

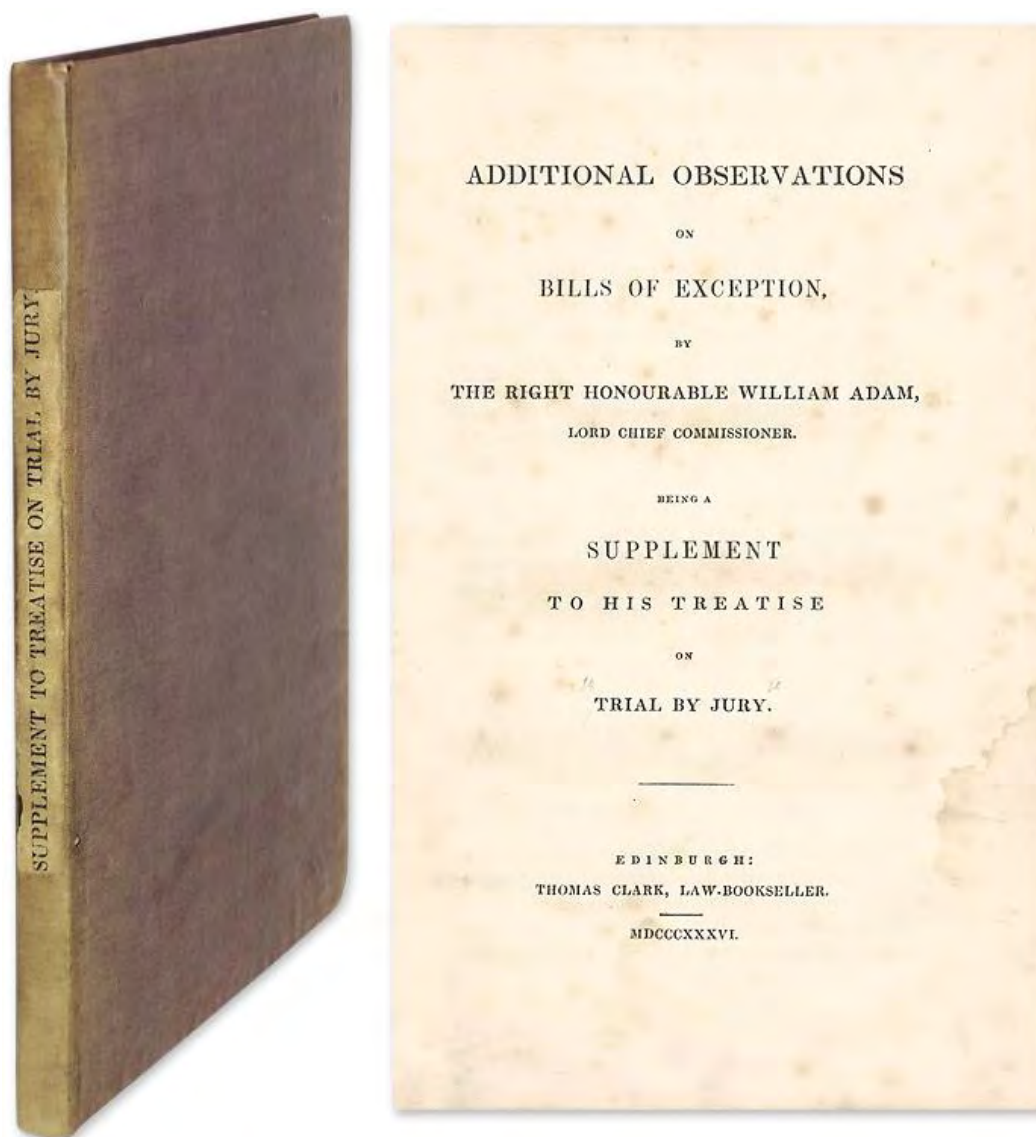
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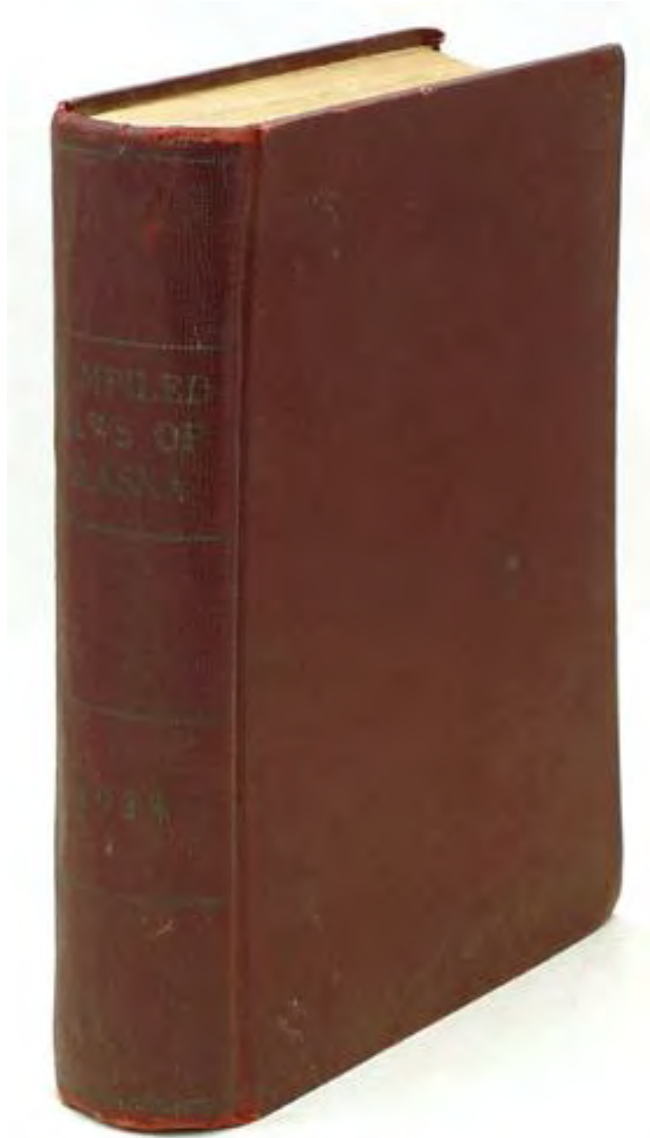
Rare Essay on Bills of Exception from the Library of Woburn Abbey

1. Adam, William [1751-1839].

Additional Observations on Bills of Exception, Being a Supplement to His Treatise on Trial by Jury. Edinburgh: Thomas Clark, Law-Bookseller, 1836. 41 pp. Octavo (8-1/2" x 5-1/2").

Contemporary cloth, printed paper title label to spine. Some rubbing to extremities, corners bumped, front joint just starting at head, light fading to spine and parts of boards. Armorial bookplate of Woburn Abbey (dated 1873) to front pastedown, "Bedford" in bold hand to front free endpaper, one leaf partially detached but secure. Faint dampstaining to foot of text block, light foxing, internally clean. \$250.

* Only edition. This is a supplement to Adam's *Practical Treatise and Observations on Trial by Jury in Civil Causes* (1836). Adam produced this "supplement" to answer the objections of the dean of faculty of the University of Edinburgh to his doctrine on bills of exception and elaborate his argument. The signature "Bedford" is probably that of William Russell [1809-1872], Eighth Duke of Bedford and the owner of Woburn Abbey, or his son, Francis Charles Hastings Russell [1819-1891], Ninth Duke. Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 5:4. [Order This Item](#)



Laws of Alaska Territory, 1933

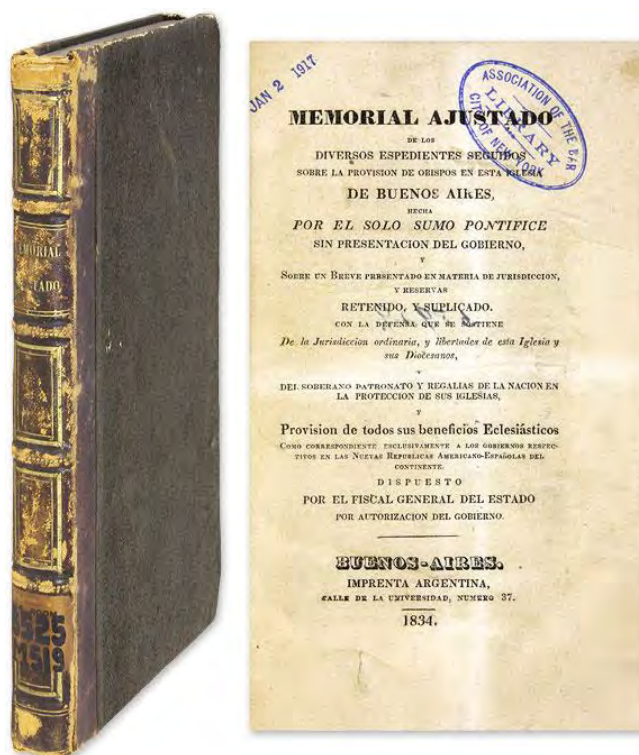
2. [Alaska].

Roden, Henry, Jas. S. Truitt and Frank A. Boyle, Law Revision Board.

Compiled Laws of Alaska 1933: Containing the General Laws of the Territory of Alaska Annotated With Decisions of the Courts of the Territory of Alaska and the United States. Published by Authority of Chapter 126, Session Laws of Alaska 1933. Juneau: Daily Alaska Empire Publishers, 1933. 1224 pp.

Original textured cloth. Moderate shelfwear, corners bumped, gilt titles worn from spine, a few faint stains, small puncture through center of front board, front hinge just starting. A few vertical creases through title page, faint dampstaining to heads of final few leaves. Small institution inkstamp to title page, internally clean. \$150.

* This book is divided into seven titles. Title One contains texts of the U.S. Declaration of Independence and Constitution, the Russian Treaty of Cession and other relevant federal treaties and enactments. The other titles contain the civil code, the code of criminal procedure, the probate code, the criminal code, the code of criminal procedure and the organization of justices' courts. [Order This Item](#)



The Readjustment of Church-State Relations in Post-Colonial Argentina

3. [Argentina].

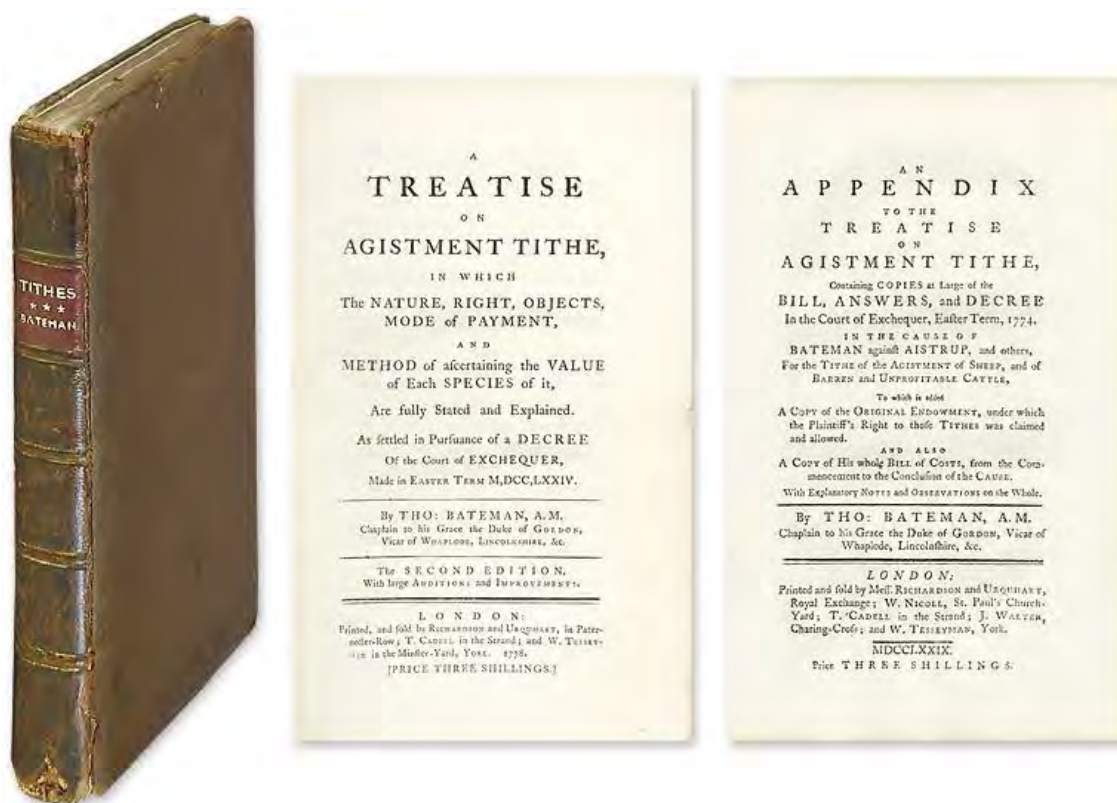
Tribunal Fiscal de la Nacion.

[Agrelo, Pedro Jose (1776-1846), Author].

Memorial Ajustado de los Diversos Aspedientes Seguidos Sobre la Provision de Obispos en Esta Iglesia de Buenos Aires, Hecha por el Solo Sumo Pontifice sin Presentacion del Gobierno, Y Sobre un Breve Presentado en Materia de Jurisdiccion, Y Reservas Retenido y Suplicado. Con la Defensa que se Sostiene de la Jurisdiccion Ordinaria, Y Libertades de Esta Iglesia y sus Diocesanos, y del Soberano Patronato y Regalias de la Nacion en la Proteccion de sus Iglesias, Y Provision de Todos sus Beneficios Eclesiasticos Como Correspondiente Exclusivamente a los Gobiernos Respectivos de las Nuevas Republicas Americano-Espanolas del Continente. Dispuesto por el Fiscal General del Estado, Por Autorizacion del Gobierno. Buenos Aires: Imprenta Argentina, 1834. 246 pp. Octavo (8-1/4" x 5-1/2").

Later quarter calf over pebbled paper boards, raised bands, gilt title and gilt ornaments to spine, marbled endpapers. Moderate rubbing to extremities, some chipping to spine ends, corners bumped and somewhat worn, front joint starting, hinges cracked, front free endpaper carefully reattached with archival tape. Light toning to text, some soiling to title page. Ex-library. Shelf label to foot of spine, annotation to verso of front free endpaper, small inkstamps and shelf numbers to title page. A solid copy. \$950.

