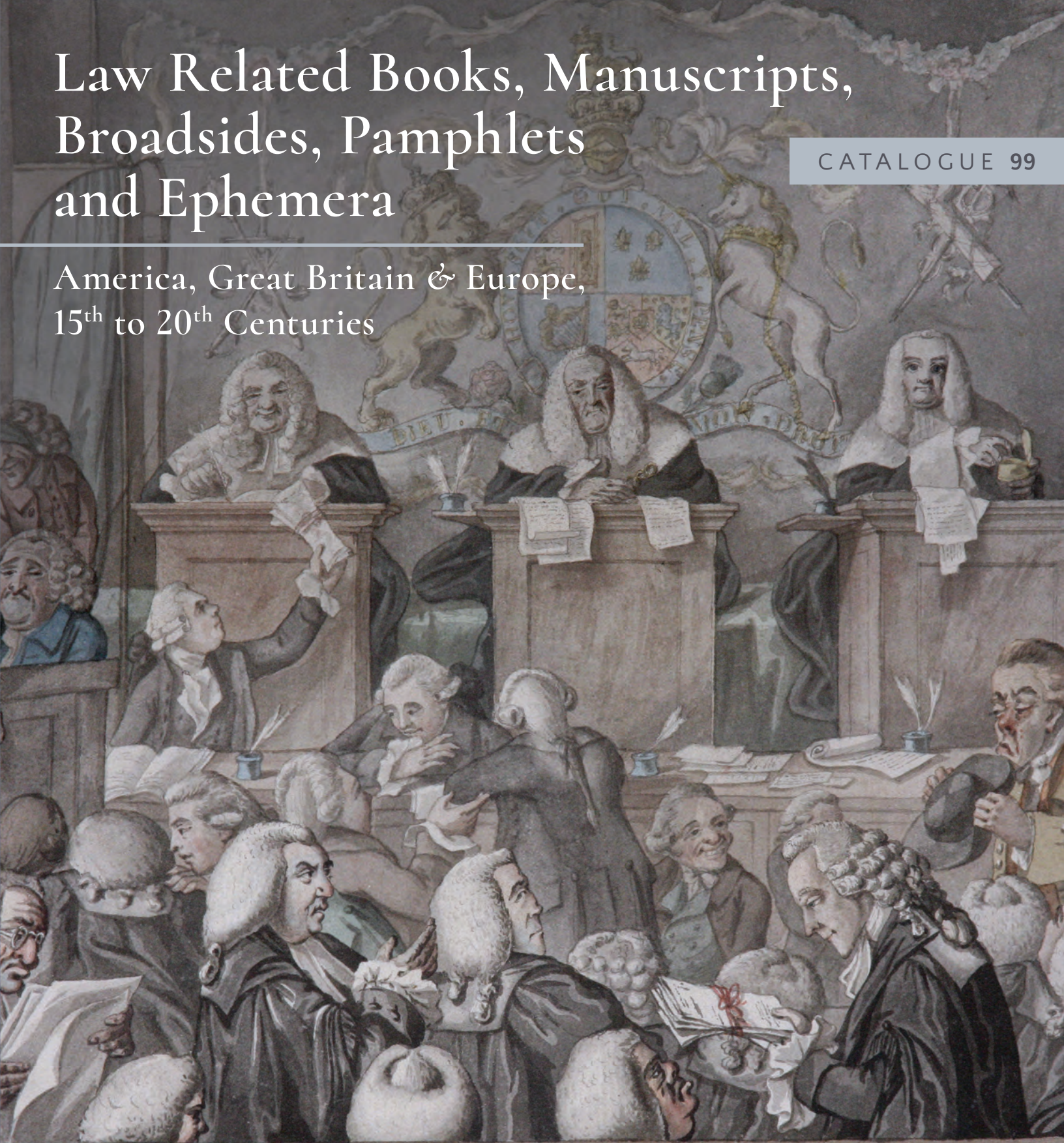


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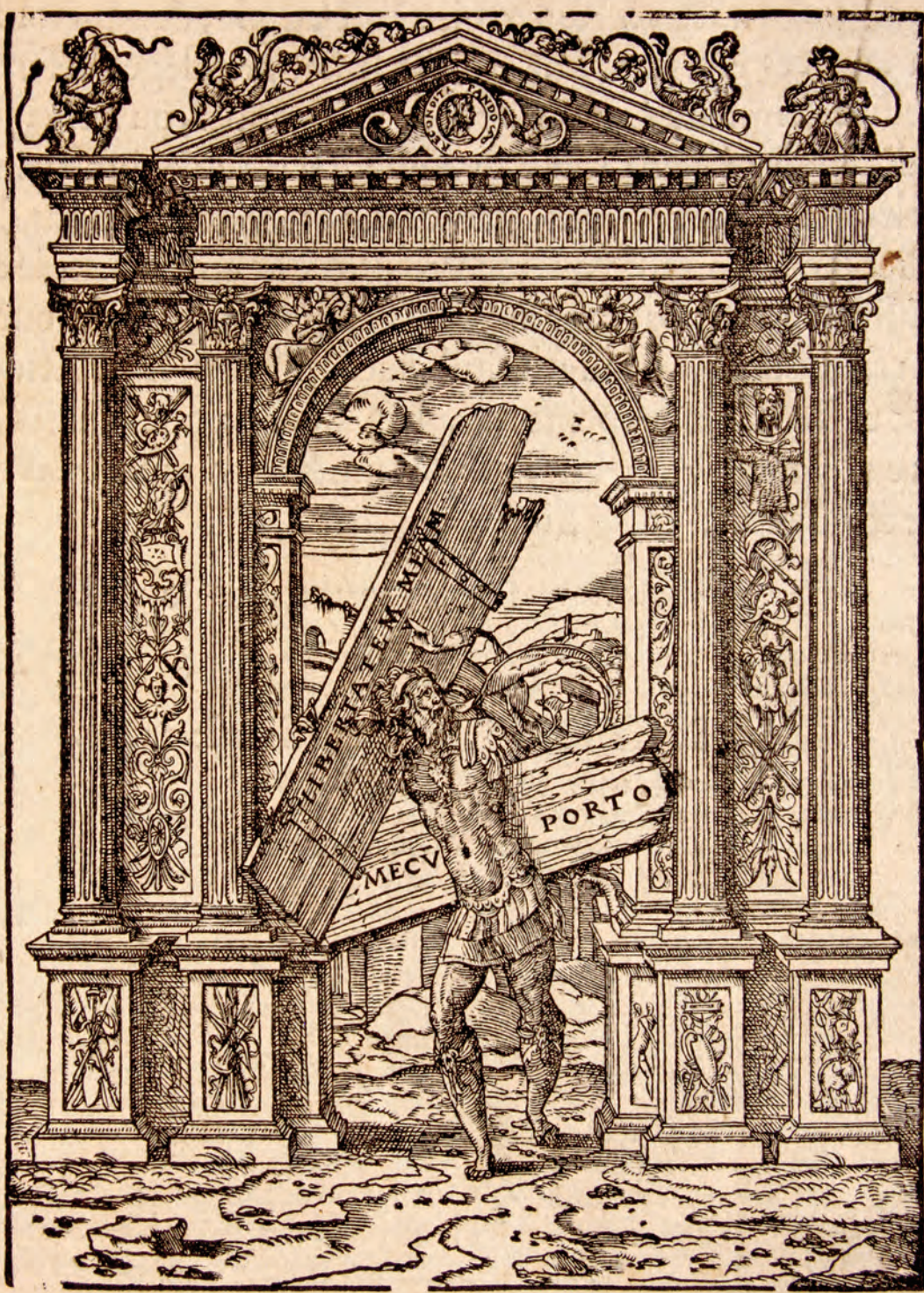
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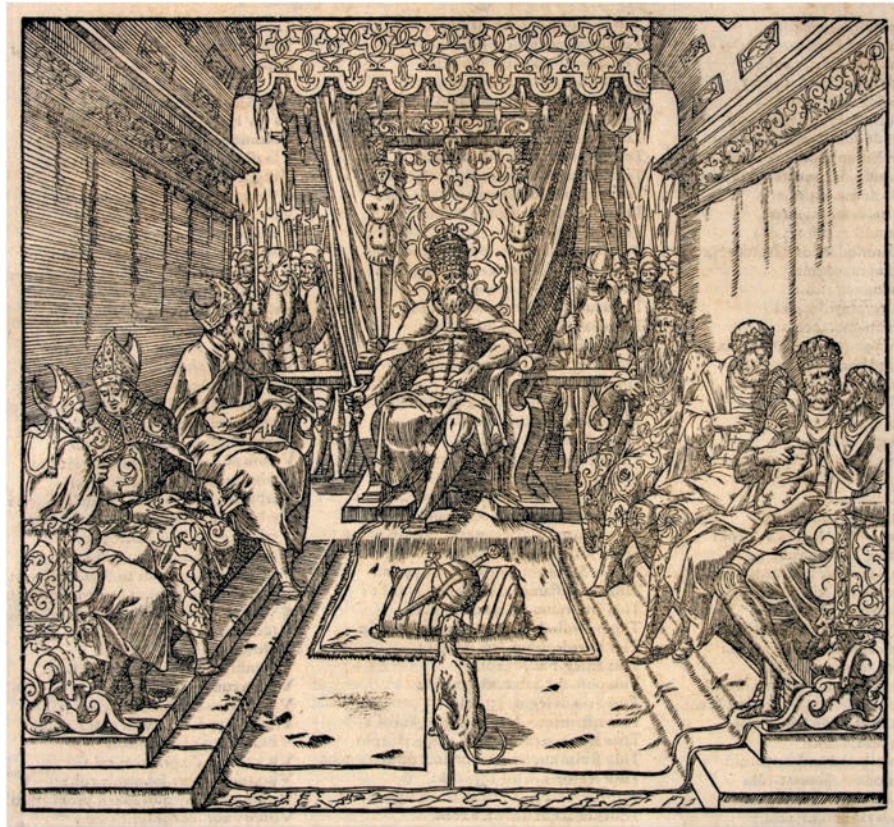




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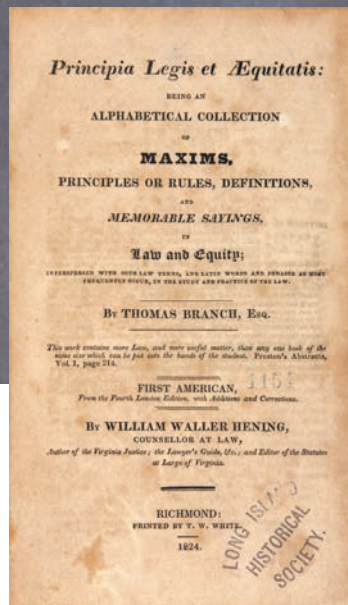
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1. BRANCH, THOMAS [fl. 1738-1753].  
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[Principia Legis et Aequitatis: Being an Alphabetical Collection of Maxims, Principles or Rules, Definitions, and Memorable Sayings in Law and Equity. First American, From the Fourth London Edition. With Additions and Corrections.](#)

Richmond, VA: Printed by T.W. White, 1824. [viii], [9]-168 pp. Octavo (8-1/4" x 4-3/4").

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ONLY AMERICAN EDITION. This popular book was first published in 1753. It went through six English editions, the final appearing in 1824. Based on the fourth London edition (1822), the American edition is enhanced by Hening's additions. According to Marvin, "As a manual, this little book contains more law and more useful matter, than any one book of the same size which can be put into the hands of the student.' It is more extensive than Noy's Maxims, and 'draws so copiously from the common law reports and writers of the age of Elizabeth, and since that time, that it may be regarded as the accumulated spirit and wisdom of the great body of the English law.'" Marvin's first quote is from *Preston on Abstracts*, the second from Kent's *Commentaries on American Law*. Marvin 143. Cohen 5376.

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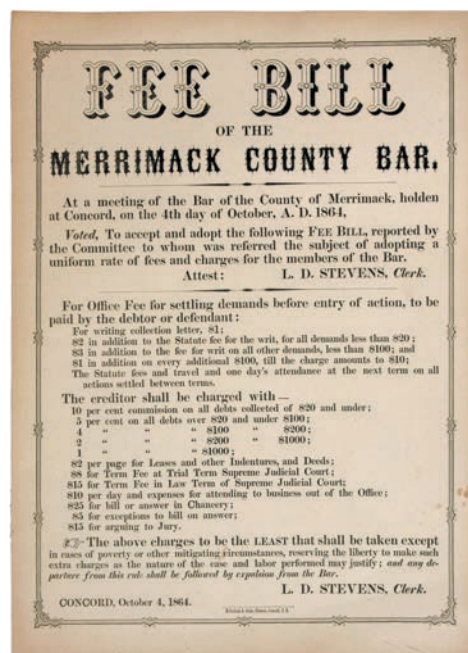
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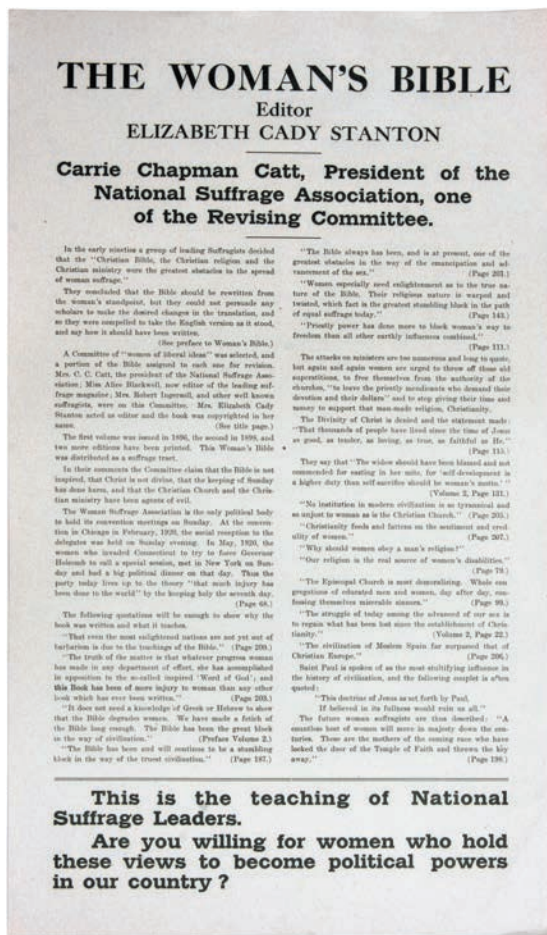
Concord, NH: October 4, 1864.

13-1/2" x 10-1/2" broadside. Text printed within woodcut border. Light toning, a few small spots near lower right-hand corner. A well-preserved copy. \$650.

THIS ELABORATE TABLE OF FEES is followed by a statement: "The above charges to be the LEAST that shall be taken except in cases of poverty and other mitigating circumstances, reserving the liberty to make such extra charges as the nature of the case and labor may justify; and any departure from this rule shall be followed by expulsion from the Bar."







"ARE YOU WILLING FOR WOMEN  
WHO HOLD THESE VIEWS TO  
BECOME POLITICAL POWERS  
IN OUR COUNTRY?"

3. [BROADSIDE].

[WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE].

[The Woman's Bible. Editor Elizabeth Cady Stanton.  
Carrie Chapman Catt, President of the National  
Suffrage Association One of the Revising Committee.](#)

[N.p.: S.n., c.1925].

16-1/2" x 9-1/2" broadside, double-column text below  
boldface headline, single-column boldface text at foot,  
sections separated by rules. Negligible light toning,  
otherwise fine. A well-preserved copy of a rare broadside.  
\$1,250.

ISSUED IN THE WAKE of the passage of the 19th  
amendment, this anti-suffragist broadside attacks famed  
suffragist Carrie Chapman Catt [1859-1947] and her  
involvement in the revised edition of the Woman's Bible,  
a scripture-based challenge to patriarchy first published  
1895-1898. The broadside quotes supposed inflammatory  
positions espoused in this work and concludes, in bold  
type: "Are you willing for women who hold these views to  
become political powers in our country?" This broadside  
may have been issued 1925, the year when Catt was  
organizing the first annual Conference on the Cause and  
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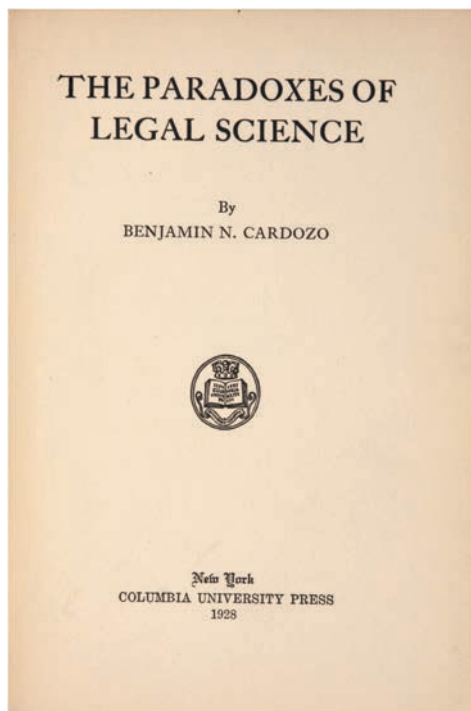
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[The Paradoxes of Legal Science.](#)

New York: Columbia University Press, 1928. v, 142, [1] pp.

Cloth in somewhat edgeworn dust jacket with chipping  
at spine ends and corners, light toning to interior, ink  
inscription "RWS Nov 14, 1928" to front pastedown. \$500.

FIRST EDITION. One of Cardozo's most important  
books, *The Paradoxes of Legal Science* is a classic statement  
of juristic pragmatism. As Goodhart points out, it also reveals  
the non-legal sources that informed his work. "His many  
references in these lectures to Greek philosophy show how  
great a part his early classical training played in the formation  
of his ideas; in relating his general principles to the concrete  
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FIRST AND ONLY AMERICAN EDITION OF AN  
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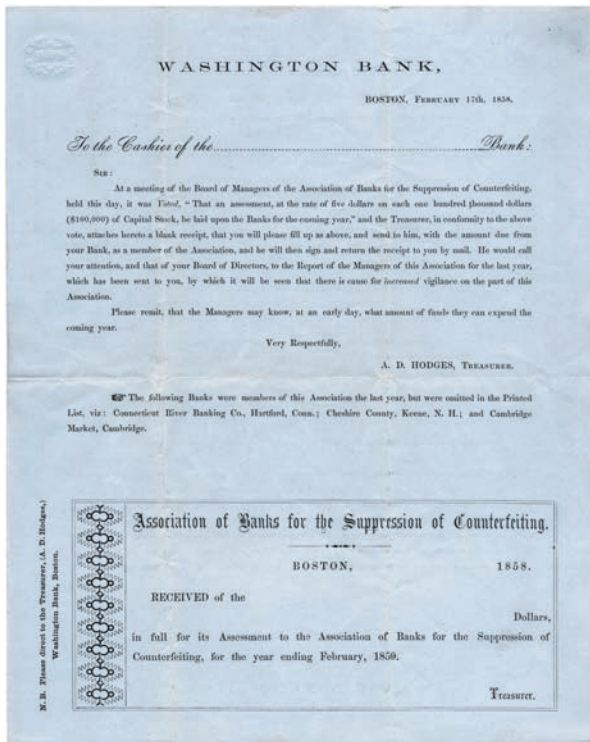
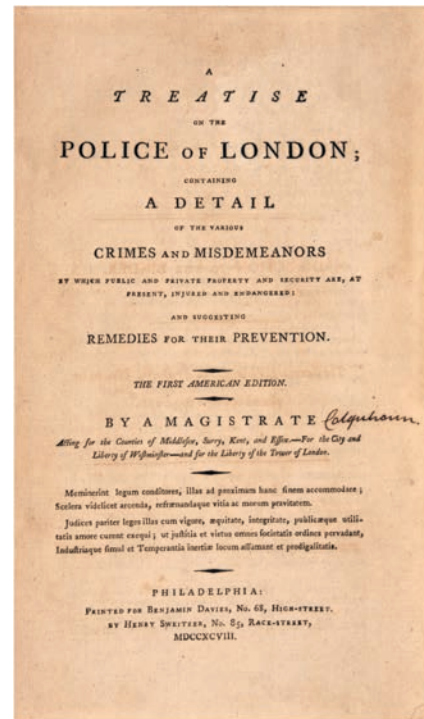
5. [COLQUHOUN, PATRICK (1745-1820)].

