North Carolina]: F.A. Hull, 1904. 10" x 14" lithographed pictorial broadside, text in upper left and lower right corner.

Moderate toning, negligible chipping and light staining to upper right corner, image not affected. \$1,850.

\* A scathing racist attack against Judge Francis D. Winston, the Democratic candidate for Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina. He is seen riding in a coach alongside a grotesquely caricatured George Henry White, Republican congressman from North Carolina, 1897-1901, a symbol of Reconstruction and the last African-American congressman to survive the beginning of the Jim Crow era. The coachman is depicted in a similar manner. Winston is accused, in a letter supposedly written in 1890 and transcribed here, of seeking White's influence with African-American voters to win his judgeship. Winston asks White to promote his candidacy and suggests the "possibility of riding the district with you." Hull was a civic leader, politician and artist in Asheville, NC. OCLC locates 2 copies (UNC-Chapel Hill, Yale). [Order This Item](#)





### A Decree Opposing the 1814 Constitution of the Mexican Revolution

#### 3. Calleja del Rey, Felix Maria [1755?-1828].

*Don Félix María Calleja del Rey, Bruder, Losada, Flores, Campeño, Monetero de Espinosa Teniente General de los Reales Exércitos, Virey, Gobernador y Capitan General de esta N.E. Presidente de su Real Audiencia Superintendente General, Subdelegado de Real Hacienda, Minas, Azogues y Raino del Tabaco, Juez Conservador de Este, Presidente de su Real Junta y Subdelegado General de Correos en el Mismo Reyno....* [Mexico City]: S.n., May 24, 1815.

28" x 16-3/4" broadside, text in two columns below headline. Light browning, fold lines, negligible light edgewear, small inkspot to margin near upper corner, official inkstamps to verso. Signed below typesigned names at foot of text by Calleja and the secretary of state. \$950.

\* Intended to be posted in Puebla, this broadside contains the text of a decree by Calleja, the viceroy of New Spain from 1813-1816, condemning the Constitucion de Apatzingán. Named for the city where it was promulgated in 1814, this was the constitution framed by the leaders of the Mexican War of Independence (1810-1821). It was the organic law of the territories controlled by the revolutionaries. OCLC locates 2 copies in North America (University of Pennsylvania, Yale).

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

**4. [Estates].**

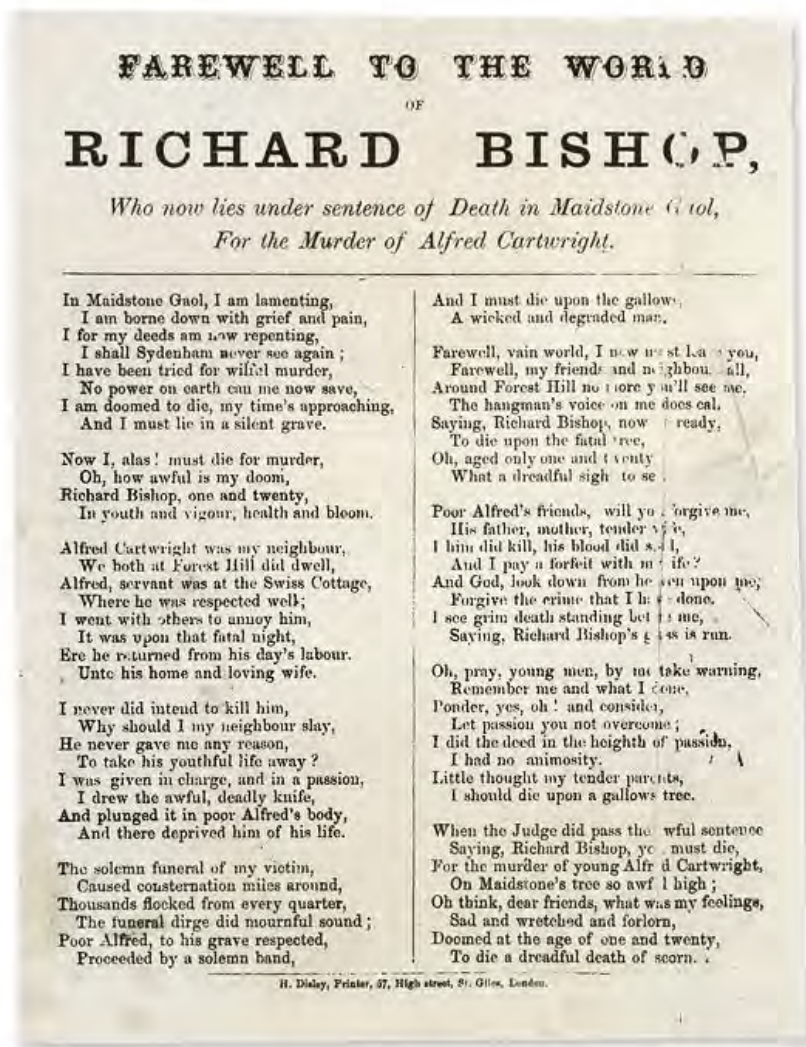
**Brown, W[illiam] M., Executor.**

*Executor's Sale, Valuable Real Estate at Auction!.* Concord, NH: Steam Printing Works of McFarland & Jenks, 1853. 20-1/2" x 12-1/2" 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.

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### Annoyed to Death

#### 5. [Execution].

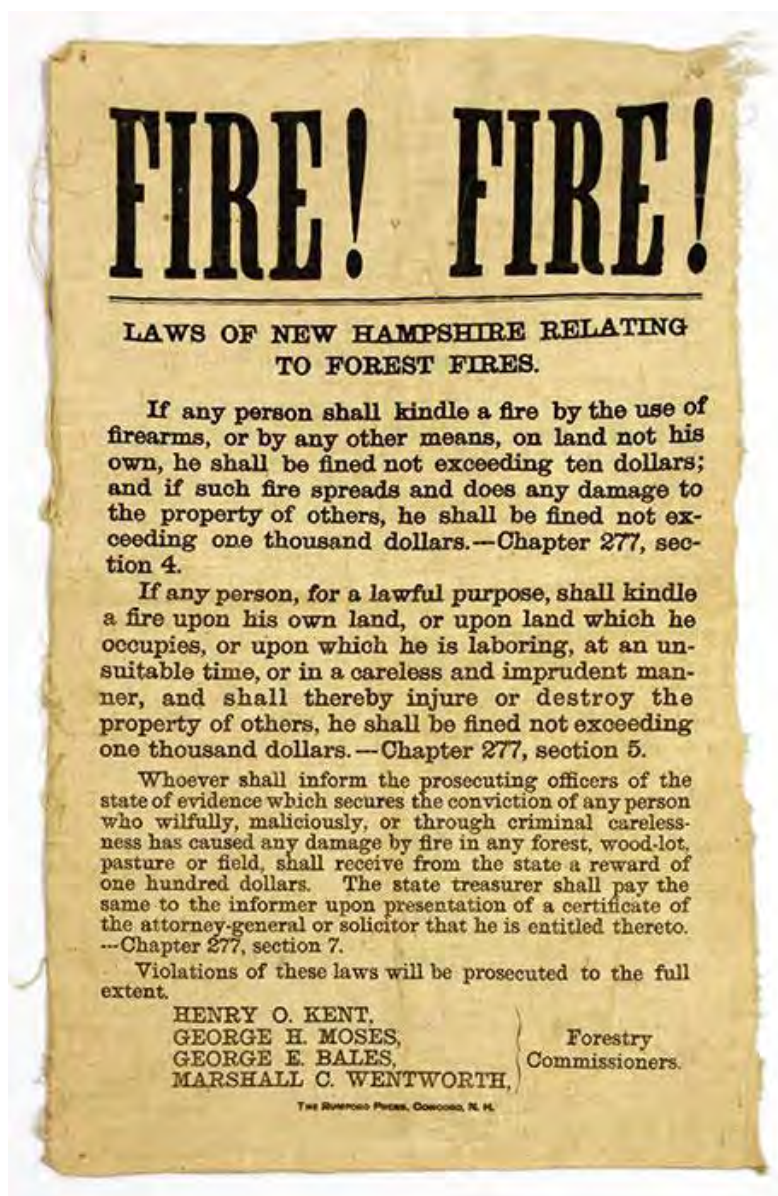
#### Bishop, Richard.