* Only edition. The dominant religious presence in Argentina, the Catholic Church was also its most important provider of social services and a powerful force in the national culture. Following independence from Spain in 1810, there were sharp disagreements within the national ruling elite over the proper degree of Church influence in the country. At the same time the Papacy, unwilling to offend Spain, condemned the revolutions sweeping South America at the time, which created additional tensions within Argentina. The *Memorial Ajustado* was written by Agrelo, the primary author of the 1813 *Proyecto de Constitucion Argentina*. It intended to clarify sections in the constitution concerning church-state relations. It called for state financial support for the Church, but allowed religious freedom. Other articles, all controversial, included compulsory secular education, support of civil marriage and the governmental appointment of religious authorities. Most of its articles were incorporated into Argentina's first constitution, which was adopted in 1853. OCLC locates 4 copies in North America (Indiana University, Notre Dame, Stanford, Yale), none in law libraries. Not in Borchard. [Order This Item](#)



Two English Works on Agistment Tithes

4. Bateman, Tho[mas].

A Treatise on Agistment Tithe, In Which the Nature, Right, Objects, Mode of Payment, and Method of Ascertaining the Value of Each Species of It, Are Fully Stated and Explained. As Settled in Pursuance of a Decree of the Court of Exchequer, Made in Easter Term M,DCC,LXXIV. London: Printed, and Sold, by Richardson and Urquhart, 1778. xxiii, [1], 102, [1] pp.

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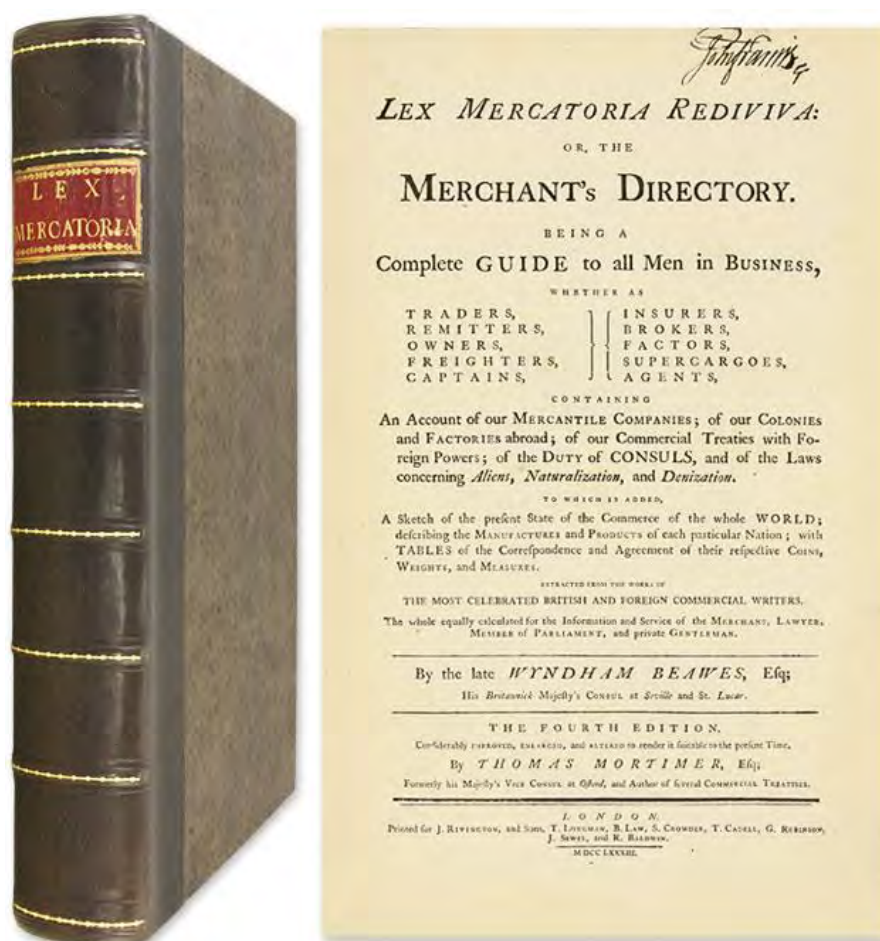
Bateman, Thomas.

An Appendix to the Treatise on Agistment Tithe, Containing Copies at Large of the Bill, Answers, and Decree In the Court of Exchequer, Easter term, 1774, In the Cause of Bateman Against Aistrup, and Others, For the Tithe of the Agistment of Sheep, and of Barren and Unprofitable Cattle. To Which is Added a Copy of the Original Endowment, Under Which the Plaintiff's Right to Those Tithes Was Claimed and Allowed. And Also a Copy of His Whole Bill of Costs, From the Commencement to the Conclusion of the Cause. With Explanatory Notes and Observations on the Whole. London: Printed and Sold by Richardson and Urquhart, 1779. xv, [1], 133, [2] pp.

Octavo (8-1/4" x 5"). Contemporary sheep, later lettering piece, gilt-edged raised bands. Wear to corners, joints cracked but secure, some chipping to spine ends, shallow diagonal slash and minor scuff to rear board. Hinges repaired, offsetting to margins of endleaves. Early annotation to front free endpaper, interior notably fresh. \$300.

* *Treatise*: second edition, one of two issues from 1778, "With Large Additions and Improvements"; *Appendix*: only edition. The *Treatise* deals with agistment tithe, a church-levied charge on grazing land. The *Appendix* is a collection of source records, including records relating to a suit involving the author. According to *Black's Law Dictionary* (Seventh Edition), the tithe was paid by the occupier of the land rather than the person whose cattle grazed on the land (1493). Bateman was chaplain to the Duke of Gordon and Vicar of Whaplode in Lincolnshire. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T27889, T14299.

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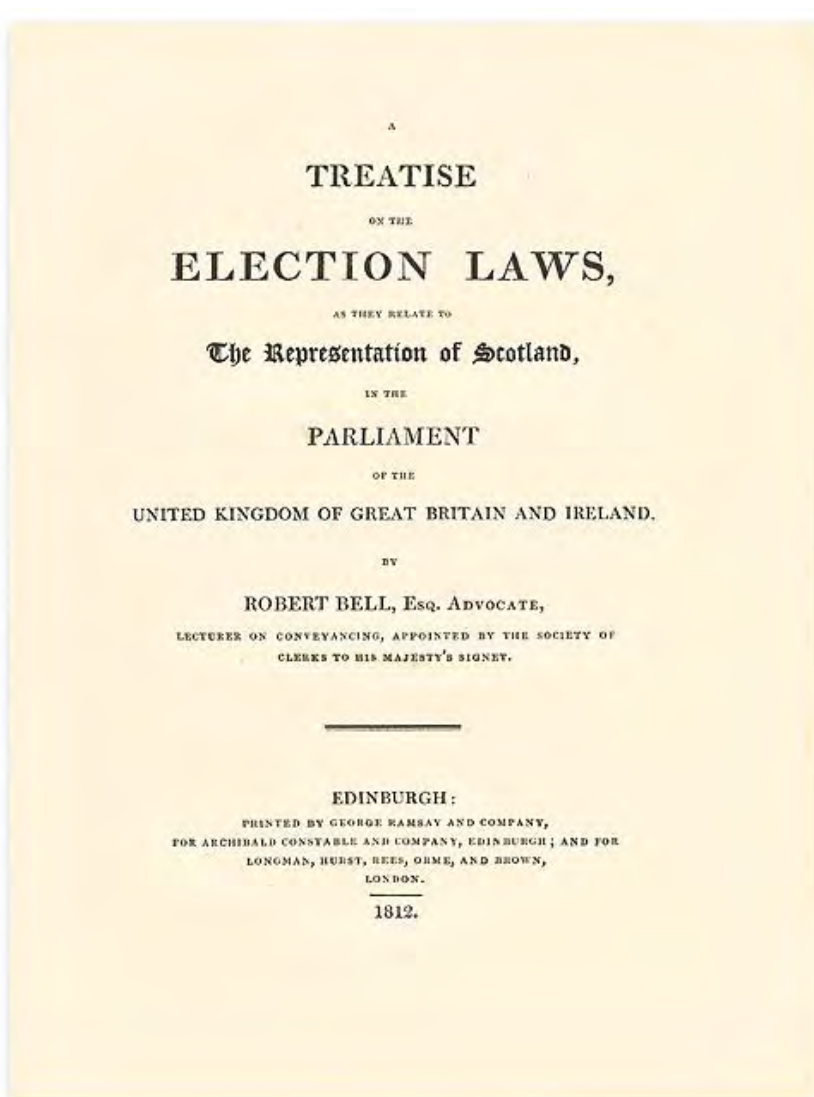
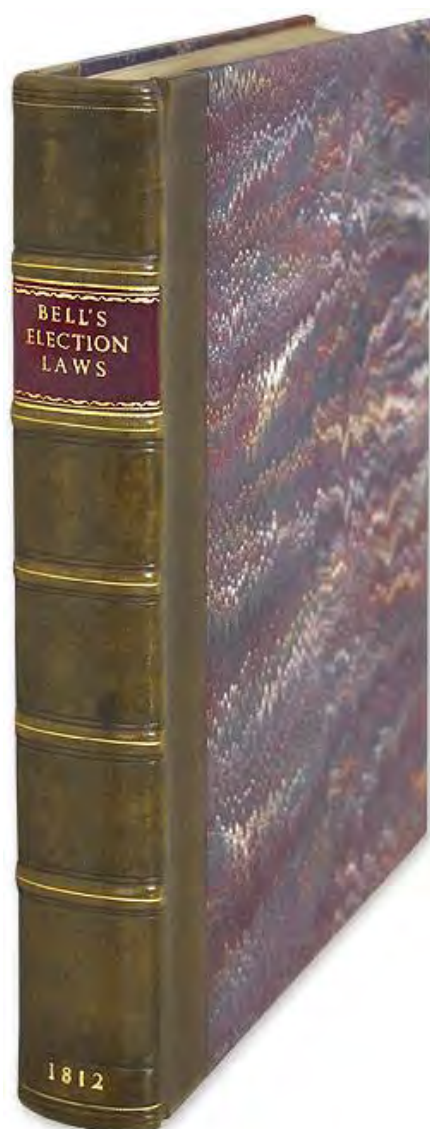
"An Authority in Mercantile Customs": Kent

**5. Beawes, Wyndham [fl. 1775].
Mortimer, Thomas, Editor.**

Lex Mercatoria Rediviva: Or, The Merchant's Directory. Being a Complete Guide to All Men in Business; Whether as Traders, Remitters, Owners, Freighters, Captains, Insurers, Brokers, Factors, Supercargoes, Agents. Containing an Account of Our Mercantile Companies; Of Our Colonies and Factories Abroad; Of Our Commercial Treaties with Foreign Powers; Of the Duty of Consuls, And of the Laws Concerning Aliens, Naturalization, and Denization. To Which Is Added, a Sketch of the Present State of the Commerce of the Whole World; Describing the Manufactures and Products of Each Particular Nation; With Tables of the Correspondence and Agreement of Their Respective Coins, Weights, and Measures. Extracted from the Works of the Most Celebrated British and Foreign Commercial Writers. The Whole Equally Calculated for the Information and Service of the Merchant, Lawyer, Member of Parliament and Private Gentleman. Considerably Enlarged and Improved. London: Printed for J. Rivington, and Sons, [et. al.], 1783. vi, [6], 944 [16] pp. Fold-out table. Folio (15-1/2" x 9-1/2").

Recent period-style quarter calf over cloth, raised bands and contemporary lettering piece to spine, endpapers renewed. Clean tear to license leaf, toning, occasional light foxing. Early owner signature to head of title page, brief annotations to a few leaves, interior otherwise clean. A handsome copy. \$500.

* Reissue of the fourth edition. Beawes was a merchant and his book was intended to be "a guide to all men in business." Nonetheless the *Lex Mercatoria* was often cited in court, and its authority formed the basis of several decisions. It was especially influential in the United States, where, according to Kent, it was "an authority in mercantile customs." Kent, *Commentaries on American Law* III:126. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T136426. [Order This Item](#)



Scarce Scottish Treatise on Election Law

6. Bell, Robert [d. 1816].

A Treatise on the Election Laws, As They Relate to the Representation of Scotland, In the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland. Edinburgh: Printed by George Ramsey and Company, 1812. xi, 523, cxi pp. Quarto (10-1/2" x 8-1/2").

Recent period-style quarter calf over marbled boards, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, endpapers renewed. Toning to text, internally clean. A handsome copy. \$350.

* Only edition. With side-notes. This treatise is notable because it reflects contemporary debates about the extension of suffrage. An important figure in the history of Scots law, Bell was an advocate and professor of conveyancing to the Society of Writers to the Signet. He is known today as the author of *The Dictionary of the Law of Scotland* (1807) and several other treatises on Scots law, especially leases and conveyancing. OCLC locates 4 copies, 3 in North America (at Thomas Fisher Rare Book Library, Ontario, Cornell University and Georgetown University Law Library), COPAC locates 3. Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 5:11. [Order This Item](#)



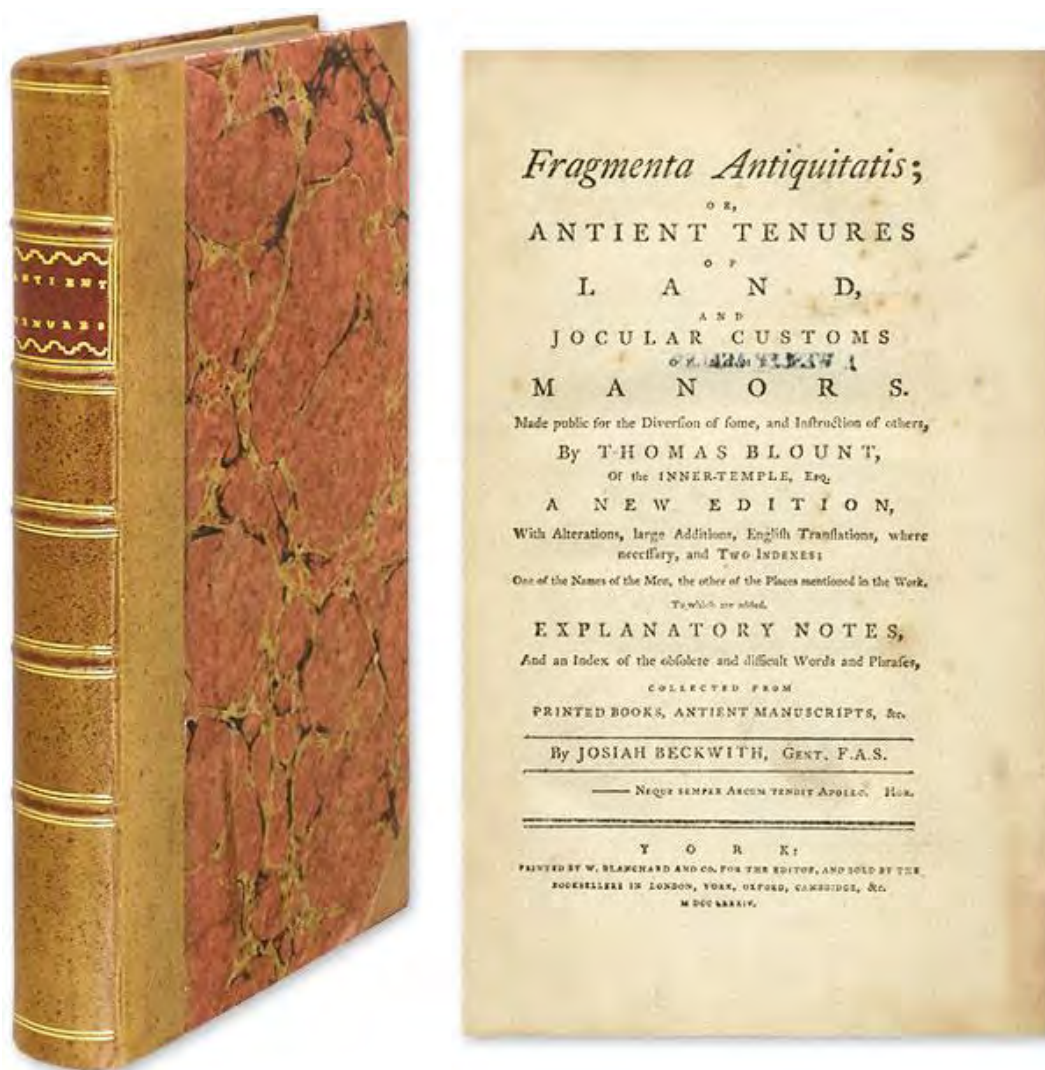
One of Two Early
Works on the Scottish Gild Merchant

