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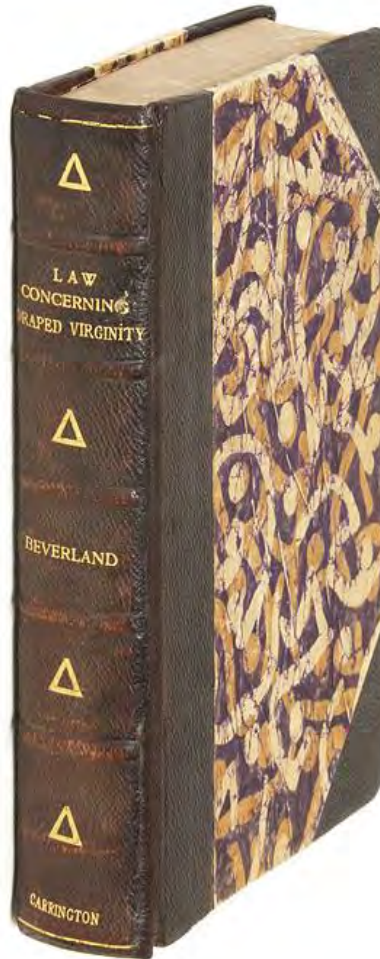
Laws of Barbados 1875-1890

1. **[Barbados].** *Laws of Barbados for Session 1875-79, 1881-82, 1889-90.* Barbados: Barclay & Fraser, 1876, 1878, 1879, 1882; Barbados: T.E. King & Co, 1890. Five volumes in all. Octavo (7-1/2" x 5").

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* First editions. With indexes. This series covers the 1866-67 to 1939 sessions. (There were no sessions in 1876-77, 1879-80 or 1890-91.) Dealing with a wide range of topics, these volumes are useful for their insights into the daily life of the colony and the mechanisms of colonial administration. OCLC locates 19 copies (with varying numbers of volumes). Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 7:296. [Order This Item](#)

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**Fine-Press Edition of a Licentious Seventeenth-Century
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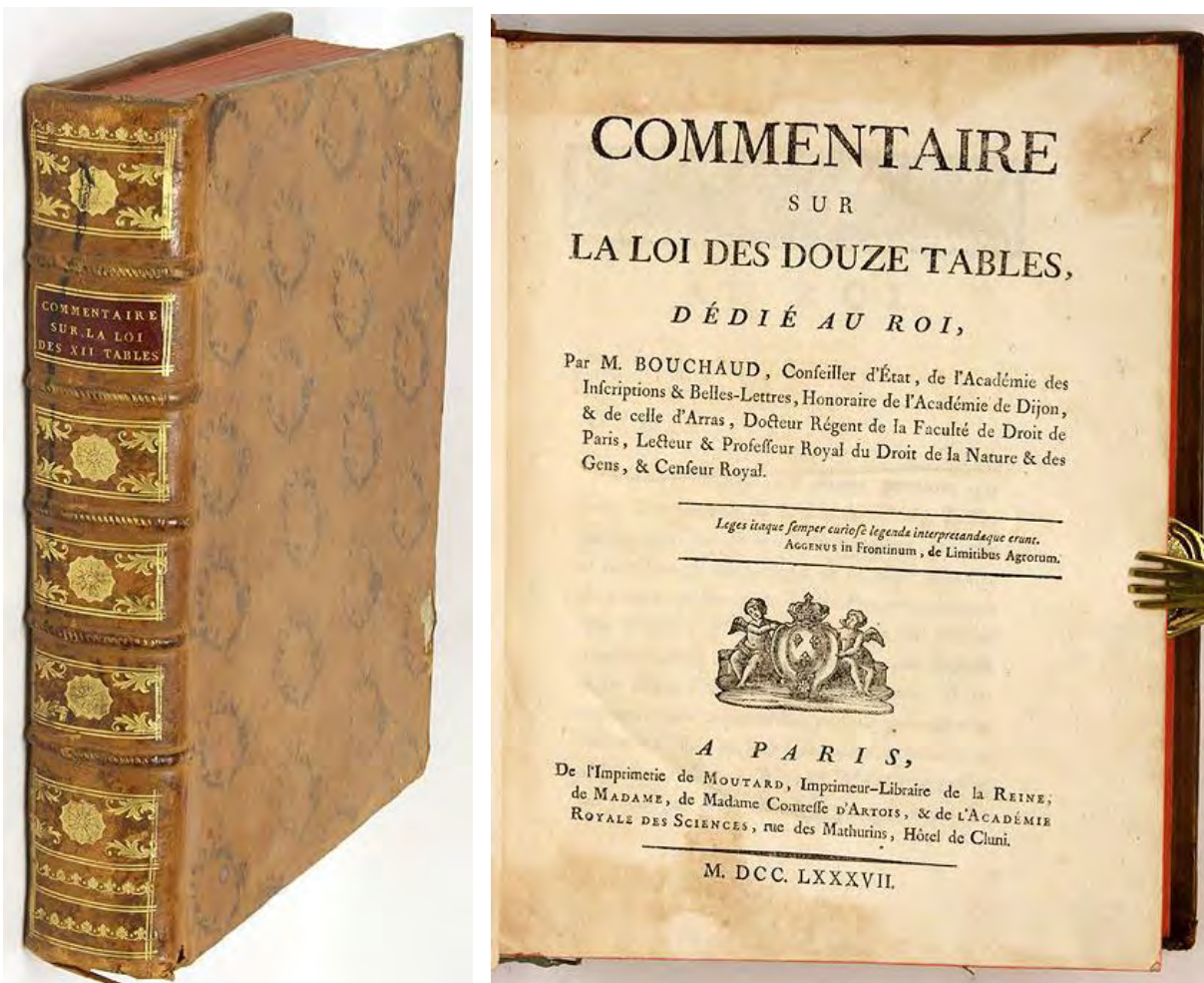
**2. Beverland, Adrian (Hadrian) [c.1654-1712].
Byrne, Francis D., Editor and Translator.**

The Law Concerning Draped Virginitiy. An Academic Study by A Student of Justinian. Translated for the First Time with Philological, And Other Explanatory Notes. Paris: Charles Carrington, 1905. xxxix, 475 pp. Latin text and English translation on facing pages, reproduction of original title page reading: *Hadriani Beverlandi Justinianaei de Stolatae Virginitatis Jure Lucubratio Academica* (Leiden, 1680).

Contemporary three quarter morocco over patterned boards, rebacked retaining existing spine with raised bands, gilt title and gilt ornaments, hinges mended. Light rubbing to extremities, corners bumped and lightly worn. Light toning to text, minor dampspotting to a few leaves, internally clean. \$400.

* From an edition of 500 "issued for private circulation amongst students of philology and anthropology and adult collectors of literary curiosities only," this copy not numbered. Originally published in 1680, this mock-treatise offers an "academic lucubration on woman's propensity for sexual lubricity." Its mock-legalistic discourse is enlivened with numerous references to modern and classical literature, with an emphasis, as one would expect, on Ovid and Juvenal.

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A Notable French Commentary on the XII Tables

3. Bouchaud, Mathieu-Antoine [1719-1804].

Commentaire sur la Loi des Douze Tables. Paris: De l'Imprimerie de Moutard, 1787. xxiii, [i], 863, [1] pp. Quarto (9-3/4" x 7-1/2").

Contemporary calf with cats-paw decoration, gilt spine with raised bands and lettering pieces, gilt fillets to board edges, edges of text block rouged, marbled endpapers, ribbon marker. Light rubbing to extremities, minor chipping to foot of spine, corners bumped and somewhat worn, minor worming near lower corner of front board, rear pastedown, preliminaries and final two text leaves and rear free endpaper, hinges cracked. Light toning to text, negligible foxing to a few leaves, faint staining to margins of preliminaries and final few leaves of text. Early annotations to rear endleaf, interior otherwise clean. A handsome copy. \$950.

* First edition. Bouchaud was a professor of law at the College de France, member of several learned societies and an active participant in the eighteenth-century "republic of letters." Grounded in a study of original as well as secondary sources, it remains an important commentary. Another edition was published in 1803. Both are scarce. OCLC locates 19 copies of the first edition worldwide, 2 in North America (Harvard Law School, University of Montreal). This edition not in Camus. *British Museum Catalogue* (Compact Edition) 3:1055. [Order This Item](#)



A Decree Opposing the 1814 Constitution of the Mexican Revolution

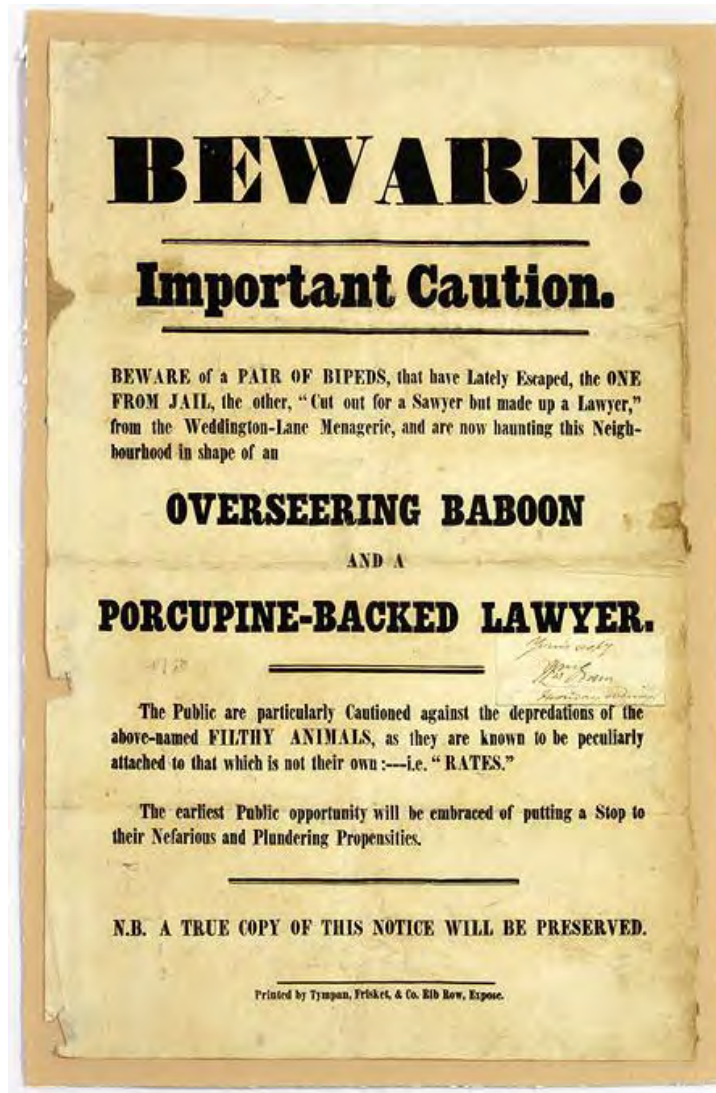
4. [Broadside].

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 on 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 Celleja, 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). Order This Item



"Cut Out for a Sawyer but Made Up a Lawyer"

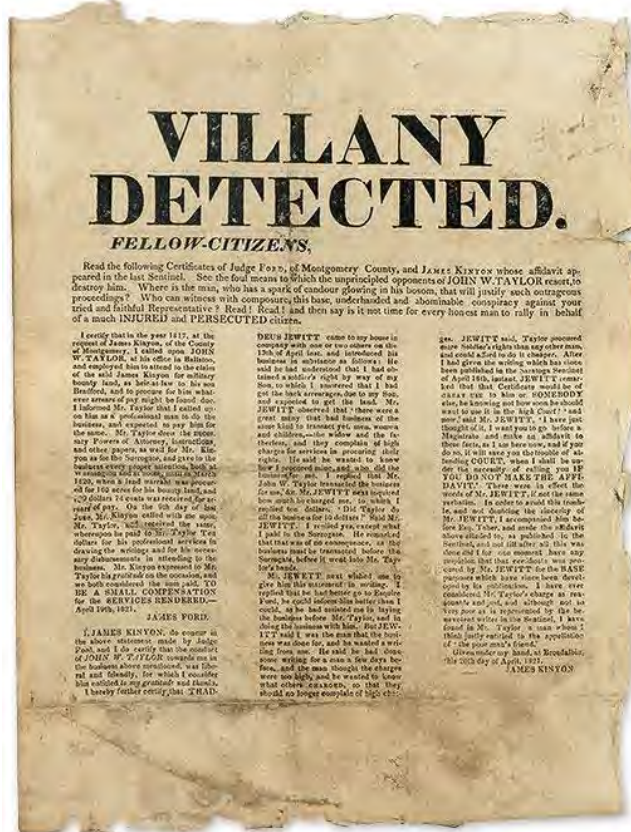
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[Great Britain].