*Farewell to the World of Richard Bishop, Who Now Lies Under Sentence of Death in Maidstone Gaol, For the Murder of Alfred Cartwright.*  
London: H. Disley, Printer, [1868]. 9-1/2" x 7-1/2" verse broadside. Main text in two columns separated by rules.

Some toning, creasing and a few minor stains, contemporary annotations to verso, otherwise fine. \$500.

\* A broadside ballad issued before the public hanging of Bishop for the murder of his neighbor, Cartwright. The murder was provoked by a shouting match between Bishop and another man on a nearby street that woke Cartwright. Irritated, he called the police. Bishop was arrested and an angry Cartwright followed him and the policemen, proclaiming angrily that he intended to press charges against his noisy neighbor. Angered by his taunting, Bishop broke free of the police and stabbed Cartwright to death. Bishop was sentenced at the Old Bailey but hanged outside Maidstone Prison, Kent, 27 days later. It was the last public execution to take place in Kent, less than a month before the last public execution in England, which occurred in London on May 26, 1868. Our copy is probably a printer's proof. It is printed on scrap paper watermarked 1844 and has an unrelated annotation dated 1848 to its verso. [Order This Item](#)





New Hampshire Broadside Printed on Cloth

6. [Forest Laws].  
[New Hampshire].

*Fire! Fire! Laws of New Hampshire Relating to Forest Fires.* Concord, NH: The Rumford Press, c. 1904.

18" x 11" broadside printed on cloth. Light toning, light fraying to edges. A well-preserved, curious item. \$450.

\* This broadside prints the texts of three statutes that set out the fines for setting forest fires. Signed in type by Henry O. Kent, George H. Moses, George E. Bales and Marshall C. Wentworth, Forestry Commissioners. [Order This Item](#)



### Legal Broadside from the Ancien Regime

#### 7. [France].

*Arrest du Conseil D'Etat du Roi, Portant Reglement pour la Perception des Droits de Petit-Scel, & De Ceux des Presentations & Defauts des Causes Entre Marchands, Qui Seront Jugees dans les Juridictions Ordinaires. Du 23 Avril 1765. Aix: Chez le Veuve de Joseph David & Esprit David, 1765.*

21" x 16-1/2" broadside, untrimmed edges, large woodcut French royal arms at head of text. Light soiling, otherwise fine. A remarkably well-preserved item. \$600.

\* It is remarkable this item exists today. Intended to be posted in market areas, this broadside outlines procedures to settle disputes between merchants. No copies located on OCLC. [Order This Item](#)



CHARD BURIAL BOARD.	
TABLE OF FEES AND PAYMENTS	
Fixed by the CHARD BURIAL BOARD, to be received for Interments, Vaults, Graves, and otherwise, in the Burial Ground for the Parishes of Chard Parish and Chard Borough, pursuant to the Burials (Beyond the Metropolis) Act, 1853, and the other Acts incorporated therewith.	
On Interment of a Pariah in a Common Grave	6 s. 4
For the right of constructing a Vault to perpetually contain four Corpses therein, not exceeding 9 feet in breadth, by 8 feet in length	0 2 6
three Corpses therein	5 5 0
two Corpses therein	4 1 0
For erecting a Vault or Brick Grave	1 3 0
For Interment of a still born Child	0 2 6
Entry in Register of Vault or Grave in perpetuity	0 2 6
Gravestone thereof	0 2 6
For the right of erecting a Head Stone	0 10 6
Foot Stone	0 2 6
For every additional Inscription on any Stone	0 1 6
For the right of erecting or placing a coffin-shaped Vault, or Flat Stone, or Stone, Slab, or Wood Enclosure over a Vault or Grave, not exceeding 18 inches high, without Pillars	1 1 0
any other Tomb, or Stone, or Pillars only, not exceeding 8 feet by 3 feet 7 inches	2 2 0
including any Tomb or Stone with Pillars, any space not exceeding 5 feet by 4 feet, (width) and (width)	4 1 0
On special permission of the Board: 2 feet 6 inches in height	1 1 0
not exceeding 5 feet square (width)	2 2 0
On erecting any Mural Monument in the Chapel, not exceeding 8 feet by 2 feet	5 5 0
For any extra work, to be subject to the approval of the Board.	
<p>The above fees, payments, and charges are exclusive of grave digging, and of any fees or payments which may be lawfully demanded by the Incumbent, Parish Clerk, and Sexton respectively, for any interments which may take place in the consecrated portion of the Burial Ground.</p>	
RULES AND REGULATIONS.	
<p>All walls of Vaults to be 9 inches thick, and every wall between two Vaults to be a party wall: all damage done to any boundary wall by making Vault or Grave, to be substantially repaired by the party causing the same.</p>	
<p>All Inscriptions and Titles of Monuments, Memorial Windows, Tablets, and Stones to be erected in the Cemetery or Chapel, to be submitted to the Board for its approval.</p>	
<p>On Interments of Non-Parishioners, all Fees and Payments to be charged double. No person dying in the Borough or Parish of Chard to be considered a Non-Parishioner.</p>	
<p>In common Graves, Coffins of Wood only to be used.</p>	
<p>No more than one body shall be buried in any Grave, except Pariahed Graves.</p>	
<p>No Interment shall take place in any Vault, unless the Corps be enclosed in an airtight metallic Coffin.</p>	
<p>When more than one body is interred in any Grave purchased for the use of a family, a layer of earth 18 inches in thickness, at the least, shall be left between each Coffin interred therein.</p>	
<p>No Interment shall take place in the Graves of any person without a covering of earth 6 feet in thickness, at the least, measuring from the upper surface of the Coffin to the ordinary level of the ground.</p>	
<p>Copper coffins must be used in the erections of Monuments.</p>	
<p>All Monuments, Railings, Grave Stones, Vaults, or purchased places of Burial, to be kept in repair by the owners, or the same not to be considered private.</p>	
<p>All Coffins, Vaults, and Graves, will be sold subject to the regulations issued or to be issued, with regard to Burial Grounds, by Her Majesty's Secretary of State or other competent authority.</p>	
<p>Hours of Interment:—9 o'clock, a.m. to 6 p.m., from the 25th of March to the 20th of September; and from the 20th of September to the 25th of March, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Interments on Sundays will be taken on each Sunday so may be convenient for the Incumbent, or Officiating Minister.</p>	
<p>Orders for Funerals must be given to the Clerk two clear days, exclusive of Sunday, before the Funeral, and all Fees and Charges, must be paid at the time the order is given. If a Vault or Brick Grave be required, then three days notice is necessary in each case, exclusive of Sunday, and no application can be received on that day. The notice must be in the form provided at the office of the Burial Board.</p>	
<p>The Burial Ground will be open to the public daily from 9 o'clock in the morning till sunset, Sunday excepted, on which day it will not be opened till 2 o'clock; children under ten years of age will not be admitted, except under the care of a responsible person; and all visitors will be expected to keep in the gravelled roads and walks, and invariably to refrain from touching the shrubs and flowers, and to observe perfect decorum in all respects.</p>	
<p>BY ORDER OF THE BOARD,</p>	
DOMMETT & CANNING, Clerk.	
Dated June 12th, 1860.	
T. YOUNG, PRINTER, CHARD.	

## Fees and Regulations Established by the Burial Board of Chard, Somerset

### 8. [Funerals].

#### Chard Burial Board.

*Table of Fees and Payments Fixed by the Chard Burial Board, To be Received for Interments, Vaults, Graves, And Otherwise, In the Burial Ground for the Parishes of Chard Parish and Chard Borough, Pursuant to the Burials (Beyond the Metropolis) Act, 1853, And Other Acts Incorporated Therewith.* Chard: T. Young, Printer, 1860.

20" x 14-3/4" broadside. Text in single column below headline within woodcut border. Light toning, faint vertical and horizontal fold lines, some wear and a few minor chips and tears to edges. \$650.