7. B[lack], W[illiam].

The Privileges of the Royal Burrows as Contained in Their Particular Rights, And the Ancient Laws and Records of Parliament, And Their General Conventions; Wherein is Considered the Privileges of Merchants, Privileges of Burghs, The Privileges of the Guld, The Privileges of the Four Burghs in Assisting the Chamberlan Air in Falsing Doms, The First Constitution of the Convention, The Laws by Which They Enjoy Their Privileges, The Acts of Their Own Convention Which Confirm Their Privileges Granted by Their Kings and Parliament, The Jurisdiction and How Far It is the Interest of the Royal Burrows Now to Observe and Maintain Their Privileges, By Making Such Regulations as May Tend to the Advantage of Their Trading Society. With an Appendix Containing the Privileges and Jurisdictions of the Cities of Edinburgh and Aberdeen. Edinburgh: Printed by the Heirs and Successors of Andrew Anderson, 1707. [viii], 172, [43] pp. Octavo (6-1/2" x 4").

Recent period-style calf, blind double rules to boards, raised bands to spine. Toning to text, light foxing in places. Early owner annotations to front free endpaper and final text leaf, early owner signature near head of title page. A handsomely bound copy of a scarce title. \$450.

* Only edition. One of two early works on the Scottish gild merchant and its royal burghs, which was much more powerful than its English counterparts and quite influential into the twentieth century. This book has a great deal of information about gild courts and the regulation of international commerce. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T56668. [Order This Item](#)



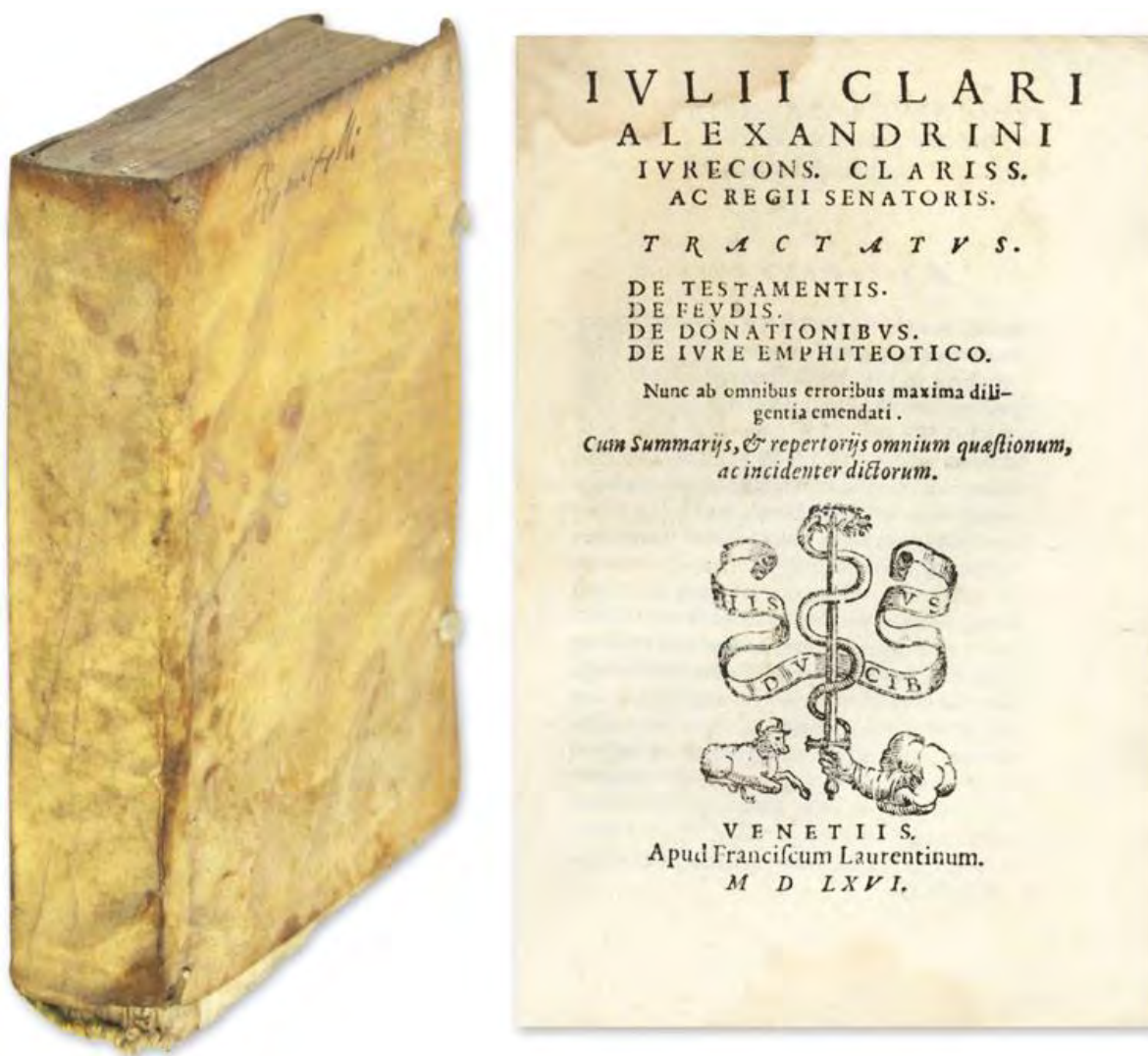
"Meant Both to Amuse and Instruct"

8. Blount, Thomas [1618-1679].

Fragmenta Antiquitatis; or Ancient Tenures of Land, and Jocular Customs of Some Manors. Made Public for the Diversion of Some, and the Instruction of Others, ...With Alterations, Large Additions, English Translations, Where Necessary, and Two Indexes; One of the Names of Men, The Other of Places Mentioned in the Work. To Which are Added, Explanatory Notes, And an Index of the Obsolete and Difficult Words and Phrases, Collected from Printed Books, Ancient Manuscripts, &c. By Josiah Beckwith. York: Printed by W. Blanchard and Co. For the Editor, 1784. xix, [1 errata], 363 pp. Octavo (8" x 5").

Recent period-style speckled calf over marbled boards, gilt-edged raised bands to spine. Later owner inkstamp to bottom edge of text block, verso of title page and a few additional leaves. A very attractive binding. \$200.

* Second and final edition of a work first published in 1679. Blount's final work, it provides "under the heads of various places in which the land was situate, various curious tenures, and customs of manors, which he had come across in his study of records. It was meant both to amuse and instruct; and it does instruct, because it is a painstaking piece of work, taken from the original authorities, which preserved the memory of many old customs which were rapidly decaying when the book was written" (Holdsworth). An "Index of the Obsolete and Difficult Words and Phrases" is found in this work on pages 358 to 363. Holdsworth, *A History of English Law* VI:611. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T144119. [Order This Item](#)



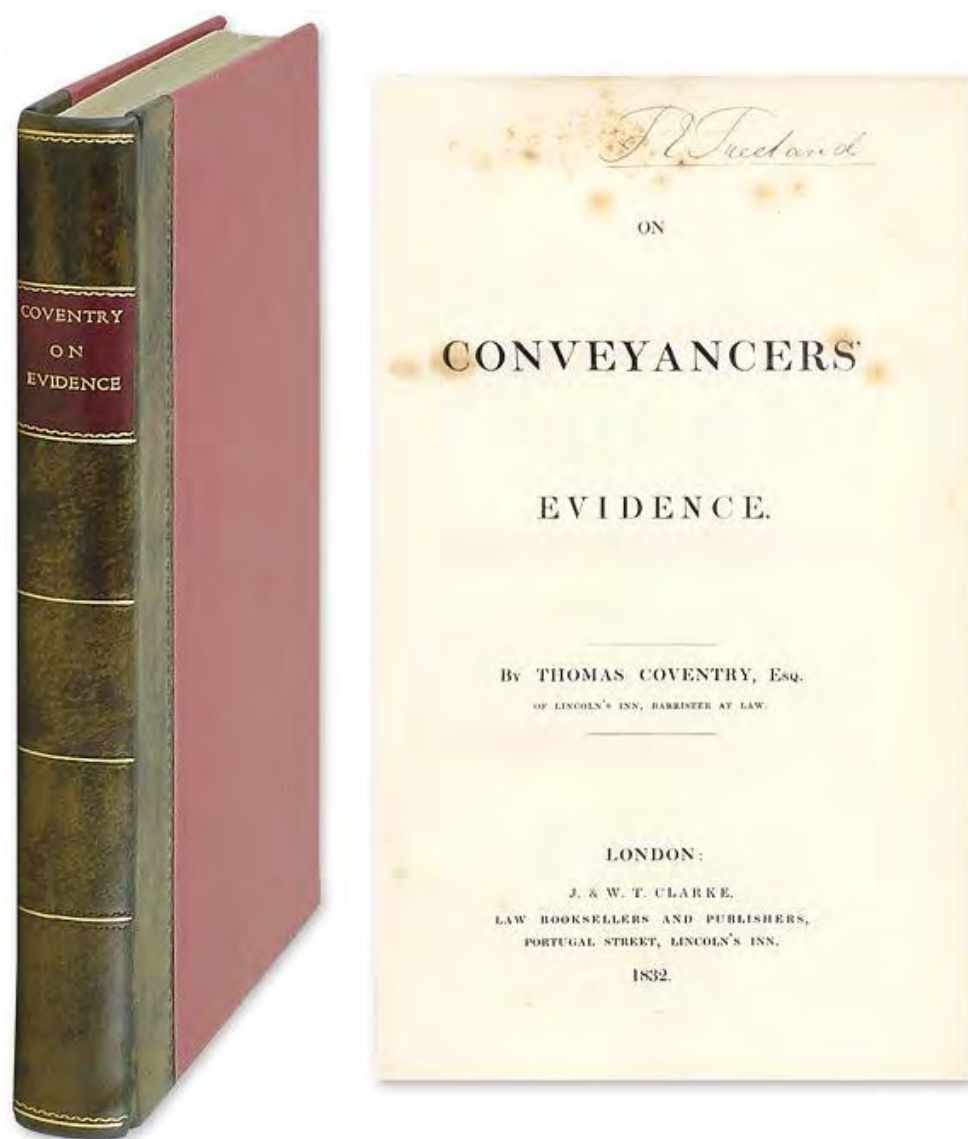
Popular Sixteenth-Century Study of Topics in Roman Law

9. Claro, Giulio [1525-1575].

Tractatus de Testamentis, De Feudis, De Donationibus, De Iure Emphyteotico: Nunc ab Omnibus Erroribus Maxima Diligentia Emendati: Cum Summariis, & Repertorijs Omnium Quaestionum, Ac Incidenter Dictorum. Venice: Apud Franciscum Laurentinum, 1566. 8, [32], 243 ff. Octavo (6" x 4").

Contemporary limp vellum with lapped edges, faint early hand-lettered title to spine, later signature (Romatelli) to front cover, ties lacking. Light soiling, rubbing to extremities, insect damage to rear cover, front joint cracked, pastedowns loose. Large woodcut printer device to title page, woodcut decorated initials. Occasional early annotations and underlining. Toning, dampstaining in a few places, interior otherwise clean. \$500.

* Second edition. With indexes. First published in 1565, this popular work on wills, gifts, feudal writs, usury and other topics in Roman criminal and civil law went through numerous editions throughout Europe well into the eighteenth century. These four tracts were books 3-4 of the author's unfinished *Sententiae Receptae*. Claro was a Milanese jurist. OCLC locates one copy of this edition in North America (at the Library of Congress). Another copy located at Harvard Law School. This edition not in Adams. *Censimento Nazionale delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* CNCE 12641. [Order This Item](#)



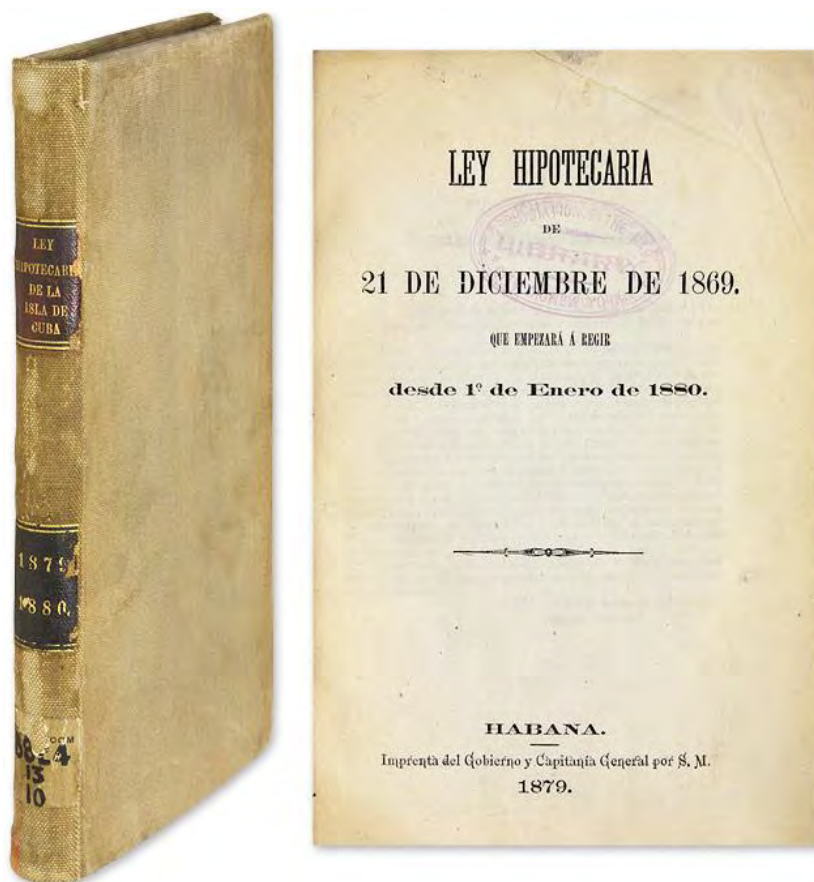
Evidence in Conveyancing

10. Coventry, Thomas [1797?-1869].

On Conveyancers' Evidence. London: J. & W.T. Clarke, 1832. viii, 328, xxii, [8] pp. Octavo (9-1/2" x 6").