Beware! Important Caution. Beware of a Pair of Bipeds, That Have Lately Escaped, The One from Jail, The Other "Cut out for a Sawyer but Made Up a Lawyer," From the Weddington Lane-Menagerie, And are Now Haunting this Neighbourhood in Shape of an Overseering Baboon and a Porcupine-Backed Lawyer. [N.p.]: Printed by Tympan, Frisket, & Co, Rob Row, [c. 1850].

15" x 10-1/2" broadside, mounted, cut piece of letter laid down near center reading: "Yours resp[ectfull]y Wm Oram 43 Monday evening." Light browning and soiling, a few minor chips and some rubbing to edges, three horizontal fold lines. A curious, rare item. \$2,000.

* The text of this anti-lawyer satirical broadside continues (in part): "The Public are particularly Cautioned against the depredations of the above-named FILTHY ANIMALS, as they are known to be peculiarly attached to that which is not their own:---i.e. 'Rates'." William Oram may have been the author of the broadside text. We were unable to locate a copy of this broadside in any library. [Order This Item](#)



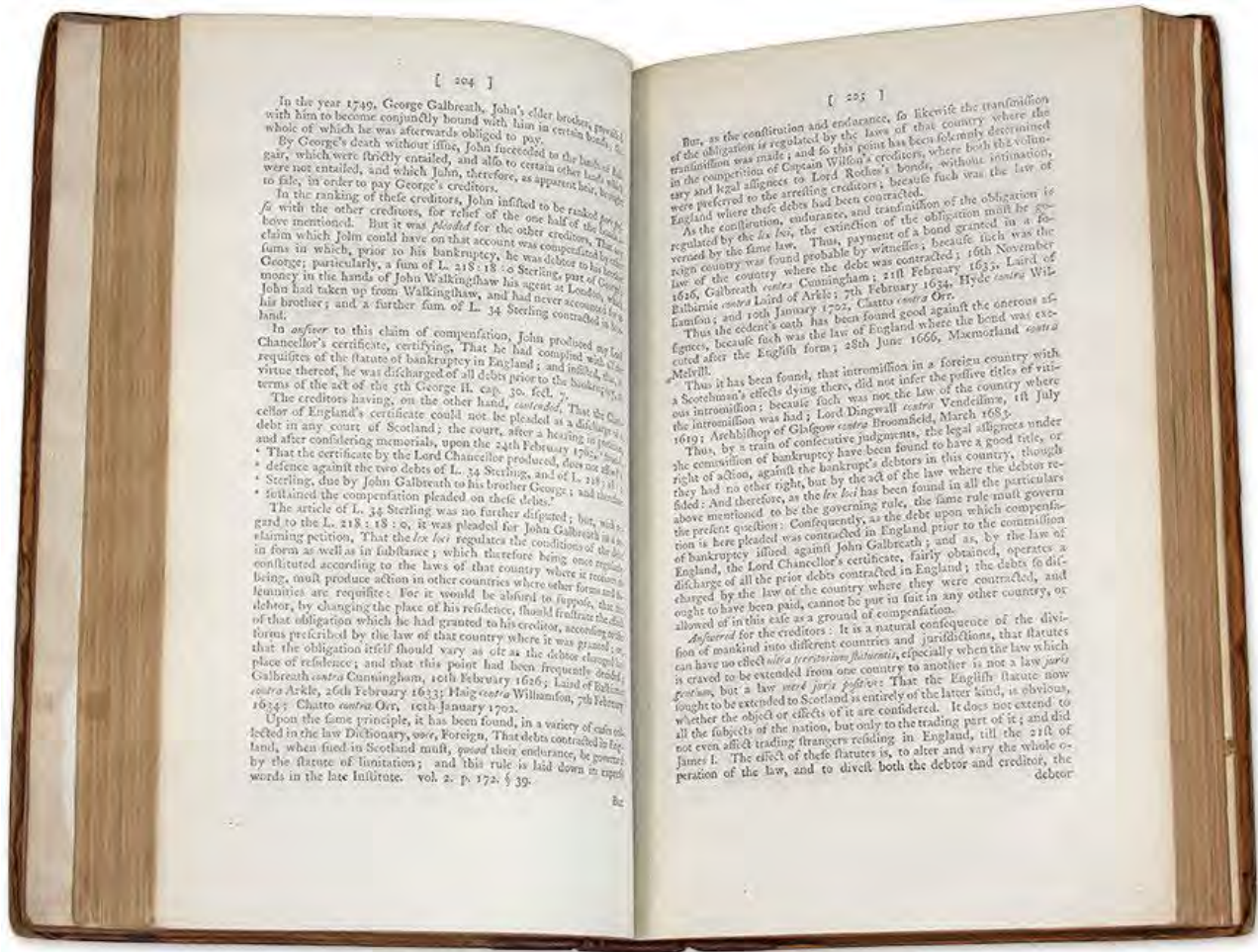
"See the Foul Means to Which the Unprincipled Opponents of John W. Taylor Resort"

6. [Broadside].
 [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](#)



Decisions in the Court of Session

7. Bruce, Alexander [d. 1729].

Decisions of the Court of Session, From November 1760 to November 1764. Collected by Patrick Murray, Esq; John Monro, Esq; Alexander Wright, Esq; John M'laurin, Esq; Ilay Campbell, Esq; And Archibald Cockburn, Esq; Advocates. By Appointment of the Faculty of Advocates. To which are Added, Decisions of the Court of Session, In Most Important Cases, From June 1716 to January 1717. Edinburgh: Printed for Elphinstone Balfour, And Lawrie & Symington, 1792. [ii], 360, [2], 72, [14] pp. Folio (12-1/4" x 7-3/4").

Contemporary calf, rebacked in period style, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, endpapers renewed. Light rubbing and a few minor scuffs to boards, heavier rubbing to board edges, crack in text block between front endleaf and title page. Light toning to text, somewhat heavier in places, light foxing to a few leaves, some offsetting to margins of title page. \$250.

* Second edition. First printed in 1772, this reporter includes all cases heard in Scotland's supreme civil court from 1714 to 1715, along with a selection of "most important cases" from 1716 to 1717. Wallace, *The Reporters* 553. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T109949. [Order This Item](#)



Burn's *New Law Dictionary* in Original Publisher Boards

8. Burn, Richard [1709-1785].

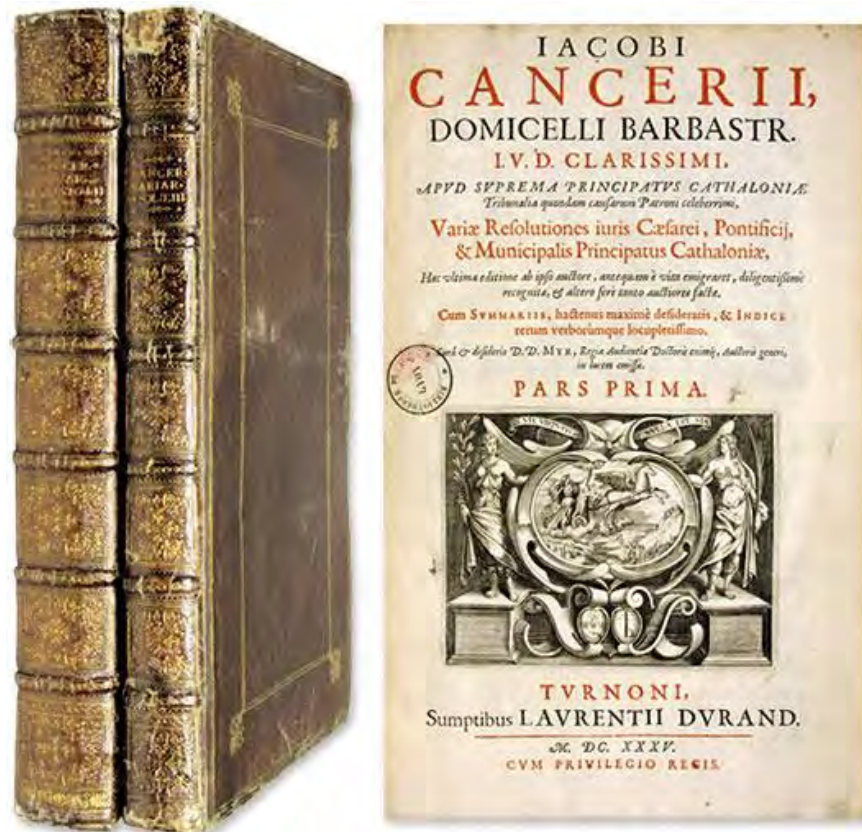
Burn, John [1744?-1802].

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

Original publisher paper-covered boards, printed shelf labels and volume numbers to spines, untrimmed edges. Light soiling and a few small stains to boards and spines, moderate rubbing to extremities with some wear to spine ends and corners, spine labels mostly worn away. Light toning to interior, light soiling to margins of a few leaves in each volume, faint offsetting from flowers pressed between pp. 176 and 177 of Volume 2. An appealing set. \$750.

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

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With a Notable Collection of Catalonian Decisions

9. Cancer, Jaime [1520-1592].

Myr, D., Editor.

Variæ Resolutiones Iuris Caesarei, Pontificij, & Municipalis Principatus Cathalonix, Hac Ultima Editione ab Ipso Auctore, Antequam à Vita Emigraret, Diligentissime Recognitae, & Altero Fere Tanto Auctiores Factae. Cum Summarijs, Hactenus Maxime Desideratis, & Indice Rerum Verborumque Locupletissimo. Cura & Desiderio D.D. Myr, Regiae Audientiae Doctoris Eximii, Auctoris Generi, in Lucem Emissae. Tournon: Sumptibus Laurentii Durand, 1635 (Parts 1 and 2); Lyons: Sumptibus Laurentii Arnaud, 1643 (Part 3). Three parts in two volumes, each with title page and individual pagination. [xvi], 435, [1]; [iv], 261 [i.e. 259], [85]; [viii], 440, [75] pp. A preliminary leaf in part 2 (*2) misbound after p. 12. Main text in parallel columns. Folio (13-3/4" x 9").

Contemporary calf, gilt rules enclosing central gilt panels with corner fleurons to boards, gilt spines with raised bands, marbled pastedowns, all edges gilt. Moderate rubbing to extremities, some wear and chipping to spine ends, corners bumped and somewhat worn, light rubbing and faint stains to boards. Title pages, each with large printer device, printed in red and black, large copperplate coat of arms at head of dedication, woodcut head-pieces, tail-pieces and decorated initials. Light toning to text, somewhat heavier in places, occasional faint dampspotting and dampstaining, internally clean. Ex-library. Bookplates to front pastedowns, small inkstamps to preliminaries. \$1,250.