\* Chard is a town and a civil parish in Somerset. The fees range from 3s2d for burial in a common grave to 5£5s for a plot with an "extra size mural monument." The broadside lists rules and regulations regarding funerals, burials and places of burial (graves, vaults, catacombs). No copies located on COPAC or OCLC. [Order This Item](#)



**"Establish Peace Throughout  
the Land and Drive King Bacchus Out"**

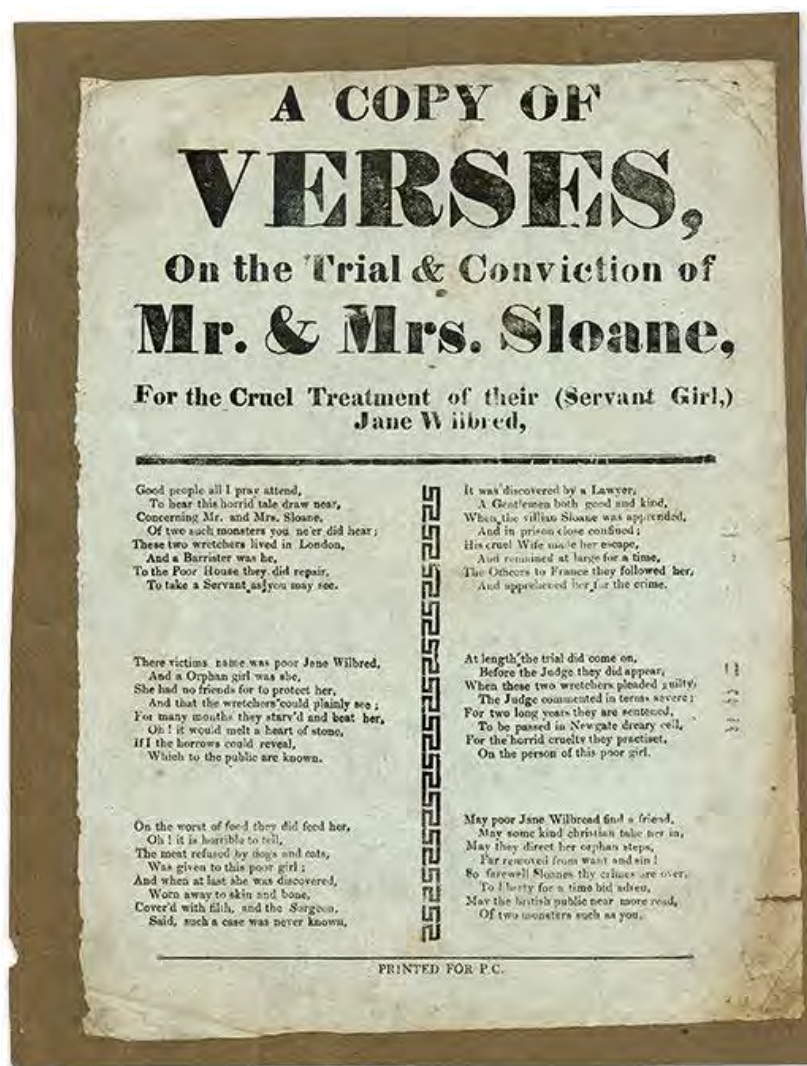
9. Gork, W.H.

*A Convict's Confession.* [Johnstown, PA?, 1890?].

12-1/4" x 6" broadside, verse text in two columns below headline. Light browning, three horizontal fold lines, negligible light edgewear, a (tiny) bit of tape residue near top and bottom edges. \$300.

\* Gork, born and raised in Johnstown, PA, failed to follow his mother's advice and turned to a life of crime. He blames his failure on alcoholism and calls for prohibition, which will "establish peace throughout our land" by driving "King Bacchus out." Our conjectured date for this piece is based on a reference in the first stanza to the Johnstown flood, which took place in 1889. [Order This Item](#)





**One of the Most Appalling  
Examples of the Sadistic Abuse of a Minor**

**10. [Great Britain].**

**[Child Abuse].**

*A Copy of Verses, on the Trial & Conviction of Mr. & Mrs. Sloane, for the Cruel Treatment of their (Servant Girl,) Jane Wilbred.*  
[London?: Printed for P.C., 1851]. 9" x 7" verse broadside, untrimmed, mounted on paper. Main text in two columns separated by rules below boldface headline.

Light soiling and a few minor creases and tears. \$950.

\* This broadside records one of the most appalling examples of child abuse in English history. Public outrage at this case was shared at all levels of society. The gratuitous, truly unspeakable cruelties that George Sloane, special pleader of the Middle Temple and officer of the Church of England Assurance Institute, and his wife, an ex-dancer at the Italian Opera, inflicted for two years on their servant girl, who was hired from the work-house at age 15, did not go unpunished. But the Sloanes received only a two-year prison sentence. Their mild punishment outraged the public. This event must have inspired several broadsides and related items, but almost none are recorded in the standard sources. COPAC lists 6 holdings of ours in Great Britain, OCLC locates none in North America. [Order This Item](#)



**"I Would Fork Out a Trifle to Know,  
Sir, Why Crime Should Increase in Our Land"**

**11. [Great Britain].  
[Criminals].**

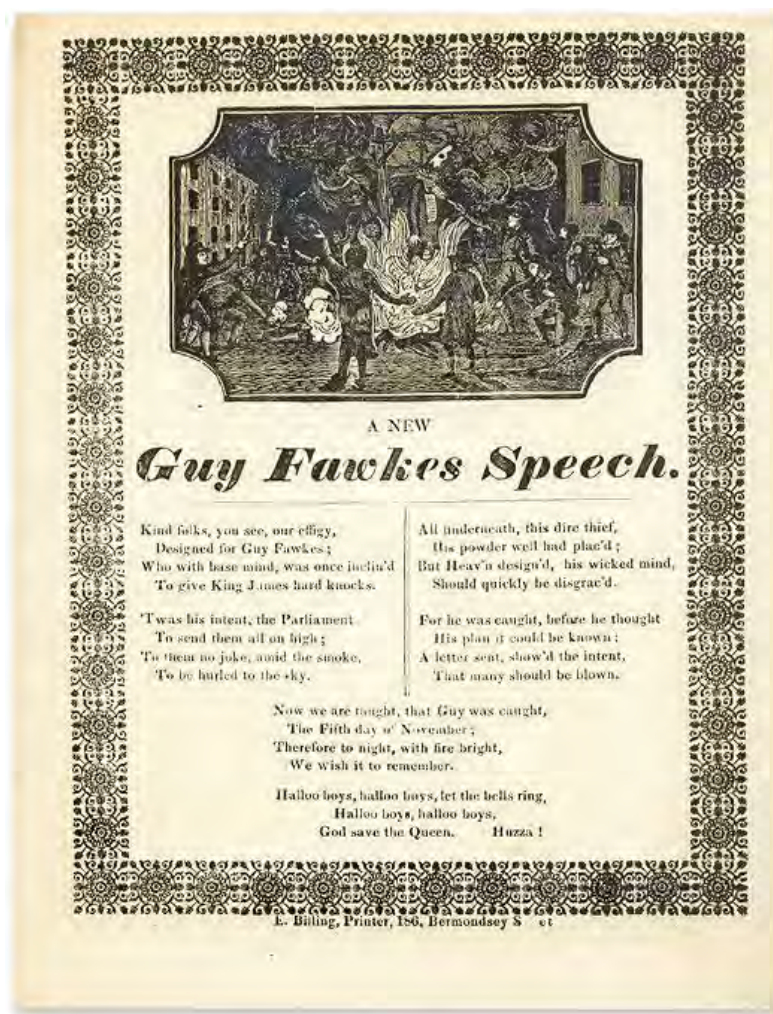
*John Bull, Can You Wonder At Crime!* London: W.S. Fortey, Steam Printer and Publisher, [c. 1860].

9-3/4" x 7-1/2" broadside, woodcut vignette at head above large headline, main text printed in parallel columns. Light browning, somewhat darker near edges, neatly mounted on album leaf. \$450.