[A Treatise on the Police of London; Containing a Detail of the Various Crimes and Misdemeanors By Which Public and Private Property and Security Are, At Present, Injured and Endangered: And Suggesting Remedies for Their Prevention.](#)

Philadelphia: Printed for Benjamin Davies, 1798. xii, [7], 342, xxiv pp. Folding table. Octavo (8-1/4" x 5").

Contemporary sheep treated to resemble tree calf, lettering piece, gilt fillets and faint early hand-lettered author name to spine. Some rubbing to extremities with wear to corners and head of spine, joints starting at head, a few minor scuffs to boards, hinges partially cracked, bookplate (of Thomas Robbins, 1827) to front pastedown. Moderate toning to text, "Colquhoun" added to title page in contemporary hand. A nice copy. \$750.

FIRST AND ONLY AMERICAN EDITION. Colquhoun was a tireless reformer and public-minded citizen. First published in London in 1796, his treatise on criminology offered innovative proposals, such as the appointment of public prosecutors and paid magistrates, productive labor by convicts and a system of preventative police. This Philadelphia imprint was a response to the keen interest in this subject among elite circles of reformers and legislators in America. Their efforts were reflected in Philadelphia's Eastern State Penitentiary, New York's Auburn Prison and Livingston's penal code. Cohen 1010.



A GROUP OF NEW ENGLAND  
BANKS UNITE TO SUPPRESS  
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6. [COUNTERFEITING].

[\[Request for Membership Dues for the Association of Banks for the Suppression of Counterfeiting\].](#)

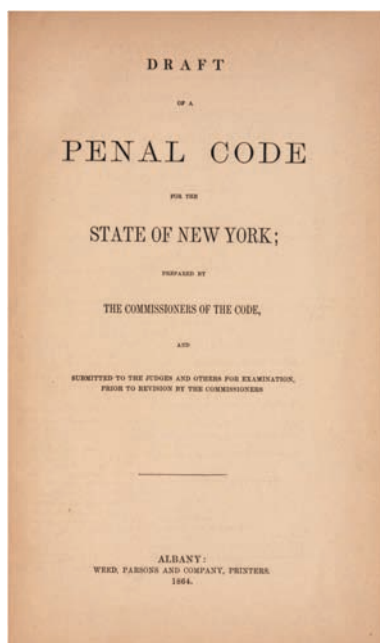
Boston, February 17, 1858.

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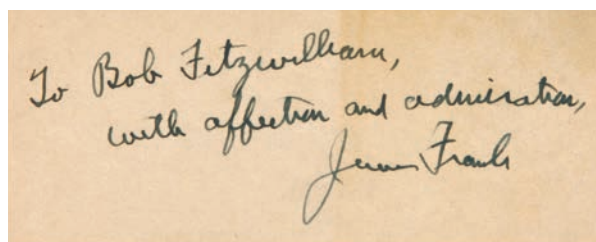
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[Draft of a Penal Code for the State of New York; Prepared by the Commissioners of the Code, and Submitted to the Judges and Others for Examination, Prior to Revision by the Commissioners.](#)

Albany: Weed, Parsons and Company, 1864. lv, 285 pp.  
Octavo (9" x 5-3/4").

Original blind-stamped black moire cloth, gilt title to spine. A few bumps to edges of boards, light wear to corners, some chipping to spine ends, front joint starting at head, armorial bookplate (of John Mack) to front pastedown, "With Compliments of Wm. Curtis Noyes," early owner signature (of L. Tremaine) and tiny later adhesive label to front free endpaper. Moderate toning to text, small chips to fore-edges of two leaves (pp. 261-266). \$500.

THIS WAS A DRAFT issued for public comment. It was completed on December 1864, just before Noyes' death. Noyes was a prominent New York City Lawyer. A man of extensive learning, he was an important member of the Code Commission. John Mack, a former owner of this book, may have been the notable nineteenth-century New York publisher. Babbitt 364.



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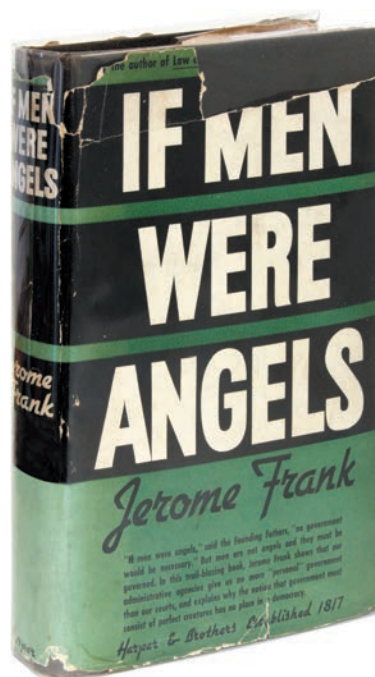
8. FRANK, JEROME [1889-1957].

[If Men Were Angels: Some Aspects of Government in a Democracy.](#)

New York: Harper & Brothers, [1942]. xii, 380 pp.

Publisher's cloth, in worn, mylar-protected dust jacket, author inscription, reading "To Bob Fitzwilliam, with affection and admiration. Jerome Frank" to front free endpaper. \$500.

FIRST EDITION. "In this book there is a shift in emphasis from the position taken in...*Law and the Modern Mind* (1930). While in both books he argues against the possibility of 'legal soothsaying,' in the earlier he stressed the uncertainty or vagueness in legal rules, but in this volume his emphasis is on the uncertainty as to the facts.... One leaves the book with an all-pervasive impression that Frank has undergone a deep-sea change through his experiences as Chairman of the SEC and as judge." Milton R. Konvitz, *Harvard Law Review* 56:1020-1022 cited in Marke 258.





APPEALING 1818 EDITION OF *THE FEDERALIST*

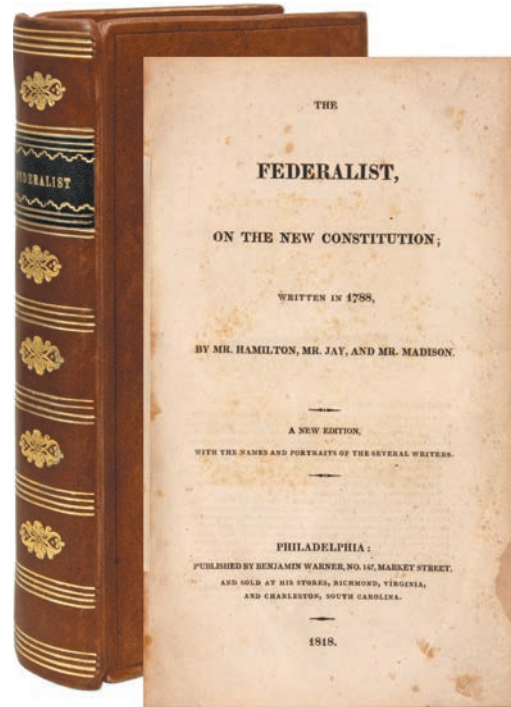
9. HAMILTON, ALEXANDER [1755-1804].  
 JAMES MADISON [1751-1836].  
 JOHN JAY [1745-1829].

[The Federalist, On the New Constitution; Written in 1788. A New Edition, With the Names and Portraits of the Several Writers.](#)

Philadelphia: Published by Benjamin Warner, 1818. vi, [7]-504 pp.  
 Lithographed portrait frontispiece of Hamilton, two other plates with portraits of Madison and Jay, all portraits have tissue overlays.  
 Octavo (8-1/2" x 5-1/4").

Recent period-style calf, lettering piece, gilt fillets and gilt ornaments to spine, endpapers renewed. Light toning, occasional light foxing. A handsome copy. \$4,500.

SECOND SINGLE-VOLUME EDITION, a reissue of the first with plates. With the text of the Articles of Confederation and the U.S. Constitution. Of the eighty-five essays, John Jay wrote numbers 1-5 and 54, Madison wrote numbers 10, 14, and 37-48. Numbers 18-20 were written by all three. The remaining 50 were written by Hamilton. (The author's name is listed at the end of each essay in this edition.) The essays aimed to encourage ratification of the proposed constitution by New York State, but were immediately recognized as the most compelling commentary on the most radical form of government the world had yet seen. Most of these essays appeared under the collective pseudonym "Publius" in New York newspapers and journals from October 27, 1787 to early June 1788. The M'Lean brothers published the first edition of *The Federalist* (along with the text of the Constitution) in 1788 as a two-volume set. The present edition follows the text of the 1802 Hopkins edition, which was the first to include corrections by Jay and Hamilton. Cohen 2818. Ford, 14 (50).



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## A LATE-LIFE CONFESSION

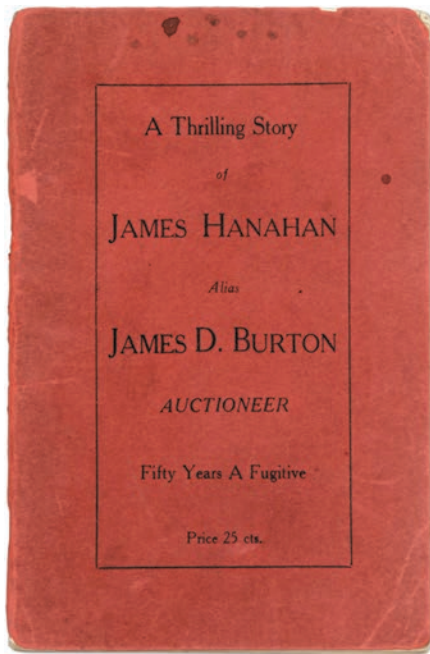
## 10. HANAHAN, JAMES.

[A Thrilling Story of James Hanahan Alias James D. Burton, Auctioneer. Fifty Years a Fugitive.](#)

[Chicago: Lindon Bros., c.1912]. 32 pp. 5 halftone photo portraits.

Stapled pamphlet in stiff printed wrappers. Some soiling and a few minor stains, moderate rubbing to extremities, covers beginning to detach along spine, moderate toning to interior. \$350.

ONLY EDITION. Though an unnamed amanuensis, Hanahan (also spelled Hanehan and Henahan), a 69-year old man who had been living a respectable life in St. Louis, confessed to the murder of two men when he was young man living in Tennessee. After the murder, he assumed an alias and worked in St. Louis as a shoplifter and, later, as an auctioneer of counterfeit jewelry before becoming a legitimate auctioneer. This story contains a good deal of information about the nineteenth-century Midwestern underworld. OCLC locates 13 copies, 2 in law libraries (Harvard, Library of Congress).

MONROE'S CRITICAL ASSESSMENT  
OF WASHINGTON'S FOREIGN POLICY

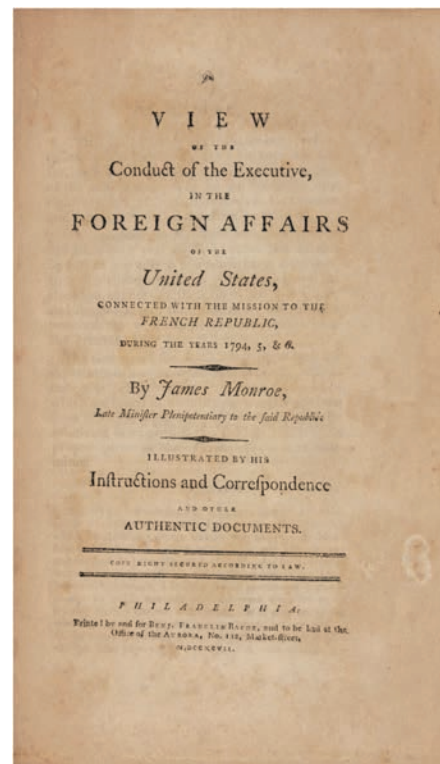
## 11. MONROE, JAMES [1758-1831].

[A View Of The Conduct Of The Executive, In The Foreign Affairs Of The United States, Connected With The Mission To The French Republic, During The Years 1794, 5, & 6. Illustrated by His Instructions and Correspondence, And Other Authentic Documents.](#)

Philadelphia: Printed by and for Benj. Franklin Bache, 1797. Octavo (9" x 5-3/4").

Original publisher boards with later rebacking, printed paper title label to spine, untrimmed edges, hinges mended. Light soiling and a few minor stains to boards, bookplate residue to front pastedown. Moderate toning, light foxing in places, minor chips and tears to fore-edges of a few leaves, paper flaw to Leaf F (pp. 33-34), with minor loss to text. \$500.

ONLY EDITION. Monroe was President Washington's minister to France from August 15, 1794 to December 9, 1796. Despite several successes as minister, such as securing U.S. navigational rights on the French-controlled Mississippi River, Monroe was recalled by Washington because he believed Monroe was too sympathetic to French interests. Monroe's *View of the Conduct of the Executive* is a defense of his actions as minister and a sharply critical account of Washington's management of foreign affairs. Sabin 50020.



## MURDER IN CANTON, OHIO: MCDADDE 334

## 12. [MURDER].

[ALBAUGH, THURLOW K. (1868-1937)].

GEORGE, ANNIE, E. [b.1859].

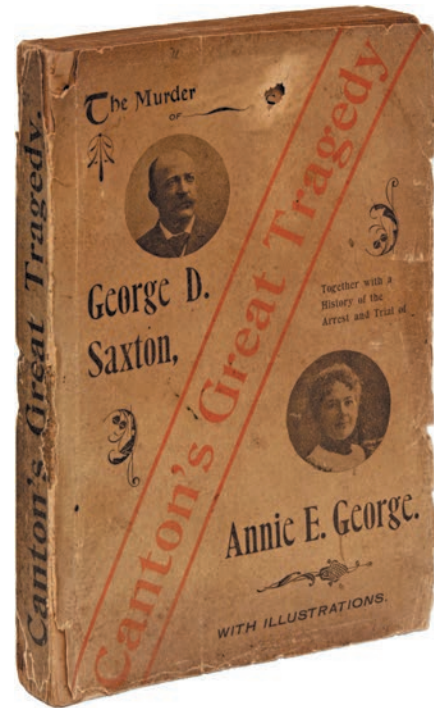
SAXTON, GEORGE D. [1848-1898].

[Canton's Great Tragedy: The Murder of George D. Saxton, Together with a History of the Arrest and Trial of Annie E. George, Charged with the Murder. With Biographical Sketches of George D. Saxton and Annie E. George. With Illustrations.](#)

[Wooster, OH: Press of Clapper Printing Co., 1899]. [iii], 308 pp. 14 leaves of plates. Illustrations. Octavo (7-1/2" x 5-1/4").

Softbound book in pictorial wrappers. Moderate soiling, rubbing to extremities with wear to spine ends and corners, small hole to front wrapper, moderate browning to text, faint dampstaining to fore-edges of a few leaves near rear of text. \$750.

ONLY EDITION. "Saxton, who was shot on October 7, 1898, was the brother of Mrs. William McKinley, wife of the President. Mrs. George was acquitted" (McDade). The title page ascribes this book to "Coe," which was the pen name of Albaugh K. Thurlow, a notable Ohio theater owner and manager. OCLC locates 15 copies, 6 outside of Ohio, 2 in law libraries (Harvard, University of Minnesota). McDade 334.

THE FIRST USE OF SLEEPWALKING  
AS A DEFENSE IN A MURDER TRIAL

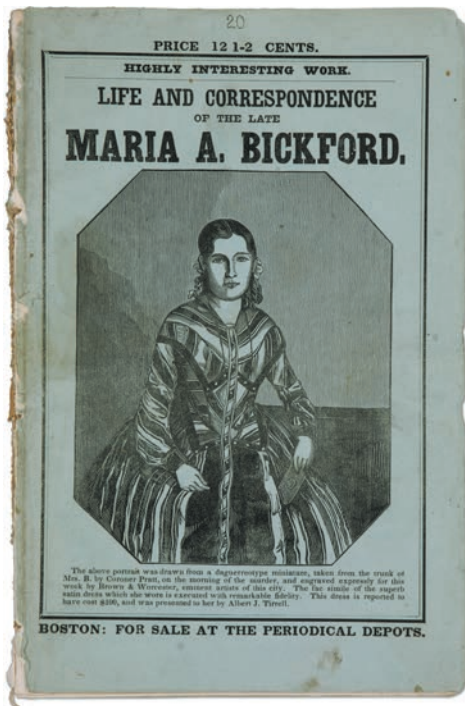
## 13. [MURDER].

[BICKFORD, JAMES, COMPILER].

[The Authentic Life of Mrs. Mary Ann Bickford, Who Was Murdered in the City of Boston, On the 27th of October, 1845. Comprising a Large Number of the Original Letters and Correspondence Never Before Published.](#)

Boston: Published by the Compiler, 1846. 48 pp. Octavo (7-1/2" x 4-3/4").

Disbound stab-stitched pamphlet, original pictorial wrappers retained (and securely affixed to text block). Light soiling and a few smudges and stains to wrappers, "20" in small hand to head of front wrapper, small library bookplate to its verso. Light toning to text, light foxing to a few leaves. \$1,500.



SECOND EDITION published the same year as the first. In 1845, Albert Jackson Tirrell [1824-1880] murdered Mary Ann Bickford [1824-1845], with whom he had a relationship, in the brothel where she lived.

The case was scandalous and widely publicized, especially after Tirrell's lawyer, Rufus Choate [1799-1859], successfully argued that Tirrell was innocent because he had been sleepwalking during the killing. This was the first time a defense based on sleepwalking was used in a murder trial. The letters collected by her brother in the *Authentic Life* document Mary Ann's relationship with her husband, James Bickford, and her relationship with Tirrell, who is shown to have been abusive and manipulative. The OCLC listing for the second edition held by the New York Historical Society Library notes that "the color of the cover appears to be the only difference [between the two editions]." OCLC locates 16 copies of both editions, 3 in law libraries, which have the first edition (Harvard, Library of Congress, Yale). McDade 986 (edition not stated). Cohen 13108.





N°14

"A RASCAL AND A DRUNKARD":  
MCDADE 653

14. [MURDER].

[MCFARLAND, DANIEL].

[RICHARDSON, ALBERT D.].

[The Richardson-McFarland Tragedy. Containing All the Letters and Other Interesting Facts and Documents Not Before Published, Being a Full and Impartial History of this Most Extraordinary Case.](#)

Philadelphia: Barclay & Co., 1870. 111 pp. Text in parallel columns. 7 full-page woodcuts. 16" x 11-1/2" folding woodcut frontispiece. Complete. Octavo (9-1/4" x 5-3/4").

Stab-stitched pamphlet in pictorial wrappers. Light soiling, moderate edgewear and a few chips to wrappers, tiny label and small tear to front wrapper, which is mended on verso with archival tape, some wear to spine ends, clean tear to folding frontispiece just touching image. Light toning to interior, finger smudges to a few leaves. \$1,250.

ONLY EDITION. "McFarland was a rascal and a drunkard whose wife Abby finally divorced him, planning to marry Richardson, a popular author and *New York Tribune* editor. Richardson was shot by McFarland in the office of the *Tribune*, and on his deathbed was married to Abby McFarland by no less a person than Henry Ward Beecher. A deliberate campaign to vilify Richardson and whitewash McFarland had the effect of acquitting the latter, proving again you can get away with murder if you claim to be defending the American home. The case was a *cause célèbre* in 1869 and 1870" (McDade, annotation to 652). McDade 653.

JEALOUSY, FRAUD, ACCUSATIONS  
AND MURDER: MCDADE 919

15. [MURDER].

[STOKES, EDWARD S. (1841-1901)].

[FISK, JAMES, JR. (1835-1872)].

[Life, Adventures, Strange Career, And Assassination of Col. James Fisk, Jr. The Fisk-Stokes Tragedy. All About Miss Mansfield. Those Rich, Rare, And Racy Letters and Many Oddities Now for the First Time Made Public.](#)

Philadelphia: Published by Barclay & Co., [1872]. [ii], [19]-111, [1] pp. 12 full-page engraved woodcuts. Complete. Octavo (9-1/4" x 5-3/4").