* Later edition. As the title states, this is an annotated collection of notable court decisions from the canon-law courts, the Holy Roman Empire and Catalonia. Several annotations compare the three systems. It was originally published in 1594-1608 as *Variarum Resolutionum Iuris Caesarei, Pontificij, et Municipalis Principatus Cathalonix*. It went through several editions and issues, the last one in 1760. Complete copies of any edition are uncommon. Palau, *Manual del Librero Hispano-Americano* 41844. [Order This Item](#)



Lancellotti's Edition of the *Corpus Juris Canonici*

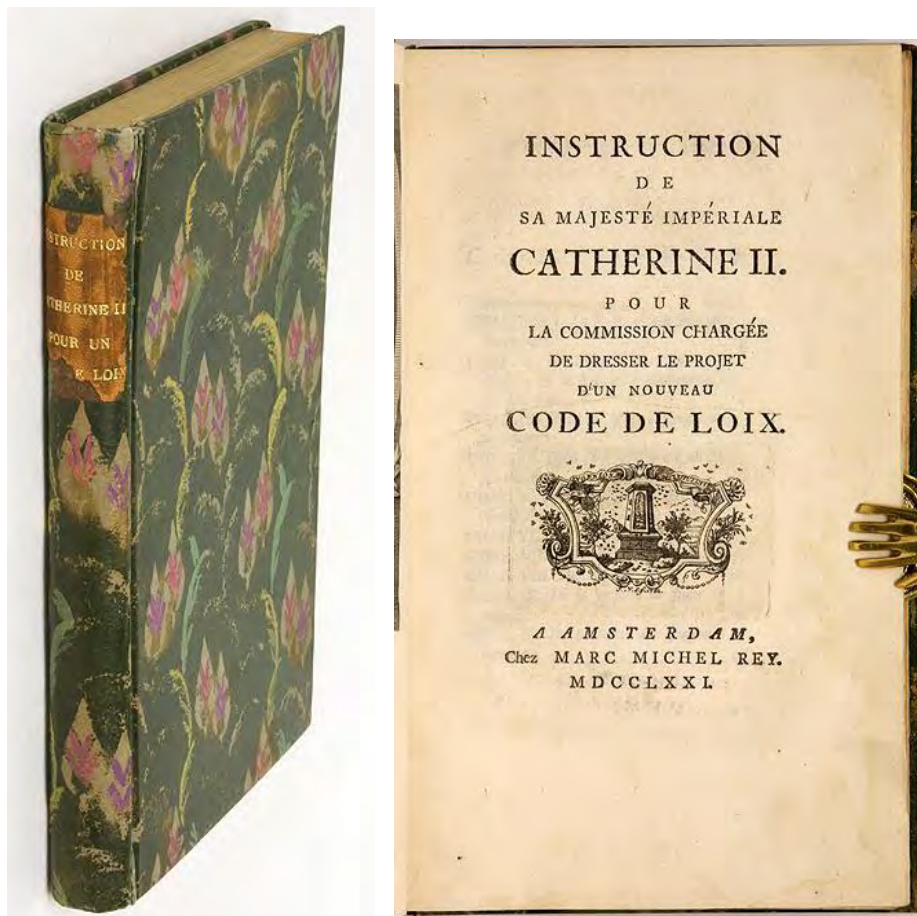
10. [Canon Law].

Lancellotti, Giovanni Paoli, Editor.

Corpus Iuris Canonici Emendatum et Notis Illustratum. Gregorii XIII. Pontif. Max. Jussu Editum. Indicibus Variis, Novisq; Et Appendice Pauli Lancellotti Perusini Adauctum: Cujus Partes Indicat Aversa Pagina. Accesserunt Novissime Loci Communes Uberrimi, Summa Diligentia ex Ipsis Canonibus Collecti, & Ordine ac Methodo Singularem ad Usus Fori Utriusque Fideliter Digesti: Theologis, Politicis, & Practicis Perneccessarii. Itemq. Liber VII. Decretalium hac Primum Editione Novis Aliquot Constitutionibus Auctus. Basel: Impensis Emanuelis Konig & Filiorum Konig, 1665. Six books in one volume, each with title page. [68] pages, 1272 columns; [20] pp., 754 cols; [12] pp., 406 cols.; [8] pp., 158 cols.; [160] pp., 236 cols.; [13] pp. Main text in parallel columns. Quarto (9" x 6-1/2").

Contemporary calf, blind rules rebaked with raised bands and gilt title, corners repaired, endpapers renewed, hinges reinforced with cloth tape. Moderate rubbing, light gatoring to boards, a few small chips to board edges. Title page printed in red and black, attractive woodcut head-pieces, tail-pieces and decorated initials. Later owner bookplate (of Henry H. Ficken) to front pastedown, early signature excised from head of title page with no loss to text. Light foxing, light browning to portions of text, internally clean. A nice copy. \$250.

* With tables and indexes. Attempts to codify the body of canon law began in earnest during the Carolingian period. These efforts reached fruition between 1020 and 1025 in the twenty-volume *Decretum* of Burchard, Bishop of Worms. This was superseded in 1151 by Gratian's epochal *Concordia Discordantium Canonum*, or *Decretum Gratiani*, a compilation and concordance of about 4,000 texts created before the Lateran Council of 1139. Though never officially sanctioned, this work is the cornerstone of the *Corpus Juris Canonici*. The next great step was taken in 1234 with the *Liber Quinqué Decretalium* of Gregory IX, the first official collection of canon law. The *Liber Sextus* of Boniface VIII (1298) added updates and modifications. John XXII added the final official collection of canon law, the *Liber Septimus Decretalium*, better known as the "Constitutiones Clementis V" or simply "Clementinae" (1317). Two more texts were added later: the *Extravagantes* of John XXII (1325) and the *Extravagantes Communes* of other popes to 1484. The texts in this volume are drawn from the edition produced between 1580 and 1582 by the *Correctores Romani*, a commission established by the Council of Trent. It remained the only authenticated collection of material for the Western Church until the promulgation of the Code of Canon Law in 1917. This edition also includes Giovanni Paoli Lancellotti's *Institutionum Juris Canonici Commentarium* (1563). Also known as the *Appendix Pauli Lancelotti*, it is a textbook in the manner of the Institutes from the *Corpus Juris Civilis*. Though it is appended to most editions of the *Corpus Juris Canonici*, it was never officially adopted by the church. Walker, *The Oxford Companion to Law* 176-179, 294. Graesse, *Tresor Livres Rares et Precieuses* 2:274 (citing other editions). [Order This Item](#)



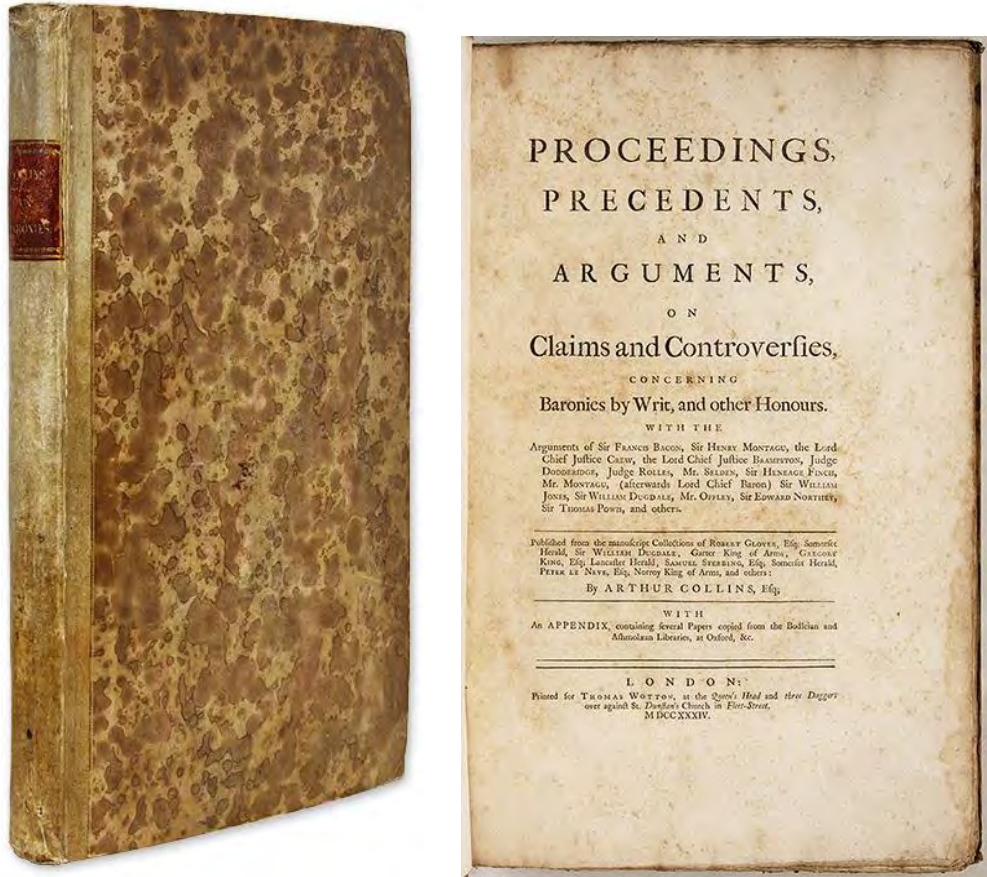
Early Amsterdam Edition of Catherine's *Nakaz*

11. Catherine II [1762-1796], Empress of Russia.

Instruction de Sa Majesté Impériale Cathérine II. Pour la Commission Chargée de Dresser le Projet d'un Nouveau Code de Loix. Amsterdam: Chez Marc Michel Rey, 1771. [vii], 229 pp. Copperplate portrait frontispiece. Octavo (7-3/4" x 4-3/4").

Later patterned-paper covered boards, calf lettering piece to spine, patterned endpapers. Minor wear to spine ends and corners, front joint starting at ends. Negligible light toning to text, dampstaining to bottom and fore-edges of text block, very faint in most places, in preliminaries somewhat darker. A nice copy. \$1,250.

* Second Dutch edition. This important text, also known as the *Nakaz*, or *Instruction*, is a statement of legal principles written by Catherine II from 1764 and 1766. Permeated with the ideas of the French Enlightenment, and copied mostly from the work of Voltaire, Montesquieu and Beccaria, it was compiled as a guide for the All-Russia Legislative Commission convened by the Empress in 1767 to create a new code to replace the 1649 Muscovite Code. Revised in consultation with Beccaria, Frederick the Great and Voltaire, the *Instruction* proclaimed the equality of all men before the law and disapproved of death penalty and torture. Unfortunately, her proposed code was never completed. Catherine's manuscript was written in French, and she later produced a Russian translation. Editions in German and Russian were published in Moscow in 1767. Several editions followed in nations ranging from Italy to Latvia. The first Dutch edition, in Dutch translation, was published in Amsterdam in 1769. The 1771 Amsterdam edition was the first Dutch edition in French. It is a scarce imprint. OCLC locates 2 copies in North American law libraries (Library of Congress, UC-Berkeley). Butler, *The Nakaz of Catherine the Great* 528 (entry 28). [Order This Item](#)



"A Book of Considerable Utility"

12. Collins, Arthur [1682-1760].

Proceedings, Precedents, And Arguments, On Claims and Controversies, Concerning Baronies by Writ, And Other Honours. With the Arguments of Sir Francis Bacon, Sir Henry Montagu, The Lord Chief Justice Crew, the Lord Chief Justice Brampton, Judge Dodderidge, Judge Rolles, Mr. Selden, Sir Heneage Finch, Mr. Montagu, (Afterwards Lord Chief Baron) Sir William Jones, Sir William Dugdale, Mr. Offley, Sir Edward Northey, Sir Thomas Powis, And Others. Published from the Manuscript collections of Robert Glover, Esq; Somerset Herald, Sir William Dugdale, Garter King of Arms, Gregory King, Esq; Lancaster Herald, Samuel Stebbing, Esq; Somerset Herald, Peter le Neve, Esq; Norroy King of Arms, And Others: By Arthur Collins, Esq; With an Appendix, Containing Several Papers Copied from the Bodleian and Ashmolean Libraries, At Oxford, &c. London: Printed for Thomas Wotton, 1734. [ii], 4, 415, [15] pp. Folio (15-3/4" x 10").

Later three-quarter vellum over marbled boards, calf lettering piece to spine, untrimmed edges. Some darkening to spine, moderate rubbing to extremities, spine ends and corners bumped and lightly worn, two armorial bookplates (of W.W.G. Wynne and Lord Farmham) to front pastedown. Moderate toning, light browning to top-edges of leaves, occasional faint dampspotting, tick marks in early hand to margins of a few leaves, 3 pp. manuscript index in contemporary hand tipped-in to rear endleaf. A nice copy. \$250.