\* A six-verse ballad about a recent increase in crime in London during a time of national prosperity. "I've been thinking, of late I've been thinking/ And my thoughts I can scarcely divine,/ I've been thinking why people should wonder/ At London's great increase of crime./ Cries good old John Bull it's a poser,/ There's Something I can't understand,/ And I would fork out a trifle to know, sir, Why crime should increase in our land." COPAC records 1 copy of this ballad (at the National Library of Scotland) printed with another ballad. OCLC locates 1 copy (at Trinity College Dublin).

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**"Kind Folks You See, Our Effigy, Designed for Guy Fawkes; Who  
With Base Mind, Was Once Inclined to Give King James Hard Knocks"**

12. [Great Britain].

**Guy Fawkes Day.**

*A New Guy Fawkes Speech.* [London]: E. Billing, 186, Bermondsey Street, [c.1840].

9-3/4" x 7-1/2" broadside. Six-stanza verse text within woodcut typographical border, first four stanzas in two columns, separated by woodcut rules below headline and vignette of a group of people burning Fawkes in effigy. Light toning, otherwise fine. A well-preserved rare item. \$650.

\* A celebratory broadside commemorating Guy Fawkes Day. Also known as Guy Fawkes Night, Bonfire Night or Firework Night, it is an English national holiday commemorating the failed Gunpowder Plot, an attempt by a group of Catholics to assassinate King James I by blowing up the House of Lords during the State Opening of Parliament. The plot was foiled when Fawkes was discovered with a cache of explosives hidden beneath the House of Lords. The date of our broadside is conjectured from a similar broadside by Billing with a contemporary handwritten date of 1829 held by the National Library of Scotland. The verses on that copy end with "God save the King." Ours ends with "God save the Queen," so we assume it was printed in the early years of Queen Victoria's reign, which began in 1837. OCLC locates no copies. [Order This Item](#)



**An Unrecorded Illinois Broadside?**

**13. [Illinois].**

**Twenty-Second General Assembly.**

*An Act to Incorporate the Town of Dekalb.* [Springfield, IL, 1861]. 25" x 14" broadside, dense text in five columns. Complete as issued.

Light browning, fold lines, a few chips to each edge, isolated spots to wear at centerfold touching five words, all easily inferred. A rare item. \$750.

\* As far as we can determine, this broadside printing of the act founding this northern Illinois town, home of Northern Illinois University, is unrecorded. This appears to be an unofficial printing. The anonymous printer ran out of space at the end of the fifth column of text. Omitting the penultimate Article 44, on filling the vacancy of the office of the constable, the printer assigned that number to the final pro-forma two-line article, "This act shall be deemed a public act... &c.," but then omitted the date, "Approved Feb. 21, 1861." No copies listed on OCLC or in the state-wide catalogue of the Illinois State Library. [Order This Item](#)





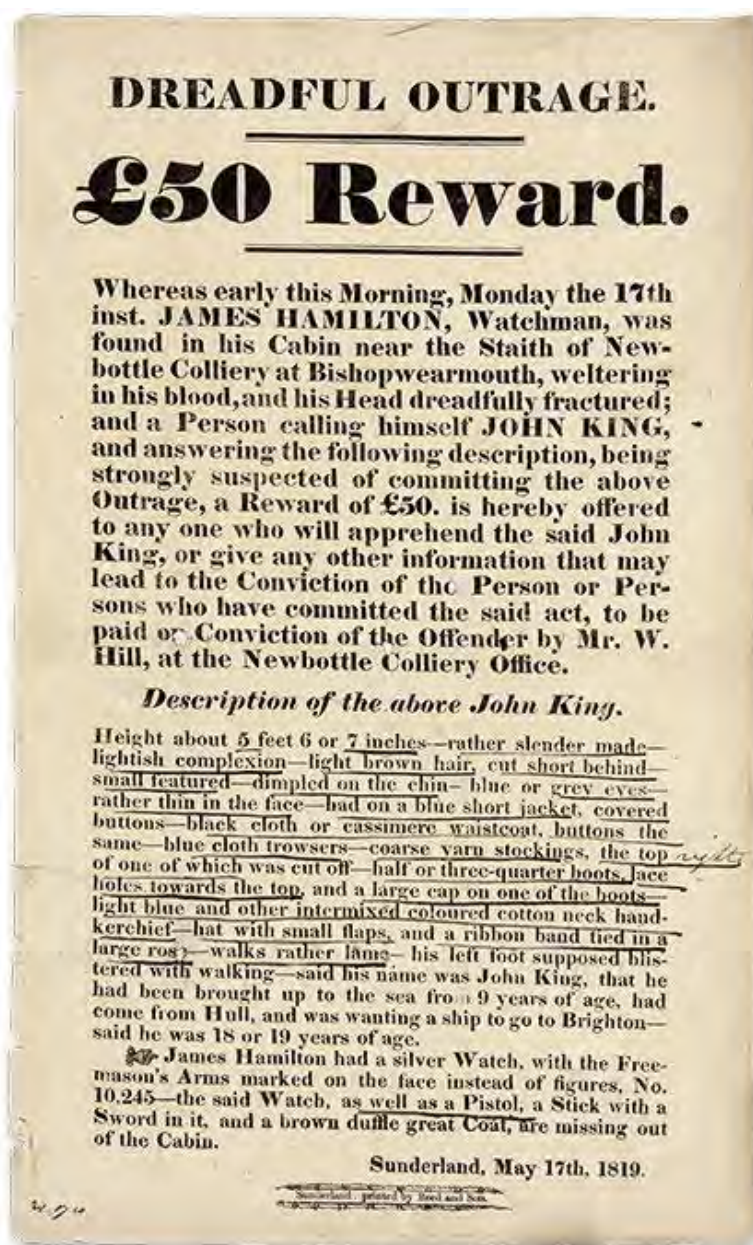
## A Missouri Judge Responds to His Critics

### 14. Killen, Thomas J.

*To The Public. In A Handbill Dated April 21, 1854, And Signed In Large Capital Letters "John Poynter McMillin," That Gentleman Makes "Three Specific Charges" Against The Rev. Matthias M. Barron [first line of text]. [Hannibal, MO? 1854].*

18-1/2" x 8-1/2" broadside. Text in three columns. Moderate toning and light foxing, minor edgewear, fine vertical and horizontal fold lines, contemporary docketing to verso. \$2,500.

\* An apparently unrecorded broadside issued by Judge Thomas J. Killen in response to an attack published by a former litigant, John Poynter McMillin, who lost a lawsuit decided by Judge Killen. McMillin then published his version of the trial and his testimony in an attempt to refute the verdict against him. Killen's broadside is a rebuttal of McMillin's "superlatively ridiculous" charges. He also mocks his evident insolvency, suggests he is a deadbeat and assures McMillin: "you may banish fears of sinking to the degraded level of a mere slanderer. Both your tongue and your pen, sir, have lost all power of slander, or detraction; true like the native polecat, they may occasionally offend and disgust the community yet no one blames it because it is the nature of the beast." No copies located on OCLC or the online catalogs of AAS, Harvard or the Library of Congress. [Order This Item](#)



"Dreadful Outrage"

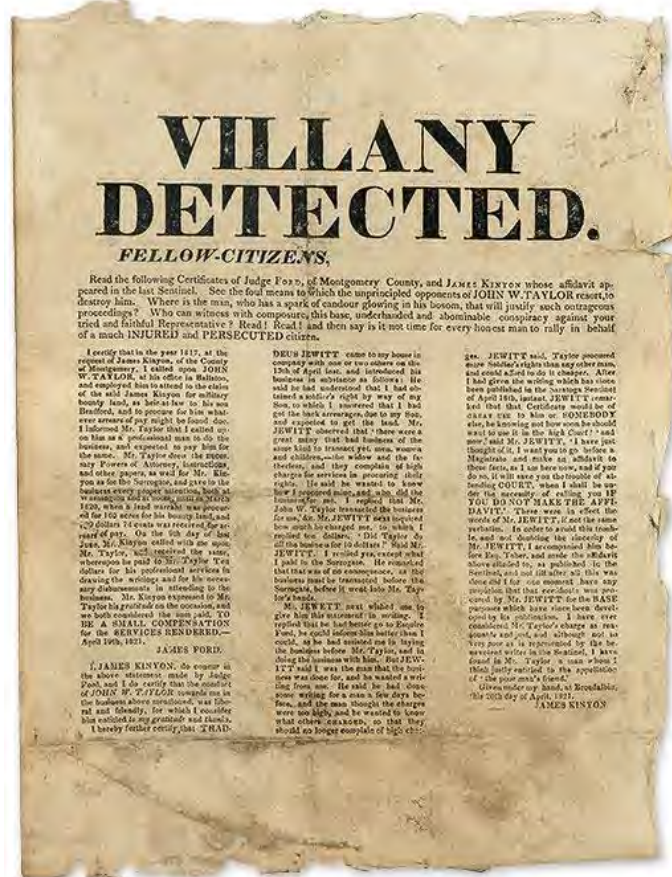
15. [King, John (d. 1819)].