Stab-stitched pamphlet in pictorial wrappers. Binding slightly cocked, light soiling, rubbing to corners with light wear, spine ends abraded, wrappers just beginning to detach at ends. Moderate toning, light foxing to a few leaves. \$1,500.



N°15



Detail from N° 14

ONLY EDITION. "Jim Fisk...was a financial wonder in New York in 1872. Edward Stokes had been associated with him in the oil business, but they had become engaged in a bitter legal battle which originated when Stokes stole Fisk's mistress, Josie Mansfield. In retaliation Fisk had charged Stokes with embezzling oil company funds; Stokes replied with a charge of false imprisonment. Then Mansfield threatened to publish letters from Fisk revealing some of his transactions. On January 5 an injunction was issued restraining the publication of the letters; on the next day Josie Mansfield was exposed to a humiliating cross-examination in police court on her relations with Fisk. Stokes, in a rage, followed Fisk to the Broadway Central Hotel where he shot him on the stairs. After two trials the state could only convict Stokes of third-degree manslaughter" (McDade, annotation to 917). OCLC locates 11 copies, 2 in law libraries (Library of Congress, Yale). McDade 919.

#### NOT IN MCDADÉ

16. PAINE, WILLIAM P. [1802-1876].

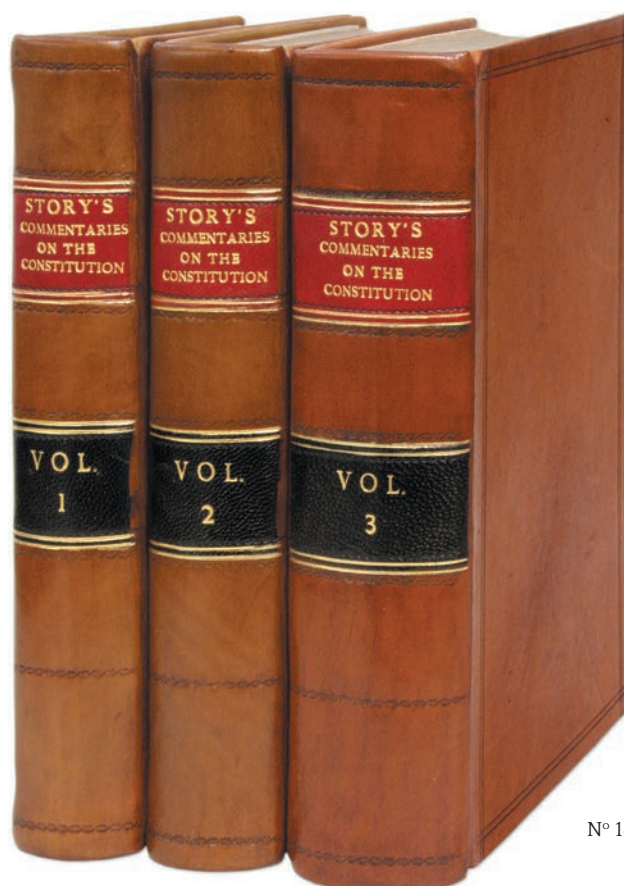
[A Sermon Occasioned by the Murder of Philip Edwards, Perpetuated Under the Influence of Alcoholic Insanity, By John L. Davis, In Holden, Mass., August 15, 1838.](#)

Worcester: Press of the Massachusetts Spy, 1838. 22 pp. Octavo (8-1/2" x 5").

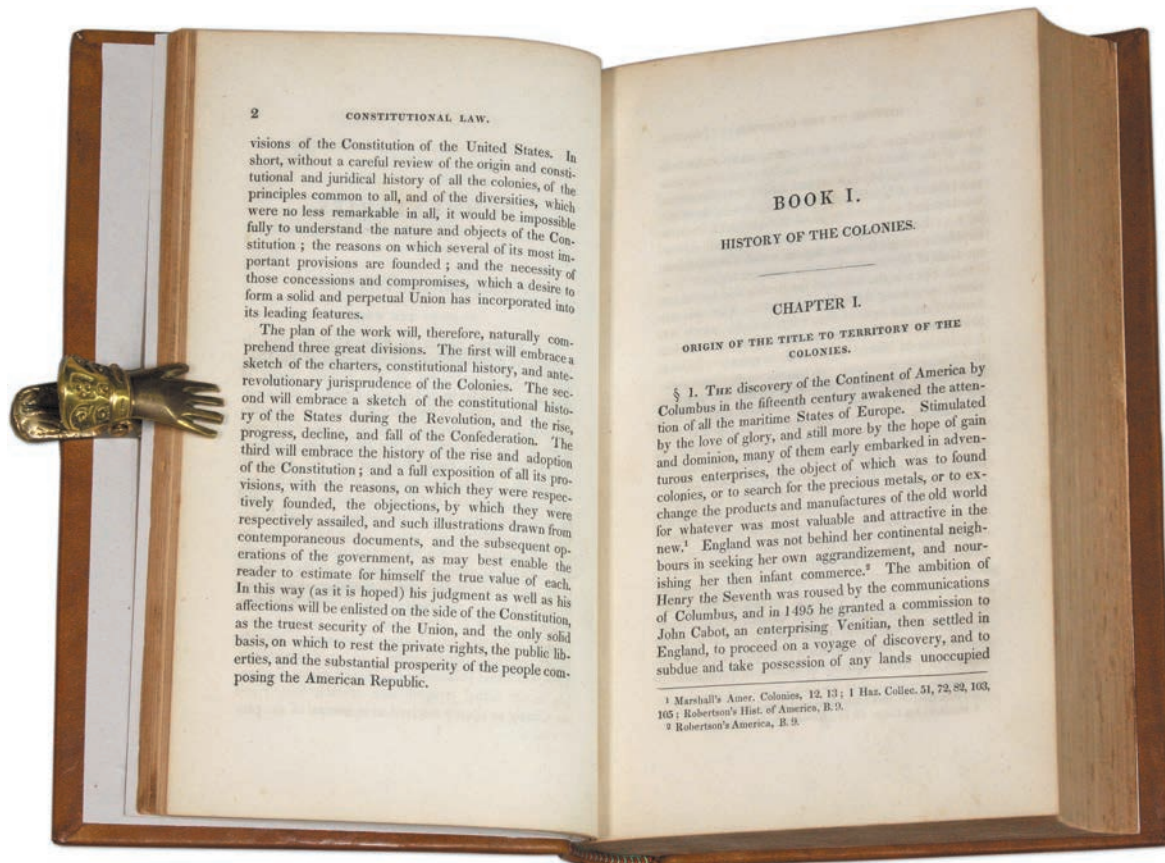
Stab-stitched pamphlet in plain wrappers. Light soiling and a few faint stains to exterior, some rubbing to spine ends and corners with mild wear, a few dog-eared leaves at beginning and end of text, which has moderate toning and faint dampstaining, early owner signature (Lydia Moore) to head of title page. \$950.

ONLY EDITION. Overlooked by McDade, this murder took place during a drinking binge. The sermon relates the events of the case, but it is essentially a temperance tract. "If the evil extended no farther than the degradation and misery of merely being a drunkard, the extent of the calamity could not be measured; but what a host of attendant evil follow the demon of intemperance wherever it goes. (...) Official statements, and the testimony of men of the soundest judgment and greatest candor, have been presented before us in the simplest forms, showing the extreme and terrible danger of that which so deranges the nerves and crazes the brain" (13). OCLC locates 10 copies, 1 in a law library (Social Law). Not in McDade.





N° 18



Detail from N° 18

## MCDADE 841: "ONE OF THOSE BIZARRE CRIMINALS WHO DEFY EASY CLASSIFICATION"

### 17. SAWYER, GEORGE C.

[Edward H. Ruloff. Offprint from the American Journal of Insanity, April, 1872.](#)

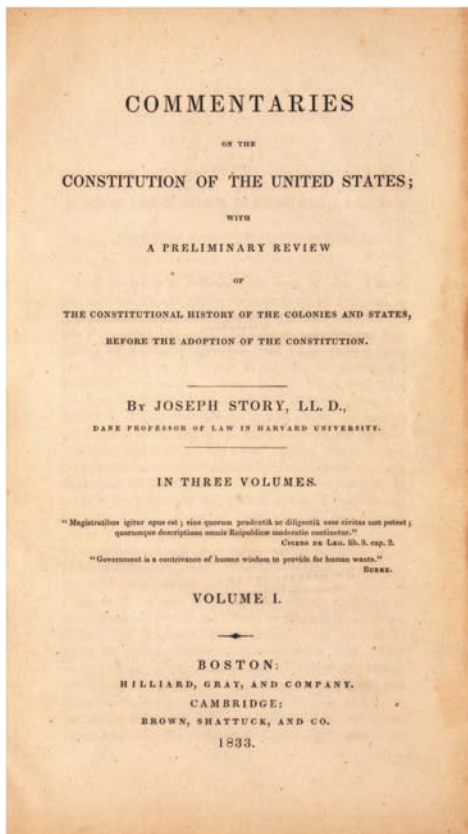
[Utica, NY: State Lunatic Asylum]. 52 pp. Octavo (9-1/4" x 5-3/4").

Stab-stitched pamphlet in printed wrappers. Wrappers detached, chipped around edges and lightly soiled, moderate toning to text, faint dampstaining to upper corner of the first half of the text block at gutter, light soiling to title and verso of final leaf. \$750.

AS MCDADE NOTES, Ruloff (sometimes spelled Ruloff) was "one of those bizarre criminals who defy easy classification." He began his criminal career in 1856

with the murder of his wife and child. The bodies were never recovered, so he was convicted of a lesser charge and sentenced to jail. Upon release, he was tried again and sentenced to death, but that sentence was reversed on appeal. While in prison Ruloff taught himself several languages and devised a theory of languages. Under an alias, he toured the lecture circuit as a philologist. Far from reformed, he continued to commit burglaries and other crimes with a pair of associates. In 1870, one of these burglaries ended with the murder of two store clerks. The two associates drowned during their escape, but Ruloff was caught, tried and hanged for murder. His brain was later a subject for scientific study. Sawyer's article offers a psychological study of Ruloff and a detailed account of his career. OCLC locates 9 copies, 1 in a law library (Yale). McDade 841.

## HANDSOME FIRST EDITION OF THE FIRST SUBSTANTIAL TREATISE ON THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION



### 18. STORY, JOSEPH [1779-1845].

[Commentaries on the Constitution of the United States; With a Preliminary Review of the Constitutional History of the Colonies and States, Before the Adoption of the Constitution.](#)

Boston: Hilliard, Gray and Company, 1833. Three volumes. xxxiv, [iii], 494; [ii], 555; [ii], 776 pp. Octavo (8-1/2" x 5-1/2").

Expertly bound in period-style full calf, blind rules to boards, red and black lettering pieces and blind fillets to spine, endpapers renewed. Internally clean and bright. A handsome set. \$7,500.

FIRST EDITION. Story's *Commentaries* was the most substantial and influential work written on the American Constitution between the publication of the *Federalist* and the Civil War, and it remains an important work today. Written while Story was Dane Professor at Harvard Law School and an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, it presented a strongly Nationalist interpretation. It is divided into three books. Book I contains a history of the colonies and discussion of their charters. Book II discusses the Continental Congress and analyzes the flaws that crippled the Articles of Confederation. Book III begins with a history of the Constitution and its ratification. This is followed by a brilliant line-by-line exposition of each of its articles and amendments. Comparing it to the *Federalist*, James Kent said that Story's work was "written in the same free and liberal spirit, with equal exactness and soundness of doctrine, and with great beauty and eloquence of

composition. (...) Whoever seeks...a complete history and exposition of this branch of our jurisprudence, will have recourse to [this] work, which is written with great candor, and characterized by extended research, and a careful examination of the vital principles upon which our government reposes." cited in Marvin 669-670. Cohen 2914.



SLIP OPINION OF A LANDMARK SUPREME COURT DECISION THAT  
UPHELD ROE V. WADE SIGNED BY JUSTICE SOUTER

19. SUPREME COURT, UNITED STATES.

[SOUTER, DAVID].

[\(Slip Opinion\) Planned Parenthood of Southeastern Pennsylvania et al Versus Casey, Governor of Pennsylvania et al.](#)

[Washington, DC: Government Printing Office, 1992]. x, 71, [1], 12, 23, [1], 37, [1], 25 pp.  
Complete. Signature of Justice Souter to head of first page.

[WITH]  
[SOUTER, DAVID].

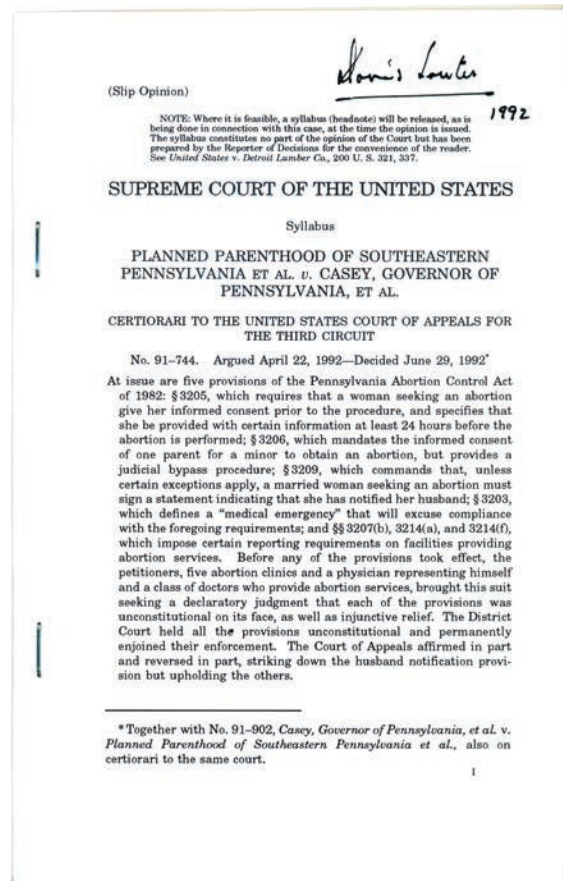
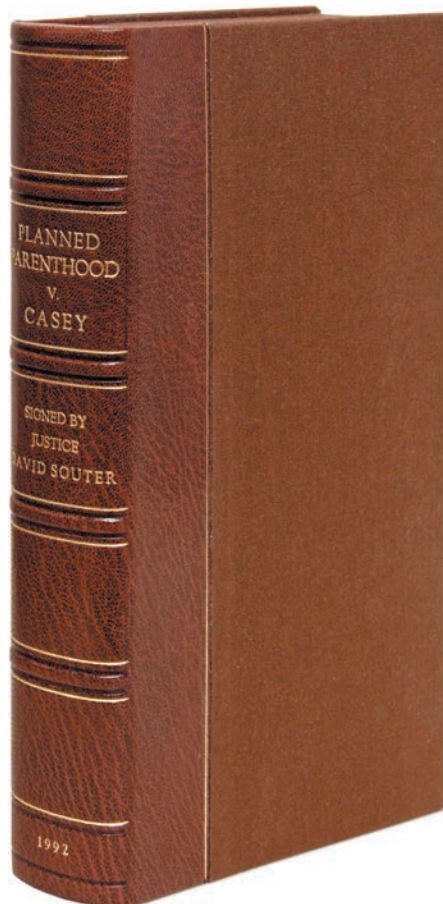
[\[4" x 6" Color Photograph of Souter, Image Size 3-1/4" x 2-1/2," Signed by Souter\].](#)

Tiny mark to final page of opinion, otherwise fine.

\$2,500.



A LANDMARK DECISION in the history of reproductive rights, *Planned Parenthood v. Casey* challenged the constitutionality of several Pennsylvania state statutory provisions regarding abortion. Written by Justices Kennedy, Souter and O'Connor, the Court's plurality opinion, stated by Souter, reaffirmed the central holding of *Roe v. Wade*, stating that "matters, involving the most intimate and personal choices a person may make in a lifetime, choices central to personal dignity and autonomy, are central to the liberty protected by the Fourteenth Amendment." Bench opinions are issued by the U.S. Supreme Court immediately after the announcement of a decision. Slip opinions are issued afterwards. They are the first printings of a decision intended for wide dissemination and review, often incorporating corrections. After that stage the revised slip opinions are added to the latest paperback volume of *United States Reports*. A year later, that volume is printed in its final, authoritative, hardcover form.



## FIRST EDITION OF BLACK'S SUPREME COURT REPORTS

20. [SUPREME COURT, UNITED STATES].  
BLACK, J[EREMIAH] S[ULLIVAN] [1810-1883].

[Reports of Cases Argued and Determined in the Supreme Court of the United States, At December Term, 1861 \[-1862\].](#)

Washington, DC: W.H. & O.H. Morrison, 1862-1863. Two volumes. Complete set. Octavo (9" x 6").

Later tan buckram, red and black lettering pieces to spines. Light shelfwear, some staining to bindings. Moderate toning to interior of Volume I, light foxing to its title page and a few following leaves, negligible light toning to interior of Volume II. \$450.

FIRST EDITION. Later republished as Volumes 66 and 67 of *United States Reports*. Black was the sixth U.S. Supreme Court reporter. Although he only held this position for two terms, his work is held in high regard. According to Carl Swisher, his reporting is "far superior to either Peters or Howard, and...at least the equal of any of his predecessors": *History of the Supreme Court of the United States* V:317. Cohen and O'Connor 193-194.

## WHEATON'S REPORTS: THE "GOLDEN BOOK OF AMERICAN LAW"



21. [SUPREME COURT, UNITED STATES].  
WHEATON, HENRY [1785-1848], REPORTER.

[Reports of Cases Argued and Adjudged in the Supreme Court of the United States.](#)

Volume 1: Philadelphia: Published by Mathew Carey, 1816; Volumes 2-7, 9-10, 12: New York: Published by Robert Donaldson, 1817-1827. Volumes 8, 11: New York: Banks & Brothers, 1883. Twelve volumes. Complete set. Octavo (8-1/2" x 5-1/2").

Uniformly bound in later tan buckram, with red and black lettering pieces to spines. Moderate shelfwear and soiling, some staining to Volumes 4, 5 and 6. Moderate toning to interiors, somewhat heavier in places, occasional light foxing. \$2,500.

FIRST EDITIONS, except for Volumes 8 and 11, which are fourth editions (edited, with notes, by F.C. Brightly). Later republished as Volumes 14-25 of *United States Reports*. Wheaton's tenure as the Supreme Court's reporter lasted from 1816 to 1827, a remarkable period that witnessed such landmark cases as *Martin v. Hunter's Lessee* (1816), *McCulloch v. Maryland* (1819), *Dartmouth College v. Woodward* (1819), *Cohens v. Virginia* (1821) and *Gibbons v. Ogden* (1824). A more sophisticated Supreme Court reporter than the predecessors, Wheaton enhanced his excellent reports with extensive notes and useful appendices, some containing texts of relevant documents. As noted by Woxland and Ogden, his reports became "a model for judicial reporting in this country-the 'golden book of American law.'" Woxland and Ogden 33. Cohen and O'Connor 135-146.



## AN 1802 MASSACHUSETTS SERMON CRITICIZING PUBLIC EXECUTIONS

## 22. THACHER, THOMAS [1756-1812].

[The Danger of Despising the Divine Counsel: Exhibited in a Discourse, Delivered at Dedham, Third Precinct, September 13, 1801, The Lord's Day After the Execution of Jason Fairbanks.](#)

Dedham, [Mass.]: Printed and Sold, By Herman Mann, 1802. 29 pp. Octavo (9" x 5-1/2").

Stab-stitched pamphlet with untrimmed edges in later plain wrappers, whip-stitched along spine and edges. Light soiling, wear to wrappers along edges and spine, section lacking from wrapper. Light browning, foxing and occasional faint dampstaining to text, light soiling, moderate edgewear and a few tears to title page, small chips to fore-edges of following two leaves. \$950.