* Only reissue of the only edition, which was published in the same year. "A book of considerable utility, as it contains most of the cases respecting dignities, from the latter end of the reign of Queen Elizabeth to the year 1740" (Sweet & Maxwell). Along with a different title page, the reissue has a dedication leaf and an errata leaf. Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 1:204 (11). *English Short-Title Catalogue* T139237. [Order This Item](#)



**Freedom of the Press in the
Early Days of the Mexican Republic**

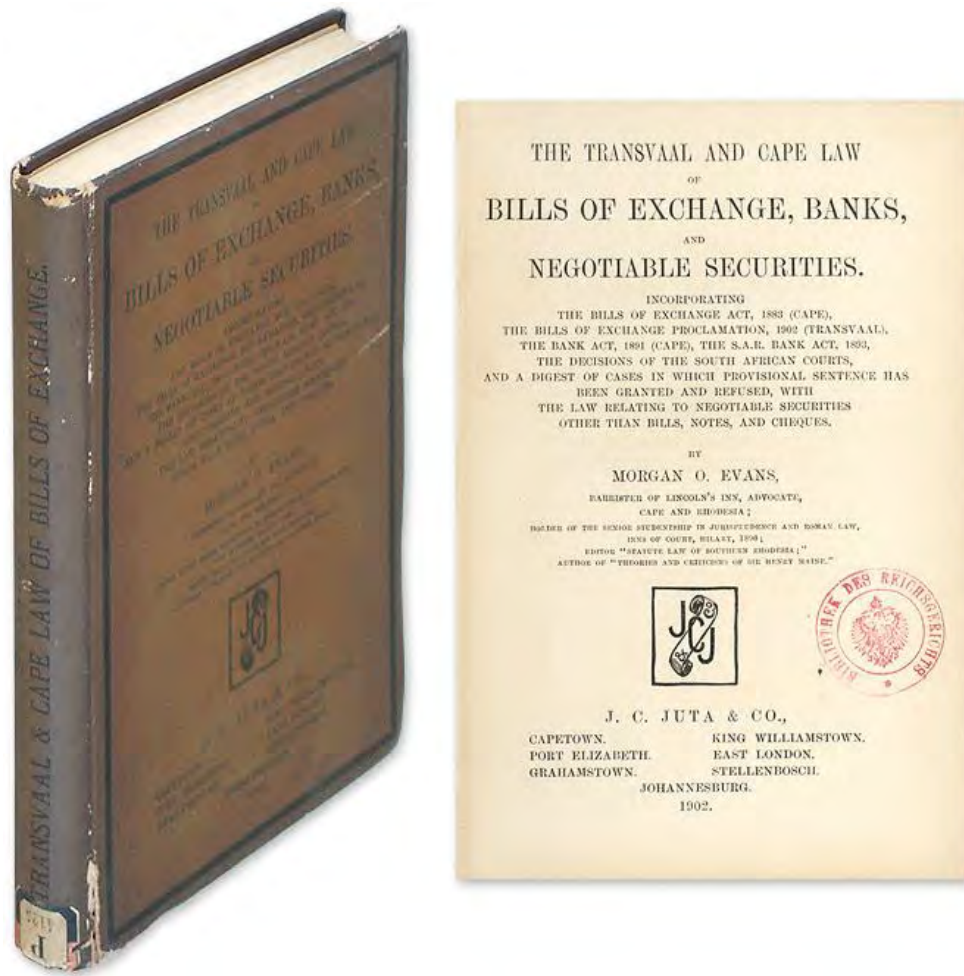
13. Cumplido, Ignacio [1811-1887].

Invitacion Que Hace el Impresor C. Ignacio Cumplido al Juez de Letras de Lo Criminal Licenciado d. J. Gabriel Gomez de la Peña, A Fin de que Esponga las Disposiciones Legales á Que se Arregló Para Proceder á su Prision y Detenerlo Treinta y Tres Dias en la Cárcel de la Acordada, Como Impresor del Folleto que Escribió d. J.M. Gutierrez Estrada. Contiene Ademas, Un Extracto del Testimonio Remtido por el Espresado Juez á le Tercere Sala del Tribunal Superior de Este Departamento, En el Cual se Hallan Integras la Declaracion del Acusado, Pedimento Fisal y Auto de Revocacion y Libertad. [Mexico City]: Impreso por el Autor, 1840. 31 pp. Octavo (7" x 4-1/2").

Stab-stitched pamphlet, wrappers lacking, spine neatly reinforced with tape. Light toning, faint dampstaining to margins, light foxing to a few leaves, small recent inkstamp to head of p. 3. \$950.

* An important work relating to freedom of the press in Mexico. The author was an important Mexican printer who was jailed for 33 days for printing a controversial work written by José María Gutierrez Estrada that advocated monarchy. OCLC locates 9 copies, 3 copies in North America (New York Public Library, UC-Berkeley, UT-Austin).

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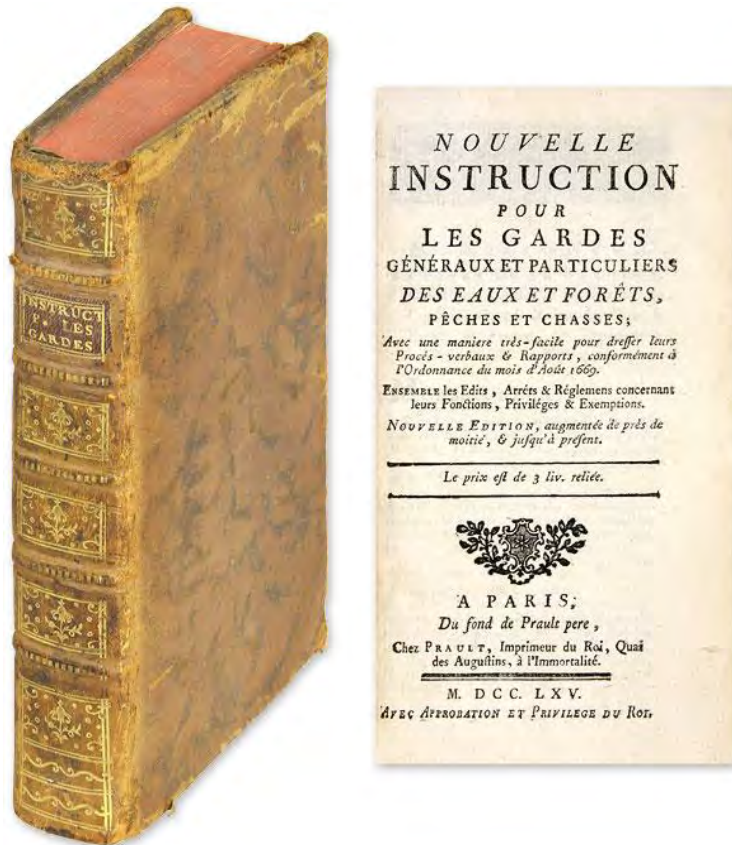
"We Have No Hesitation in Recommending this Book"

14. Evans, Morgan O.

The Transvaal and Cape Law of Bills of Exchange, Banks, and Negotiable Securities. Incorporating the Bills of Exchange Act, 1883 (Cape), The Bills of Exchange Proclamation, 1902 (Transvaal), The Bank Act, 1891 (Cape), The S.A.R. Bank Act, 1893, The Decisions of the South African Courts, And a Digest of Cases in Which Provisional Sentence has Been Granted and Refused, With the Law Relating to Negotiable Securities Other than Bills, Notes, And Cheques. Capetown: J.C. Juta & Co., 1902. xxv, 212 pp.

Original cloth, black-stamped titles to front board and spine. Rubbing to extremities with some wear, front hinge cracked but secure, internally clean. Ex-library. Location label to spine, inventory number to front pastedown, small stamp to title page. \$150.

* First edition. "This is practically a second and enlarged edition of the author's book on the Cape Bills of Exchange Act, that appeared some years back. (...) [This] this little manual will now be useful for lawyers and bankers in nearly all the colonies of South Africa. (...) We have no hesitation in recommending this book, which in addition to its other merits is in such a handy form that it can be carried in his coat pocket by the banker or lawyer taking his morning train journey from the suburbs, and is moreover cheap, as books go, in South Africa.": *South African Law Journal* 19 (1902) 399-400. This treatise went through two more editions in 1904 and 1931. OCLC locates 7 copies of the first edition, none of the other editions. Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 7:15. [Order This Item](#)



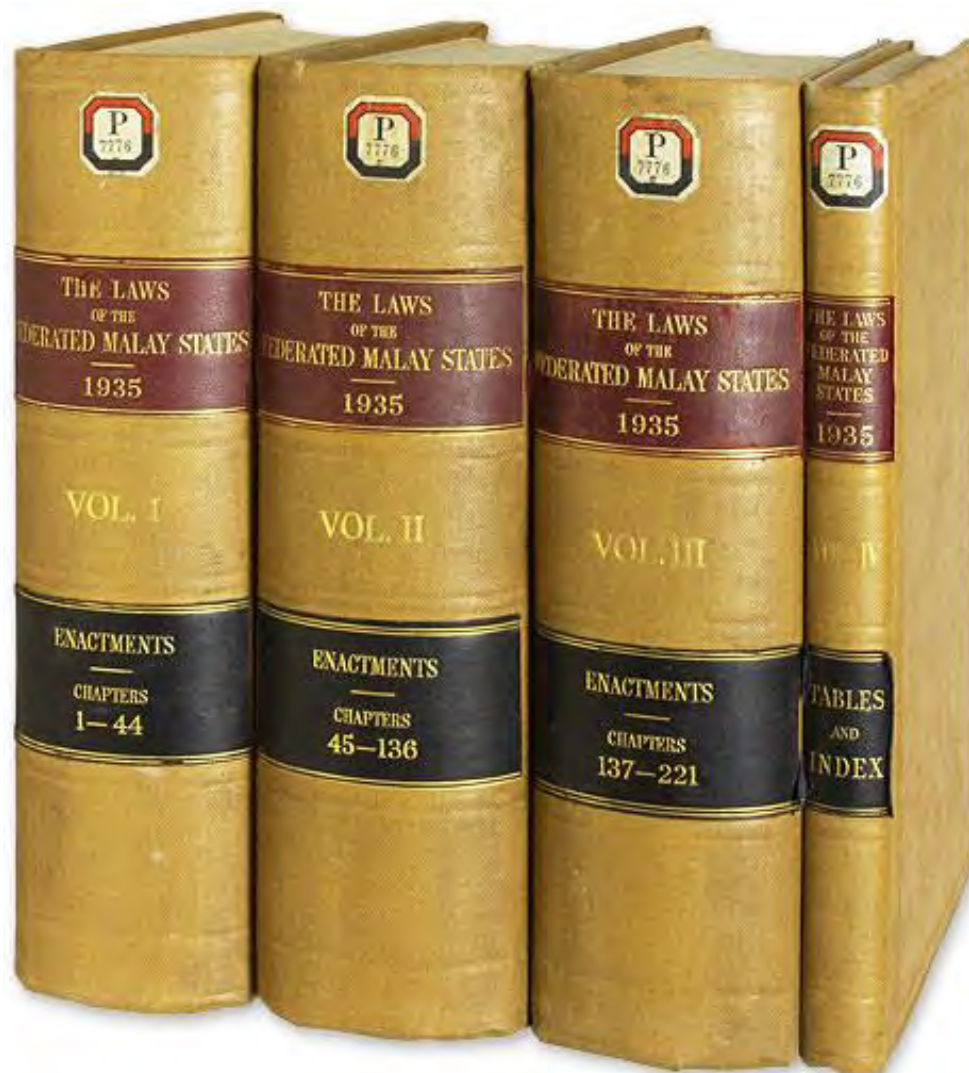
An Early Example of Environmental Law

15. [France].
[Forestry Law].
[Fish and Game Law].

Nouvelle Instruction Pour les Gardes Généraux et Particuliers des Eaux et Forêts, Pêches et Chasses. Avec Manière Très-Facile pour Dresser leur Procès-Verbaux & Rapports, Conformément à l'Ordonnance du Mois d'Août 1669. Ensemble les Édits, Arrêts & Réglamens Concernant Leurs Fonctions, Privilèges & Exemptions. Nouvelle Edition, Augmentée de près de Moitié, & Jusqu'à Présent. Paris: Chez Prault Pere, 1765. xvi, 503 pp. 12mo. (6-1/2" x 3-3/4").

Contemporary mottled sheep, gilt spine with raised bands and lettering piece, marbled endpapers, ribbon marker, edges rouged. Moderate rubbing to extremities, light scuffing to boards, corners bumped and somewhat worn, front hinge starting at head, partial crack to text block between front free endpaper and title page, text notably bright. Small recent owner stamp to half-title, interior otherwise clean. A handsome copy. \$750.