*Dreadful Outrage. £50 Reward.* Sunderland, England: May 17, 1819.

13-1/4" x 8" broadside, pasted to plain sheet. Text in single column below headline. Moderate toning, faint horizontal and vertical fold lines, a few minor chips and tears and a few tiny holes to sheet, underlining and a few brief annotations in contemporary hand. \$500.

\* This wanted poster was issued after the murder of James Hamilton, a watchman at Bishopswearmouth, and the theft of his watch, pistol, swordstick and greatcoat. A detailed description is given of the prime suspect, a mariner named John King. Perhaps owing to the information in this broadside, King was eventually tracked down, tried and executed. COPAC and OCLC locate 1 copy (Durham University). [Order This Item](#)





"See the Foul Means to Which the  
Unprincipled Opponents of John W. Taylor Resort"

16. [Kinyon, James].

[Taylor, John W. (1784-1854)].

*Villany Detected: Fellow-Citizens, Read the Following Certificates of Judge Ford, Of Montgomery County, And James Kinyon Whose Affidavit Appeared in the Last Sentinel. See the Foul Means to Which the Unprincipled Opponents of John W. Taylor Resort, to Destroy Him....* [New York: S.n., 1821].

13" x 9-3/4" Broadside. Text in two columns below headline and one single-column paragraph, untrimmed edges. Moderate soiling, vertical and horizontal fold lines. \$1,250.

\* A campaign document, this broadside raises questions about the legal ethics of John W. Taylor, who represented Saratoga County in the U.S. House of Representatives from 1813-1833. It involves a fee Kinyon paid Taylor for legal services regarding a claim for military bounty land. Afterwards Kinyon was approached by one Thaddeus Jewitt who claimed to be investigating high fees charged for such services. Kinyon was persuaded to make an affidavit of the facts in his case claiming he was overcharged. This document was subsequently published in the *Saratoga Sentinel*. Taylor's claim is corroborated by the certificate of Judge James Ford, who rendered assistance in securing Taylor's services. Taylor was served as the speaker of House of Representatives in 1820-1821 and 1825-1827. He was defeated for re-election as Speaker both times, due in part to his outspoken opposition to slavery. While the South never forgave the part he played in the Missouri controversy, the chief opposition came from his own state: the anti-Clintonian faction in 1821 and the Van Buren Democrats in 1827. OCLC locates 1 copy (New-York Historical Society). [Order This Item](#)

**BATCOMBE, SOMERSET.**  
**FREEHOLD LANDS.**  
**TO BE SOLD**  
**By Auction,**  
**BY**  
**MR. WAINWRIGHT,**  
*At the Three Horse Shoes Inn, Batcombe.*  
On THURSDAY the 22nd: day of JULY, 1830.  
*Precisely at 5 o'Clock in the Afternoon.*  
(Subject to such Conditions as will be then Produced.)  
THE FOLLOWING VERY DESIRABLE  
**Freehold**  
**LANDS,**  
**AND PREMISES.**  
*Joseph Lovell, Esq. for James - Cradock & Seagram*  
*Lot 2 - 2.17*  
*Lot 1 - 1.0.39*  
*Plan*  
*N<sup>o</sup> 299*  
**Comprising;**  
**LOT 1.** A Piece of Pasture LAND, containing by estimation 1½ Acre, (more or less); called QUAN Paddock, bounded by Lands of --- Ames, and --- Pigot Esqrs. and by the Turnpike Road leading from Batcombe to Frome. *1.0.39*  
**LOT 2.** All those Four Closes of Pasture and Arable Land, containing by estimation 11 Acres, (more or less); called REXFELS, and SEVEN Closes, bounded by Lands of the Rev. Thomas Gooey, Stephen Neale, Esqr. and the late --- Ames Esqr.  
*72* **LOT 3.** A Farm House, with Barn, Stable, Offices, Garden and a thriving Orchard, adjoining the same, called LOVELL'S, containing together by estimation 3 Acres (more or less); bounded by Lands of --- Pigot Esqr. and by the Road leading from Upton Noble to Batcombe. *2.1.7*  
**LOT 4.** A Piece of Pasture Land, containing by estimation, 1½ Acre, (more or less); called WRING MEAN, bounded by Lands of Hugh Rabbits Esqr. Mr. Robert White and Stephen Neale Esqr. *1.1.1*  
**LOT 5.** A Piece of Pasture Land, containing by estimation, 3 Acres, (more or less); called WAYS PIOR, bounded by Lands of Mr. Robert White, George Walter, and the common Meadow.  
\* The above Premises are situate at Batcombe aforesaid, and in the occupation of Mr. George James, who is desirous to sell the same.  
Further Particulars may be obtained of the AUCTIONEER, or at the Office of  
**Messrs. CRADDOCK & SEAGRAM, SOLICITORS,**  
**SHEPTON-MALLET.**  
WASON & FOXWELL, PRINTERS, SHEPTON-MALLET.

Land for Sale in Somerset

17. [Land Auction].  
[Great Britain].  
Batcombe, Somerset.

*Freehold Lands, To be Sold by Auction, By Mr. Wainwright, At the Three Horse Shoes Inn, Batcombe, On Thursday the 22nd. Day of July, 1830. Shepton-Mallet: Wason & Foxwell, [1830].*

17-3/4" x 11" broadside. Text in single column below headline. Moderate toning, light soiling and a few minor stains, faint vertical and horizontal fold lines, a few minor chips and tears to edges, contemporary annotations to recto and verso. \$650.

\* The lots include pasture land, arable land and a farmstead. Most of the annotations discuss the value of specific lots. The one exception is a note on the verso, most likely for filing purposes, states the nature and date of the auction. No copies located on COPAC or OCLC. [Order This Item](#)