Recent period-style quarter calf over cloth, lettering piece, gilt fillets to spine, endpapers renewed. Early owner signature to title page, occasional light foxing, interior otherwise fresh. \$375.

* Only edition. "The object of [this] treatise is to embody the practice of conveyancers relating to evidence. It is in many cases difficult to define that practice accurately; and a poll of the profession would probably yield a chequered result. In such cases an opinion only can be hazarded; and on points which appear more settled, it is possible for an individual to be mistaken in the usages of a widely diffused and unassociated Body.... [T]he present writer... presumes to offer a record of his limited experience, in the hope that his unassuming tract will at least afford a rallying point for the accumulation of knowledge on a very important topic to the conveyancer." Preface, iii. Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 2:81. [Order This Item](#)



Three Nineteenth-Century Cuban Titles Dealing With Mortgages

11. [Cuba].

Ley Hipotecaria de 21 de Diciembre de 1869. Que Empezara a Regir Desde 10. de Enero de 1880. Havana: Imprenta del Gobierno y Capitanía General por S.M., 1879. 102 pp. Folding table.

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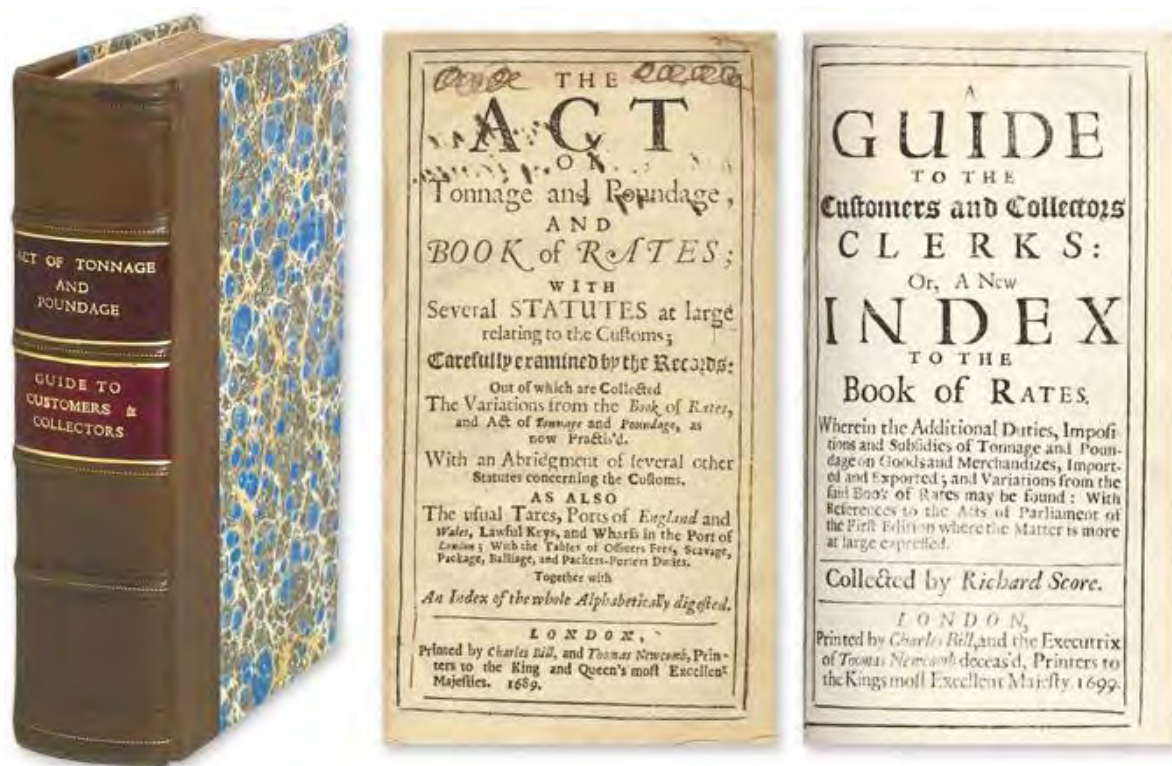
Reglamento General para la Ejecucion de la Ley Hipotecaria de la Isla de Cuba. Havana: Imprenta del Gobierno y Capitanía General por S.M., 1880. 151 pp.

[And]

Instruccion General Sobre la Manera de Redactar los Documentos Publicos Sujetos a Registro en las Islas de Cuba y Puerto-Rico. Havana: S.n., [1879]. xxxi pp.

Octavo (8" x 5-1/2"). Later buckram, red and black lettering pieces to spine, endpapers renewed, hinges reinforced with cloth. Some soiling and shelfwear, front joint just starting at head, a few small chips to edges of lettering pieces. Moderate toning, a bit heavier in places, occasional faint dampstaining to margins, a few minor tears to chart in *Ley Hipotecaria*, internally clean. Ex-library. Location label to spine, small inkstamps and annotations to title page. An appealing volume containing three very scarce titles. \$450.

* *Ley Hipotecaria*, only Cuban edition; *Reglamento General*, second and final edition of a work first published in 1879; *Instruccion General*, only edition. This volume collects three titles dealing with mortgages. These were published for lawyers and municipal officials. The folding table in *Ley Hipotecaria* is a list of real estate documents and the fees for preparing them. All three titles are very scarce. *Ley Hipotecaria* (Cuban edition): OCLC locates 4 copies, 2 in law libraries; *Reglamento General*: OCLC locates 2 copies, in a law library (Ohio State); *Instruccion General*: OCLC locates 2 copies, 1 in a law library (Harvard). [Order This Item](#)



Two Scarce Seventeenth-Century Titles on English Customs Law

12. [England and Wales]. [Customs Administration].

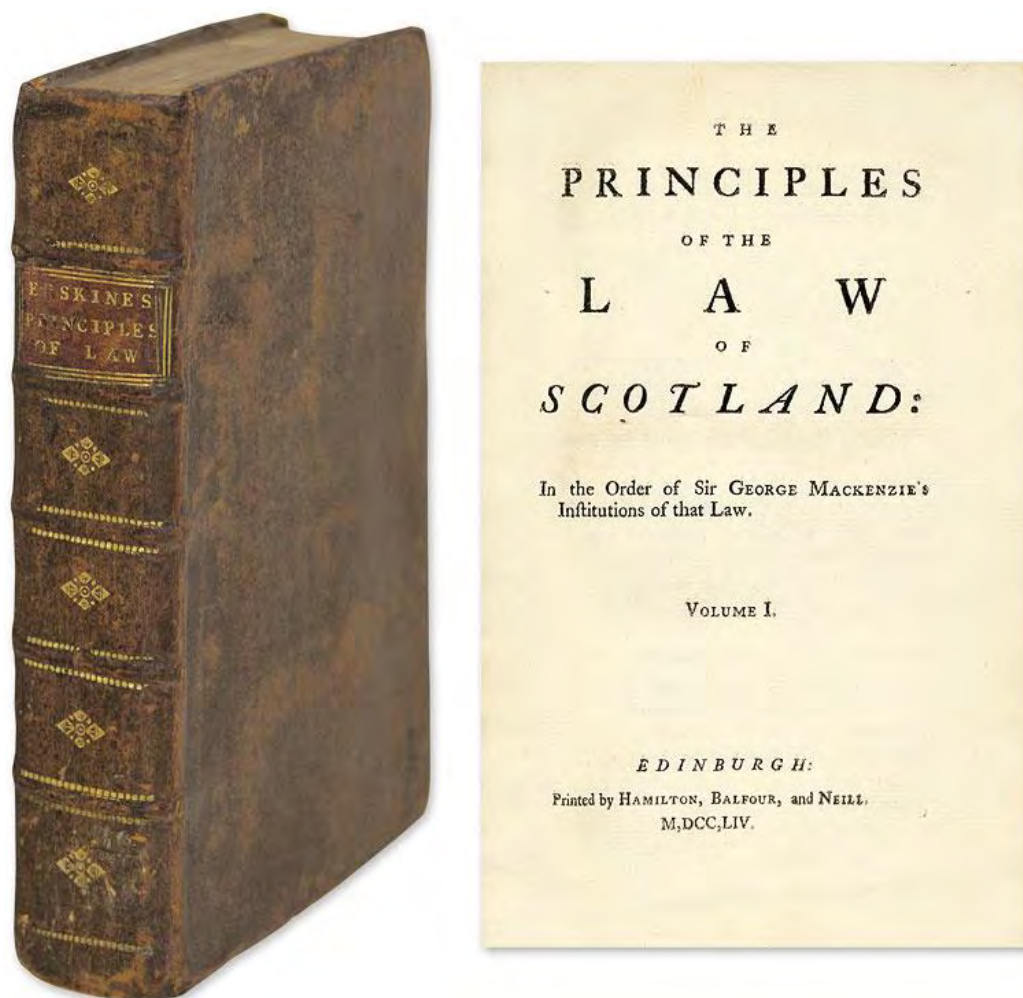
The Act of Tonnage and Poundage, And Book of Rates; With Several Statutes at Large Relating to the Customs; Carefully Examined by the Records: Out of Which Are Collected the Variations from the Book of Rates, And Act of Tonnage and Poundage, As Now Practis'd. With an Abridgment of Several Other Statutes Concerning the Customs. As Also the Usual Tares, Ports of England and Wales, Lawful Keys, And Wharfs in the Port of London; With the Tables of Officers Fees, Scavage, Package, Balliage, and Packers-Porters Duties. Together With an Index of the Whole Alphabetically Digested. London: Printed by Charles Bill, And Thomas Newcomb, 1689. [xxii], 23-368 pp.

[Bound with]

Score, Richard, Compiler. *A Guide to the Customers and Collectors Clerks: Or, A New Index to the Book of Rates. Wherein the Additional Duties, Impositions and Subsidies of Tonnage and Poundage on Goods and Merchandizes, Imported and Exported; And Variations From the Said Book of Rates May be Found: With References to the Acts of Parliament of the First Edition Where the Matter is More at Large Expressed.* London: Printed by Charles Bill, 1699. [x], 232 pp.

12mo. (6" x 3-1/2"). Recent period-style quarter calf over cloth, front endpapers renewed. Light soiling and minor edgewear to title page, faint dampstaining to some leaves. Early struck-through owner signature to title page, early annotations to rear endleaves. An appealing volume of two scarce titles. \$450.

* Updated edition, *Tonnage*; first edition, *Guide*. With indexes. These uncommon titles offer an excellent perspective on the practical application of customs regulation by clerks, collectors and other dockside officials. Like many books of this kind, they are valuable sources of detailed information that is difficult to find elsewhere. The first edition of *Tonnage* was published in 1660. It went through several editions, the last appearing in 1737. It incorporates the various Acts of James II granting him the taxes on imports of wines, tobacco and linen and silk. *Guide* was reprinted twice with additional material in 1706 and 1707. OCLC locates 8 copies of the 1689 edition of *Tonnage*, 5 of the first edition of *Guide*. *English Short-Title Catalogue* R224212, R183280. [Order This Item](#)



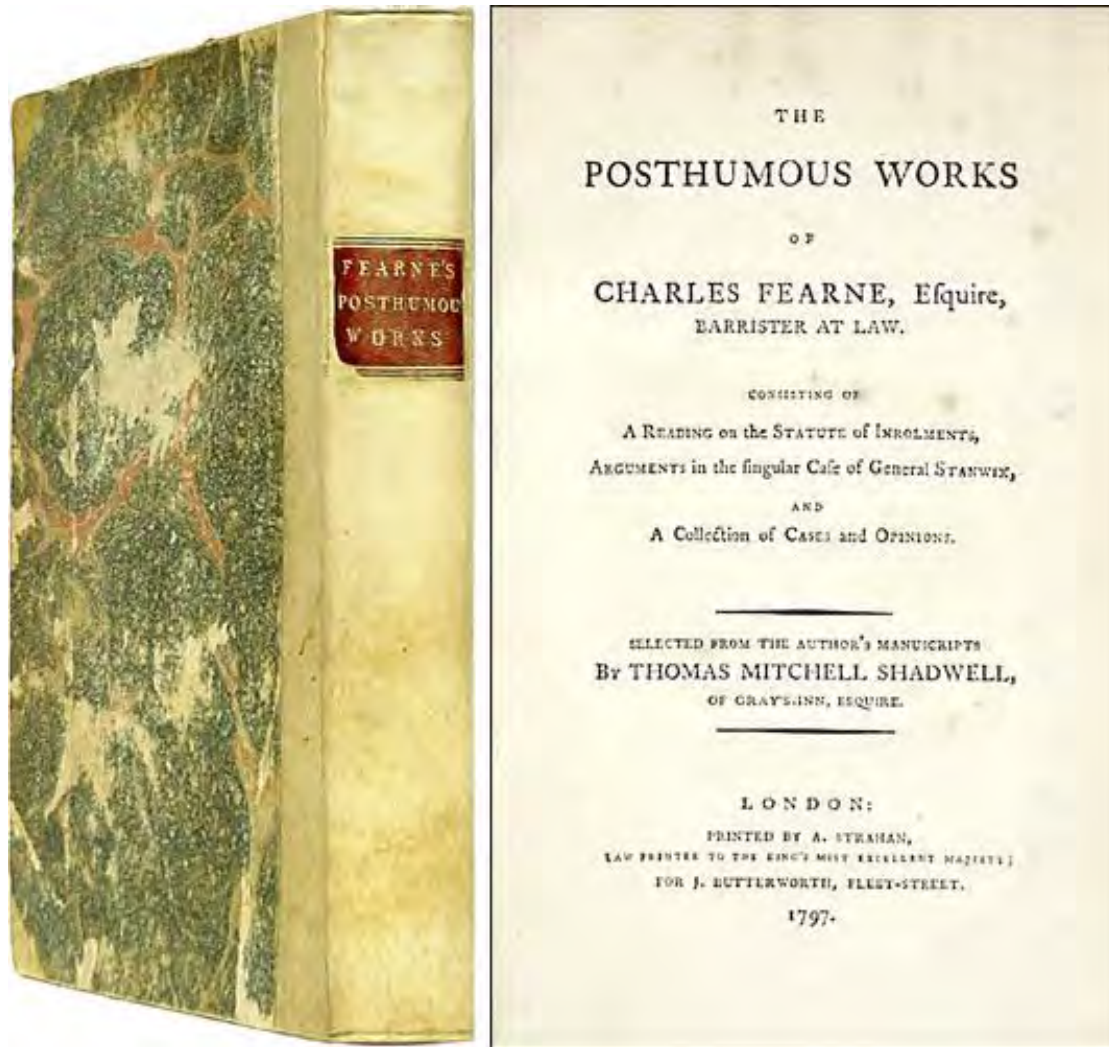
A Scottish Work "Of Very Great Importance"

13. [Erskine, John (1695-1768)].