FIRST AND ONLY EDITION. This was one of the most sensational trials of the early republic. The parents of Elizabeth Fales objected to Fairbanks's suit, and he, in revenge or frustration, slit Elizabeth's throat in a field, attempting at the same time to commit suicide. When apprehended, he claimed that she tried to kill herself. After his conviction Fairbanks escaped custody and almost reached Canada, but was apprehended in Vermont. He was hanged a short time later. Thacher argues that public executions do not provide religious or moral instruction. OCLC locates 1 copy in a North American law library (Yale). Not in McDade. Cohen 12559.

## "IT MAY MEAN \$15,900 IN GOLD TO YOU"

## 23. [TRAIN ROBBERY].

UNITED STATES POST OFFICE.

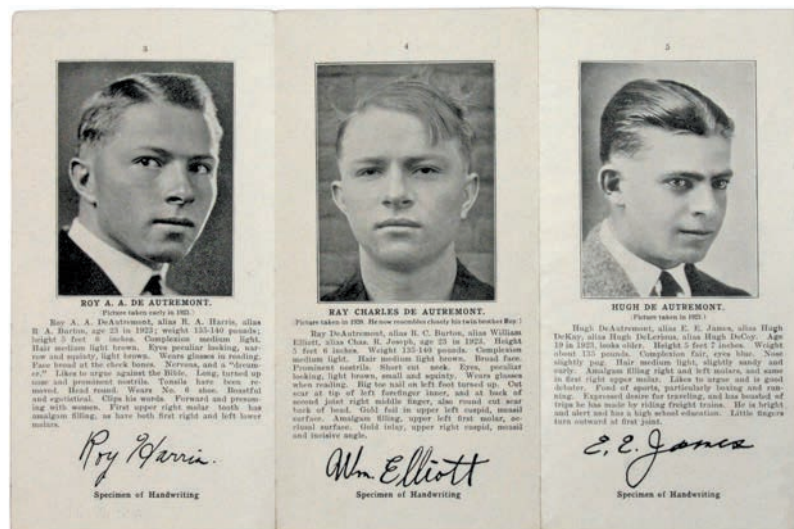
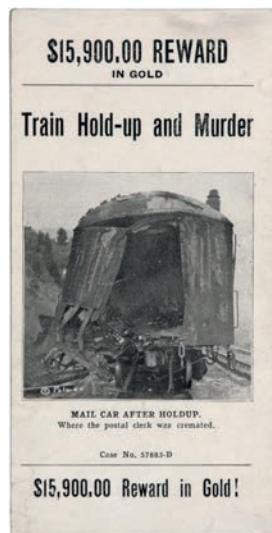
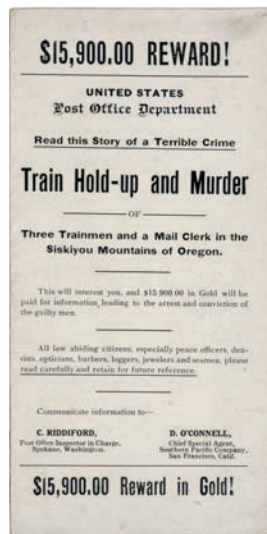
[\\$15,900.00 Reward in Gold, Read This Story of a Terrible Crime. Train Hold-Up and Murder of Three Trainmen and a Mail Clerk in the Siskiyou Mountains of Oregon.](#)

[Chicago, 1923]. 9, [1] pp. Photo illustrations

7" x 3-1/2" brochure. Light toning and edgewear, a few tears along fold lines.

\$300.

THIS BROCHURE describes the crime and offers ways the criminals could be identified by their appearance, demeanor, professional skills and habits. Clues to their identity are directed to barbers, managers of logging camps and "large industrial establishments," librarians, watch repairers and jewelers, opticians, optometrists and dentists. All are asked: "Please watch out for these men. It may mean \$15,900 in gold to you."



Details from N° 23



Detail from N° 25

A REFUTATION OF STORY'S  
COMMENTARIES ON THE  
CONSTITUTION

24. UPSHUR, ABEL PARKER [1791-1844].

[A Brief Enquiry into the True Nature and Character of the Federal Government: Being a Review of Judge Story's Commentaries on the Constitution of the United States.](#)

Philadelphia: John Campbell, Publisher, 1863. [ii], iv, 132 pp. Star-paged. Octavo (8-3/4" x 5-1/2").

Nineteenth-century sheep, blind fillets to boards, raised bands, lettering piece and owner label (F.A. Sondley) to spine. Light rubbing and a few minor stains and nicks to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities, library bookplate (Sondley Reference Library) to front pastedown. Moderate toning to text, very faint embossed library stamp to title page and a few other leaves. A handsome copy. \$650.

SECOND EDITION, star-paged to the first edition. Originally published as a pamphlet in 1840, Upshur's essay is a refutation of the nationalistic theory of the Constitution advanced by Joseph Story's *Commentaries on the Constitution* (first edition, 1833). Our 1863 edition was issued by a group of radical Northern Democrats (Copperheads) to promote the political philosophy of the Confederacy. Upshur, a Virginia judge and politician, was a prominent spokesman for the states-rights, pro-slavery ideology. He was Secretary of the Navy and Secretary of State under President Tyler. Foster A. Sondley [1857-1931] was a prominent North Carolina attorney, scholar and bibliophile. HLC II:827.

PARSON WEEMS  
ON DUELING

25. WEEMS, M[ASON] L[OCKE]  
[1759-1825].

[God's Revenge Against Duelling: Or, The Duellist's Looking-Glass; Exhibiting that Gentlemanly Mode of Turning the Corner, In Features Altogether Novel, And Admirably Calculated to Entertain and Instruct the American Youth. Revised and Greatly Improved.](#)

Philadelphia: Published by Joseph Allen, 1827. [iii], 4-96 pp. Folding lithographed frontispiece. 12mo. (5-1/2" x 3-1/2").

Stab-stitched pamphlet in plain wrappers. Some wear to spine ends and corners, lower sections lacking from wrappers, which are lightly soiled and dampstained. Moderate toning and faint dampstaining to text, damage affecting final lines of pp. 11-21, legibility not affected, light edgewear to frontispiece. \$250.

THIRD (ACTUALLY FOURTH) and final edition. Better known as Parson Weems, Mason Locke Weems is best known as the author that invented the legend of young George Washington and the cherry tree. Here Weems attacks the immorality and absurdity of dueling. He makes his case, in part, through biographical vignettes (some invented). The most elaborate of these concerns a duel between two slaves, Cudjo and Mingo. It is written in dialect and is the subject of the frontispiece, which depicts the Cudjo and Mingo on the field of honor, pistols cocked and attended by their seconds. The first three editions of this pamphlet were published in 1820, 1821 and 1822. All are scarce. OCLC locates 7 copies of our imprint, none in law libraries. Sabin 102472.

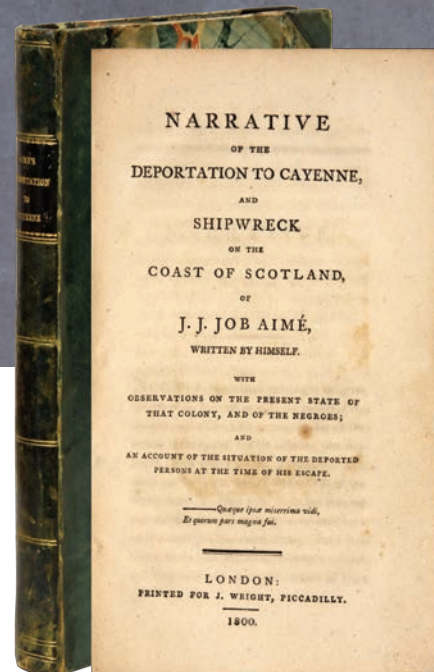


# English & Irish Imprints

INTENDED TO EXPOSE THE BRUTALITY  
OF THE FRENCH REVOLUTION

26. AYMÉ, JEAN-JACQUES.

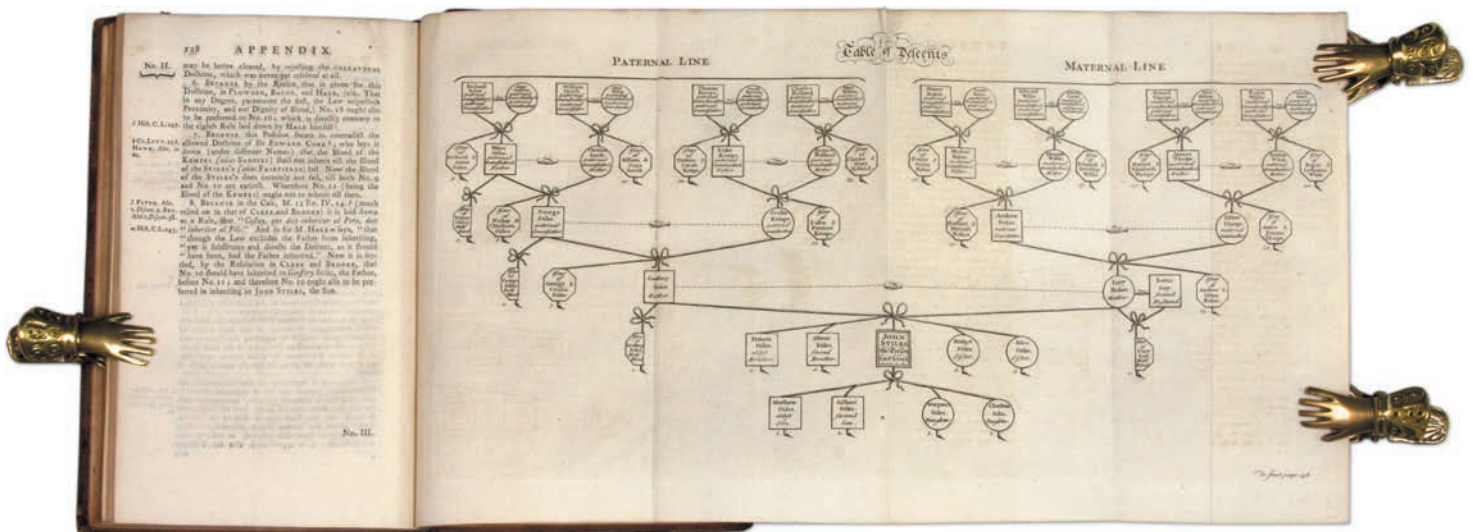
[Narrative of the Deportation to Cayenne, And Shipwreck on the Coast of Scotland, Of J.J. Job Aimé, Written by Himself. With Observations on the Present State of that Colony, And of the Negroes; And an Account of the Situation of the Deported Person at the Time of His Escape.](#)



London: Printed for J. Wright, 1800. [ii], 282, [12] pp. Lacking half-title and final publisher advertisement leaf. Octavo (8-1/2" x 5-1/4").

Contemporary three-quarter calf over marbled boards, lettering piece and gilt fillets to spine, marbled edges. Light rubbing to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities, front hinge starting, three early library bookplates to front pastedown. Moderate toning to text, occasional light foxing. \$950.

SECOND AND FINAL ENGLISH EDITION. First published as *Déportation et Naufrage de J.J. Aymé, Ex-Législateur*, the first English Translation followed later that year. Aymé was a member of the Directory who was arrested after the Coup of 18 Fructidor and sent to the penal colony in Cayenne commonly known as Devil's Island. He managed to escape and eventually made his way to England. His narrative details the inhuman behavior of the colony's masters towards their prisoners and slaves. Produced to promote opposition to the Revolution in Great Britain, the English translation was intended to expose the brutality of the Directory and the hollowness of its stated commitment to political freedom and human rights. The second edition was also issued in a composite volume with two other books critical of the French Revolution titled *History of the Revolution of the 18th Fructidor*. Sabin 545. ESTC T87787.



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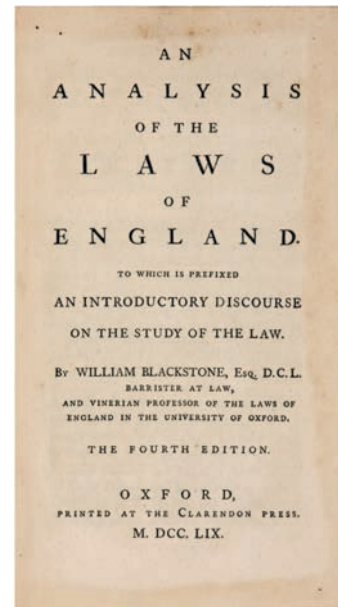
## THE OUTLINE OF BLACKSTONE'S COMMENTARIES

## 27. BLACKSTONE, SIR WILLIAM [1723-1780].

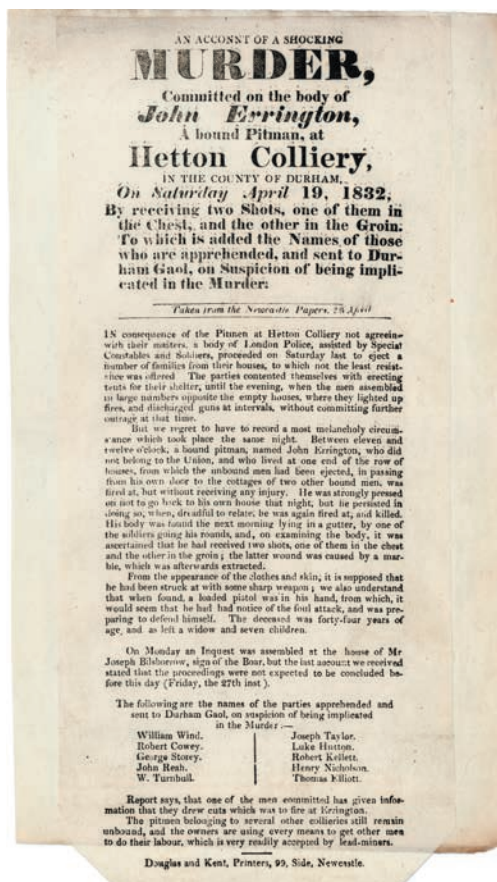
[An Analysis of the Laws of England. To Which Is Prefixed an Introductory Discourse on the Study of the Law.](#)

Oxford: Printed at the Clarendon Press, 1758. lxx, [6], 189, [15] pp. Copperplate Table of Descents. Folding Table of Consanguinity. Octavo (8" x 4-3/4").

Contemporary calf, blind rules to boards, blind fillets along joints, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, blind tooling to board edges. Light rubbing and a few minor scuffs to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities, chip to foot of spine, boards beginning to separate from spine, but secured by cords, corners bumped and lightly worn, early armorial bookplate (of Thomas Grimston Estcourt) and later bookplate (of P.R. Glazebrook) to front pastedown. Light toning, somewhat heavier in places, a few worm holes at head of text block near gutter, recent brief annotations and marks in pencil in a few places, spot of early wax to foot of p. 109 below text with faint offsetting to adjacent leaf. \$750.



FOURTH EDITION. First published anonymously in 1756, the *Analysis* was originally the outline for Blackstone's *Commentaries on the Laws of England* (1765-1769). Later editions, such as this one, provided a digest of the published work. This edition was the last issued by Blackstone. The preface and arrangement of the text follows the third edition. The first chapter, A Discourse on the Study of the Law, was Blackstone's introductory lecture as Vinerian professor of law at Oxford. This edition also contains an appendix of precedents, forms and an alphabetical index. Eller 220. Laeuchli 523.



## A MURDER RELATED TO LABOR UNREST IN THE NEWCASTLE MINES

28. [BROADSIDE].  
[MURDER].

[An Account of the Shocking Murder, Committed on the Body of John Errington, A Bound Pitman, At Hetton Colliery, In the County of Durham, On Saturday April 19, 1832, By Receiving Two Shots, One of Them in the Chest, And the Other in the Groin.](#)

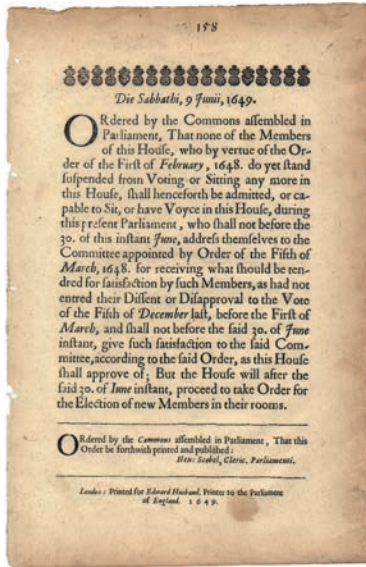
Newcastle Upon Tyne: Douglas and Kent, Printers, [1832].

13-3/4" x 6-1/4" broadside mounted on 13-1/4" x 8" sheet, bottom inch of broadside folded, lower corners cropped. Single-column text below headline, sections separated by rules. Negligible light toning. A well-preserved copy. \$1,500.

AN ACCOUNT "taken from the Newcastle Papers" of 28th April, during the miner's strike of 1832, an early example of Industrial-Era unrest that resonated throughout Great Britain. At that time a number of strikers, evicted from their homes, gathered in the town, where they lit bonfires, discharged firearms and antagonized their opponents. Errington, a strikebreaker, was found dead in the street with two wounds from a marble-firing musket. Several strikers were charged with his murder and taken to Durham Gaol, which was far enough away from Newcastle to discourage any rescue attempts. In the end the evidence was insufficient and they were released. No copies located on OCLC, Library Hub or at the British Library.



## A DRAMATIC ORDINANCE RELATING TO PRIDE'S PURGE

29. [BROADSIDE].  
[PARLIAMENT].

Die Sabbathi, 1 Junii, 1649. Ordered By The Commons Assembled In Parliament, That None Of The Members Of This House, Who By Vertue Of The Order Of The First Of February 1648. Do Yet Stand Suspended From Voting, Or Sitting Any More In This House, Shall Henceforth Be Admitted....

London: Printed For Edward Husband, Printed To The Parliament Of England, 1649.

10-3/4" x 6-3/4" broadside, text in single column below typographical headpiece of repeated small English rose and crown ornaments & crown and harp ornaments. Moderate toning, minor tears to edges, small spot at foot of text, early hand-lettered numbers at head and to verso, stab holes along left-hand margin.

\$500.

PARLIAMENT maintained negotiations with Charles I following the end of the second English Civil War and on the 5th December 1648 voted by a large majority to continue negotiations. Incensed by the result of the vote, members of the New Model Army under Colonel Thomas Pride surrounded Parliament and prevented dissenting members from entering on December 6, 1648. The ordinance requires members to satisfy the requirement of a Parliamentary committee appointed on March 5, 1648 to enter their vote of December 5, 1647 before June 30 or be subject to replacement by new members. ESTCR212633.

## "ROGUES, VAGABONDS, AND OTHER IDLE AND DISORDERLY PERSONS"

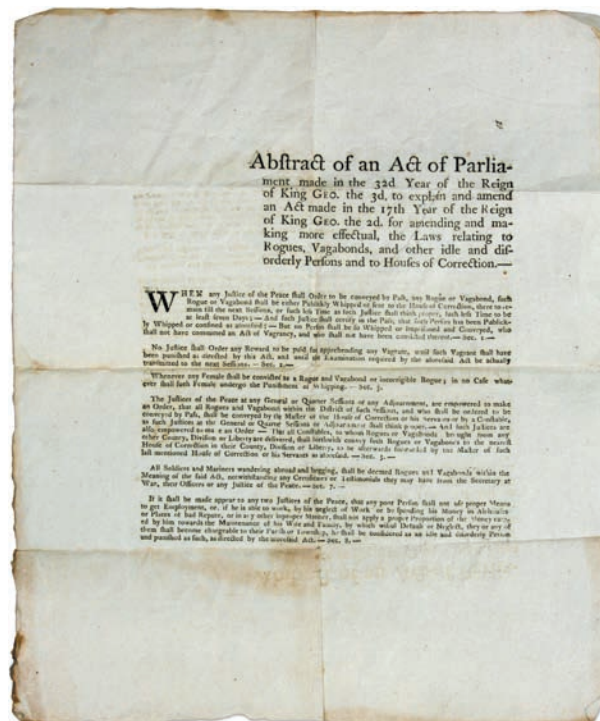
30. [BROADSIDE].  
[ROGUES AND VAGABONDS].