* Second edition. First published in 1741, this is a comprehensive treatise on forest and game law during the *ancien régime*. Much of this book is devoted to the decree of August 1669. A notable early example of environmental legislation, it regulated the use of forests to insure a steady supply of wood for the construction of warships. It also ordered the planting of new trees and the careful management of forest resources. It remained in effect until it was supplanted by the *Code Forestier* of 1827. The other laws discussed in this treatise also aimed to conserve fish and game by restricting the number of people who may fish and hunt legally. A third edition was published in 1692. OCLC locates no copies of any edition in a North American law library. We located 1 copy of the second, however, at George Washington University Law School and a third edition at Harvard Law School. Not in Camus. [Order This Item](#)



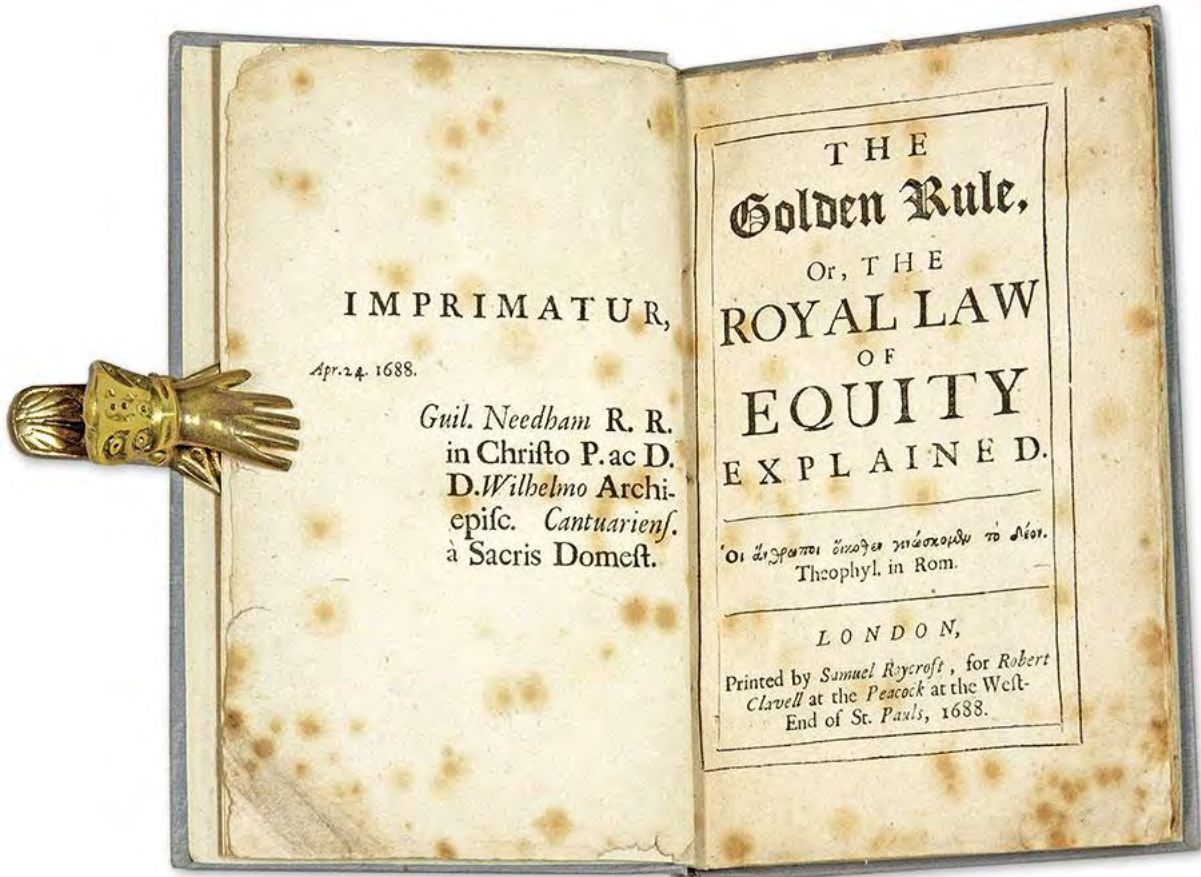
Laws of the Federated Malay States

16. Gibson, William Sumner, Compiler.

The Laws of the Federated Malay States and of Each of Them in Force on the 31st Day of December, 1934. Revised Edition. Prepared Under the Authority of the Revised Edition of the Laws Enactment, 1932. London: C.F. Roworth, 1935. Four volumes.

Contemporary buckram, red and black lettering pieces to spine. Some shelfwear and soiling, internally clean. Ex-library. Location labels to spines, small stamps to title pages. \$450.

* Only edition. Established under British auspices in 1895, the Federated Malay States were Perak, Selangor, Negri Sembilan, Pahang and Penang. In 1946 the states became part of the Malayan Union and subsequently the Federation of Malaya. The Federation became part of the British Commonwealth in 1957. In 1963 the Federation, together with Singapore, Sarawak and British North Borneo (Sabah) became a new union, Malaysia. Singapore left this union to become an independent state in 1965. Gibson's set was continued to 1941 through supplements. OCLC locates 14 copies. Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 7:264. [Order This Item](#)



Equity and the Golden Rule

17. [Goodman, John (1625 or 26-1690)].

The Golden Rule, Or, The Royal Law of Equity Explained. London: Printed by Samuel Roycroft, For Robert Clavell, 1688. [iv], 90, [2] pp. Main text followed by 2 pp. publisher advertisement. Octavo (6-3/4" x 4").

Stab-stitched pamphlet bound into recent paper-covered boards, calf lettering piece to spine, untrimmed edges. Light soiling, some wear to spine ends and corners, front joint cracked, front board secure. Moderate toning, occasional light foxing, light soiling to verso of final leaf. \$1,500.

* Only edition. Goodman was a learned Anglican clergyman. Based on a sermon, *The Golden Rule* reconstructs the legal concept equity on the basis of the famous aphorism from Matthew 7:12, "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you: do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets." It a fine example of the seventeenth-century literature that aimed to reform the common law with principles derived from the Bible. *The Golden Rule* is somewhat unusual, however, because it was not the work of a dissenter. OCLC locates 3 copies in North American law libraries (San Francisco Law Library, University of Georgia, University of Pennsylvania). *English Short-Title Catalogue* R22845. [Order This Item](#)



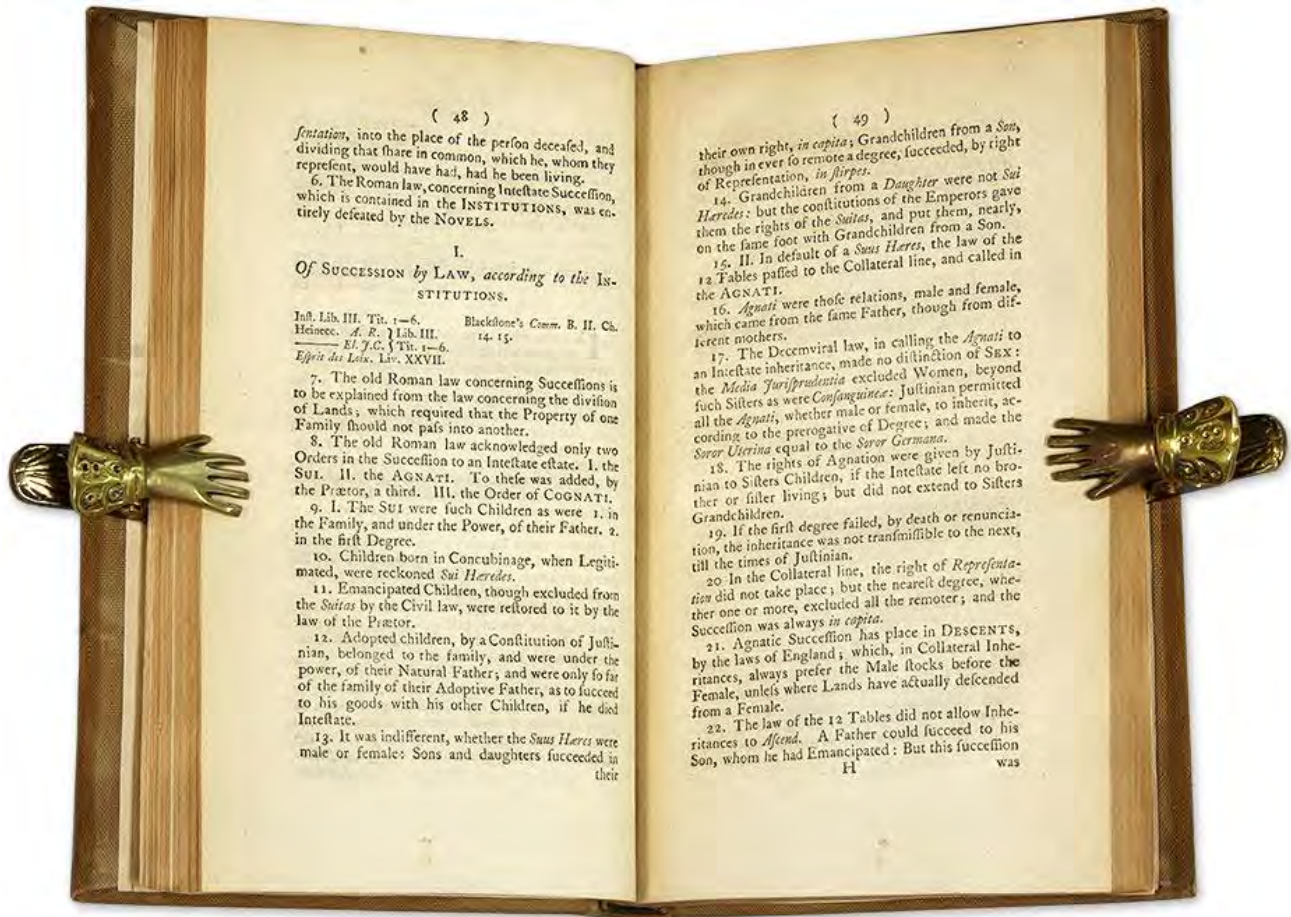
The Legal Status of Wives in Roman Law

18. Grupen, Christian Ulrich [1692-1767].

Tractatio De Uxore Romana: Cum Ea, Quae In Manum Convenit, Farre, Coemitione Et Usu, Tum Illa, Quae Uxor Tantummodo Habebatur. Hanover: Apud Nic. Foersterum et Fil., 1727. [xxxii], 348, [20] pp. 5 engraved copperplates, 1 folding. Octavo (6-1/2" x 4-1/2").

Later vellum, faint, mostly erased hand-lettered title to spine, speckled edges, endpapers renewed. A few minor stains to boards, corners lightly bumped, pastedowns just beginning to detach from boards. Title page, with woodcut image of a Roman coin, printed in red and black. Some toning, light foxing in a few places, tiny early owner mark (shelf location number?) to front endleaf. A nice copy. \$1,500.

* Only edition. This treatise explores marriage and the legal status and matrimonial responsibilities of women under Roman law. Grupen was a notable legal scholar and historian who served as an advisor to the House of Hanover. He had a particular interest in Woman and issues relating to marriage. His publications include *De Uxore Theoretica* (1748) and *Tractatio Iuridica de Virgine* (1716). *Das Verzeichniss Deutscher Drucke des 18. Jahrhunderts* 10255516-004. [Order This Item](#)



Notable for Its Insight
into the English Reception of Roman Law

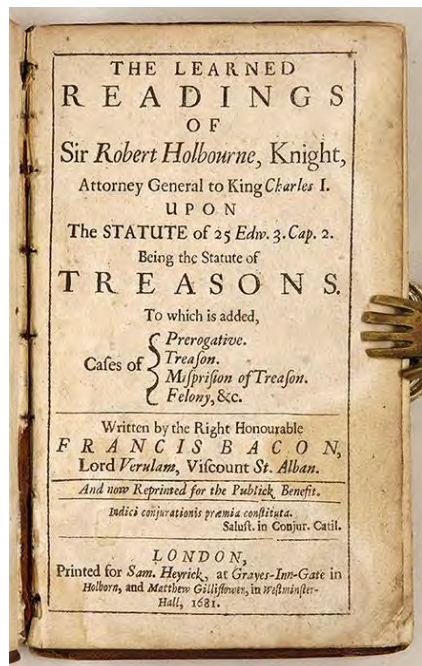
19. Halifax, Samuel [1733-1790].

An Analysis of the Roman Civil Law; In Which a Comparison is, Occasionally, Made Between the Roman Laws and Those of England: Being the Heads of a Course of Lectures Publicly Read in the University of Cambridge. Cambridge: Printed by J. Archdeacon and J. Burges, 1795. viii, vii-xxiv, [6], 175, [1] pp. Pagination irregular, text complete. Octavo (8-1/2" x 5-1/4").

Later cloth, calf lettering piece and paper shelf label to spine, endpapers renewed. Some soiling, light shelfwear, some rubbing to lettering piece, front free endpaper lacking. Moderate toning, early owner signature, faint library mark, embossed stamp and inkstamp to title page, a few library markings to its verso. \$250

* Fourth edition. In 1774 Halifax, Bishop of Gloucester, Regius Professor of Civil Law at Cambridge University and teacher of Sir Henry Maine, offered a course of lectures on "the Roman Civil Law." According to the *Dictionary of National Biography*, they were "attended by persons of the highest rank and fortune at the university." The lectures were published that year and reissued in 1775, 1779, 1795, 1818 and 1836. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T146830.