The Principles of the Laws of Scotland: In That Order of Sir George Mackenzie's Institutions of That Law. Edinburgh: Printed by Hamilton, Balfour, and Neill, 1754. Two volumes in one book with continuous pagination and individual title pages. [viii], 261, [1]; [2], [265]-509, [29] pp. Octavo (7-1/2" x 5").

Contemporary calf, raised bands, gilt ornaments and lettering piece to spine, edges rouged. Some rubbing to boards and extremities, corners bumped and lightly worn, hinges cracked but secure, rear free endpaper lacking, tear to leaf Z1 in second volume carefully repaired. Early armorial bookplate (of Hugh McLean of Ardgour) to front pastedown. Offsetting to endleaves, light toning to text, internally clean. \$750.

* First edition. The *Dictionary of National Biography* says this is a work "of very great importance. (...) [It] was first published in 1754 as a manual for the use of his class, for whom he had hitherto prescribed Sir George Mackenzie's work. It became at once popular. New editions were published under the author's supervision in 1757 and 1764, and after his death it was edited in succession by Gillon, Professor Schank More, Mr. Guthrie Smith, and Mr. William Guthrie. The seventeenth edition was published in 1886 by Professor Macpherson, by whom 'the book has been restored to its original position as the Scots law manual in the metropolitan university'." OCLC locates 9 copies. Not in COPAC. *Dictionary of National Biography* VI:849. Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 5:40. [Order This Item](#)



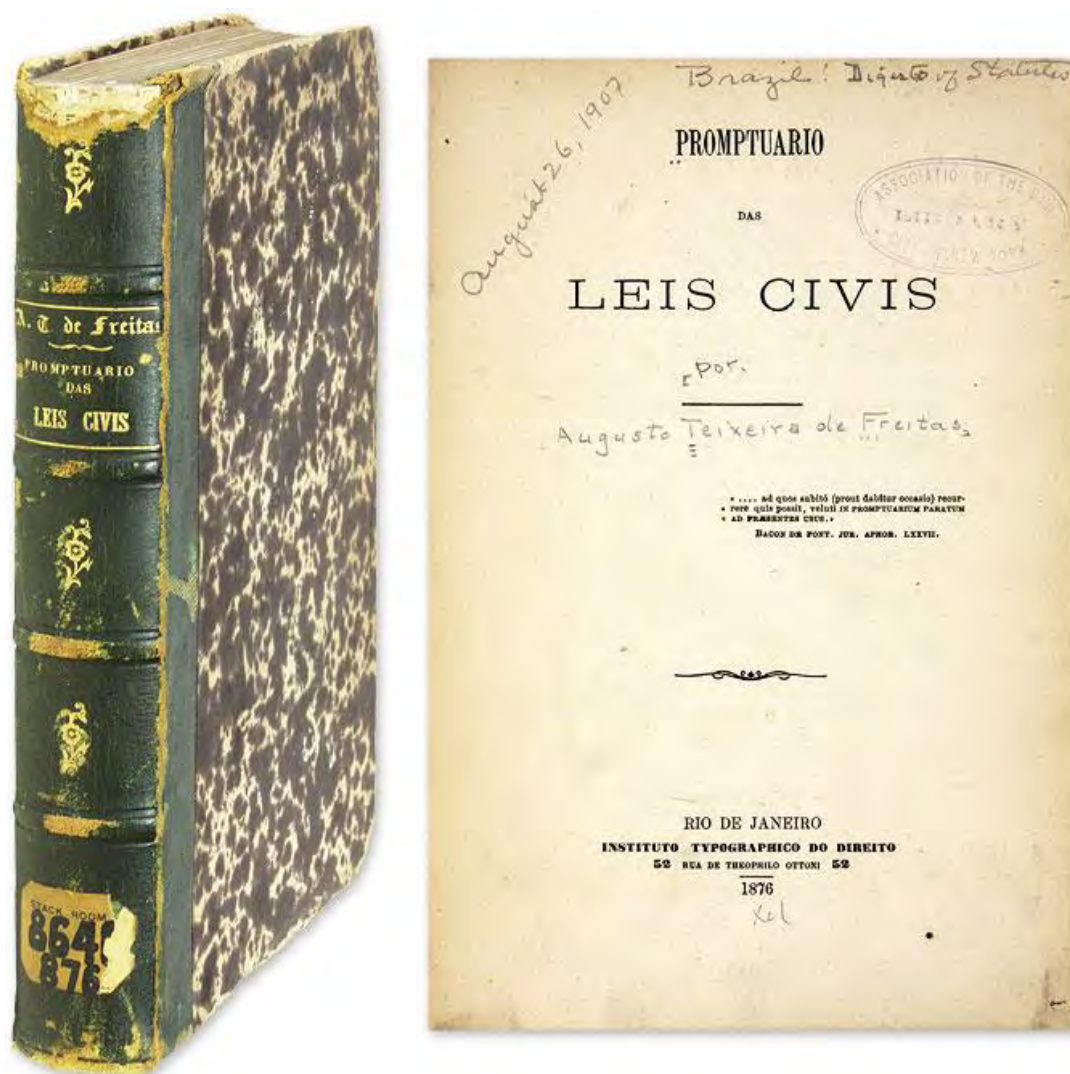
With Commentary on an Interesting Inheritance Case

14. Fearne, Charles [1742-1794].
[Shadwell, Thomas Mitchell, Editor].

The Posthumous Works, Consisting of a Reading On the Statute of Inrollments, Arguments in the Singular Case of General Stanwix, and a Collection of Cases and Opinions. London: Printed by A. Strahan, 1797. ix, [15], 468, [12] pp. Includes a twelve-page Subscriber list. Octavo (8-1/2" x 5").

Contemporary three-quarter vellum over marbled boards, lettering piece to spine. Some rubbing with minor wear to board edges, light soiling to spine, small chip to lettering piece, corners bumped. Annotations to one page, clean tear to a leaf with no loss to text. Occasional light foxing, interior otherwise fresh. \$200.

* Fearne wrote an influential treatise on contingent remainders that was praised by Kent and Marvin. The present work was collected from his manuscripts by one of his pupils. Along with cases and opinions, it contains the reading of the Statute of Inrollments delivered in 1778 in Lyons Inn and the interesting case of General Stanwix. "Stanwix and his daughter had perished in the same shipwreck, and the question, as between their representatives, was whether either could be presumed to be the survivor; the case was compromised; but Fearne for his own amusement composed these two arguments for the two claimants." Butler, preface to the seventh edition of *Contingent Remainders* cited in Holdsworth, *History of English Law* XII:374. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T140188. [Order This Item](#)



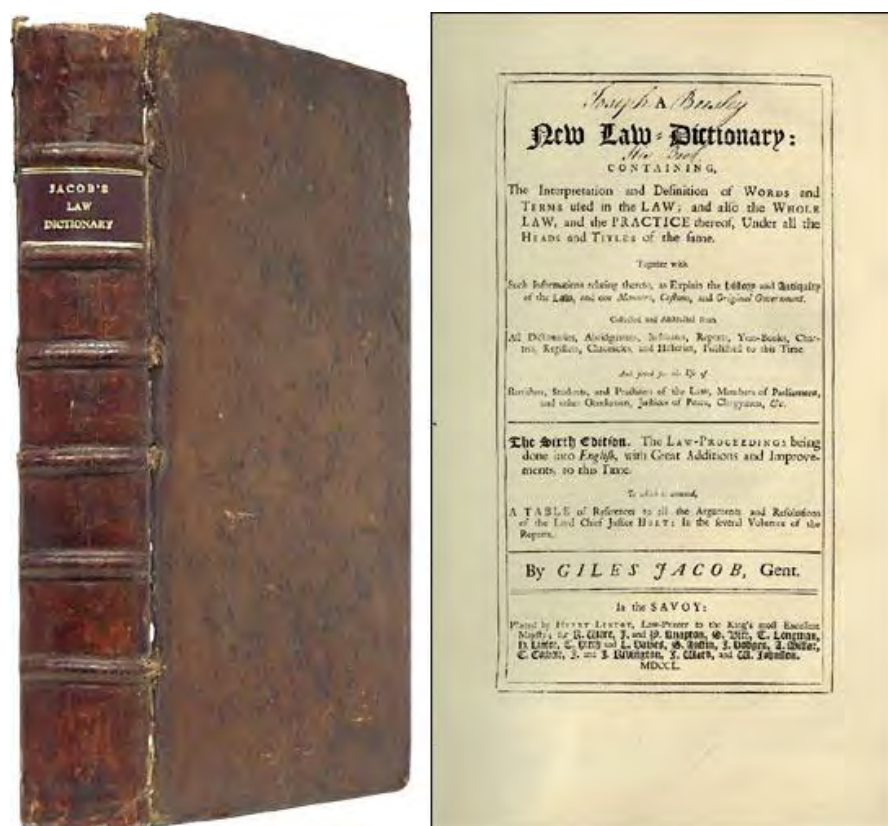
Compendium of an Important Compilation of Brazilian Civil Law

15. [Freitas, Augusto Teixeira de].

Promptuario das Leis Civis. Rio de Janeiro: Instituto Typographico do Direito, 1876. 604, iii pp. Quarto (8-3/4" x 6").

Contemporary quarter calf over marbled boards, raised bands, gilt title and gilt ornaments to spine. Moderate rubbing to extremities, chipping to head of spine, corners worn, front hinge cracked, rear hinge starting, text block loose (but secure), bookseller ticket to front pastedown. Moderate toning to text block, internally clean. Ex-library. Location label to spine, stamps and annotations to title page. A solid copy of a rare title. \$950.

* Only edition. Freitas was a prominent Brazilian jurist and state official. He produced the first systematic compilation of Brazilian civil law, the *Consolidacao das Leis Civis*, and a pioneering draft *Esboco de Codigo Civil* (1860-64) that served as the basis for codifications in Brazil, Argentina and other South American nations. Borchard notes that Freitas's *Consolidacao* was so excellent that it was adopted as law by decree in 1858. A valuable companion, the *Promptuario* is an alphabetically arranged compendium of this work. It is a rare title. OCLC locates 3 copies, 2 in North America (Library of Congress, University of St. Louis). Borchard, *Guide to the Law and Legal Literature of Argentina, Brazil and Chile* 250. [Order This Item](#)



1750 Edition of Jacob's Seminal Dictionary

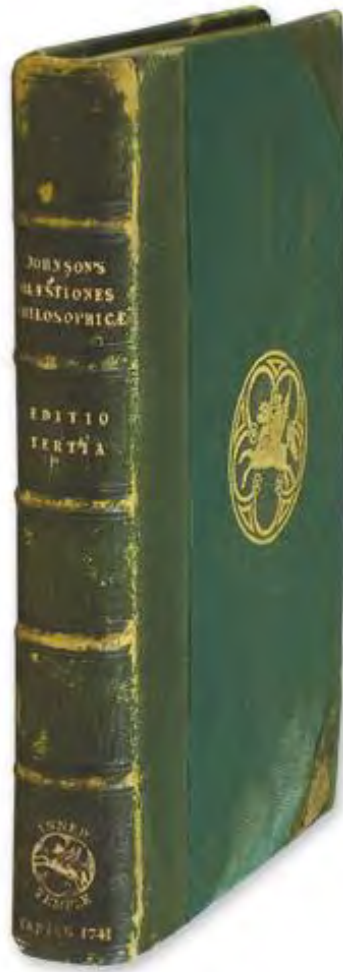
16. Jacob, Giles [1686-1744].

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

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

Contemporary calf, raised bands, blind-stamped fillets to boards, later lettering piece. Wear to edges and corners, scuffs to boards and backstrip, chipping to spine ends, boards partially detached but secure. Early owner inscription to front free endpaper, another to title page, interior otherwise clean and fresh. \$450.

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



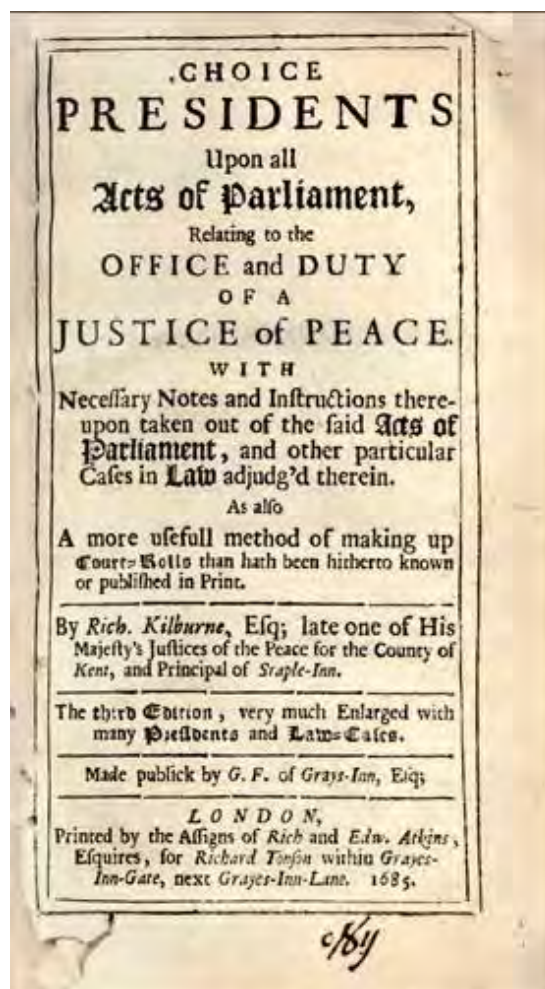
With a Set of Rules on Legal Disputation

**17. Johnson, Thomas [1702 or 3-1737].
[Heereboord, Adrianus (1614-1661)].**

Quaestiones Philosophicae in Justi Systematis Ordinem Dispositae; Auctoribus Adductis, Et Singulis in Proprias Hypothesis Dispartitis. Prius Auctor, & ad Usus Philosophicos Accommodatior Ad Calcem Subjicitur Appendix de Legibus Disputandi. Cambridge: Impensis Gul. Thurlbourn, 1741. [ii], 246 [ii] pp. Includes one-page publishers advertisement. Octavo (8" x 5").

Later three-quarter morocco over textured cloth, raised bands and gilt title to spine. Some rubbing to extremities, hinges cracked but secure, some dampstaining to foot of boards and text block. Early owner signature and annotation to title page. Browning to a few leaves, internally clean. Ex-institution library. Gilt insignia (of the Honourable Society of the Inner Temple) to front board, bookplate to front pastedown, stamps to title page and a few leaves. A solid copy. \$150.