Abstract of an Act of Parliament Made in the 32d Year of the Reign of King Geo. the 3d, To Explain and Amend an Act Made in the 17th Year of the Reign of King Geo. the 2d. for Amending and Making More Effectual, the Laws Relating to Rogues, Vagabonds, and Other Idle and Disorderly Persons and to Houses of Correction [drop-head title].

N.p., S.n., [1791].

15" x 12-1/4" broadside. Single-column text below headline. Moderate toning, light crinkling, horizontal and vertical fold lines, light edgewear. \$750.

"WHEN ANY JUSTICE OF PEACE shall order to be conveyed by pass, any rogue or vagabond, such rogue or vagabond shall either be publicly whipped or sent to the House of Correction...Whenever any female shall be convicted as a rogue or vagabond or incorrigible rogue; in no case what ever shall such female undergo the punishment of whipping...All soldiers and mariners wandering abroad and begging, shall be deemed rogues and vagabonds within the meaning of the said Act...If it shall be made to appear to any two justices of peace that any poor person shall not use proper means to get employment, or, if he is able to work, by his neglect of work or spending his money in ale houses or place of bad repute...he shall be considered as an idle and disorderly person and punished as such...." Not in the ESTC. No copies located on OCLC, Library Hub or at the British Library.



FIRST EDITION OF COKE'S REPORTS, PART SEVEN,  
WHICH INCLUDES CALVIN'S CASE

31. COKE, SIR EDWARD [1552-1634].

[La Sept Part des Reports Sr. Edw. Coke Chivalier, Chiefe Iustice del Common Banke: Des divers Resolutions & Iudgements done sur Solemne Arguments & Avec Grand Deliberation & Conference des Tresreverend Iudges & Sages de la Ley, De Cases en ley Queux ne Fueront Unques Resolue ou Adiudges par Devant: Et les Raisons & Causes des Dits Resolutions & Iudgements. Publies en le Size an del Treshaut & Tresillustre Jaques Roy Dengl. Fr. & Irel. & de Escoce le 42. le Fountaine de Tout Pietie & Iustice, & la Vie de la Ley.](#)

London: Printed [by Adam Islip] for the Societie of Stationers, 1608. [v], 28, 34 ff., 35-36 pp., 37-45, [1] ff. Complete. Folio (11" x 7").

Contemporary calf, rebacked in period style, blind rules to boards, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, hinges mended. Moderate rubbing and some shallow scuffing to boards, heavier rubbing to board edges with some wear to corners. Title printed within woodcut architectural border. Moderate toning, faint dampstaining to text block in a few places, occasional brief early annotations in early hand, light edgewear to endleaves, light soiling and two later owner annotations to title page.

\$1,250.



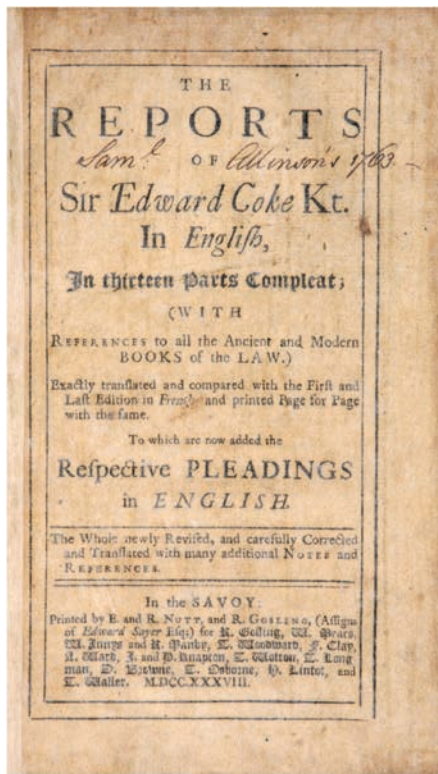
FIRST EDITION. Prefaces in Latin and English. Coke's *Reports* are not reports in the conventional sense but highly detailed anthologies of precedents organized according to the cases they consider. In each instance Coke assembled a large body of cases, outlined their arguments, and explained the reasons for the judgment, using it as a basis for a statement of general principles. Taken together, the Reports form the most extensive and detailed treatment of common law pleading that had yet appeared. A work of immense authority, it was often cited as *The Reports*, there being no need to mention the author's name. Highlights of the seventh part are the preface, a response to criticism of his speech and charge at the Norwich assizes, and Calvin's Case, which helped to establish the rule of birthright citizenship. ESTC S125723.



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A SET OF COKE'S REPORTS OWNED BY JOHN BOUVIER  
AND SIX OTHER PROMINENT AMERICAN LAWYERS



32. COKE, SIR EDWARD [1552-1634].

[The Reports of Sir Edward Coke Kt. Of Divers Resolutions and Judgments Given with Great Deliberation, By the Reverend Judges and Sages of the Law, Of Cases and Matters in Law Which were Never Resolved or Adjudged Before: And the Reasons and Causes of the Said Resolutions and Judgments, During the Most Happy Reign of the Most Illustrious and Renowned Queen Elizabeth, The Fountain of All Justice and the Life of the Law.](#)

[London]: Printed by E. and R. Nutt, and R. Gosling, for R. Gosling [et al.], 1738. Thirteen parts and table in 7 volumes. Complete set. Octavo (8-3/4" x 5-1/2").

Recent period-style quarter calf over marbled boards, raised bands and lettering pieces to spines, preliminaries re-hinged and mounted on archival tissue, endpapers renewed. Moderate toning and occasional light foxing to interiors, owner signature of Samuel Allinson dated 1763 to title pages, owner signatures of John Bouvier, dated June 19, 1827, William Tilghman, (Hon.) Edmund Lovell Dana, dated 1853, Samuel W. Pennypacker, dated June 6, 1895 and John M. Patterson, dated January 12, 1920 to front endleaves, bookplate of Charles Read to front pastedown of Volume III, signature of Dana to front pastedown of Volume IV. A handsome set with a fascinating group of associations. \$2,500.

"COKE'S REPORTS [which contain cases from 1572 to 1616] retain a position among...legal publications that few of the elder reports possess. Although some of the decisions that they contain have become obsolete, although others have been greatly modified by the revolutions which jurisprudence has undergone...yet, many of them are leading cases that are now studied by those who ascend to the fountains of legal principles" (Marvin). This set belonged to a series of distinguished owners:

- **Charles Read** [c.1713-1774] was collector of the port of Burlington, New Jersey, mayor of Burlington, a justice of the New Jersey Supreme Court, chief-justice of the Province, secretary to the Provincial Council, and a colonel in the New Jersey Militia and a founding member of the American Philosophical Society.

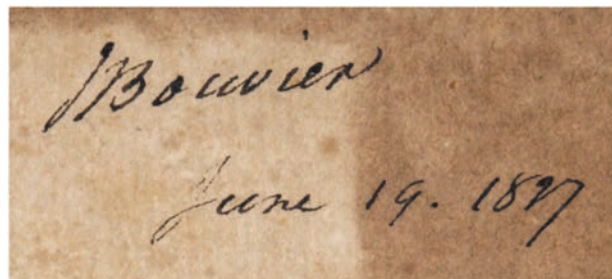
- **Samuel Allinson** [1739-1791], a prominent lawyer in Burlington County, New Jersey, was the compiler of *Acts of the General Assembly of the Province of New-Jersey, From the Surrender of the Government to Queen Anne, On the 17th Day of April, In the Year of Our Lord 1702, To the 14th Day of January 1776* (Burlington, 1776).

- **John Bouvier** [1787-1851], a leading member of the Philadelphia Bar, was the author of *A Law Dictionary* (1839), the first American law dictionary, and the editor of the second American edition of Bacon's *Abridgement* (1842-1846).

- **William Tilghman** [1756-1827] was a politician and jurist in Maryland and Pennsylvania. He held a number of legislative and judicial posts and was chief justice of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. Edmund Lovell Dana [1817-1889] of Wilkes-Barre, a distinguished officer during the Civil War, was a lawyer, judge and, in his later years, director of Wilkes-Barre's Osterhout Free Library.

- **Samuel W. Pennypacker** [1843-1916] was a lawyer, judge, president of the Law Academy of Philadelphia and governor of Pennsylvania. He also published several books on Pennsylvania history.

- **John M. Patterson** [1874-1925], a wealthy Philadelphia attorney, was a distinguished philanthropist and bibliophile. Marvin 209-211. ESTC N12827.



Detail of John Bouvier owner signature



## LEGAL GUIDELINES FOR WELL-BORN SPORTSMEN

33. COX, NICHOLAS [FL.1673-1721].  
[MANWOOD, JOHN (D.1610)].

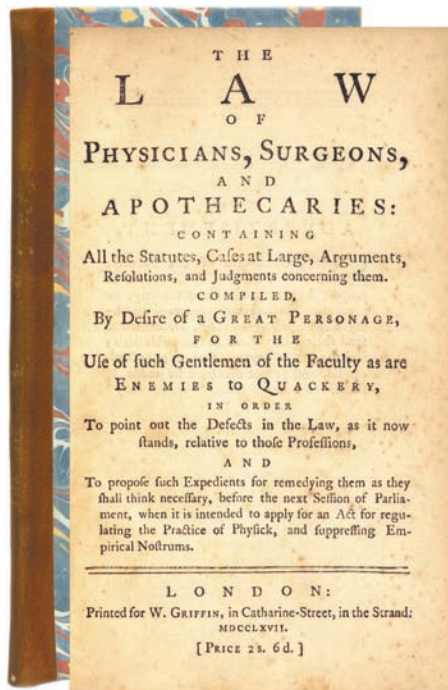
The Gentleman's Recreation: In Four Parts. Viz. Hunting, Hawking, Fowling, Fishing: Wherein Those Generous Exercises are Largely Treated of; And the Terms of Art for Hunting and Hawking, More Amply Enlarged than Heretofore: Also the Method of Breeding and Managing a Hunting-Horse: Unto Which is Now Annex'd an Appendix of Choice Receipts or the Cure of Several Maladies. Whereto is Added, A Perfect Abstract of All the Forest-Laws, And Every Particular Act Since Magna Charta to This Time, As Do Any Way Relate to the Several Kinds of Game Above-Mention'd; With Several Forms of Warrants Relating Thereto, Never Before Printed. To Which is Prefixed a Large Sculpture, Giving Easy Directions for Blowing the Horn. And Other Sculptures Proper to Each Recreation. London: Printed for N.C. and Sold by J. Wilcox, 1721. Two works in one. The second work, An Abridgment of Manwood's Forest Laws. And of All the Acts of Parliament Made Since; Which Relate to Hunting, Hawking, Fishing, Or Fowling. With Precedents of Warrants for Gamekeepers, Licences to Hunt, Hawk, &c., has divisional title page reading London:

Printed by H.p. for N.C., 1721. [iv], iv, 304 [i.e.288], 285-438; [2], 115, [9] pp. Copperplate frontispiece, four folding plates, one of them oversized (19-1/2" x 15"). Complete. Octavo (7-1/2" x 4-3/4").

Contemporary paneled calf, rebaked in period style, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, upper corners and hinges mended. Light rubbing to boards, corners bumped, lower corners lightly worn. Moderate toning, light foxing in places, light edgewear to preliminaries and oversized folding plate, which had tape repairs to its verso. A handsome copy with the often-lacking oversized plate. \$1,250.

SIXTH AND FINAL EDITION, and the only edition that includes precedents of warrants and licenses. This guidebook contains one of the few treatises on falconry from the period. It was first published in 1674. Two editions designated the fourth were issued in 1697; one does not have an abridgment of Manwood. The abridgment published in the 1721 edition was also issued separately. ESTC T133087.





## "ENEMIES TO QUACKERY"

34. [CUNNINGHAM, TIMOTHY (D. 1789)].

[The Law of Physicians, Surgeons, And Apothecaries: Containing All the Statutes, Cases at Large, Arguments, Resolutions, And Judgments Concerning Them. Compiled, By Desire of a Great Personage, For the Use of Such Gentlemen of the Faculty as Are Enemies to Quackery, in Order to Point Out the Defects in the Law, As it Now Stands, Relative to those Professions, And To Propose such Expedients for Remedying them as They Shall Think Necessary, Before the Next Session of Parliament, When it is Intended to Apply for an Act for Regulating the Practice of Physick, And Suppressing Empirical Nostrums.](#)

London: Printed by W. Griffin, 1767. 8, 109, iii pp. Includes 3 pp. publisher catalogue. Octavo (8" x 5").

Stab-stitched pamphlet bound into recent quarter-calf over marbled boards, calf title panel to front board. Light toning, faint dampspotting to a few leaves. \$1,250.

ONLY EDITION. Timothy Cunningham was a London barrister, legal writer and antiquarian. The author of more than twenty books, Cunningham was also one of the most prolific legal writers of the eighteenth century. As indicated by its title, the *Law of Physicians* is both a summary of the law and an argument for stricter laws to suppress "quackery" and the use of "empirical nostrums." OCLC locates 7 copies, 3 in North America, none in law libraries. ESTC T75418.

## A CONTEMPORARY OPINION ON A SENSATIONAL 1889 MURDER BY A FEMALE PHYSICIAN

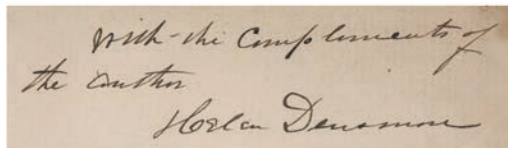
35. DENSMORE, HELEN.  
[MAYBRICK MURDER CASE].

[The Maybrick Case: English Criminal Law.](#)

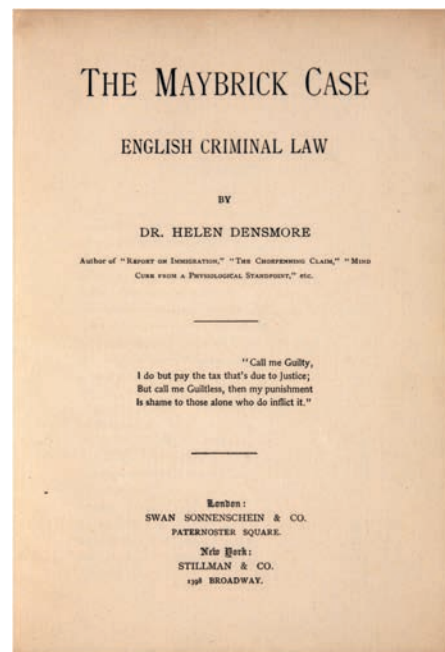
London: Swan Sonnenschein & Co.; New York: Stillman & Co., [1892]. 148 pp. Octavo (7-1/2" x 5").

Stiff textured wrappers, gilt title to front. Some rubbing to extremities with some wear to spine ends and corners, front cover beginning to detach at ends, fading to edges of rear cover. Presentation inscription from author to front free endpaper, light toning to text. \$750.

ONLY EDITION. In 1889 Florence Elizabeth Maybrick [1862-1941], an American-born socialite, was convicted for fatally poisoning her husband, James Maybrick, a Liverpool cotton merchant with a history of drug abuse. Despite scanty evidence pointing to her guilt and several procedural irregularities, she was sentenced to death. Public outrage led the Home Office to commute her sentence to life in prison. She was released 15 years later. This case attracted a great deal of attention and generated a large bibliography.



Inscription detail



Densmore, a medical doctor, believed Maybrick was innocent and deserved a retrial. Written while Maybrick was in prison, her study argues that Mr. Maybrick poisoned himself. OCLC locates 7 copies in law libraries (Columbia, Duke, Harvard, Library of Congress, University of Minnesota, University of Missouri, Yale).

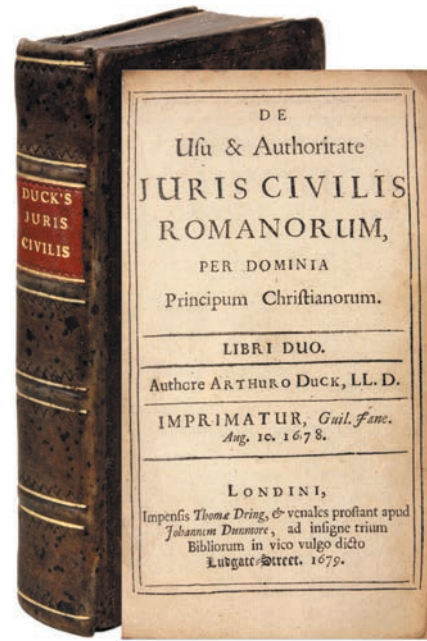
## STUDY OF THE CIVIL LAW NOTABLE FOR ITS CRITICISM OF THE CROWN

36. DUCK, ARTHUR [1580–1648].

[De Usu & Autoritate Juris Civilis Romanorum, Per Dominia Principum Christianorum. Libri Duo.](#)

London: Impensis Thomae Dring, & Venales Prostant Apud Johannem Dunmore, 1679. [xxxiv], 120, 97–120, 145–405, [33] pp. First page of text preceded by publisher advertisement leaf. 12mo (6" x 3-1/2").

Contemporary mottled calf, rebacked in period style with gilt-edged raised bands, blind ornaments and lettering piece, hinges mended. Light gatering, minor worming and a few nicks and scuffs to boards, some wear to corners. Title printed within ruled border. Light toning to text, clean tear to leaves H11–12 (pp.189–192) with no loss to text. An attractive copy. \$850.



SECOND EDITION. On one hand, this book, first published in 1653, is an explanation of the "use and authority" of the civil law in England. On the other, it is a critical appraisal of the English Crown. As Coquillette observes, "[m]ore than half of this little book was dedicated to showing that there was a good deal of 'might makes right' in the early English monarchy, rather questionable legitimacy of succession, and some major institutional dislocations beginning with the 'harsh...yoke of the conquest itself.' This was an unusual position for a staunch Royalist and member of the Royalist-leaning Doctor's Commons to take. Indeed, fearing punishment, Duck refused to publish this work during his lifetime. It had a lively posthumous history, however. It had two later English editions in 1679 and 1689 and several continental editions, including one by Elsevier. A partial translation was published as an appendix to a translation of Ferriere's *History of the Roman or Civil Law* (1724). Our copy's collation differs slightly from the ESTC record, but matches the collation of another copy we examined and others listed on OCLC. Coquillette 161–163. ESTC R35018.



Spine label detail

THE EARLIEST WORK IN ENGLISH  
DEVOTED TO LAWS RELATING TO WOMEN

37. E[DGAR], T[HOMAS] [FL. 1615–1649], ATTRIBUTED EDITOR.

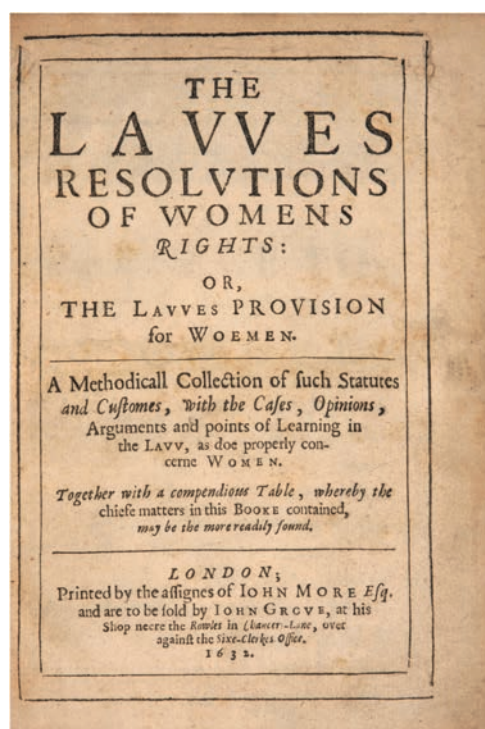
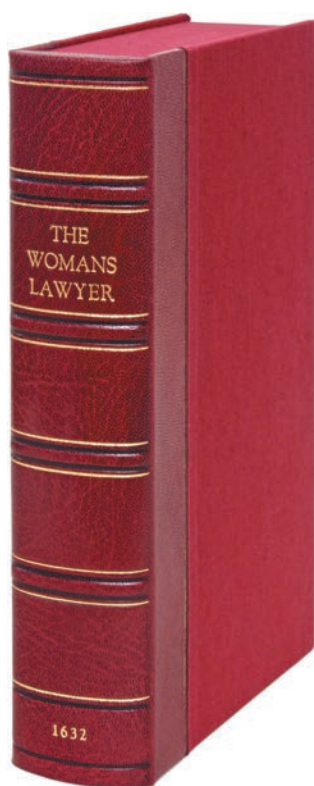
[The Lawes Resolutions of Womens Rights: Or, The Lawes Provision for Woemen. A Methodicall Collection of Such Statutes and Customes, With the Cases, Opinions, Arguments and Points of Learning in the Law, As Doe Properly Concerne Women. Together with a Compendious Table, Whereby the Chiefe Matters in This Booke Contained, May Be the More Readily Found.](#)

London: Printed by [Miles Flesher for] the Assignes of John More Esq., 1632. [xiv], 404 pp. First leaf in collation, a blank, lacking. Quarto (7-1/2" x 5-1/2").