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Legal Preparation for the Glorious Revolution

20. Holbourne, Sir Robert [d.1647].

Bacon, Sir Francis [1561-1626].

The Learned Readings of Sir Robert Holbourne, Knight, Attorney General to King Charles I. Upon the Statute of 25 Edw. 3. Cap. 2. Being the Statute of Treasons. To Which is Added, Cases of Prerogative. Treason. Mispriſion of Treason. Felony, &c. Written by the Right Honourable Francis Bacon, Lord Verulam, Viſcount St. Alban. And Now Reprinted for Publick Benefit. London: Printed for Sam. Heyrick, 1681. [ii], 141, [3] pp. Main title page followed by another dated 1680. Octavo (6" x 3-3/4").

Contemporary sheep, blind rules to boards. Light rubbing to boards, moderate rubbing to board edges, some wear to corners, spine heavily abraded with loss to ends, boards beginning to separate, but secure, recent owner bookplate to front pastedown. Moderate toning to text, some edgewear soiling and faint dampstaining to preliminaries and final three leaves. \$950.

* Only edition (in this form). A reissue, with cancel title page and errata sheet, of *The Learned Readings of Robert Holbourne, Esq; Upon the Statute of 25 Ed. 3. Cap. 2. Being the Statute of Treasons....* (London: Printed for Matt. Gillyflower, 1680) with the addition of Bacon's *Cases of Treason*. This volume was a legal contribution to the resistance to the reign of James II that was gaining strength during the 1680s. The two essays in this volume explore the nature of treason, types of treason and times when treasonous activity, strictly defined, is justified. Overall, this book offers, albeit discreetly, arguments to justify opposition to a monarch. Holborne was a lawyer and politician. He was belonged to Furnival's Inn and Lincoln's Inn, where he was, respectively, a bencher and a reader in English law. He acted, along with Oliver St. John, as co-counsel for John Hampden in the ship money case. He sat in the House of Commons between 1640 and 1642 and supported the Royalist cause in the English Civil War. He was attorney-general to the Prince of Wales, being knighted in 1643. One of the great intellectuals of his time, Bacon was a leading statesman and jurist who served as Attorney General and Lord Chancellor of England. Also a great philosopher and scientist, his works are credited with the development of the scientific method. OCLC locates 6 copies in North American law libraries (Boston College, Columbia, Harvard, University of Minnesota, University of Pennsylvania, Yale). *English Short-Title Catalogue* R34943. [Order This Item](#)



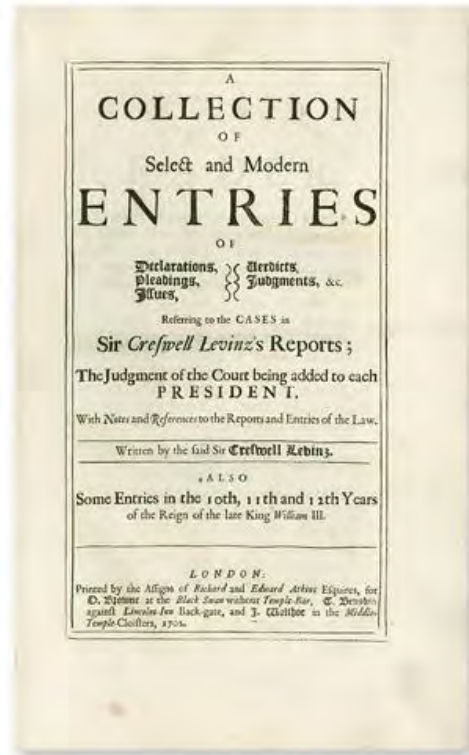
A Scarce 1824 New Jersey Layman's Guide

**21. [Layman's Guide].
[New Jersey].**

The Law Instructor: Or, Farmer's & Mechanic's Guide: Containing a Commentary on the Act Entitled "An Act Constituting Courts for the Trial of Small Causes," With its Supplements, Together with Concise and Correct Precedents or Statements of Demands in Various Actions; Agreements, Acquittances, Articles of Co-Partnership, Bills of Sale, Bonds, Deeds, Mortgages, Indentures, License of Debtors, Leases, Releases, Pleas, Wills and Codicils, &c. &c. &c.: Laid Down in So Plain and Simple a Manner that All Persons, However Unskilled, Can Draw any Instrument of Writing Without the Assistance of an Attorney. Bridgeton, NJ: Printed and Published by Simeon Siegfried, 1824. 100 pp. Octavo (7" x 4-1/4").

Later library buckram, gilt title to spine, gilt institution name to foot of spine, endpapers renewed. Negligible light rubbing to extremities, light browning and foxing to text, early owner initials to front endleaf, early owner signature to head of title page, small library stamps to verso. \$250.

* Only edition. With an appendix titled "A Collection of Useful Information, Necessary to be Known by the Inhabitants of the State of New Jersey" (pp. 83-96), which discusses such matters as gun ownership, fences, game laws, paupers and the sale of alcoholic beverages. (OCLC locates 8 copies, 3 in law libraries (Harvard, University of Virginia, Yale). Felcone, *New Jersey Books, 1801-1860* 830. Cohen, *Bibliography of Early American Law* 8218. [Order This Item](#)



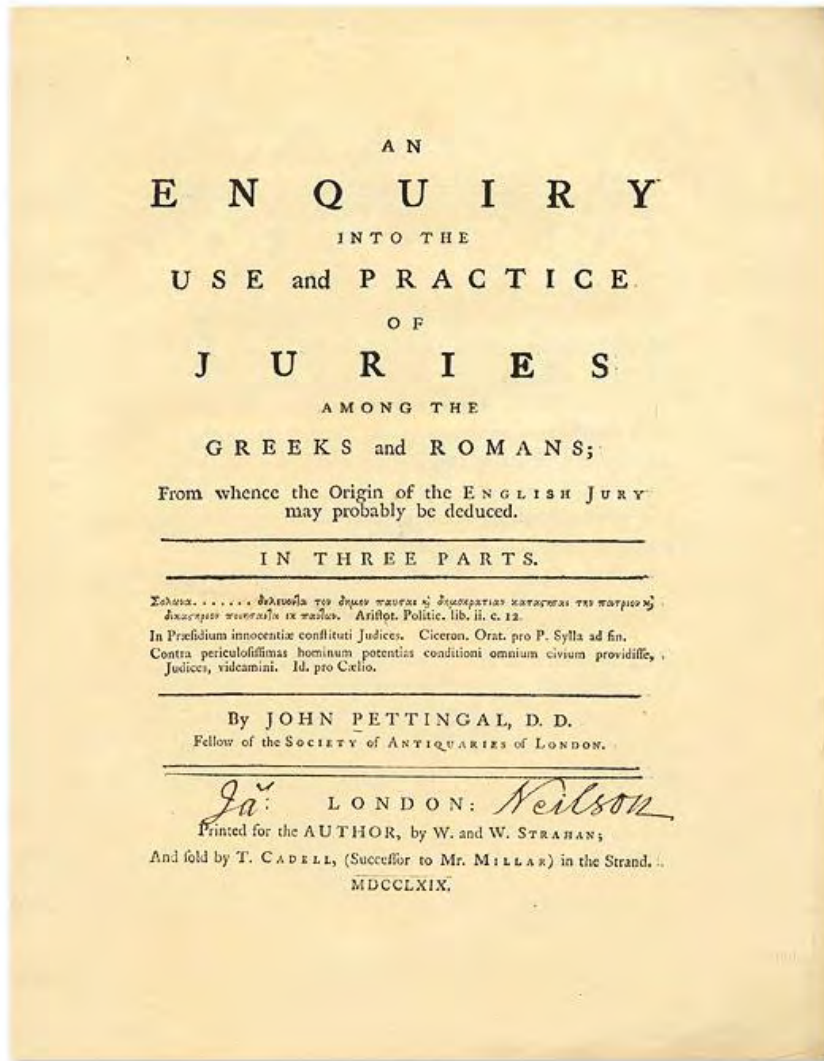
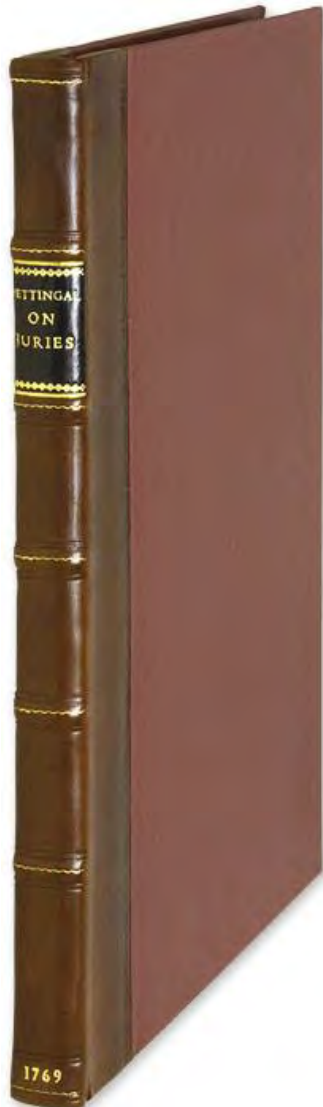
A Companion to the Reports of Sir Creswell Levinz

22. Levinz, Sir Creswell.

A Collection of Select and Modern Entries of Declarations, Pleadings, Issues, Verdicts, Judgments, &c. Referring to the Cases in Sir Creswell Levinz's Reports; The Judgment of the Court Being Added to Each President. With Notes and References to the Reports and Entries of the Law. London: Printed by the Assigns of R. and E. Atkins, for D. Browne [etc.], 1702. [iv], 1-223 [i.e. 215], [21] pp. Copperplate portrait frontispiece. Folio (12" x 8").

Contemporary paneled calf, rebaked in period style with raised bands, blind ornaments and original lettering piece, hinges mended. Some rubbing to extremities, a few scuffs to boards, later bookseller ticket to front free pastedown. Light toning to text, faint dampspotting in a few places, light soiling to endleaves and title page, Contemporary annotations to a few leaves, interior otherwise clean. A handsome copy. \$650.

* Only edition. The reports of Sir Creswell Levinz cover the years 1660 to 1697 (12 Car. II-9 Wm. III). Contemporary opinions of their quality vary, but they were widely cited and considered authorities by the early 1700s, both in Great Britain and the American colonies. *A Collection* is an abridged and digested version with citations to the three-volume *Les Reports de Sr. Creswell Levinz* (London, 1702). *English Short-Title Catalogue* T96774. [Order This Item](#)



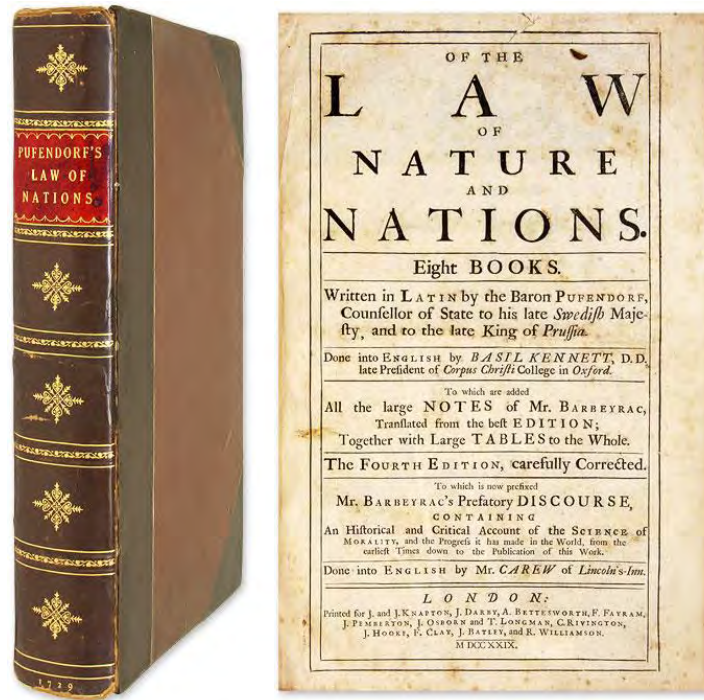
Classical Roots of the English Jury

23. Pettingal, John [1708-1781].

An Enquiry Into the Use and Practice of Juries Among the Greeks and Romans; from whence the Origin of the English Jury May Probably be Deduced. London: Printed for the Author, by W. and W. Strahan, 1769. xv, [1], 200 pp. Quarto (10-3/4" x 8-1/4").