* Third edition. Intended for university students, this is a collection of questions about the principles of physics, natural history, chemistry, meteorology, mechanics, hydrostatics, optics, astronomy, logic, metaphysics, and moral philosophy. Each question is accompanied by a bibliography of passages that the student should study. Authors in these lists include Leibniz, Descartes and Newton. The appendix is a set of rules on legal disputation derived from Heereboord's *Hermeneia Logica*, a treatise on logic. First published in 1651, it went through several editions into the eighteenth century. *British Museum Catalogue* (Compact Edition) 13:652. [Order This Item](#)



A Popular and Respected English JP Manual

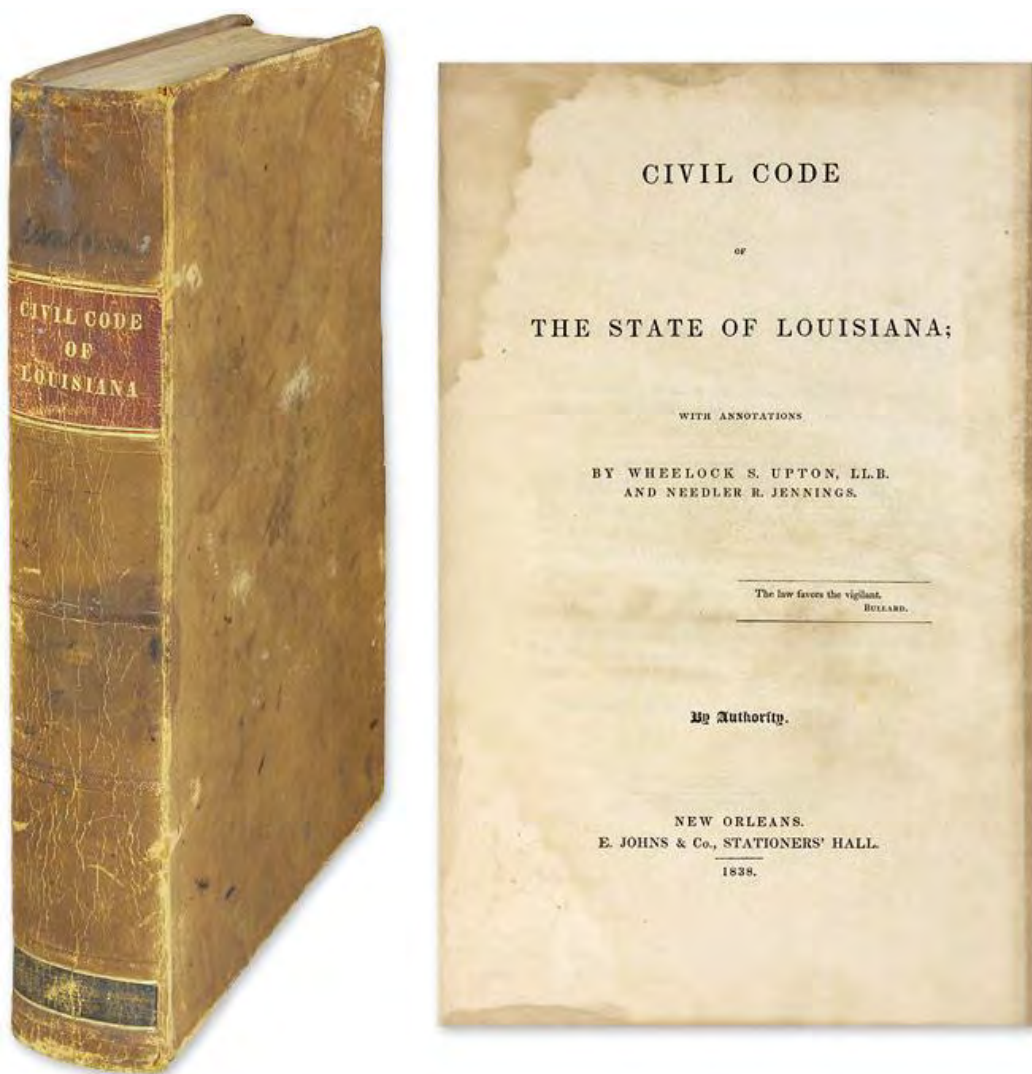
18. Kilburne, Rich[ard] [1605-1678].

G.F of Grays Inn, Editor.

Choice Presidents Upon All Acts of Parliament, Relating to the Office and Duty of Justice of the Peace. With Necessary Notes and Instructions Thereupon Taken Out of the Said Acts of Parliament, And Other Particular Cases in Law Adjudg'd Therein. As Also a More Usefull Method of Making Up Court-Rolls Than Hath Been Hitherto Known or Published in Print. Very Much Enlarged with Many Presidents and Law-Cases. London: Printed by the Assigns of Rich. and Edw. Atkins, 1685. [iv], 493, 29, [2] pp. Includes two-page publisher catalogue. 12mo. (6" x 4").

Contemporary sheep, blind rules to boards, raised bands to spine. Spine worn, some wear to board edges and corners, joints and hinges cracked, boards still quite secure, part of front pastedown and all of front free endpaper lacking. Some wear to fore-edges of title page and other leaves with no loss to text, some worming near gutter with negligible loss. Early signatures to endleaves. Light toning to a few leaves, interior otherwise fresh. A solid copy of a scarce title. \$200.

* Third edition. The first edition of this popular and respected JP manual was published in 1680, its eighth and final edition in 1715. Richard Kilburne, a member of Staple Inn, was an eminent solicitor in chancery, as well as a justice of the peace in Kent. The usefulness of his JP manual is attested to by the fact that by 1715 it made its eighth appearance in print. OCLC locates 6 copies of this edition. Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 1:229 (42). *English Short-Title Catalogue* R29453. [Order This Item](#)



The First Annotated Edition of the Louisiana Civil Code

19. [Louisiana].

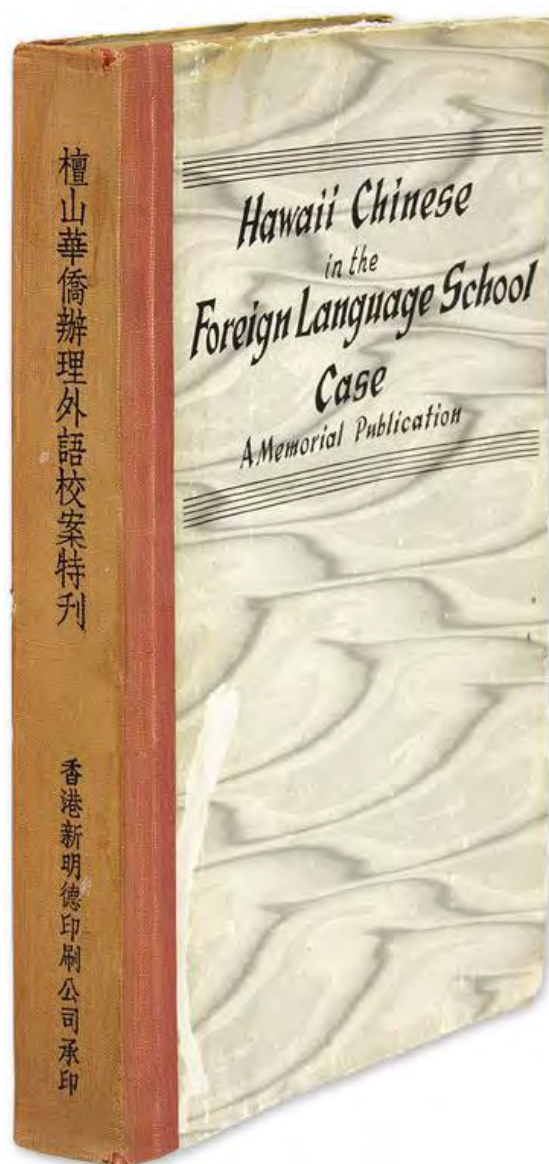
Upton, Wheelock S.

Jennings, Needler R.

Civil Code of the State of Louisiana; With Annotations. By Authority. New Orleans: E. Johns & Co., 1838. [vi], [v]-xl, 536, [2], 51 pp. Octavo (9-1/2" x 6").

Contemporary calf, blind fillets to boards, lettering piece, raised bands and blind fillets to boards. Some rubbing to extremities, corners bumped, a few minor stains and light rubbing to boards, front hinge cracked, rear hinge starting, front free endpaper detached, a few leaves partially detached, a few signatures loose. Light toning to text, occasional light foxing. Early owner signatures and stamps (of Samuel Dalton and Thom. B. Percy) to preliminaries, contemporary annotations in a few places, interior otherwise clean. \$500.

* First edition. In 1822 Derbigny, Livingston and Lislet were commissioned to revise the 1808 compilation of territorial laws. The result of their effort was the Civil Code of 1825. Also issued in a bilingual French-English format, Upton and Jennings's edition of that code is significant because it was the first to include annotations. Marvin, *Legal Bibliography* 476. Babbitt, *Hand-List of Legislative Sessions and Session Laws* 138. [Order This Item](#)

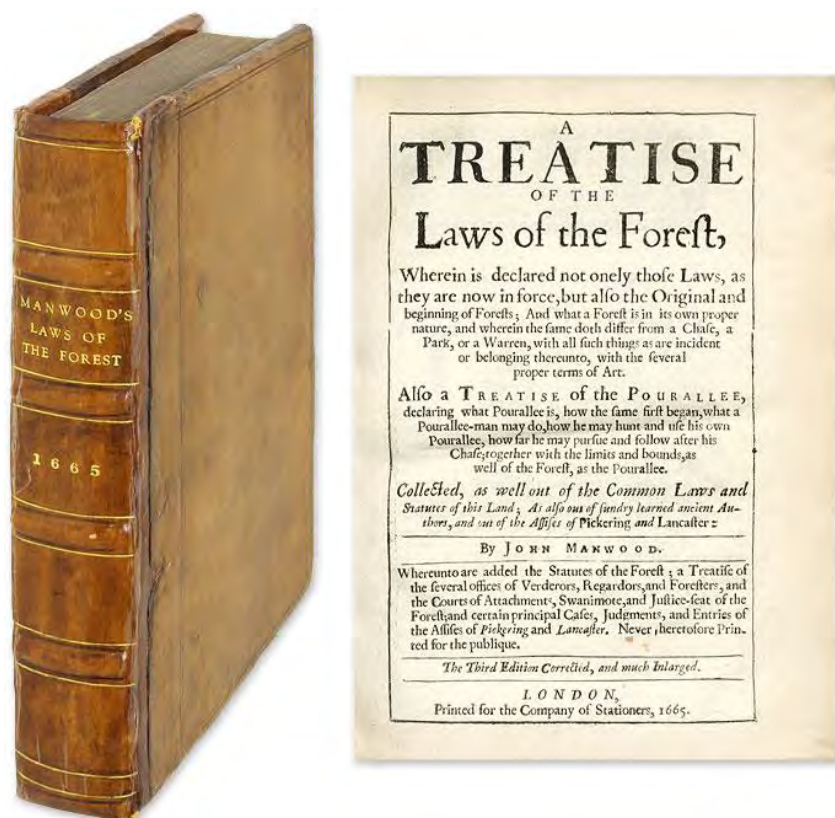


**A Successful 1950 Campaign to Restore
Chinese Language Instruction in Hawaii**

20. Lum, Kongsun, Editor.

Hawaii Chinese in the Foreign Language School Case, A Memorial Publication. Supplemental Documents. Hong Kong: Sponsored by Hawaii Chinese Educational Association and Chung Wah Chung Kung Hui, 1950. 34 [English], 282 [Chinese] pp. Text English and Chinese. Illustrations. Two color plates. Quarter cloth over printed thick-paper boards, spine title in Chinese. Some rubbing to extremities wear to spine ends and corners, discoloration and a few negligible tears to endleaves, light toning to text, internally clean. \$150.

* Only edition. First 34 pages in English. Published for the Chinese communities in Hawaii and Hong Kong, this book commemorates a successful campaign to legalize Chinese-language instruction in Hawaii. It overturned a 1943 Hawaiian law that "forbade instruction [to Asian children], public or private, in any foreign language but English until they completed the fourth grade, or to those under fifteen years of age, unless they made an above average grade in the English school" (2). [Order This Item](#)



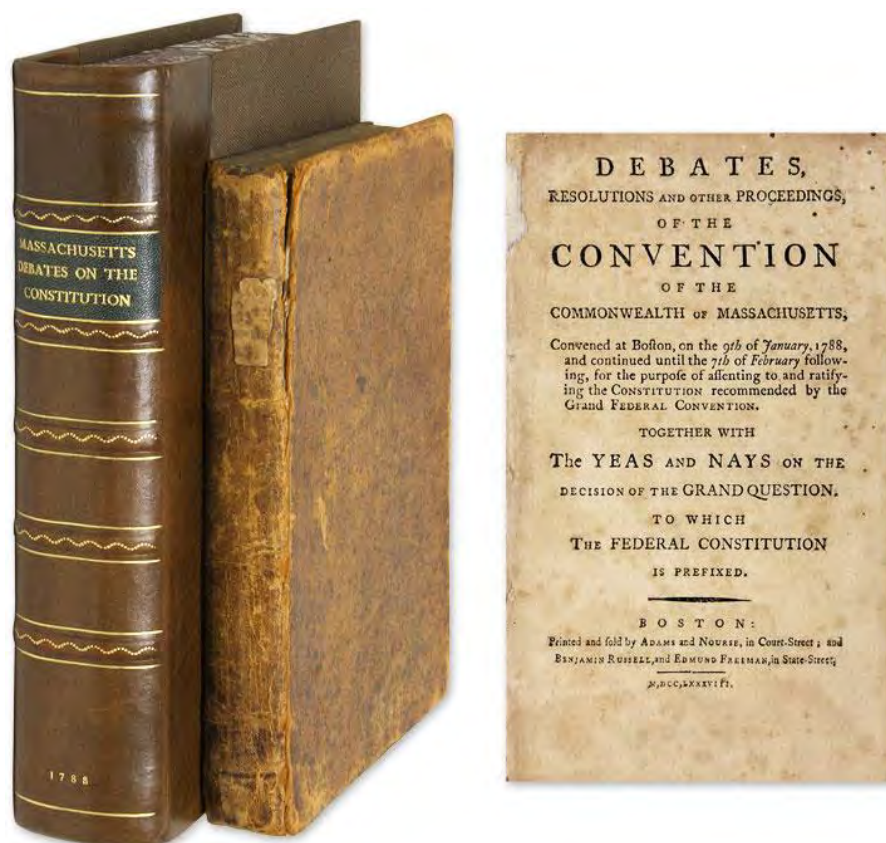
The First Work on the Law of the King's Forest

21. Manwood, John [d.1610].

A Treatise of the Laws of the Forest, Wherein is Declared Not Only Those Laws, As They are Now in Force, But Also the Original and Beginning of Forests; And What a Forest is in its Own Proper Nature, and Wherein the Same Doth Differ from a Chase, A Park or a Warren, Wit All Such Things as are Incident or Belonging Thereunto, With the Several Proper Terms of Art. Also a Treatise of the Pourallee, Declaring what Pourallee is, How the Same First Began, What Pourallee May Do, How he May Hunt and Use his Own Pourallee, How Far he May Pursue and Follow After His Chase; Together with the Limits and Bounds as Well of the Forest, As the Pourallee. Collected, As Well Out of the Common Laws and Statutes of this Land; As also Out of Sundry Learned Ancient Authors, And Out of the Assises of Pickering and Lancaster by John Manwood. Whereunto are Added the Statutes of the Forest; A Treatise of the Several Offices of Verderors, Regardors and Forestors, and the Courts of Attachments, Swanimote and Justice-Seat of the Forest, And Certain Principal Cases, Judgments, And Entries of the Assises of Pickering and Lancaster. Never Heretofore Printed for the Publique. Corrected, And Much Enlarged. London: Printed for the Company of Stationers, 1665. [xxiv], 552 pp. Quarto (7-1/2" x 5-1/2").