## Will a New Tax be Necessary to Finance the Louisiana Purchase?

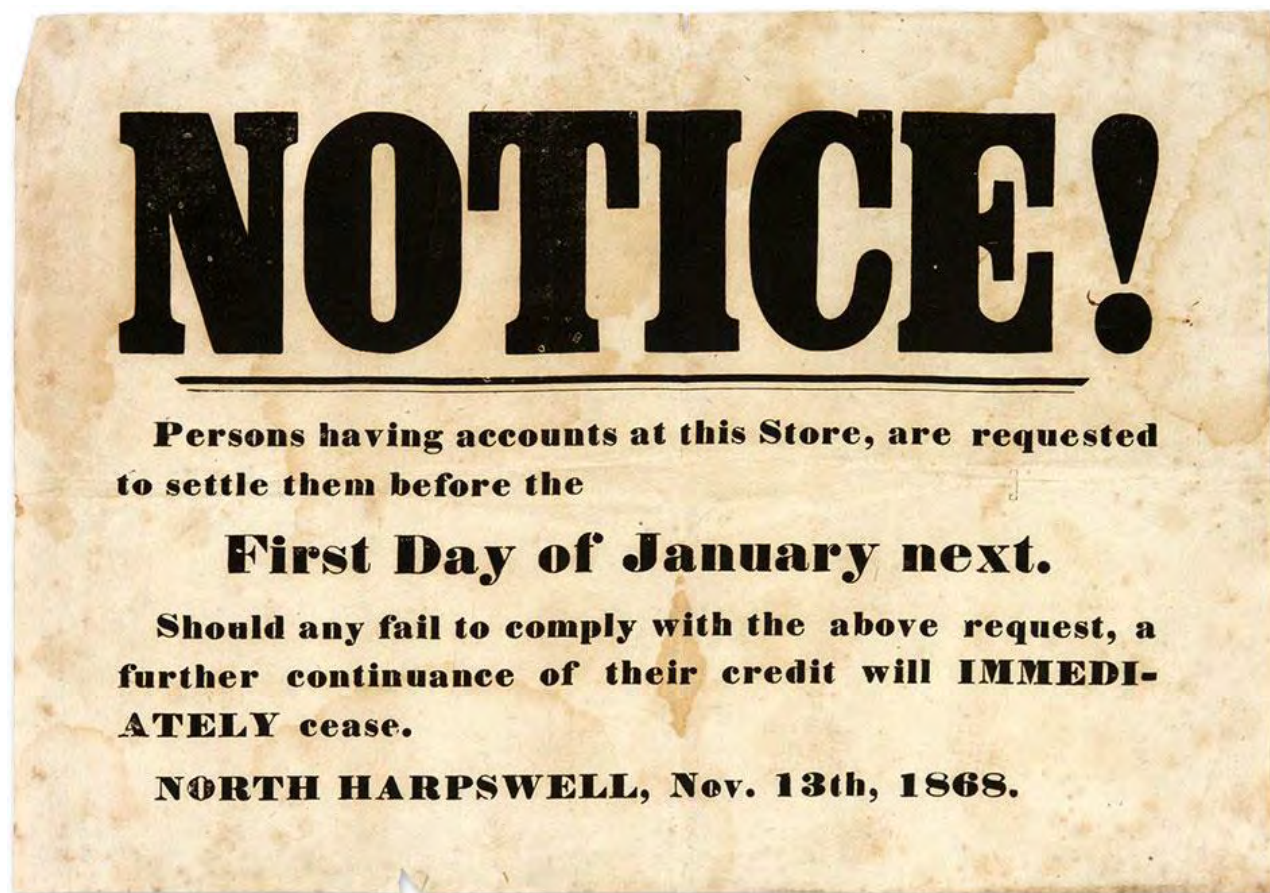
### 18. [Louisiana Purchase].

Direct Tax. [New Hampshire: S.n, c.1807].

18" x 11" broadside, untrimmed edges, text in three columns. Light brown and foxing, vertical and horizontal fold lines, few minor tears along folds. \$1,850.

\* Signed in type by "Americanus," this broadside discusses the cost of the Louisiana Purchase. The writer argues the difficulty, if not impossibility, of paying France without a special tax due to the revenue lost to the Embargo Act. The table described the proportionate cost to each New Hampshire county of the \$15 million bill. The author also warns of the threat of European war. No copies listed on OCLC. Shaw and Shoemaker, *American Bibliography* 11983.

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Settle your Accounts or Lose Your Credit

19. [Broadside].  
[Maine].

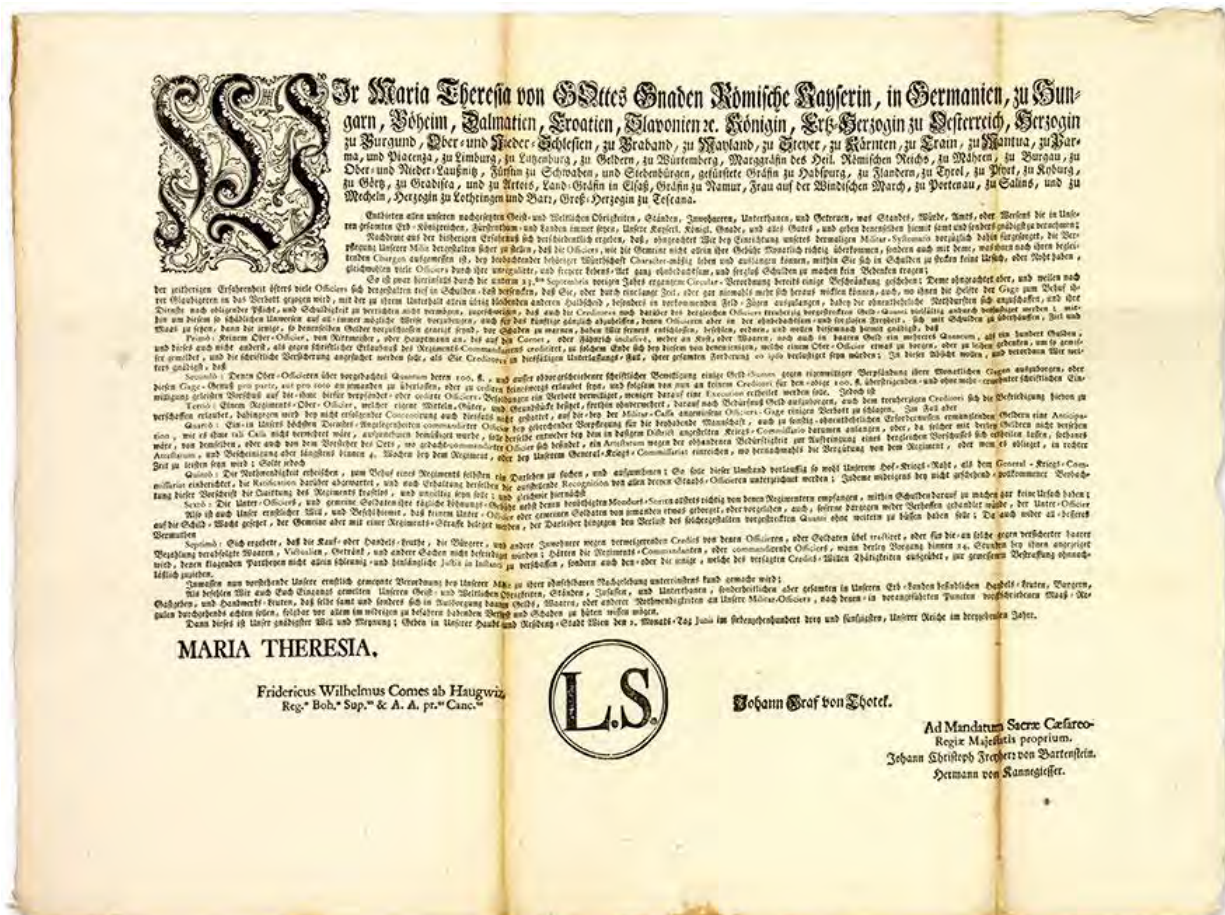
*Notice! Persons Having Accounts at This Store, Are Requested to Settle Them Before the First Day of January Next.* North Harpswell, [ME], Nov. 13th, 1868.

9" x 12" broadside. Light browning, foxing and faint dampstaining, vertical and horizontal fold lines, one at center of top edge with a very short tear. \$150.

\* The text states that the store will cancel the credit accounts of those who fail to pay by January 1.