Recent period-style quarter calf over cloth, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, endpapers renewed. Light browning to text, faint dampstaining to margins in a few places. Early owner signature (of Jas. Neilson) to foot of title page, interior otherwise clean. \$950.

* Only edition. This early history of juries is enriched with numerous citations from Greek and Latin authors. "[T]he Reader (...) will be pleased to find the glorious Characteristic of this Nation, a Jury, to be originally founded in the Liberty of Greece, and handed down to us Through the Channel of the Commonwealth of Rome, and the Colonies Planted in their conquests.": Preface xiii. Pettingal, a Doctor of Divinity and a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries, was a prebendary of Lincoln Cathedral. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T32774. [Order This Item](#)



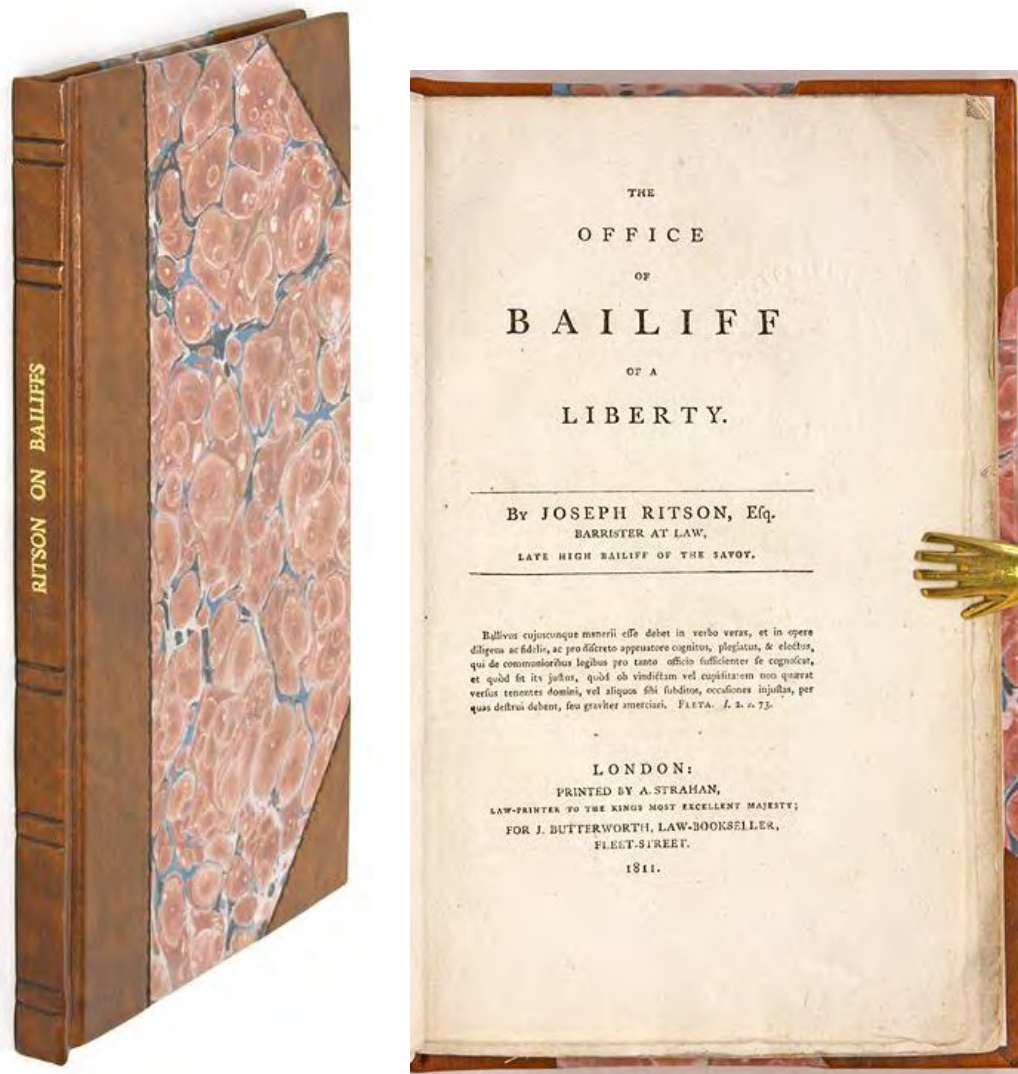
Early English Edition of Pufendorf's *Law of Nature and Nations*

**24. Pufendorf, Samuel von [1632-1694].
Barbeyrac, Jean [1674-1744], Prefatory Discourse.**

Of the Law of Nature and Nations. Eight Books. Written in Latin by the Baron Puffendorf. Done Into English by Basil Kennet. Carefully Corrected, with Two Tables. To Which Are Added All the Large Notes of Mr. Barbeyrac, Translated From the Best Edition; Together with Large Tables to the Whole. Carefully Corrected. To Which is Now Prefixed Mr. Barbeyrac's Prefatory Discourse, Containing an Historical and Critical Account of the Science of Morality, and the Progress It has Made in the World, From the Earliest Times Down to the Publication of This Work. Done Into English by Mr. Carew. London: Printed for J. Walthoe, R. Wilkin, [et. al.], 1729. [xxiv], 316, 321-480, 477-878; [iv], 39, 44-88, [4], [22] pp. Pagination irregular. Complete, but Barbeyrac's prefatory discourse is misbound at rear of text. Main text in parallel columns. Folio (13" x 8-1/2").

Nineteenth-century three-quarter calf over cloth, gilt fillets to boards, raised bands, lettering piece and gilt ornaments to spine, endpapers renewed, hinges reinforced with cloth tape. Moderate rubbing to extremities with some wear to spine ends and corners, joints cracked, later owner bookplate to front pastedown. Woodcut head-pieces, tail-pieces and decorated initials. Moderate toning to text, light foxing in places. Early owner corrections in a miniscule hand, to passages in a few leaves, interior otherwise fresh. \$950.

* Fourth English edition. In 1662 Pufendorf was appointed to the first modern professorship in natural law (at the University of Heidelberg). In 1670 he became professor of natural law at the University of Lund in Sweden. First published in 1672, *De Jure Naturae et Gentium* is his principal work and a landmark in the history of natural and international law. It proposed a thorough system of private, public, and international law based on natural law. Beginning with a consideration of fundamental legal ideas and their various divisions, Pufendorf proceeded to a discussion of the validity of customs, the doctrines of necessity and innate human reason. The work is significant in part because it developed principles introduced by Grotius and Hobbes. Unlike Hobbes, Pufendorf argued that peace, not war, was the state of nature, and he proposed that international law was not restricted to Christendom. *English Short-Title Catalogue* N61031. [Order This Item](#)



Scarce English Treatise on Bailiffs

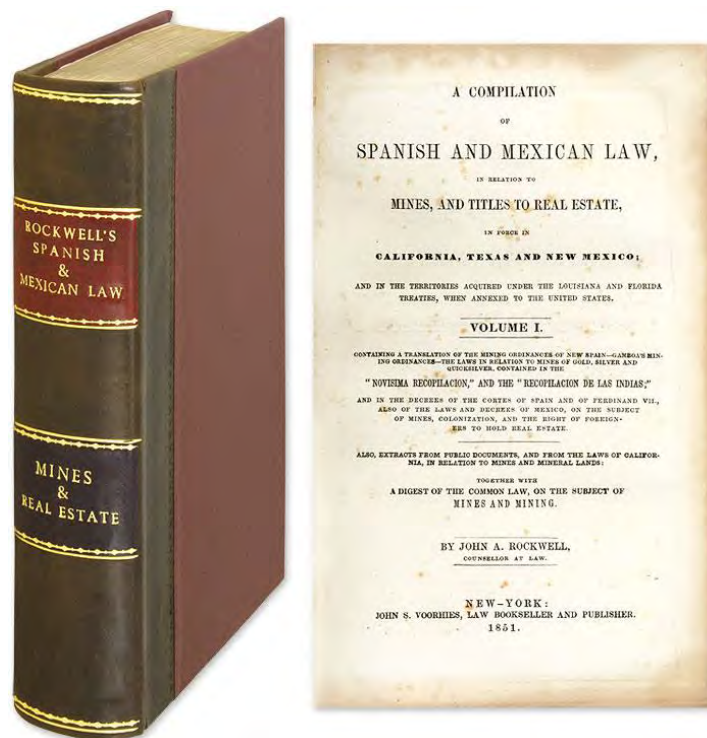
25. Ritson, J[oseph] [1752-1803].

[Frank, Joseph, Editor].

The Office of Bailiff of a Liberty. London: Printed by A. Strahan, 1811. [xv], 80 pp. Octavo (9" x 5-1/2").

Recent period-style three-quarter calf over marbled boards, gilt title to spine. Moderate toning to text, early marks in pencil to a few leaves, minor creases and light edgewear to a few other leaves, embossed owner stamps to title page and following leaf. A nice copy of a scarce title in a handsome binding. \$450.

* Only edition. Ritson, a former bailiff, was a member of Gray's Inn and the author of several practical and historical works on legal subjects. Holdsworth says his study of bailiffs of a liberty, that is a court officer who executes process, is a "learned antiquarian tract based mainly on the Year Books and mediaeval statutes, with notes of such later statutes as referred to these bailiffs." OCLC locates 12 copies in North American law libraries. Holdsworth, *History of English Law* XII:337. Not in Sweet & Maxwell. *Catalogue of the Library of the Harvard Law School* (1909) II:474. [Order This Item](#)



"Light Reading for the Gold Hunter on His Voyage Around the Horn"

26. Rockwell, John A(arnold) [1803-1861].

A Compilation of Spanish and Mexican Law, in Relation to Mines, and Titles to Real Estate, in Force in California, Texas and New Mexico; and in the Territories Acquired under the Louisiana and Florida Treaties, When Annexed to the United States. Containing a Translation of the Mining Ordinances of New Spain—Gambou's Mining Ordinances—The Laws in Relation to Mines of Gold, Silver and Quicksilver, Contained in the "Novissima Recopilacion," and the "Recopilacion de las Indias," and in the Decrees of the Cortes of Spain and of Ferdinand VII, Also of the Laws and Decrees of Mexico, on the Subject of Mines, Colonization, and the Right of Foreigners to Hold Real Estate. Also, Extracts from Public Documents, and from the Laws of California, in Relation to Mines and Mineral Lands: Together With a Digest of the Common Law, on the Subject of Mines and Mining. Volume I (all published). New York: John S. Voorhies, 1851. [iii], iv-xix, [3], [7]-663, [1] pp. Octavo (9-1/2" x 6").

Recent period-style quarter calf over cloth, red and black lettering pieces to spine, endpapers renewed. Toning, occasional light foxing, discoloration to a few leaves. Contemporary annotations to a few leaves, interior otherwise fresh. A handsomely bound copy of a scarce and important title. \$1,500.