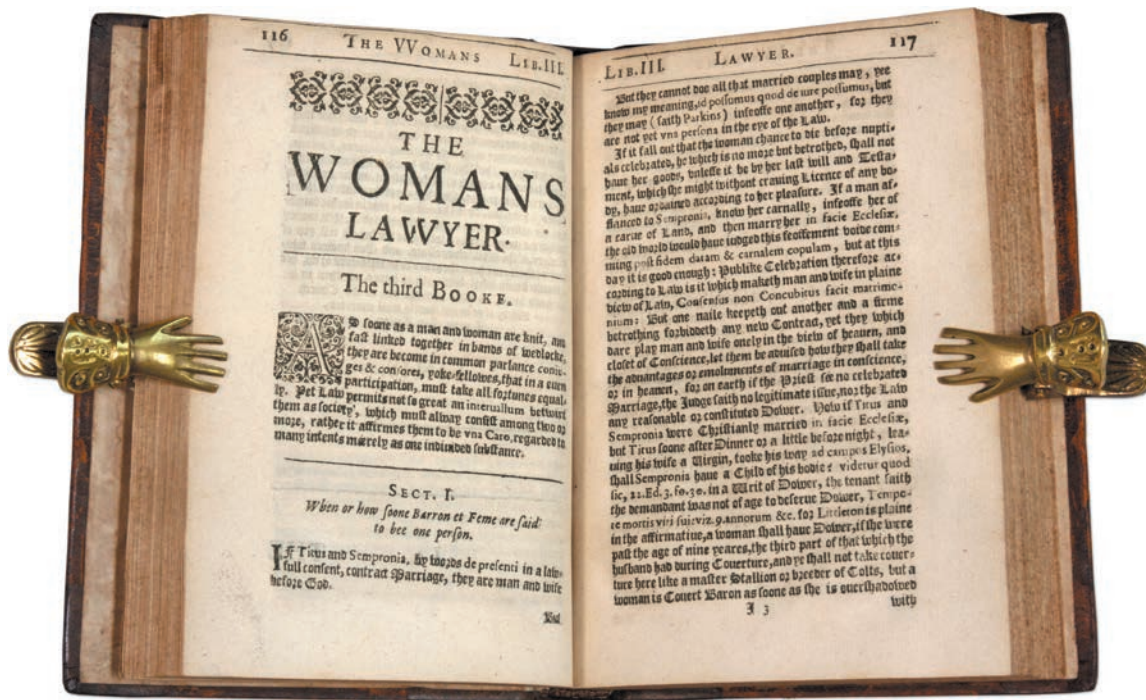
Contemporary speckled calf, rebacked in period style, gilt fillets and lettering piece to spine, gilt tooling to board edges, corners mended, endpapers renewed, speckled edges. Light rubbing to boards, tiny nick to lettering piece. Light toning to text, light foxing to a few leaves. Book housed in recent quarter morocco over cloth clamshell box with gilt-edged raised bands and gilt title to spine. A handsome copy. \$25,000.

FIRST EDITION. The earliest work in English devoted to laws relating exclusively to women, this incomparable digest from the time of the Civil War is also known as *The Womens Lawyer*. It is notable, in part, as the first book in English with the phrase "women's rights." A wide-ranging work, it treats such diverse topics as age of consent, dower, hermaphrodites, polygamy, wooing, partition, chattels, divorce, descent, seisin, treason, felonies and rape. Some sources, such as the *English Short-Title Catalogue*, believe this work was written in 1603 by Sir John Doderidge [1555–1628], an important legal figure during the reign of James I. Its preface is signed T.E., who is believed to be Thomas Edgar. Jefferson owned a copy of this book. Sowerby, 1999. ESTC S100217.





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"LAW REFORM IS UNIVERSALLY DEMANDED"

38. FANE, [ROBERT GEORGE] C[ECIL] [1796-1864].

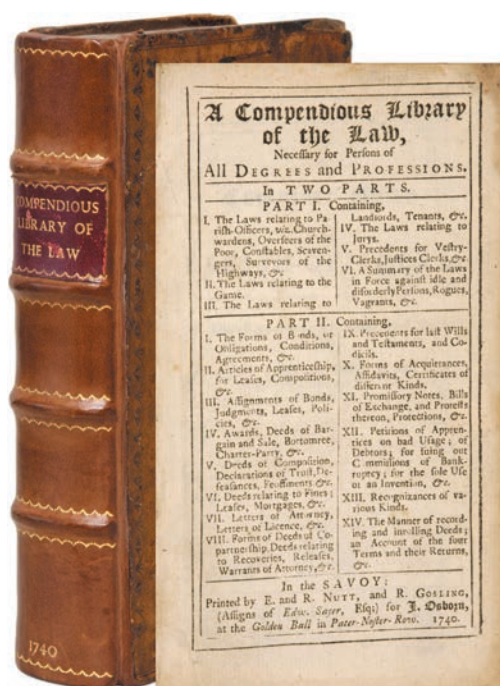
Ministry of Justice: Its Necessity as an Instrument of Law Reform.

London: [Spottiswoode and Shaw], 1848. 23, [1] pp. Octavo (8" x 5-1/2").

Recent stiff wrappers, printed paper title panel to front. Light toning, light foxing to a few leaves, author presentation inscription to "the Hble P.J. Locke King" to front head of half-title. \$250.

ONLY SEPARATE EDITION. Fane, a bankruptcy commissioner, argues: "The necessity for a Minister of Justice becomes daily more and more evident. Law reform is universally demanded. (...) Turn where you will, you find in the law itself, in the construction of the courts which administer it, and in the construction of the Acts of Parliament which profess to mend, but only botch it, something which everybody complains of. A spirit of inquiry, a thirst for reform, is abroad." Fane's essay was originally printed in the May 1848 issue of the *Law Review*. OCLC locates 13 copies, 3 in North America, 1 in a law library (Columbia).

A COMPACT GENTLEMAN'S LAW LIBRARY



39. [GREAT BRITAIN].

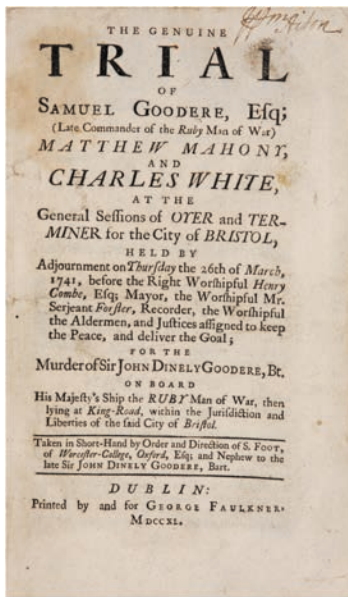
A Compendious Library of the Law: Necessary for Persons of All Degrees and Professions. In Two Parts. Part I. Containing, I. The Laws Relating to Parish-Officers, Viz. Church-Wardens, Overseers of the Poor, Constables, Scavengers, Surveyors of the Highways, &c. II. The Laws Relating to the Game. III. The Laws Relating to Landlords, Tenants, &c. IV. The Laws Relating to Juries. V. Precedents for Vestry-Clerks, Justices Clerks, &c. VI. A Summary of the Laws in Force Against Idle and Disorderly Persons, Rogues, Vagrants, &c. Part II. Containing, I. The Forms of Bonds, Or Obligations, Conditions, Agreements, &c. II. Articles of Apprenticeship, For Leases, Compositions, &c. III. Assignments of Bonds, Judgments, Leases, Policies, &c. IV. Awards, Deeds of Bargain and Sale, Bottomree, Charter-Party, &c. V. Deeds of Composition, Declarations of Trust, Feoffments, &c. VI. Deeds Relating to Fines, Leases, Mortgages, &c. VII. Letters of Attorney, Letters of Licence, &c. VIII. Forms of Deeds of Copartnership, Deeds Relating to Recoveries, Releases, Warrants of Attorney, &c. IX. Precedents for Last Wills and Testaments, And Codicils. X. Forms of Acquittances, Affidavits, Certificates of Different Kinds. XI. Promissory Notes, Bills of Exchange, And Protests Thereon, Protections, &c. XII. Petitions of Apprentices on Bad Usage, Of Debtors, For Suing Out Commissions of Bankruptcy, For the Sole Use of an Invention, &c. XIII. Recognizances of Various Kinds. XIV. The Manner of Recording and Inrolling Deeds, And Account of the Four Terms and Their Returns, &c.

[London]: Printed by E. and R. Nutt, And R. Gosling, 1740. [ii], 196, [8]; 192, [8] pp. Two parts. 12mo. (6-1/2" x 4").

Contemporary calf, rebaked in period style, blind fillets to boards, lettering piece and gilt-edged raised bands to spine, gilt tooling to board edges. Light rubbing and staining to boards, rubbing to board edges with wear to corners, hinges cracked. Moderate toning to text, faint dampstaining to head of text block in a few places, brief early owner annotations to front free endpaper and a few other leaves. \$1,250.

FIRST EDITION. This handbook covered the most common civic obligations and legal matters that occurred in a life of a gentleman or businessman. A well-received work, it went through two more editions in 1743 and 1757. All editions are scarce today. ETC T76148.





## A COLLECTION OF SCARCE DUBLIN PAMPHLETS IN A CONTEMPORARY BINDING

### 40. [GREAT BRITAIN].

[\[A Trial Bound with Five Pamphlets on Social and Political Topics\].](#)

Dublin, 1740–1747. Octavo (7–3/4" x 4–3/4"). Together 6 titles.

Contemporary calf, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, blind tooling to board edges. Some minor nicks and light scuffs to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities, corners bumped, tiny chip to front joint near head of spine, front hinge cracked, front free endpaper partially detached. Light toning to text, light edgewear and creases to plates, which are in the third pamphlet, minor stains and smudges to a few leaves, light soiling to title pages, early owner signature (of William Acton) to title page of first pamphlet. An interesting collection. \$4,500.

THE IMPRINT locations and appearance of the binding suggest these pamphlets were bound together around 1750 in Ireland. The first pamphlet addresses a sensational case of fratricide, the third is an anti-Catholic tract. The other three, all with a strong anti-Catholic bias, discuss the war of Austrian Succession and the Jacobite Rising of 1745. Contents:

#### 1. [GOODERE, SIR SAMUEL (1687–1741)].

[The Genuine Trial of Samuel Goodere, Esq; \(Late Commander of the Ruby Man of War\) Matthew Mahony, and Charles White, At the General Sessions of Oyer and Terminer for the City of Bristol, Held by Adjournment on Thursday the 26th of March, 1740 Before the Right Worshipful Henry Combe, Esq; Mayor, The Worshipful Mr. Serjeant Forster, Recorder, The Worshipful the Aldermen, And Justices Assigned to Keep the Peace, And Deliver the Goal; For the Murder of Sir John Dinely Goodere, Bt. on Board His Majesty's Ship the Ruby Man of War, Then Lying at King-Road, Within the Jurisdiction and Liberties of the Said City of Bristol. Taken in Short-Hand by Order and Direction of S. Foot, of Worcester-College, Oxford, Esq; and Nephew to the late Sir John Dinely Goodere, Bart.](#)

Dublin: Printed by and for George Faulkner, 1740. 24 pp. Only Dublin edition. The ESTC locates 7 copies, none in North America. OCLC adds a copy in North America at Georgetown Law School. ESTC T184968.

#### 2. [MURRAY, SIR JOHN (1715–1777)].

[Genuine Memoirs of John Murray, Esq; Late Secretary to the Young Pretender. Together with Remarks on the Same: In a Letter to a Friend.](#)

Dublin: Printed by James Esdall, 1747. 44 pp. First Dublin edition. ESTC locates 4 copies, none in North America. ESTC T91419.

#### 3. [COUSTOS, JOHN].

[The Sufferings of John Coustos, For Free-Masonry, and for His Refusing to Turn Roman Catholic, In the Inquisition at Lisbon; Where he was Sentenc'd, During Four Years, To the Galley; And Afterwards Releas'd from Thence by the Gracious Interposition of His Present Majesty King George II. Adorned with Cuts, Shewing the Various Tortures Exercis'd upon Him by Those Barbarians. With a Prefatory Discourse on Occasion of the Present Rebellion.](#)

Dublin: Printed for William Powell, 1746. 72 pp. Copperplate portrait frontispiece. Three folding copperplate leaves. First Dublin edition. ESTC locates 6 copies, 1 in North America (Indiana University). ESTC T177898.

#### 4. [WAR OF THE AUSTRIAN SUCCESSION].

[The Case of the Genoese Impartially Stated; Wherein the Conduct of that People, The Austrians and Piedmontese, During the Late Convulsions, Is Candidly Examined. To Which is Prefixed, A Letter from an Eye-Witness, Giving an Exact Account of the Insurrection at Genoa. In a Letter to a Member of Parliament.](#)

Dublin: Printed by and for R. James, 1747. 52 pp. First Dublin edition. *ESTC* locates 4 copies, 2 in North America (Free Library of Philadelphia, University of Kansas). *ESTC* T189095.

5. [SQUIRE, SAMUEL, ATTRIBUTED].

[The Important Question Discussed; Or, a Serious and Impartial Enquiry into the True Interest of England with Respect to the Continent.](#)

Dublin: Printed by G. Faulkner, 1746. 50. [2] pp. Only Dublin edition. *ESTC* locates 12 copies, 3 in North America (Columbia, Harvard, Library of Virginia). *ESTC* T128804.

6. HERRING, THOMAS [1693-1757].

[A Sermon Preach'd at the Cathedral Church of York, September the 22d, 1745. On Occasion of the Present Rebellion in Scotland by Thomas, Lord Archbishop of York.](#)

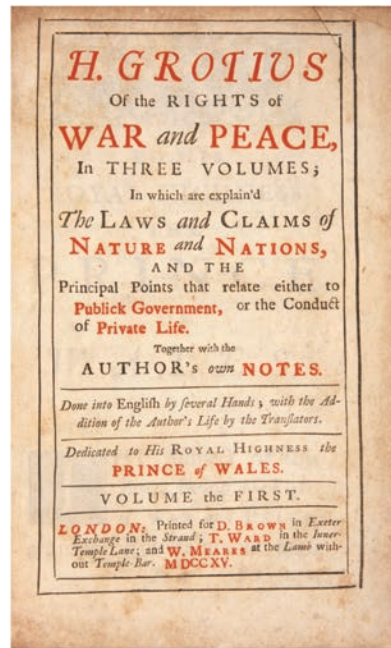
Dublin: Printed for G. and A. Ewing, 1746. 20 pp. Only Dublin edition. *ESTC* locates 11 copies, 3 in North America (Harvard, NY Public Library, UCLA). *ESTC* T66236.



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N° 41

### EARLY ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF *DE JURE BELLI AC PACIS*

41. GROTIUS, HUGO [1535-1645].  
[MORRICE, JOHN, TRANSLATOR AND EDITOR].

[Of the Rights of War and Peace, In Three Volumes; In Which are Explain'd the Laws and Claims of Nature and Nations, And the Principal Points that Relate Either to Publick Government, Or the Conduct of Private Life. Together with the Author's Own Notes. Done into English by Several Hands; With the Addition of the Author's Life by the Translators. Dedicated to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.](#)

London: Printed for D. Brown, T. Ward and W. Meares, 1715. Three volumes. [xv], civ, 212; [iii], 648 [ii], 356, [48] pp. Title page of each volume preceded by publisher advertisement. Octavo (7-1/2" x 4-3/4").

Contemporary paneled calf, raised bands and gilt volume numbers to spines, speckled edges, gilt tooling to edges of boards. Minor nicks, scuffs and light stains to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities with some wear to spine ends and corners, light gatoring to spines, boards beginning to separate but secure, early copperplate armorial bookplate to front pastedown of Volume I. Title pages printed in red and black. Light toning, somewhat heavier in places, occasional light foxing. \$2,500.

THIRD ENGLISH-LANGUAGE EDITION. First published in Paris in 1625, *The Rights of War and Peace* established the system of modern public international law. Recognized immediately as an important work, it was translated into the principal languages of Europe. The first

English translation, by Clement Barksdale, was published in 1654 and reissued the following year. The second, by William Evats, was published in 1682. According to sources cited in the *ESTC*, the 1715 edition was translated and edited by Morrice with the assistance of Edward Littlehales and John Spavan. The English editions differ considerably and are very interesting to compare. *ESTC* T117018. Ter Meulen and Diermanse 634.

### ILLUSTRATED ACCOUNT OF TWO ENGLISH WHITE-COLLAR CRIMINALS WHO WERE TRANSPORTED TO AUSTRALIA

42. J.B.  
REDPATH, LEOPOLD [1816-1891].  
ROBSON, WILLIAM JAMES [1820?-1884].

[Scenes from the Lives of Robson and Redpath.](#)

London: W.M. Clark, [1857]. 112 pp. Woodcut illustrations. Octavo (8-1/4" x 5-1/4").

Stab-stitched pamphlet bound into near-contemporary quarter morocco over cloth, gilt rules to boards, lettering piece to spine. Some bubbling to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities, corners bumped and somewhat worn, front hinge cracked, small owner label (dated 1888) and later library bookplate to front pastedown, first two signatures of text partially detached but secure, a few partial cracks to text block. Light toning to text, somewhat heavier in places, wear to corners of a few leaves, some soiling and small embossed bookseller stamp to title page. \$750.

ONLY EDITION. Presented as educational, this is a biography of two unrelated criminals who amassed huge fortunes through fraud and were eventually convicted and transported to Australia. Robson pursued a variety of schemes over several decades; Redpath, a clerk for the Great Northern Railway Company, defrauded his employer. OCLC locates 11 copies, 5 in North America, 1 in a law library (Social Law). BMC 2:34.

"WHERE ARE THE HANDS WITH  
MURDER STAIN'D WHOSE  
GUILT IS UNREVEAL'D?"

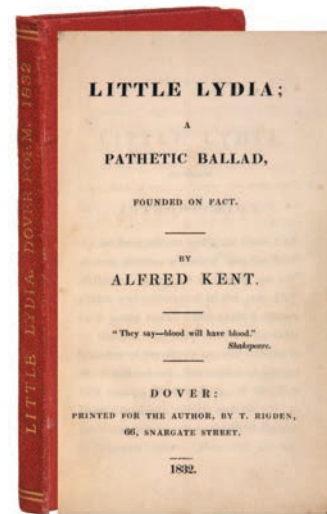
43. KENT, ALFRED.

[Little Lydia; A Pathetic Ballad, Founded on Fact.](#)

Dover, England: Printed for the Author, By T. Rigden, 1832.  
36 pp. 12mo. (5-3/4" x 3-1/2").

Stab-stitched pamphlet bound into slightly later crimson pebbled cloth, gilt title to spine. Light rubbing to extremities, later owner bookplate (F. William Cock) to front pastedown. Moderate toning to text, early owner annotation to verso of half-title. A well-preserved copy of a rare title. \$500.

ONLY EDITION LOCATED. A poetic account of the murder of a three-year-old girl named Lydia by a deranged servant. The poem has a preface that outlines the history of the case. This appears to be an unrecorded title. No copies located on OCLC or Library Hub.