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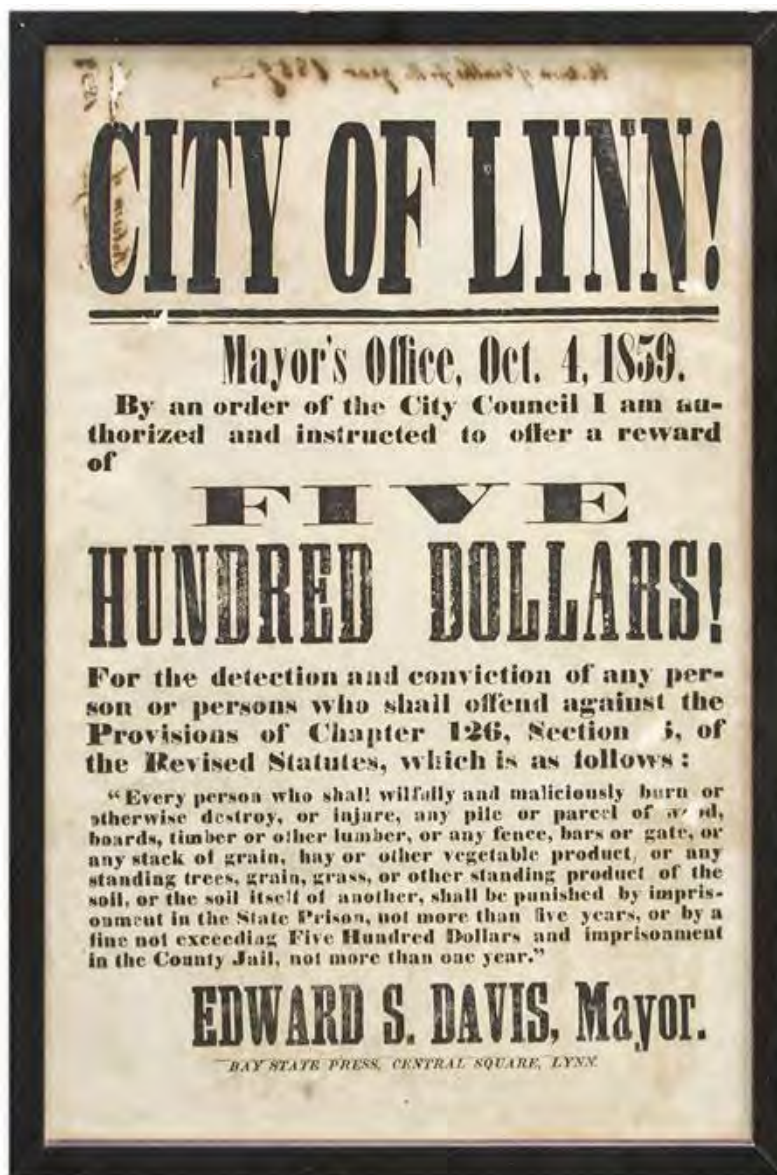


## Maria Theresa Limits Money Lending Among Officers and Soldiers in Her Army

### 20. Maria, Theresa [1717-1780], Holy Roman Empress.

[Decree Regulating Money Lending in the Army]. Vienna: 2 June 1753. 17" x 22-1/2" broadside, untrimmed edges. Light toning, two vertical and one horizontal fold lines, all lightly browned, tiny stain to bottom edge. \$350.

\* This broadside regulates the conduct of army officers who lend and borrow money too freely. The decree forbids senior officers from lending more than 100 florins; junior officers and all lower ranks are not allowed to lend or borrow any amount. [Order This Item](#)



A Measure to Reduce Incidents of Arson in Lynn, Massachusetts

21. [Massachusetts].

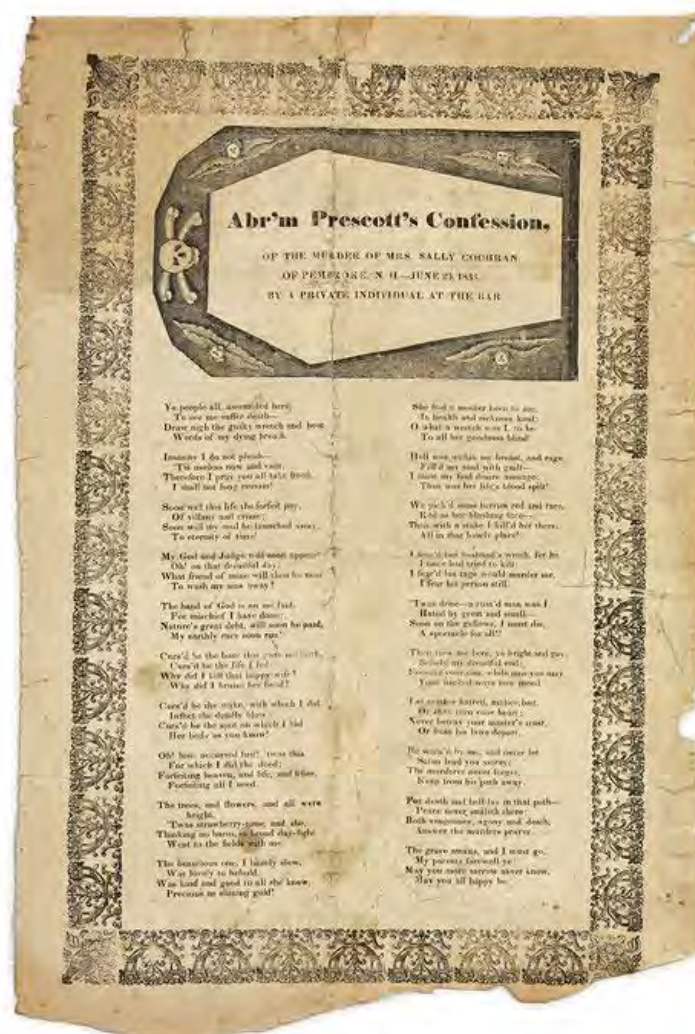
Davis, Edward S., Mayor.

*City of Lynn! Mayor's Office, Oct. 4, 1859. By an Order of the City Council I Am Authorized and Instructed to Offer an Award of Five Hundred Dollars!....* Lynn, MA: Bay State Press, Central Square, October 4, 1859.

19" x 13" broadside, text below headline. Light toning, some minor chips and tear, faint show-through from early annotations in ink to verso. Item attractively glazed and framed. \$450.

\* This notice offers a substantial reward "for the detection and conviction" of people guilty of burning or otherwise harming "any pile or parcel of wood, boards, timber or other lumber, or any fence, bars or gate, or any stack of grain, hay or other vegetable product, or any standing trees, grain, grass, or other standing product of the soil, or the soil itself." This appears to be an unrecorded imprint. No copies located on OCLC. [Order This Item](#)





"Oh! Lust, Accursed Lust! 'Twas This for Which I Did the Deed"

## 22. [Murder].

### Private Individual at the Bar.

*Abr'm Prescott's Confession of the Murder of Mrs. Sally Cochran of Pembroke, N.H.—June 23, 1833.* [Concord, NH.]: S.n., 1836.

17" x 11-1/2" broadside. Two-columns of verse in twenty stanzas within woodcut ornamental border, text headed by large woodcut vignette of a coffin. Light browning and a few minor stains, faint horizontal and vertical fold line, chipping to edges, section lacking from bottom margin, just touching bottom right corner of border, a few tears along fold lines with no loss to text, later repairs to verso. \$2,500.

\* Abraham Prescott was found guilty of the murder of Sally Cochran in two separate trials held in Concord in September 1834 and September 1835. Despite a well-crafted insanity defense, he was sentenced to be hanged on December 23, 1835, in Hopkinton, New Hampshire. The execution was postponed to January 6, 1836. The verse account in this broadside presents the murder as a crime of passion: "Oh! lust, accursed lust! 'twas this for which I did the deed; Forfeiting heaven, and life, and bliss, Forfeiting all I need." See McDade, *The Annals of Murder* 769. OCLC locates 7 copies (American Antiquarian Society, Brown, Dartmouth, Harvard, Peabody Essex Museum, University of Michigan, Yale).

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# "O What a Horrid Tale to Sound"

## 23. [Murder].

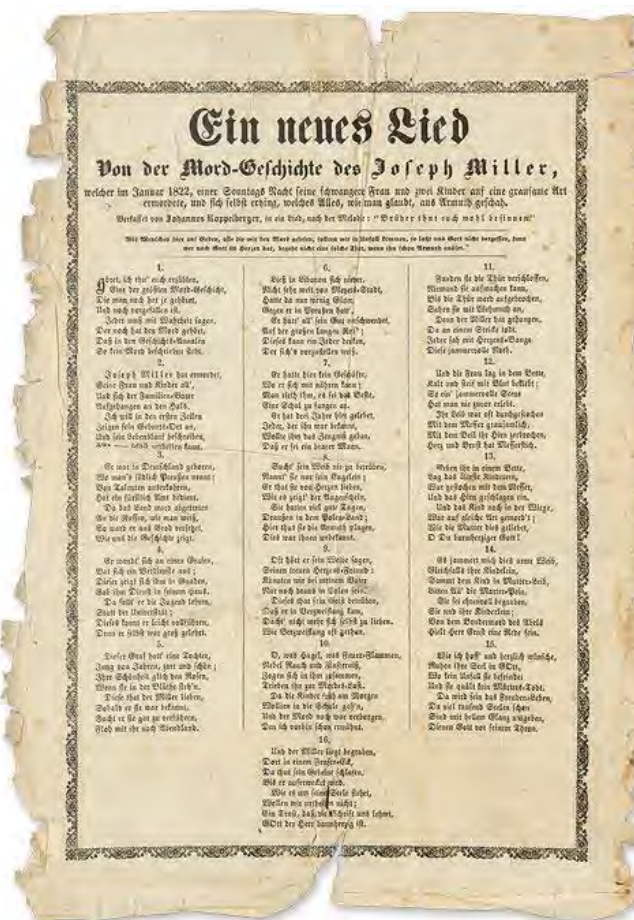
[White, Joseph (1747 or 1748-1830)].