* Only edition. Sabin remarked humorously that this was "light reading for the Gold Hunter on his voyage around the Horn." Rockwell's *Compilation* addressed the needs of miners and other individuals who needed to reconcile Mexican land titles with the new U.S. laws that went into effect in the territory acquired by the United States in the recently concluded Mexican-American War (1846-48). An impressive achievement and a notable contribution to comparative law, it discusses Mexican mining and real estate laws, and their Spanish colonial antecedents, and offers comparisons to the common law of mines and mining. Also included are treaties and other general documents, such as the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo and Mexican colonization laws from 1823 to 1846, and a vocabulary of Spanish words. Recognized as an authority at the time of its publication, it remained a standard work for decades and is even cited today. Arnold, a lawyer, judge and politician, was a U.S. Representative from Connecticut. Sabin, *A Dictionary of Books Relating to America* 72430. Cohen, *Bibliography of Early American Law* 5296. [Order This Item](#)



The Vetus Codex: Parliamentary Rolls of Edward I and II

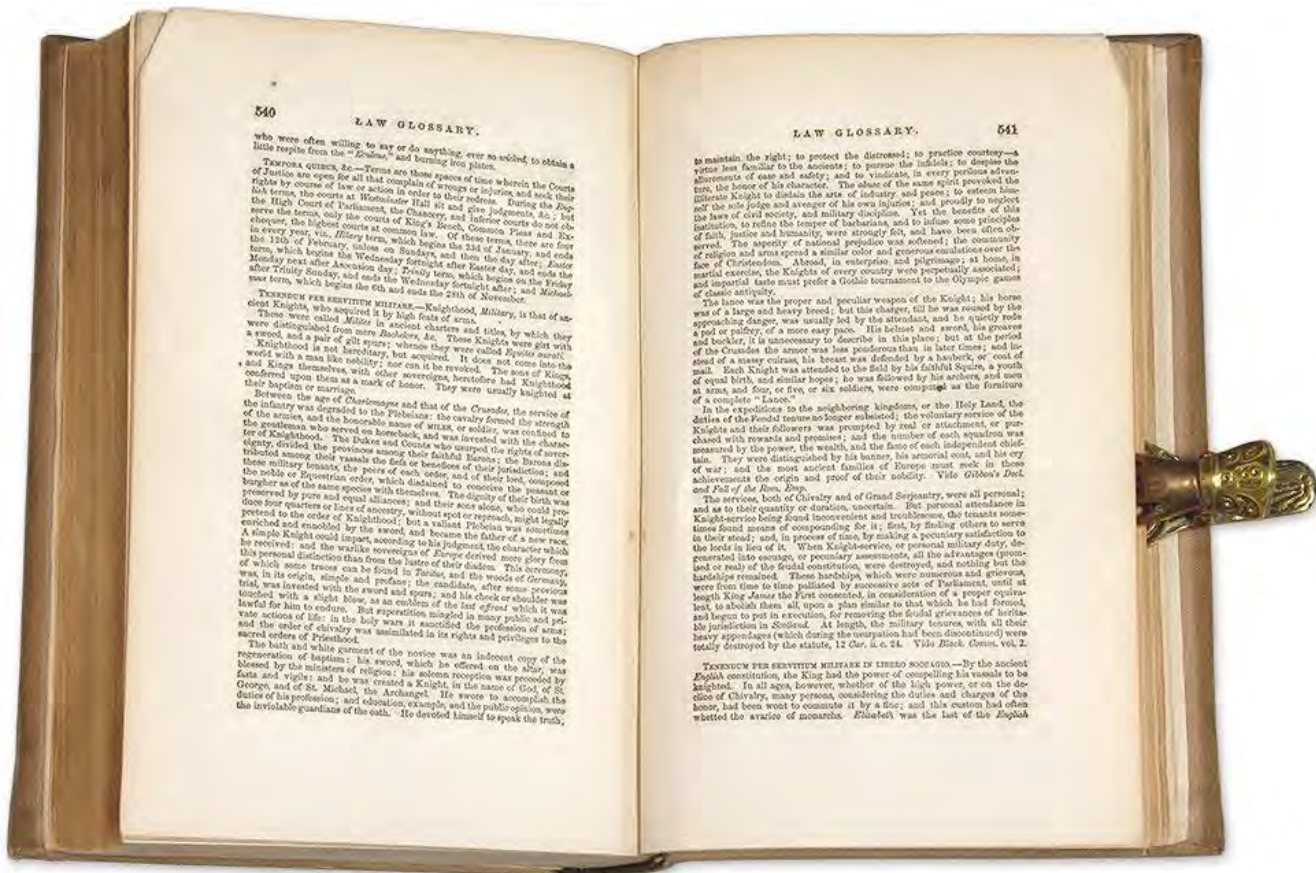
27. Ryley, William [d.1667].

Placita Parliamentaria una Cum Judiciis Forensibus, Sive Sententiis Diffinitivis Desuper Latis, Regnantibus Edwardo Primo & Edwardo Secundo Angliae Regibus. Quibus Appendix Subjicitur Annexa, Continens Collectionem Quorundam Exemplarium, Sive Transcriptorum Statutorum, Ordinationum, Provisionum, Inhibitionum, Formularum, Scriptorum Originalium, Ex re Natá, Super Variis Subjectis Emissorum, Prohibitionum & Proclamationum, Una cum Confirmatione Magnae Chartae, & Chartae de Forestá. Necnon Aliorum Etiam Recordorum, Homagium Illud Regi Angliae à Scotiá, Ab Antiquo Debitum; Hiberniaeque Legibus Angliae Subordinationem, Quae Probant; è Rotulis, Regnantibus Edwardo Primo & Edwardo Secundo Extractorum. Una cum Supplicum Quibusdam Libellis, Sive Petitionibus, Comitii Parliamentariis, Remporibus [sic] Regum Diversorum Convocatis, Praesentatis, Quibus Rescripta, Sive Responsiones Adjiciuntur. London: Impensis Hen. Twiford & Thomae Dring, 1661. [xii], 719, [1] pp. Main title page followed by another in English translation, *Pleadings in Parliament with the Judgements Thereon, In the Reigns of Edward the First and Edward the Second, Kings of England...* Folio (11-1/2" x 7-1/4").

Contemporary calf, blind rules to boards, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, later repairs to spine ends. Some scuffing to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities, a few chips to board edges, corners bumped and worn, hinges cracked, early armorial bookplate (of Sir Thomas Hanmer of Hanmer) to verso of main title page. Moderate toning, light foxing in a few places, some soiling to main title page. \$750.

* First edition. Text mostly in Latin, some sections in Law-French or English. Also known as the *Vetus Codex*, this is a selection of fourteenth-century Parliament Rolls from the reigns of Kings Edward I and II. As indicated on the title page, the entries include the statutes confirming Magna Carta and the Charta de Foresta, vital topics in the years following the Civil War. Nicholson says this book shows how "pleadings used to be managed in this Supreme Court of the Realm, in what manner judgement was given, how Petitions were brought in, and in what form Statutes and other Parliamentary Constitutions were antiently drawn." Ryley's son, also William Ryley, assisted his father in the creation of the first edition. The second and final edition, published in 1667, was issued under the son's name. Nicholson, *English Historical Library* cited in Sweet and Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 1:138. *English Short-Title Catalogue* R16482.

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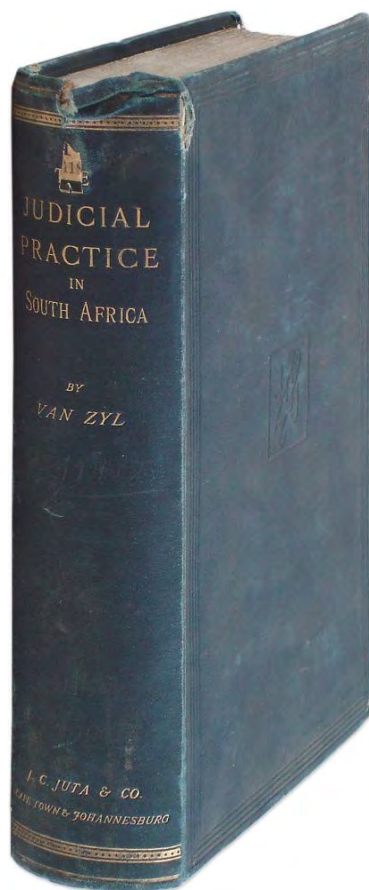
American Edition
of Taylor's *Law Glossary*

28. Tayler, Thomas [fl. 1833-1843].

The Law Glossary: Being a Selection of the Greek, Latin, Saxon, French, Norman and Italian Sentences, Phrases, And Maxims, Found in the Leading English and American Reports, And Elementary Works with Historical and Explanatory Notes. Alphabetically Arranged, And Translated into English, For the Use of the Members of the Legal Profession, Law Students, Sheriffs, Justices of the Peace, Etc. Etc. Dedicated (By Permission,) to teh Honorable John Savage, Late Chief Justice of the State of New York. Revised, Corrected and Enlarged. New York: John S. Voorhies, 1864. 580 pp. Octavo (9" x 5-3/4").

Later cloth, calf lettering piece and black-ruled fillets to spine, endpapers renewed. Some soiling, moderate rubbing to extremities, some chipping to head of spine, hinges starting. Light toning to text, slightly heavier in places, upper corners lacking from eight leaves with no loss to text, illegible early owner signature and small library stamp to title page, a few library markings to its verso, tiny early owner signatures at beginning and end of text. \$250.

* Seventh American edition. Edited for the American reader, this early glossary offers a unique historical perspective on the interpretation of American legal concepts in the early-nineteenth century. The first American edition was published in 1833, the last in 1889. [Order This Item](#)



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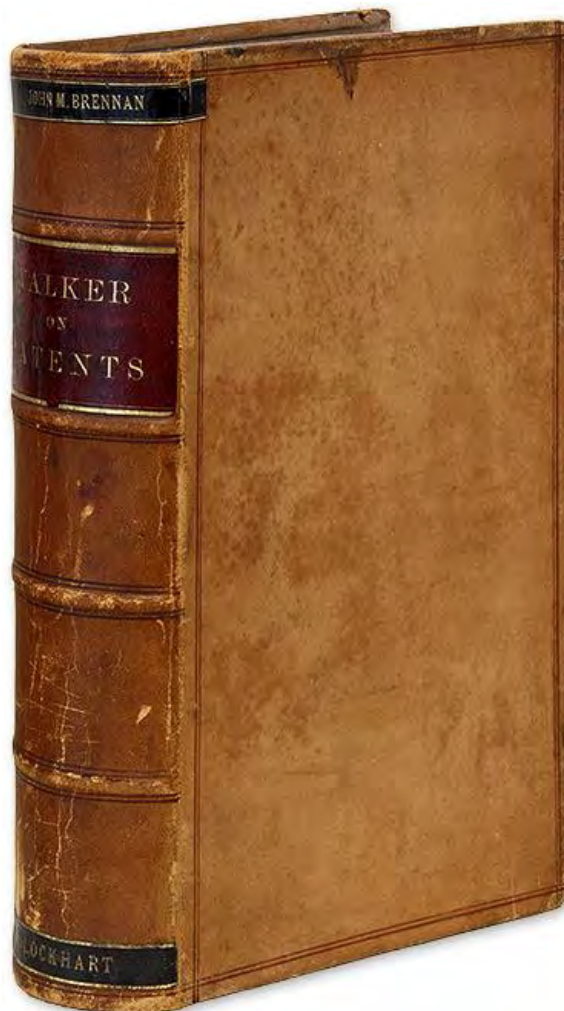
29. Van Zyl (van Zijl), C[aspar] H[endrik]. [1842-1913].

The Judicial Practice of the Colony of the Cape of Good Hope, And of South Africa Generally, With Suitable and Copious Practical Forms Subjoined to and Illustrating the Practice of the Several Subjects Treated of. Cape Town: J.C. Juta, 1893. xvi, 674 pp. Octavo (8-3/4" x 5-1/2").

Original cloth, blind frames to boards, gilt title to spine. Moderate rubbing to extremities, corners bumped, chipping to head of spine, hinges cracked but secure, internally clean. Ex-library. Location label to spine, small stamp to title page. A solid copy of a scarce title. \$150.

* First edition. This pioneering commentary on Roman-Dutch law in force in South Africa went through four editions by 1931. "This goodly volume, at once of Theory and of Practice, is... the first attempt on the part of any member of the Legal Profession in South Africa to give an account of the Theory and Practice prevailing in our South African Colonies. (...) Mr. Van Zyl is undoubtedly happy in his choice of a subject, and there can be no doubt of the opportuneness of his work. We are glad to be able to say that we think Mr. Van Zyl is no less happy in his general treatment of his subject than in his conception of the book which it seemed to him was wanted. That his treatise will fill what was clearly a want in Colonial Legal Literature we cannot doubt, nor can we doubt that it will be valuable alike to the Practitioner in Privy Council Appeals, and to the Legal Profession at the Cape.": *Law Magazine and Law Review* (Fifth Series) 19 (1893-94) 93. OCLC locates 9 copies of this edition. Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 7:47.

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**First Edition of a
Landmark American Treatise on Patents**

30. Walker, Albert H. [1844-1915].

Text-Book of the Patent Laws of the United States of America. New York: L.K. Strouse & Co., 1883. lvii, 724 pp. Octavo (9" x 5-3/4").

Contemporary calf, blind rules to boards, raised bands, lettering piece and two early calf owner labels to spine. A few minor nicks to boards, some rubbing to extremities, a few light scuffs to spine, corners bumped and moderately worn, hinges cracked, light toning to text. \$750.

* First edition. Much modified over the decades, this landmark treatise remains in print today as *Moy's Walker on Patents* (2010 and later supplements). *Catalogue of the Library of the Harvard Law School* (1909) II:857. [Order This Item](#)