Contemporary calf, blind rules to boards, rebacked in period style, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, hinges mended, spine varnished. A few minor scuffs and stains to boards, corners lightly bumped, front joint and both hinges just starting at ends. Light toning to text, somewhat darker in places, internally clean. Ex-library. Bookplate to front pastedown. A nice copy. \$500.

* Third edition, one of two imprints from 1665. Originally printed privately in 1592, then published in 1598, Manwood's treatise remained a standard work into the twentieth century. This enlarged edition, which is the fourth chronologically, includes a great deal of information that does not appear in the first three editions. Forests were central to England's economy from the time of the conquest to the mid-seventeenth century. A member of Lincoln's Inn, a barrister, gamekeeper of Waltham Forest and a justice of the New Forest, Manwood was eminently qualified to write it. Both a history and guide, it contains lengthy extracts from the *Carta de Foresta* and other ancient statutes and charters. *English Short-Title Catalogue* R235229. Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 1:465 (38). [Order This Item](#)



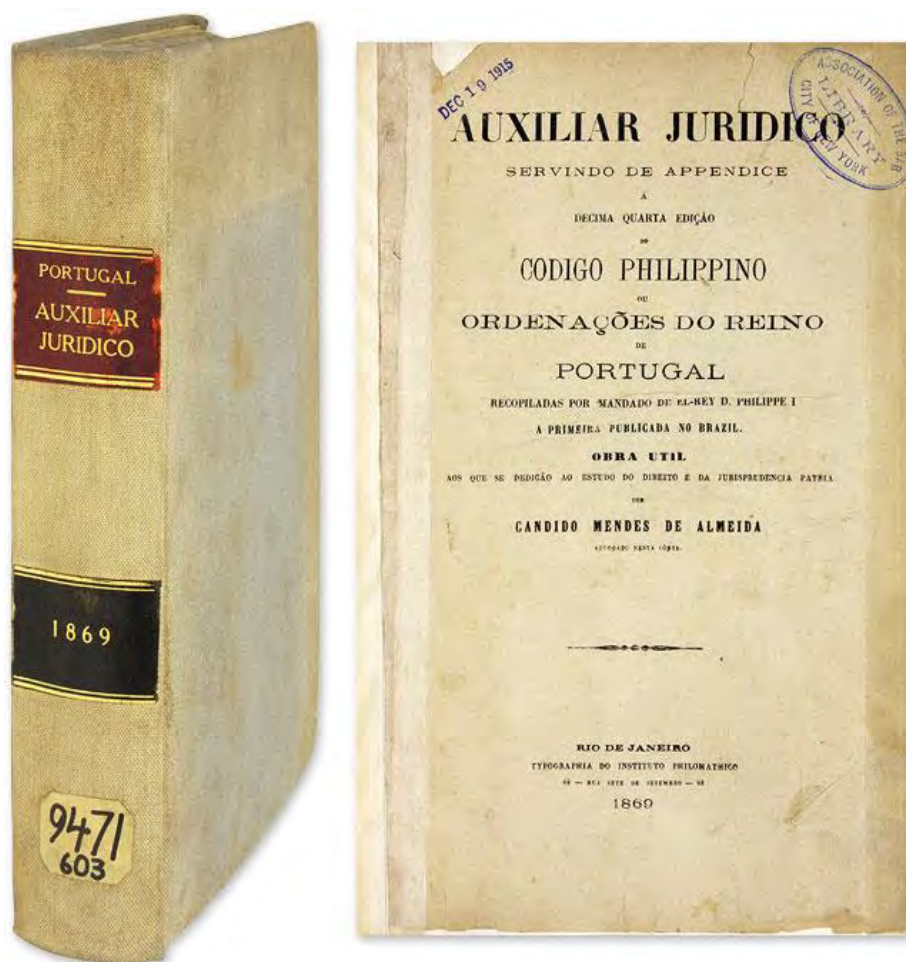
187 to 168 in Favor of Ratification

22. [Massachusetts].
[Federal Constitution].

Debates, Resolutions and Other Proceedings, Of the Convention of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Convened at Boston, On the 9th of January, 1788, And Continued Until the 7th of February Following, For the Purpose of Assenting to and Ratifying the Constitution Recommended by the Grand Federal Convention. Together with The Yeas and Nays on the Decision of the Grand Question. To Which The Federal Constitution is Prefixed. Boston: Printed and Sold by Adams and Nourse, and Benjamin Russell, and Edmund Freeman, 1788. 219 pp. Octavo (7" x 4-1/2").

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* First edition. "The ratification process in Massachusetts was viewed with anxiety by supporters of the Constitution throughout the nation. Massachusetts was a key state, and it was thought that actions there might determine the ultimate fate of the Constitution. The struggle was hard, bitter, and characterized by wild rumor and allegations of corrupt behavior. The Federalist strategy was to ratify the Constitution first and then consider amendments to it. On February 6 the Constitution was endorsed by the narrow vote of 187 to 168. Massachusetts became the sixth state to ratify. Massachusetts was the first state to propose amendments along with ratification, setting a pattern for the states that followed. All except Maryland and Rhode Island were to ratify and simultaneously propose amendments" (Paeckham). A second edition was published in 1808; another, edited by Bradford K. Peirce and Charles Hale, in 1856. Peckham, *Liberty's Legacy: Our Celebration of the Northwest Ordinance and the United States Constitution* USC-25. Cohen, *Bibliography of Early American Law* 2859. Sabin, *A Dictionary of Books Relating to America* 45702. [Order This Item](#)



Valuable Guide to an Important Portuguese/Brazilian Code

23. Mendes de Almeida, Candido, Editor.

Auxiliar Juridico Servindo de Appendice a Decima Quarta Edicao doCodigo Philippino, Ou Ordenacoes do Reino de Portugal, Recopiladas por Mandado de El-Rey D. Philippe I, A Primeira Publicada no Brazil. Obra Util aos que se Dedicao ao Estudo do Direito e da Jurisprudencia Patria. Rio de Janeiro, 1869. ix, [2] 835 pp. Half-title lacking. Main text in parallel columns. Octavo (10-1/4" x 6-1/2").

Later buckram, red and black lettering pieces to spine, endpapers renewed, hinges reinforced with cloth. Some soiling, light shelfwear, fading to sections of boards, a few small chips to edges of lettering pieces. Light toning, somewhat heavier in places. Title page mounted, repairs to margins of a few leaves, dampstaining, edgewear and soiling in a few places, internally clean. Ex-library. Shelf label to spine, small inkstamps and annotations to title page. A solid copy of a scarce title. \$500.

* Only edition. The *Ordenacoes Philippinas*, or *Codigo Philippino*, was promulgated by King Philip II in 1603. Originally the civil law of Portugal and Brazil, parts of it remained in force in Brazil until 1917. Mendes de Almeida, an eminent jurist, edited the definitive edition of the *Codigo* (1870). The *Auxiliar Juridico* is a companion volume offering valuable philological, historical, and textual notes. It is a valuable guide. A facsimile reprint was published in Portugal in 1985. Both the original title and the reprint are very scarce. OCLC locates 5 copies of the original worldwide, 2 in North America (at Harvard Law School and Vanderbilt University). Borchard, *Guide to the Law and Legal Literature of Argentina, Brazil and Chile* 230-231.

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Some of the Earliest Codes Produced in Latin America

24. [Peru].

[Bolivia].

[Santa Cruz y Calaumana, Andres (1792-1865)].

Código Mercantil Santa Cruz Dado Por el Congreso Constitucional de 1834. Impreso de Orden del Gobierno Supremo. Paz de Ayacucho: Colejio de Artes, 1835. 191, [6] pp.

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[Santa Cruz y Calaumana, Andres].

Código Mineral Santa-Cruz. [Sucre?]: Imprenta Chuquisoquena, 1835. [iv], 90, VII, [3] pp.

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[Santa Cruz y Calaumana, Andres].

Código Civil Santa Cruz del Estado Nor-Peruano. Lima: Imprenta Jose Masias, 1836. viii, 200, viii pp.

[And]

[Santa Cruz y Calaumana, Andres].

Código Penal Santa Cruz del Estado Nor-Peruano. Lima: Imprenta de Eusebio Aranda, 1836. viii, 180 pp.

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[Santa Cruz y Calaumana, Andres].

Código Santa-Cruz, De Procedimientos Judiciales del Estado Nor-Peruano. Lima: Imprenta de Eusebio Aranda, 1836. vi, 200, [2], viii pp.

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[Santa Cruz y Calaumana, Andres].

Reglamento Organico de los Tribunales y Juzgados del Estado Nor-Peruano. Lima: Imprenta de Eusebio Aranda, 1836. [ii], 70, [23] pp.

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* First editions. These are among the earliest codes produced in post-colonial Latin America. Santa Cruz was the President of Peru in 1827, then divided into the states of North and South-Peru, President of Bolivia from 1829 to 1839 and the Supreme Protector of the short-lived Peru-Bolivian Confederation (1836-1839), which he established. He was such a Francophile that he was known as "El Afrancesado." While president of Bolivia he reformed the legal system along French lines and introduced a series of codes based on the *Code Napoleon*. All are scarce. *Código Mercantil*: Palau, *Manual del Librero Hispanoamericano* 297870. Other codes: Clagett, *A Guide to the Law and Legal Literature of Peru* 27, 57, 67, 76, 85.

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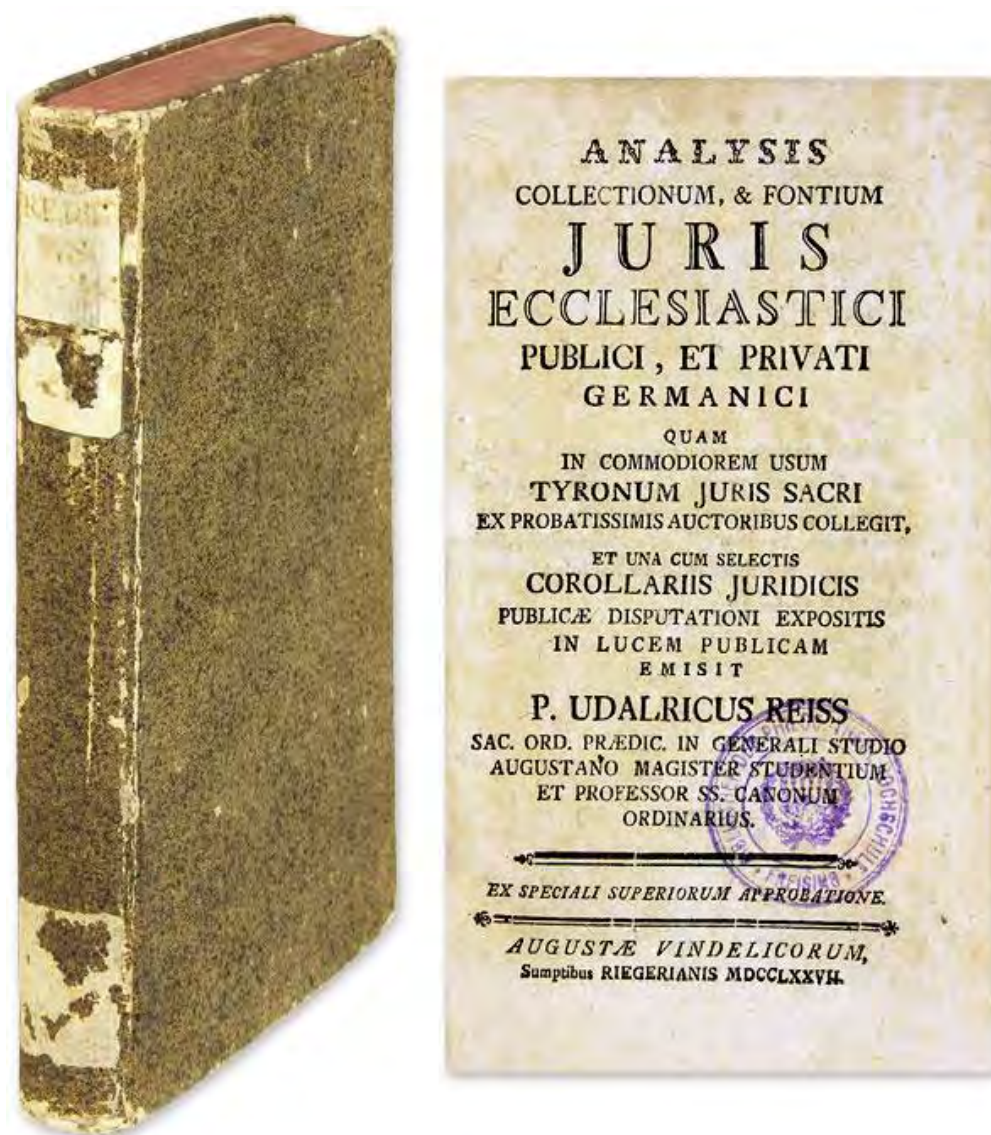
**Interesting Napoleonic-Era
Treatise on Maritime and Commercial Law**

25. Piantanida, Luigi.

Della Giurisprudenza Marittima-Commerciale Antica e Moderna. Milan: Dalla Stamperia e Fonderia di Gio. Giuseppe Destefanis (Volume I); Dalla Stamperia e Fonderia di Giuseppe e Paolo Fratelli Veladini (Volumes II-IV), 1806-1808. Four volumes. Does not have the portrait frontispiece of author issued with some copies of this title. Complete set. Folio (11-1/4" x 8-1/2").

Three-quarter vellum over patterned paper boards, lettering pieces to spines. Light rubbing to extremities, a few minor stains to boards, corners and spine ends lightly bumped. Copperplate vignettes to dedication leaves of each volume. Light toning to text, occasional faint dampstaining to margins of Volume II, internally clean. \$1,950.