*Murder of Joseph White: The Following Lines were Written on the Death of Mr. Joseph White of Salem, Who was Found Murdered in His Bed on the Morning of the 7th April 1830, Aged 82 Years.* Boston: [L. Deming], 1830.

9" x 5-3/2" broadside, untrimmed edges. Woodcut image of coffin below headline, ten-stanza verse text in two columns. Light browning, light soiling and a few minor stains, three horizontal fold lines, early owner signature and early owner stamp to verso. \$1,250.

\* A verse account of the murder of Joseph White, one of the most famous American crimes of the 1830s. White, a wealthy sea captain in his 80s who lived in Salem, was murdered by Joseph Knapp with the assistance of Richard and George Crowninshield. Daniel Webster helped the prosecution by presenting the closing argument. Initially, the jury could not decide whether the defendants had bludgeoned White to death. A second trial convicted Knapp and Richard Crowninshield, who were sentenced to death. OCLC locates 7 copies, 2 in law libraries (Harvard, Yale). Burt, *American Murder Ballads* 87. [Order This Item](#)





## Verse Account of a Murder-Suicide in Pennsylvania

## 24. [Murder-Suicide].

## [Pennsylvania].

## [Koppelberger, Johannes].

*Ein Neues Lied von der Mord-Geschichte des Joseph Miller, Welcher im Januar 1822, Einer Sonntags Nacht Seine Schwangere Frau und Zwei Kinder auf eine Grausame Art Ermordete, Und sich Selbst Erhäng, Welches Alles, Wie man Glaubte, Aus Armuth Geschah...*[Running Title]. [N.p.: S.n., 1822]. 12-1/2" x 10" broadside. Text in three columns printed within woodcut border and separated by black rules.

Moderate toning and light foxing, fraying and a few chips to edges, tear to bottom edge with negligible loss to text. \$750.

\* This sixteen-stanza "New Song of the Murder-Story of Joseph Miller" is attributed to Johannes Koppelberger. It tells the sad story of a murder-suicide committed by Miller, a German-American. The verses say he eloped from Poland with the daughter of a nobleman in 1817. The couple made their way to Philadelphia and from there to Lebanon, Pennsylvania, where Miller found work as a schoolteacher. The job paid poorly and his wife was increasingly homesick. Depressed, Miller killed his pregnant wife, two children with an ax and himself. It was a grisly affair involving an axe and a knife. This poem was quite popular and issued in a number of different broadside formats. According to Wellenreuter, there were, in all, 16 printings. All are rare. OCLC locates 3 copies of our version (American Antiquarian Society, Library Company of Philadelphia, University of Michigan). Not in Shaw & Shoemaker. Wellenreuther, *Citizens in a Strange Land: A Study of German-American Broadside and Their Meaning for German Americans* 13. [Order This Item](#)



## Are New Hampshire's U.S. Senators Serving Shorter Terms Than Their Fellow Senators?

25. [New Hampshire].  
[U.S. Constitution].

*Opinion of the Supreme Court. To the Senate of New Hampshire* [Running Title]. Concord, NH, June 10, 1881.

18" x 9-1/2" broadside. Text in parallel columns. Light browning, vertical and horizontal fold lines, some with clean tears at edges. \$350.

\* This broadside records an opinion submitted to the U.S. Supreme Court. It states that New Hampshire's election schedule for state offices results in terms for New Hampshire's U.S. Senators that are three months shorter than those of other senators. It questions how to adjust the election cycle to guarantee 6-year terms to New Hampshire's senators, which were then elected by the state senate. Signed in type by C. Doe, Wm. L. Foster, C.W. Stanley, W.H.H. Allen, Isaac W. Smith, Leis W. Clark, I.N. Blodgett. This appears to be an unrecorded broadside. [Order This Item](#)





**Rare 1815 New York Broadside  
Concerning Representation in the State Assembly**

**26. [New York].**

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

13" x 8" 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.

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# **Broadside Listing the 116 Laws Passed by the North Carolina General Assembly in 1802**

## **27. [North Carolina].**

*Titles of the Laws Passed by the General Assembly of North-Carolina, At Their Session which Commenced on the 15th of November, And Ended the 18th of December, 1802. N.p.: S.n., c.1802.*

17-1/2" x 10-3/4" broadside, text in four columns divided by rules, illegibly docketed on verso. Light browning and foxing, vertical and horizontal fold lines, a few clean tears and wear at folds, cellotape repairs to verso, several small areas of loss to text (largest about 3/4 inch), left edge trimmed unevenly, faint dampstaining to bottom edge. \$1,500.

\* Intended for public locations, this broadside lists of 116 laws passed in the session which ran from 15 November to 18 December 1802. Highlights are a law "to prevent the vile practice of Duelling," and an act "for the relief of the Tuscarora Nation of Indians." Laws 37, 38 and 100 relate to slave insurrections: levying a tax "for defraying the expences incurred in suppressing the late insurrection of the Negroes"; repealing a law which compensated "the owners of outlawed and executed slaves" of certain counties; and "to prevent conspiracies and insurrections among the Slaves." This appears to be an unrecorded broadside. No copies listed on OCLC. [Order This Item](#)





### The Last Decapitated Head Displayed On London Bridge

#### 28. 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. Imprimatur Novemb 30. 1678. William Scroggs.* London: Printed for Robert Pawlet at the Sign of the Bible in Chancery-Lance [sic], near Fleet-street. 1678.

11-1/2" x 16" 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 Stayley (or Stayley) was one of the victims of the Popish Plot, one of the cruellest 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, Stayley 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*]. William 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](#)



## A Tax to Defray the Cost of the Revolutionary War

### 29. [Taxation]. [Massachusetts].

*Commonwealth of Massachusetts. (Tax No 3.).* Boston, June, 1783. 16" x 10" broadside, amount of assessed tax and date added in manuscript by Thomas Ivers, treasurer and receiver-general of Massachusetts, his signature, dated October 1, 1783, below text.

Mounted on linen, lightly browned, some edgewear, sections lacking from corners and along fold lines with minor loss to text. A rare item. \$1,000.

\* This broadside is, in effect, a warrant to collect unpaid taxes. In this particular case, an amount of four pounds and four shillings to be collected by the constable or collector in the town of Leverett, Massachusetts. According to Ford, this broadside was printed in June of 1783, at a time when the Commonwealth was trying to pay down expenses associated with the war. Financial hardship from the war would persist long after the conflict with Great Britain ended, and the Commonwealth applied sustained pressure to collect revenue from its cities and towns. Interestingly, this prophetic broadside foretells Shays's Rebellion, in that just three years later perceived economic and taxation inequities prompted rural central and western Massachusetts such as Leverett to rise up in a series of historic protests against the Commonwealth. No copies listed on OCLC. Ford, *Broadside & Ballads &c. Printed in Massachusetts 1639-1800* 2371.

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**Theft of a Horse and Other Property  
from a Prominent Citizen of Auburn, NY**

30. [Theft].

[Auburn, New York].

Porter, Lansing [1817-1902].

*\$25.00 Reward! Stolen from My Stable Near Auburn, On the Night of March 14th, 1873, A Horse Cutter, &c.* Auburn, NY: S.n., 1873.

11-1/4" x 8" broadside on yellow paper. Light soiling, faint staining along right-hand margin, a few small chips to edges, upper left-hand corner lacking, text not affected. \$500.

\* An award offered by Porter for the recovery of a horse, tack gear, buffalo robes and an umbrella stolen from Porter's stable. Porter, a prominent citizen of Auburn, was pastor of the Congregational Church who served as a militia captain during the Civil War. [Order This Item](#)