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Title page detail from Nº 42



Detail from Nº 42





# 1576 PRINTING OF MAGNA CARTA AND LATER STATUTES WITH CONTEMPORARY BINDING AND ANNOTATIONS

## 44. [MAGNA CARTA].

[Magna Charta, Cum Statutis, Tum Antiquis, Tum Recentibus, Maximopere, Animo Tenendis nunc Demum ad Unum, Tipis Aedita, Per Richardum Tottell.](#)

[Imprinted at London: In Fleetestrete Within Temple Barre at the Signe of the Hand and Starre. By Richard Tottell, The 8. Day of March. 1576]. [vii], 247 ff. Blank endleaf preceding Fol. 1 lacking. Octavo (5-1/2" x 3-3/4").

Contemporary paneled calf, raised bands to spine, early hand-lettered title to fore-edge, ties lacking. Light rubbing and a few minor gouges, cracks and nicks to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities, spine ends worn, corners bumped and somewhat worn, pastedowns and free endpapers lacking, later armorial bookplate to verso of front board, fragments of an illuminated manuscript Bible used as printer's waste at hinges, attractive woodcut decorated initials. Moderate toning to text, faint staining to

a few leaves, annotations and underlining in early hand to margins of approximately 25 pages, light soiling and minor edgewear to title page. Book housed in recent clamshell box, quarter morocco over cloth, gilt-edged raised bands and gilt title to spine. \$7,500.

AN EARLY PRINTING of the magna carta, which was first printed around 1508 by Richard Pynson. It also includes the Charta de Foresta of Henry III, the Statutes of Merton and Marlebridge, the Statutes of Edward I and other statutes through the fourteenth regnal year of Elizabeth I, which are digested by topic. Among the most notorious statutes are those of Edward concerning Jews, including the Edict of Expulsion (1290), which banished them from England. Other statutes relate to women, wills, forcible entry, "Fraudulent Deedes" and other topics. The text is mostly in Latin or Law-French, then in English after Fol. 119. The annotations range from a few words to a sentence or two. About half of these are interpretive in nature, the others are references to statutes and cases. Beale S18. ESTC S101094.

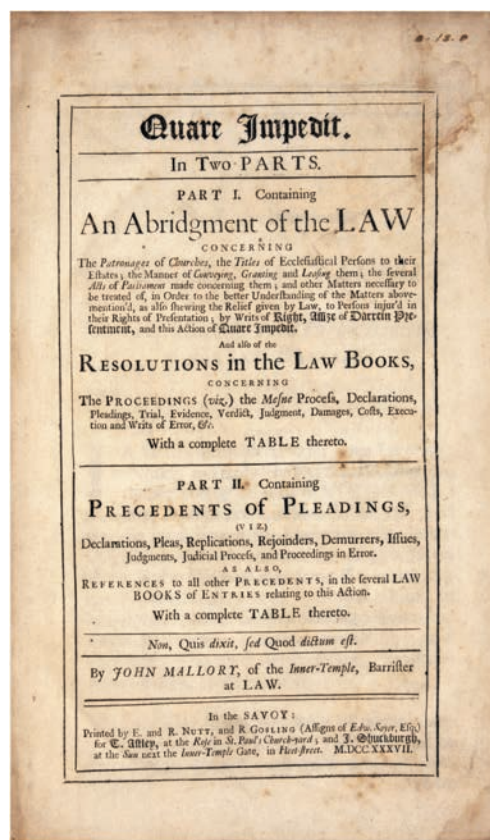
AN INTERESTING COMPANION TO GIBSON'S  
*CODEX JURIS ECCLESIASTICI ANGLICANI*

45. [MALLORY, JOHN].

Quare Impedit: In Two Parts. Part I. Containing an Abridgment of the Law Concerning the Patronages of Churches, The Titles of Ecclesiastical Persons to their Estates; The Manner of Conveying, Granting and Leasing Them; The Several Acts of Parliament Made Concerning Them; And Other Matters Necessary to be Treated Of, In Order to the Better Understanding of the Matters Above-Mention'd, As Also Shewing the Relief Given by Law, To Persons Injur'd in Their Rights of Presentation; By Writs of Right, Assize of Darrein Presentment, And This Action of Quare Impedit. And Also of the Resolutions in the Law Books, Concerning the Proceedings (viz.) The Mesne Process, Declarations, Pleadings, Trial, Evidence, Verdict, Judgment, Damages, Costs, Execution and Writs of Error, &c. With a Complete Table Thereto. Part II. Containing Precedents of Pleadings, (viz.) Declarations, Pleas, Replications, Rejoinders, Demurrers, Issues, Judgments, Judicial Process, And Proceedings in Error.

[London]: Printed by E. and R. Nutt, and R. Gosling, 1737. [iii], vii, [3], 255, [43]; [iii], 160, [16] pp. Two parts, each with title page and index. Folio (12-1/2" x 8").

Recent period-style quarter speckled calf over marbled boards, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, endpapers renewed. Light toning to text, somewhat heavier toning to a few leaves, occasional faint dampstaining to head of text block, light foxing in a few places, light soiling and a few minor stains to title page.



\$650.

ONLY EDITION. Holdsworth discusses this book in his chapter on eighteenth-century legal literature. He points out that the preface "contains an argument controverting some of the theories as to the ecclesiastical jurisdiction and as to other matters which had been put forward by Bishop Gibson in his *Codex Juris Ecclesiastici Anglicani*." This work is a companion volume to Mallory's *Modern Entries in English* (1734-1735). Bibliographically distinct, *Quare Impedit* is often catalogued as its third volume. ESTC T100674.

A LAW DICTIONARY FOR "THE COUNTRY GENTLEMAN,  
 THE MERCHANT, AND THE PROFESSIONAL MAN"

46. POTTS, THOMAS [1778-1842].

A Compendious Law Dictionary, Containing Both an Explanation of the Terms and the Law Itself, Intended for the Use of the Country Gentleman, the Merchant, and the Professional Man. A New Edition. Revised, Corrected, And Enlarged to the Present Time.

London: Printed for B. & R. Crosby, 1813. vi, [2], 760 pp. 12mo. (7-1/2" x 4-1/2").

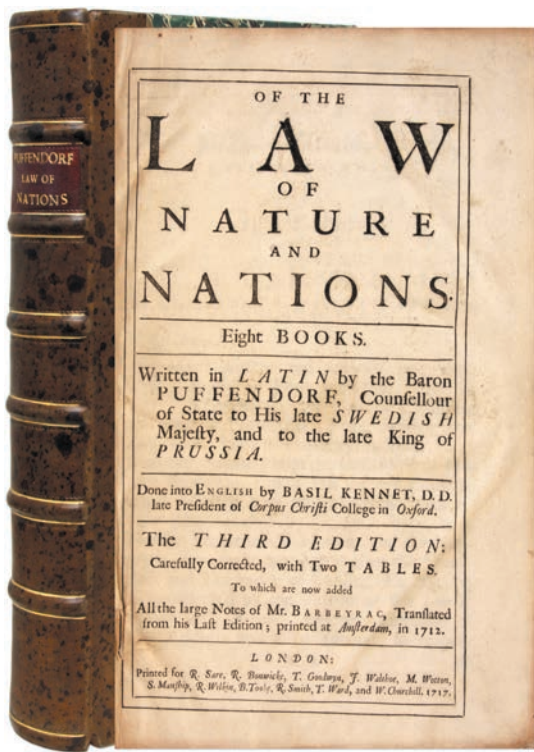
Original publisher plain-paper boards, printed paper title label to spine, untrimmed edges. Moderate rubbing to boards, a few cracks and heavier rubbing to spine with wear to label, spine ends bumped and somewhat worn, boards beginning to separate but secure. Moderate toning

to text, light foxing to preliminaries and a few other leaves, brief early owner annotation to rear pastedown.

\$500.

SECOND EDITION. This useful dictionary went through three editions in 1803, 1813 and 1815. As the subtitle indicates, Potts' dictionary was intended for the prominent laymen engaged in business and agriculture. He pays special attention to commercial legislation regarding bankruptcy, insurance and bills of exchange, as well as to the nature of tenures and tithes. In addition to definitions, Potts discusses a variety of issues ranging from current regulations for dog muzzles to the legal rights and responsibilities of children. OCLC locates 5 copies of the second edition in North American law libraries (Harvard, Law Library of Virginia, NY State Appellate Division Law Library, NY Supreme Court, University of Georgia). Sweet & Maxwell 2:286.





## EARLY ENGLISH EDITION OF PUFENDORF

47. PUFENDORF, SAMUEL VON [1632-1694].  
BARBEYRAC, JEAN [1674-1744], ANNOTATOR.  
[KENNET(T), BASIL (1674-1715), TRANSLATOR].  
[PERCIVALE, WILLIAM, TRANSLATOR].

[Of the Law of Nature and Nations. Eight Books. Written in Latin by the Baron Puffendorf, Counsellour of State to His Late Swedish Majesty, And to the Late King of Prussia. Translated Into English by Basil Kennet, D.D. Late President of Corpus Christi College in Oxford. Carefully Corrected, With Two Tables. To Which are Now Added All the Large Notes of Mr. Barbeyrac, Translated from His Last Edition; Printed at Amsterdam in 1712.](#)

London: Printed for R. Sare, R. Bonwicke, T. Goodwyn, [et al.], 1717. [xxiv], 212, 242, 221-356, 359-390, 453-556, 559-577, [1], 531 [i.e. 131], [23] pp. Main text in parallel columns. Pagination irregular, text complete. Folio (13-3/4" x 9").

Recent period-style quarter calf over marbled boards, endpapers renewed, title page re-hinged. Moderate toning

to text, somewhat heavier in places, faint dampspotting to a few leaves, tiny hole to title page neat foot of gutter. An attractive copy. \$1,250.

**THIRD 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, and first published in English in 1703, *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. Our copy belonged to the eminent historian Brian Tierney [1922-2019], an expert on the relationship between church and state in medieval Europe. ESTC T118565.

## THE FIRST COMPILATION OF THE LAWS OF ST. LUCIA

48. [SAINT LUCIA].

[Laws at Present in Force in the Island of St. Lucia.](#)

London: Printed by W. Clowes and Sons, 1853. vi, 388 pp. Octavo (9-1/2" x 6").

Contemporary calf with early rebacking, red and black lettering pieces and small paper location label to spine, upper lettering piece and endpapers renewed. Moderate rubbing to extremities, some scuffing and edgewear to boards, gilt red and black lettering pieces, light toning to text, internally clean. Ex-library. Old shelf label at head of spine, small embossed stamps to boards, inkstamps to title page. A solid copy of a scarce title. \$950.

**WITH INDEX AND SIDE-NOTES.** Saint Lucia was discovered by Columbus in 1502. The first group of colonists, from England, were massacred by the Caribs, but the French succeeded in colonizing the island in 1642. It passed between France and Great Britain a number of times and became a British possession in 1803. It became independent and joined the Commonwealth in 1979. As one would suspect, traces of French law remain in the island's legal system. OCLC locates 9 copies in North America. Sweet & Maxwell 7:341.

# A LOW POINT IN SOMERS'S CAREER

49. SOMERS, JOHN, BARON [1651-1716].

[The Argument of the Lord Keeper Sommers, On His Giving Judgment in the Bankers Case: Deliver'd in the Exchequer-Chamber, June 23, 1696.](#)

[London]: Printed by E. and R. Nutt, and R. Gosling, 1733. [iii], 128 pp. Quarto (8" x 7").

Stab-stitched pamphlet bound into recent marbled boards, printed paper title label to spine. Soiling to title page and verso of final leaf, light foxing to a few leaves. Early shelf label to head of title page, annotations to two leaves, interior otherwise clean. \$600.

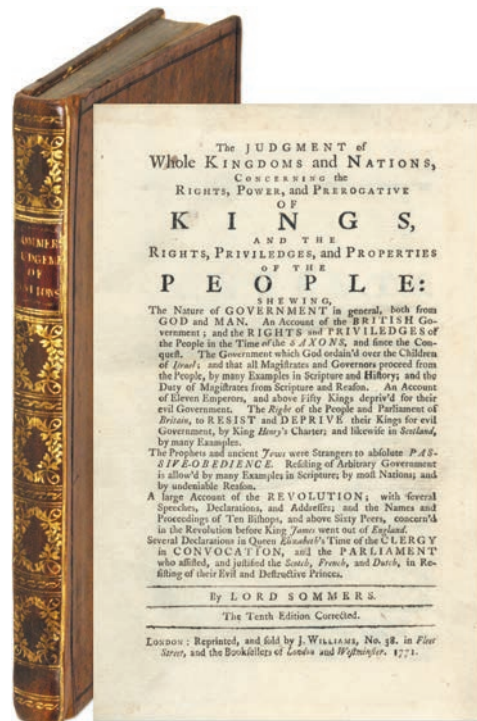
ONLY EDITION and the only complete account. This case was an unfortunate moment in Somers's otherwise brilliant career. (He was an important Whig jurist, Lord Chancellor during the reigns of William & Mary and Queen Anne and framer of the English Bill of Rights). "In the most important case which came before him in the exchequer chamber, that of the bankers who had recovered judgment in the court of exchequer for arrears of interest due to them as assignees of certain perpetual annuities charged by Charles II upon the hereditary excise as security for advances, he expended some hundreds of pounds and an immense amount of thought and research, with no better result than to defeat an intrinsically just claim, on the technical ground that it was not cognisable in the court of exchequer, but only by petition of right. No judgment so elaborate had ever been delivered in Westminster Hall as that by which, in November 1696, he reversed the decision of the court of exchequer." (DNB). This decision was reversed by the House of Lords three years later. Despite Somers's importance, few accounts of his legal work exist today; it is known mostly through summaries. OCLC locates 7 copies in North American law libraries. DNB XVIII:632. ESTC T79392.

## CLASSIC ESSAY ON THE RIGHTS OF ENGLISHMEN

50. SOMERS, [JOHN, BARON], ATTRIBUTED.  
DEFOE, DANIEL [1661?-1731], ATTRIBUTED.  
DUNTON, JOHN [1659-1733], ATTRIBUTED.

[The Judgment of Whole Kingdoms and Nations, Concerning the Rights, Power and Prerogative of Kings, And the Rights, Privileges, And Properties of the People.](#)

London: Reprinted and Sold by J. William, 1771. [viii], 168 pp. Octavo (7-1/2" x 4-1/2").



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Contemporary tree calf, gilt dentelles to board edges, hinges mended, rebaced with period-style gilt spine. Light rubbing to boards, which are slightly bowed, light wear to corners, later armorial bookplate (of Sir Thomas Hesketh) and later private library shelf label (of Easton Neston) to front pastedown. Light toning to text, faint dampspotting to a few leaves, internally clean. An attractive copy. \$950.

TENTH (STATED) EDITION, CORRECTED. This highly popular tract was first published in 1709 with the title *Vox Populi, Vox Dei, Being True Maxims of Government*. Somers, a barrister of the Middle Temple, was Lord Chancellor of England and the author of *The Security of Englishmen's Lives* (1681), a tract on juries and one's right to a jury trial. The present work outlines the development of English freedoms, and calls for religious freedom, resistance to tyranny and a limited monarchy. It found a ready audience in the colonies on the eve of the American Revolution and was issued by presses in Philadelphia, Boston and Newport. It was read by several Founding Fathers, including Thomas Jefferson, who owned the 1773 Philadelphia imprint. This work is attributed sometimes to John Dunton or Daniel Defoe. Easton Neston, owned by the Barons Hesketh to this day, is one of the great English country houses. See Sowerby 2712. ESTC T29265.



## A LANDMARK IN ENGLISH LEGAL LEXICOGRAPHY

51. SPELMAN, SIR HENRY [1564-1641].

[Archaeologus. In Modum Glossarii ad Rem Antiquam Posteriozem: Continentis, Latino-Barbara, Peregrina, Obsoleta, Et Novatae Significationis Vocabula, Quae Post Labefactatas a Gothis Vandalisq\[ue\]; Res Europaeas, In Ecclesiasticis Profanisq\[ue\]; Scriptoribus; Variarum Item Gentium Legibus Antiquis, Chartis & Formulis Occurrunt Scholiis et Commentariis Illustrata, in Quibus Prisci Ritus quam Plurimi, Magistratus, Dignitates, Munera, Officia, Mores, Leges, Et Consuetudines Enarrantur.](#)

London: Apud Johannem Beale, 1626. [vi], 110 [i.e. 164], 177-194, 193-250, 241-452 pp. Pagination irregular; text complete. Main text in parallel columns. Folio (10-3/4" x 7-1/4").

Recent three-quarter speckled calf over marbled boards, gilt spine with raised bands and lettering piece, speckled edges, endpapers added. Light toning to text, somewhat heavier in places, negligible faint dampstaining to head of

text block in a few places, recent repairs to a few leaves, one with minor loss to text, brief early annotations to endleaves, light soiling to title page. A handsome copy.

\$950.

FIRST EDITION, one of two issues from 1626. The *Archaeologus* was the earliest English dictionary of legal and historical terms based on philological methods. The product of considerable archival research and consultation with scholars throughout Europe, it superseded all previous attempts at legal lexicography. As Holdsworth observes: "It is a great deal more than a law dictionary, being a dictionary of Latin and other words to be found in all the post-classical authors and documents English and foreign....In fact it is a product of that new school of historians and historically minded lawyers." This point is supported by Winfield, who notes its usefulness when interpreting terms used in the Domesday Book. The first edition, which is designated "Partis Primae" at the end of the text, contains terms from A to L. Spelman died before he could issue the second part covering M to Z. (The second edition, titled *Glossarium Archaologicum*, contains both parts. It was edited by William Dugdale.) Holdsworth V:402. Winfield 112. ESTC S123508.

## ONE OF THE GREAT HISTORIES OF ENGLAND

52. STOW, JOHN [1525?-1605].

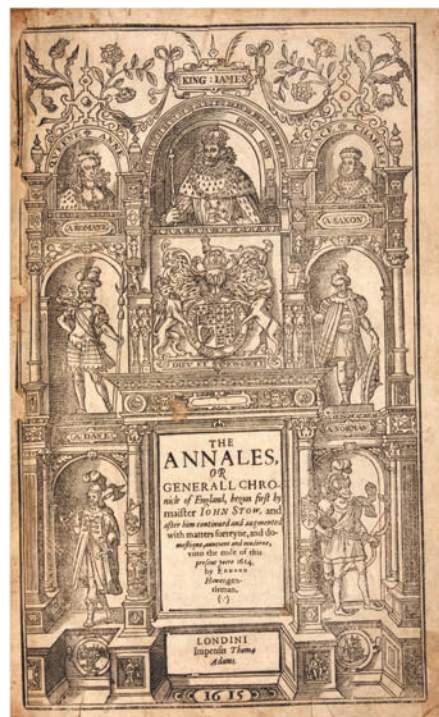
HOWES, EDMUND [ACTIVE 1607-1631].

[BUCK, SIR GEORGE (D.1623)].

[The Annales, Or a Generall Chronicle of England, Begun First by Maister Iohn Stow, And After Him Continued and Augmented with Matters Forreyne, And Domestique, Auncient and Moderne, Unto the Ende of This Present Yeere 1614. By Edmond Howes, Gentleman.](#)

London: Impensis Thomae Adams, 1615. [xx], 430, 432-576, 578-815, [1], 816-957, [4], 961-968, 967-988, [30] pp. Complete. Woodcut pictorial title page. Main text in parallel columns. Early copperplate image of Stowe affixed to recto of rear endleaf. Folio (13" x 8-1/2").

Eighteenth-century mottled calf, gilt fillets to boards, gilt spine with raised bands and lettering piece, blind tooling to board edges, joints reinforced. A few minor scuffs to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities with wear to spine ends and corners, which are bumped, front hinge reinforced, rear hinge cracked. Moderate toning, faint dampstaining to a few leaves, some edgewear and light soiling to preliminaries and rear endleaves. \$1,500.



FIRST EDITION BY HOWES. Stow was one of the great English historians of the sixteenth century. The *Annales* is based on Stow's classic history of England, which was first published in 1565 as *The Summarie of Englyshe Chronicles*. It begins with an account of the ancient Britons and, with Howes's updates, ends in the era of English settlements in North America and records such events as the burning of the Globe Theatre in 1613. Appearing for the first time in this edition, the two appendices, each with title page, are *An Appendix or Corollary of the Foundations and Descriptions of the Three Most Famous Universities of England* by Stow and *The Third Universitie of England* by Buck, which includes descriptions of the Inns of Court. A second Howes edition was published in 1631. ESTC S117596.