* Only edition. Dedicated to Napoleon, this ambitious treatise uses a history of maritime and commercial law as the basis for a set of general principles. It is also useful for its overview of these subjects during the early phase of the Napoleonic era. His dedication indicates a keen desire for a commission to produce a commercial code for the Kingdom of Italy, the north-Italian puppet state established by Napoleon. OCLC locates 14 copies worldwide, 6 in North America, 5 in law libraries (Harvard, Library of Congress, UC-Berkeley, University of Michigan, Yale). *British Museum Catalogue* (Compact Edition) 20:268. [Order This Item](#)



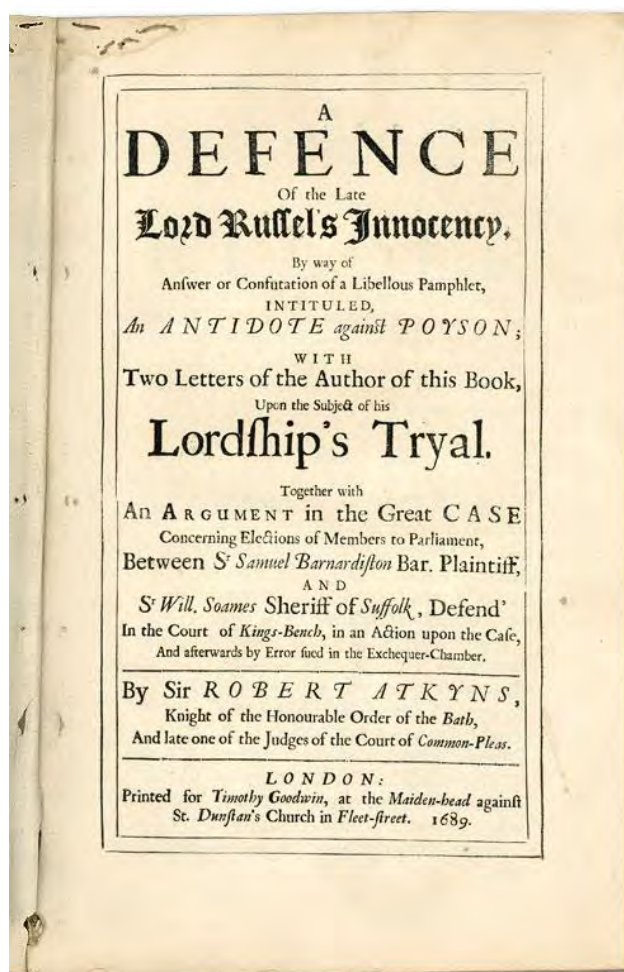
Canon Law for German Students

26. Reiss, Ulrich.

Analysis Collectionum, & Fontium Juris Ecclesiastici Publici, Et Privati Germanici, Quam in Commodiorem Usus Tyronum Juris Sacri ex Probatissimis Auctoribus Collegit, Et una Cum Selectis Corollaris Juridicis Publicae Disputationi Expositis in Lucem Publicam. Augsburg: Sumptibus Riegerianis, 1777. xxxii, 224; 54 pp. Final section preceded by title page. Octavo (6-3/4" x 4").

Contemporary speckled-paper boards, fragments of title labels to spine, speckled edges. Moderate rubbing to extremities, front joint starting at head. Light toning to text, occasional light foxing, internally clean. Ex-library. Small inkstamps to preliminaries and final leaf. A nice copy of a scarce title. \$1,250.

* Only edition. This is a handbook on canon law for students. Reiss was a professor of canon law at the University of Augsburg. At the end of the book is a related dissertation from 1777, at which Reiss presided, entitled *Corollaria ex Universo Jure Ecclesiastico Publico, et Privato Hodiernis Academiarum Germaniae Moribus Accomodato*. OCLC locates no copies in North America. Not in VD18, the *British Museum Catalogue* or Ferreira-Ibarra. [Order This Item](#)



The Legality of Lord Russell's Trial

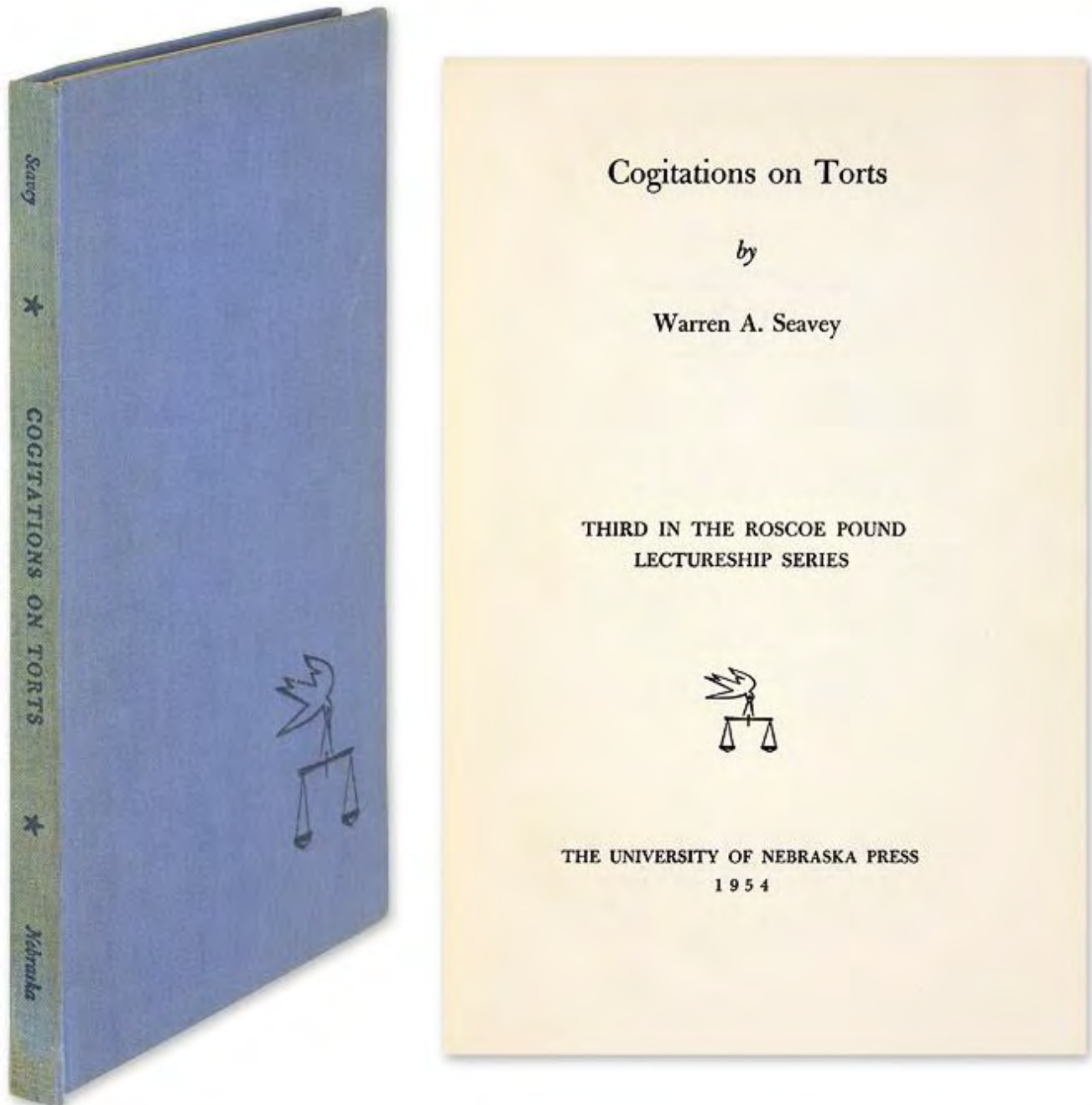
27. [Rye House Plot].

Atkyns, Sir Robert [1621-1709].

A Defence of the Late Lord Russell's Innocency, By Way of An Answer or Confutation of a Libellous Pamphlet, Intituled, An Antidote Against Poyson; With Two Letters of the Author of This Book, Upon the Subject of His Lordship's Tryal. Together with an Argument in the Great Case Concerning Elections of Members to Parliament, Between Sr Samuel Barnardiston Bar. Plaintiff, And Sr Will. Soames Sheriff of Suffolk, Defend^r in the Court of King's-Bench, In an Action Upon the Case, And Afterwards by Error Sued in the Exchequer-Chamber. London: Printed for Timothy Goodwin, 1689. [iii], 51 pp. Title page preceded by advertisement leaf. *Argument in the Great Case* preceded by divisional title page. Folio (12" x 7").

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

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



Incisive Essay on Torts

28. Seavey, Warren A. [1880-1966].

Cogitations on Torts. [Lincoln]: University of Nebraska Press, 1954. [viii], 72 pp. Cloth, light shelfwear, some fading to spine. Early owner signature to front pastedown, interior otherwise clean. \$35.

* "Third in the Roscoe Pound Lectureship Series." Seavey, a professor at Harvard Law School for much of his career, was an authority on torts and agency. [Order This Item](#)

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Statutes of Valladolid, 1763

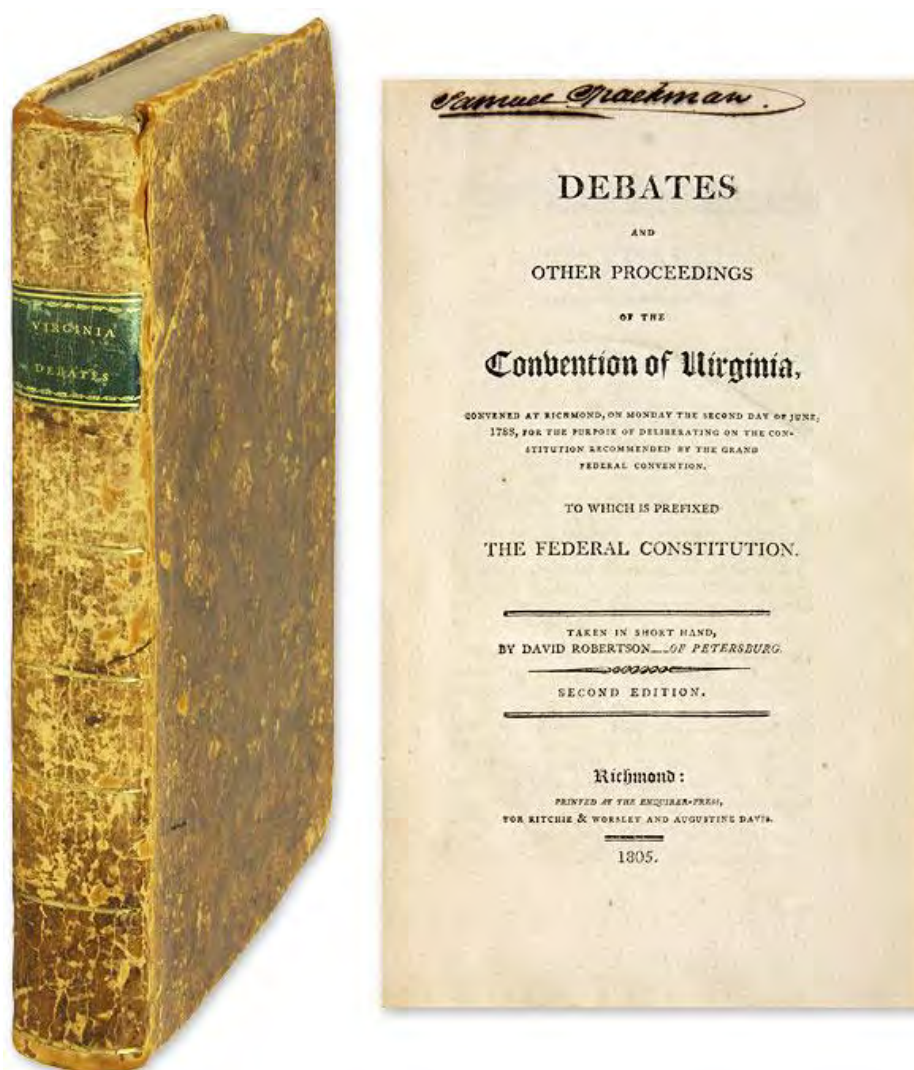
29. [Valladolid].

[Mosquera de Molina, Juan, Compiler].

Ordenanzas con que se Rige y Gobierna la Republica de la Muy Noble y Leal Ciudad de Valladolid, En las Quales se Declaran Todos los Articulos Tocantes al pro Comunde Ella. Valladolid: Imprenta de Thomas de Santander, 1763. [x], 183, [4] pp. Quarto (8" x 5-1/2").

Contemporary mottled sheep, gilt fillets to boards, raised bands and gilt ornaments to spine, edges rouged. Light rubbing to extremities, corners and spine ends bumped, minor wear along joints. Title printed within woodcut typographical border, large title vignette of the arms of Valladolid. Light offsetting to margins of endleaves, interior notably fresh. Ex-library. Bookplate to front pastedown. A very well-preserved copy. \$1,000.

* Once the capitol city of the Kingdom of Castile, later of united Spain and briefly of Habsburg Spain, Valladolid remained an important city in eighteenth-century Spain. The 1763 collection of *Ordenanzas* offers an interesting perspective on the city at this time. OCLC locates 5 copies worldwide and 1 copy in a North American law library (Harvard). *Bibliografia de Autores Espanoles del Siglo 18: Anonimos* 2:1498. [Order This Item](#)



"A Thing Unprecedented in the History of Virginia Assemblies"

30. [Virginia].

Robertson, David, Reporter.

Debates and Other Proceedings of the Convention of Virginia, Convened at Richmond, on Monday the Second Day of June, 1788, For the Purpose of Deliberating on the Constitution Recommended by the Grand Federal Convention; To Which is Prefixed the Federal Constitution. Richmond: Printed at the Enquirer-Press, For Ritchie & Worsley and Augustine Davis, 1805. viii, 477 pp. Octavo (8" x 5").

Contemporary tree calf, lettering piece and gilt fillets to spine. Rubbing and some scuffing to boards and extremities, small loss to head of spine, front joint starting at head, light toning to interior. Early signature (Samuel Spackman) to head of title page and front endleaf. A desirable copy in its original state. \$500.

* Second edition. Among those debating the Federal Constitution, which appears just following the Preface, were James Madison, Patrick Henry, James Monroe, John Marshall, Benjamin Harrison, Bushrod Washington, George Wythe, George Mason, Richard Henry Lee, and many other notable Virginians of the day. Assisted by another reporter, Roberson recorded the debates, "a thing unprecedented in the history of Virginia assemblies" (Swem). The first edition was published as a three-volume set in 1788. Swem, *Virginia Historical Index* 7589. Cohen, *Bibliography of Early American Law* 2949. Sabin, *A Dictionary of Books Relating to America* 100029. [Order This Item](#)