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Annotation detail from N° 53



## IMPORTANT EARLY WORK ON WRITS

THOROUGHLY ANNOTATED BY AN  
 EARLY OWNER

1580." Preserved in a custom cloth clamshell box with  
 printed paper title label. \$7,500.

## 53. THELOALL, SIMON.

[Le Digest des Brieves Originales, Et des Choses  
 Concernants Eux.](#)

London: In Aedibus Richardi Tottelli, 1579. [viii], 424 ff.  
 Octavo (5-3/4" x 3-3/4").

Seventeenth-century calf, blind rules to boards, raised  
 bands to spine, boards reattached. Moderate rubbing to  
 boards, heavier rubbing to extremities with wear to spine  
 ends and corners, small section lacking from center of  
 spine, a few partial cracks to text block, Signature G (ff.  
 49-56) trimmed a little shorter than other signatures.  
 Massively annotated by a contemporary owner in law-  
 French in a neat, small chancery hand, notes affected in  
 places by trimming. Contemporary owner inscription to  
 title page (Robbart), along with a few brief contemporary  
 annotations, purchase date to verso of final leaf: "25 May

FIRST EDITION. Theloall's *Digest* was the accepted  
 register of correctly drafted writs. It owes its origin to  
 the suggestion of Staunford that it would be a good idea  
 if lawyers would write treatises on the other titles of the  
 abridgments similar to his study of the Title "Prerogative."  
 Staunford illustrated his meaning by showing how the  
 Title "Brief" might be treated. Theloall chose this title, and  
 wrote a treatise on it for his own use. The manuscript,  
 having been lent, eventually found its way to a printer.  
 "It deserved to be printed, as it is the most orderly  
 treatise on procedure, founded on the Year Books, that  
 had yet appeared... Historically, it comes between the  
 older commentaries upon writs and the modern books  
 on procedure" (Holdsworth). A second edition was  
 published in 1678. The work of a seasoned practitioner,  
 the annotations in our copy are a collection of case  
 references, cross references and glosses. Holdsworth  
 V:381. ESTC S118369. Beale T499.

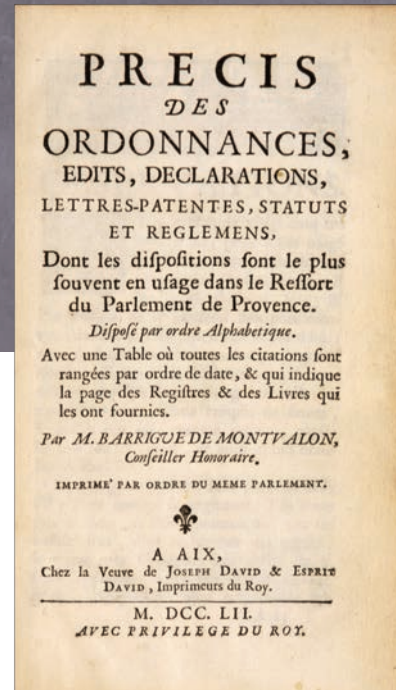


# Continental Imprints

## ALPHABETICAL 1754 DIGEST OF ROYAL LEGISLATION RELATING TO PROVENCE

54. BARRIGUE DE MONTVALON, ANDRÉ [1678-1779].

[Précis des Ordonnances: Edits, Declarations, Lettres-Patentes, Statuts et Reglemens, Dont les Dispositions Sont le Plus Souvent en Usage dans le Ressort du Parlement de Provence: Disposé par Ordre Alphabetique: Avec une Table où Toutes les Citations sont Rangées par Ordre de Date.](#)



Aix-en-Provence: Chez la veuve de Joseph David & Esprit David, 1752. 506, 48, [7] pp. 12mo. (6" x 3-3/4").

Contemporary speckled sheep, blind frames to boards, gilt spine, gilt tooling to board edges, edges of text block rouged, marbled endpapers, ribbon marker. Light rubbing to boards, faint stain to front board, moderate rubbing to extremities, minor worming to spine and rear joint, tiny chip to head of spine, corners bumped and somewhat worn, rear hinge starting at ends, cracks in text block between free endpapers and adjacent leaves. Very light toning to text, clean tears to leaves M2 (pp. 135-136) and N5 (pp. 153-154), lower corner of leaf Aa (pp. 277-278) lacking (below text), light soiling to title page. \$750.

FIRST EDITION (AS A PRINTED BOOK). Barrigue de Montvalon was a legal advisor to the Parlement of Provence. A work that circulated originally in manuscript, His *Précis* is a carefully compiled annotated digest of royal decrees (*ordonnances*) from 1667 to 1681 relating to Provence that were in force in 1754. The topics are arranged alphabetically, from "Abandon" to "Yiers." A second edition was published in 1766. Both copies are rare. OCLC locates 8 copies of the first edition, 3 in North American law libraries (Catholic University, George Washington University, Southern Methodist University). Camus 1035.

## WAYS TO ABOLISH BEGGING

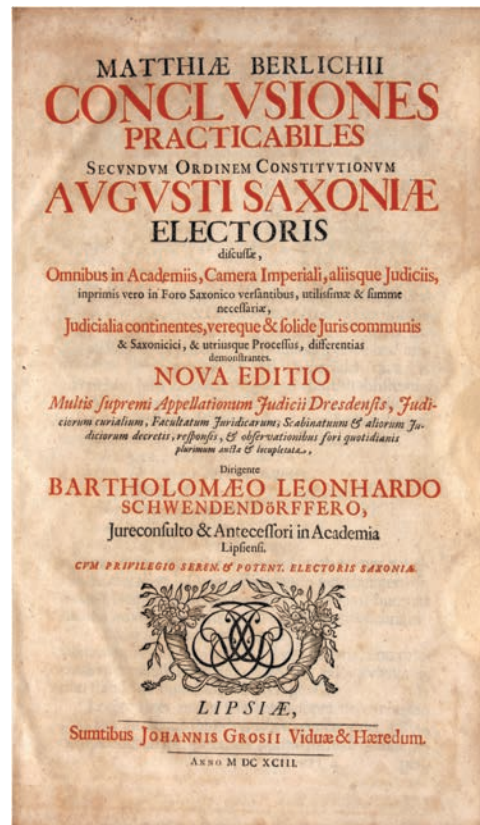
55. [BEGGING].  
[GERMANY].

[Schreiben eines Bayern an Seinen Freund über die Möglichkeit der Gänzlichen Abstellung des Bettelns und der Versorgung der Armen in einem Land.](#)

Nuremberg: Bey Wolfgang Schwarzkopf, 1774. 55 pp. Octavo (7-1/4" x 4-1/4").

Stab-stitched pamphlet in plain wrappers, early hand-lettered title to front. Light soiling to exterior, some rubbing to extremities with light wear to spine ends and corners. Light toning, light foxing in places, faint early owner stamp to title page. \$500.

ONLY EDITION. Cast in the form of a letter to a friend, this pamphlet discusses the nature of public assistance and ways to abolish begging, such punishments for begging and the establishment of work houses. The title of this anonymous work identifies the author as a Bavarian. The dedication is signed "J. Fr. v. E." and the text ends with a statement that it was written "near the Danube in Bavaria." OCLC locates 7 copies, 1 in North America (University of Pennsylvania). VD18 14542927-003.



## A LANDMARK IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF GERMAN LAW

56. BERLICH, MATTHIAS [1586-1638].  
SCHWENDENDÖRFFER, BARTHOLOMÄUS  
LEONHARD [1631-1705], EDITOR.

[Conclusiones Practicabiles Secundum Ordinem Constitutionum Augusti Saxoniae Electoris, Discussae, Omnibus In Academiis, Camera Imperiali, Aliisque Judiciis, Inprimis Vero in Foro Saxonico Versantibus, Utilissimae & Summe Necessariae, Judicialia Continentes, Vereque & Solide Juris Communis & Saxonici, & Utriusque Processus, Differentia Demonstrantes. Nova Editio Multis Supremi Appellationum Judicii Dresdensis, Judiciorum Curialium, Facultatum Juridicarum, Scabinatum & Aliorum Judiciorum Decretis, Responsis, & Observationibus fori Quotidianis Plurimum Aucta & Locupletata. Cum Privilegio Seren. & Potent. Electoris Saxonicae.](#)

Leipzig: Sumtibus Johannis Grosii Viduae & Haeredum, 1693. [xxiv], 600; 450; 340; 218; [2], 187, [121] pp. Five parts (and index), each with divisional or drop-head title and individual pagination. Without the 18 pp. "Conclusiones Notae & Observationes" found in some copies. Main title page preceded by copperplate allegorical title page. Main text in parallel columns. Folio (13-1/2" x 8-1/4").

Contemporary vellum, blind frames and large central arabesques to boards, raised bands, calf lettering piece and fragment of paper label to spine. Light soiling, spine ends and corners bumped, vellum partially cracked through pastedowns. Main title page printed in red and black. Moderate toning and light foxing to text, faint dampstaining in a few places, light edgewear to preliminaries and final few leaves. \$2,500.

LATER EDITION. Along with Carpzov, Berlich refined Saxon law, systematized it and made it a model for the legal systems of the northern and central German states. Saxon law would later be an important influence on the German Civil Code (enacted 1900). The five-part *Conclusiones Practicabiles* is Berlich's main contribution to the development of Saxon law. First published in 1614, this comprehensive restatement went through several issues and editions into the eighteenth century. VD17 23:677533T.





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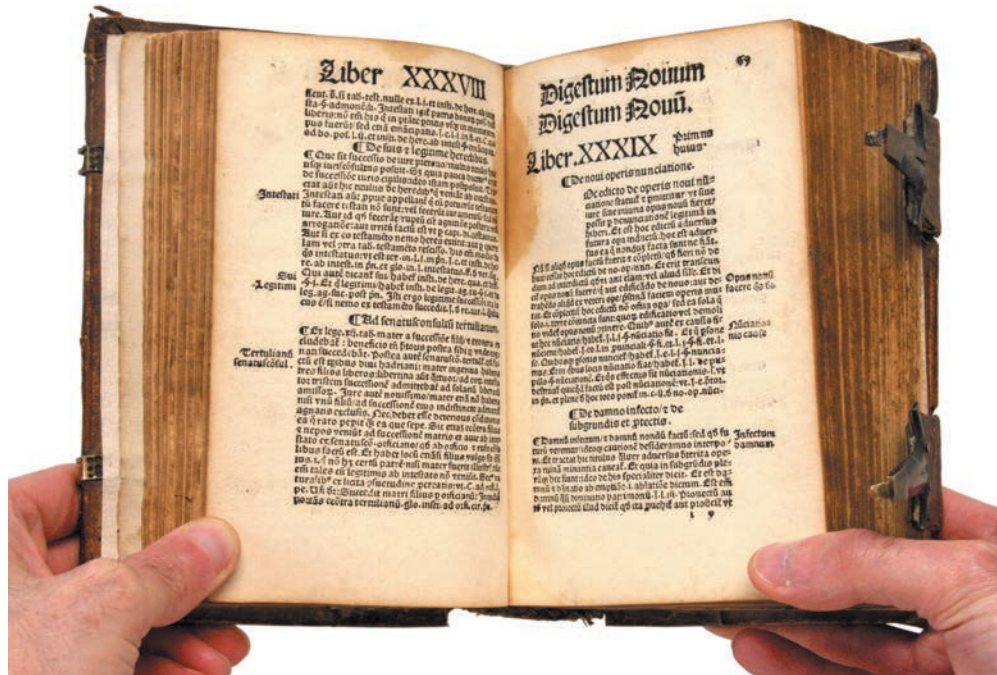
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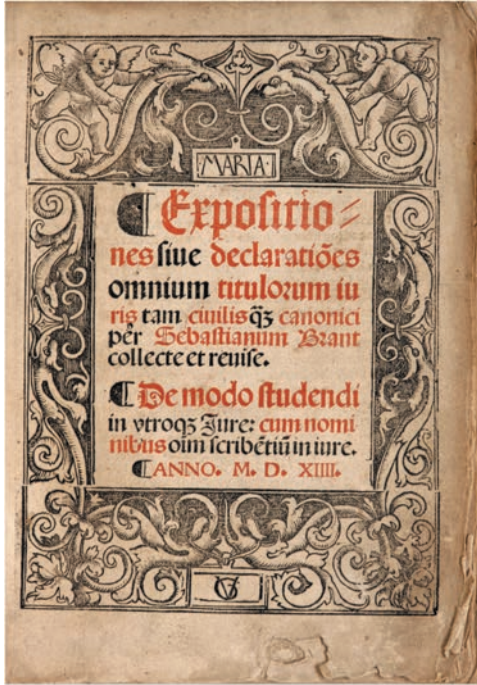


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## RARE 1514 BASEL IMPRINT OF BRANT'S CLASSIC GUIDE TO LEGAL STUDY



57. BRANT, SEBASTIAN [1458–1521].  
CACCIALUPI, GIOVANNI BATTISTA [C. 1420–1496].  
[GRAF, URS (C.1485–C. 1513), TITLE PAGE BORDER].

[Expositiones Sive Declaratio\[n\]es Omnium Titulo\[r\]um Iuris tam Civilis Q\[uam\] Canonici per Sebastianum B\[r\]ant Collecte et Revisae. De Modo Studendi in Utroq\[ue\] Jure. Cum Nominibus Om\[n\]ium Scribetiu\[m\] in Iure.](#)

[Basel: Adam Petri von Langendorf], 1514. [144] ff. Quarto (8" x 5-3/4").

Contemporary morocco incorporating sections of contemporary paneled calf over wooden boards, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, hasps present, one detached, endpapers renewed. Light rubbing and some wormholes to contemporary sections, front hinge cracked. Title page, with woodcut architectural border by Graf, printed in red and black. Light to moderate toning, minor worming in places with no loss to legibility, light soiling to title page, faint dampstaining to margins and some edgewear to title page and following six leaves, dampstaining and a few chips to edges of final two leaves. \$5,000.

REMEMBERED TODAY AS THE AUTHOR of the moral and satirical *Narrenschiff* (*The Ship of Fools*), Brant was also a highly regarded law professor and state official. First published in 1490, and Brant's only original legal work, *Expositiones* was a popular, highly regarded introduction to the *Corpus Juris Canonici* and *Corpus Juris Civilis*. According to Stintzing-Landsberg, it is a useful guide to contemporary legal pedagogy in the Holy Roman Empire. Our edition also includes an equally renowned introductory textbook that Brant held in high regard: Caccialupi's *Tractatus de Modo Studendi in Utroque Jure*, which offers a basic history and outline of Europe's legal systems and advice on study methods. OCLC locates 6 copies, none in North America. Stintzing-Landsberg I:94. VD16 B7055.

A CLASSIC FIFTEENTH-CENTURY TEXTBOOK  
BOUND WITH AN ANTHOLOGY OF WRITINGS FOR LAW STUDENTS,  
TWO RARE BASEL IMPRINTS

58. I. BRANT, SEBASTIAN  
CACCIALUPI, GIOVANNI BATTISTA

[Expositio\[n\]es Sive Declarationes Omnium Titulorum Iuris tam Civilis Q\[uam\] Canonici per Sebastianum Brant Collecte \[et\] Revisae. De Modo Studendi in Utroque Jure: Cum Nominibus Omnium Scribentium in Iure.](#)

[Basel: Gregor Bartholomaeus von Angermünde, 1514]. 239, [16] ff.

[BOUND WITH]

II. BARTOLO OF SASSOFERRATO [1313–1357].  
D'ANDREA, GIOVANNI [C.1270–C.1348].

[In Utriusque Juris Libros Introductorium. Tractatus et Processus Diversi, Utriusque Juris: Studiosis Plurimum Accomodati: Modus Legendi Abbreviaturas in Utroque Jure. Tractatus Judiciorum Bartholi Legum Doctoris. Tractatus Renunciationum Beneficiorum in Publicis Instrumentis. Processus Sathana Infernalis Contra Genus Humanum. Ars Notariatus. Summa Joannis Andreae, Super Secundo](#)



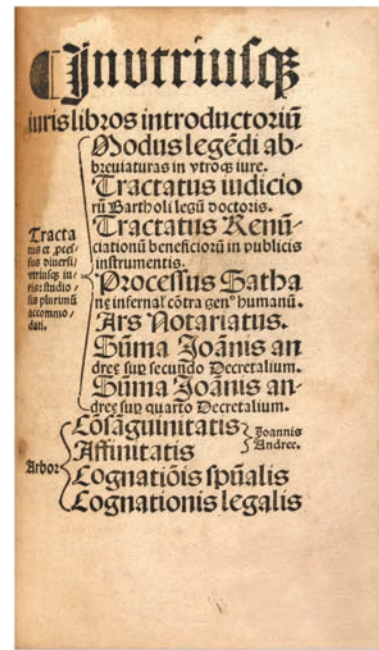
Decretalium. Summa Joannis Andreae, Super Quarto Decretalium. Arbor Consanguinitatis [et] Affinitatis Joannis Andreae. Arbor Cognationis Spiritualis. Arbor Cognationis Legalis.

[Basel: Impensis Petri de Langendorff, 1513]. [122] ff.

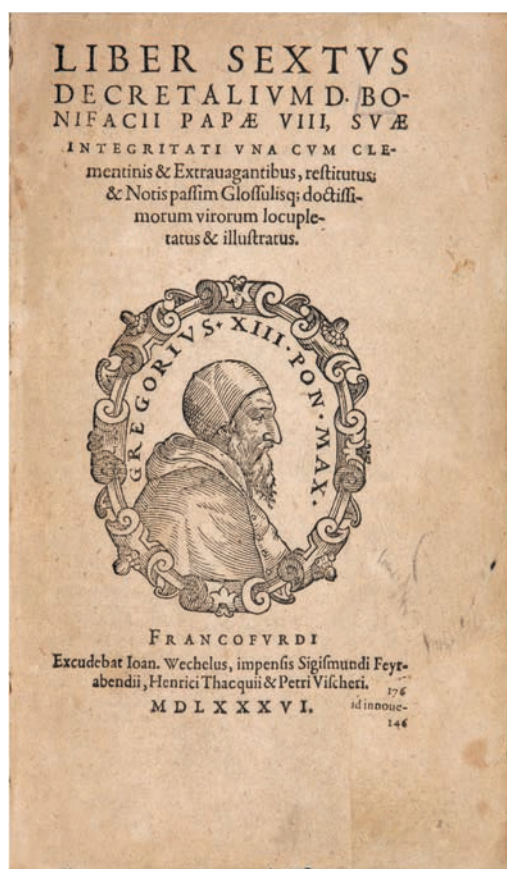
Octavo (6" x 4"). Contemporary blind-stamped pigskin, raised bands to spine, brass clasps, endpapers renewed. Soiled, a few minor worm holes, rubbing to extremities with wear to corners and foot of spine, one clasp loose but secure, a few cracks to text block. Moderate toning to text, a few minor worm holes with no loss to legibility, faint staining and light soiling in places, chips to margins of a few leaves, brief early annotations to title page and a few other leaves of *Expositiones*. \$8,500.

I. FIRST PUBLISHED in 1490, and Brant's only original legal work, *Expositiones* was a popular, highly regarded introduction to the *Corpus Juris Canonici* and *Corpus Juris Civilis*. According to Stintzing-Landsberg, it is a useful guide to contemporary legal pedagogy in the Holy Roman Empire. Our edition also includes an equally renowned introductory textbook that Brant held in high regard: Caccialupi's *Tractatus de Modo Studendi in Utroque Iure*, which offers a basic history and outline of Europe's legal systems and advice on study methods. Remembered today as the author of the moral and satirical *Narrenschiff* (*The Ship of Fools*), Brant was also a highly regarded law professor and state official. OCLC locates 4 copies, 2 in North America (Boston College, UCLA). Stintzing-Landsberg I:94. VD16 B7054.

II. FIRST EDITION. Probably compiled by a law student or layman, *In Utriusque Juris Libros Introductorium* is an anthology of works by two great late-medieval jurists. It includes, among other titles, the *Modus Legendi Abbreviaturas*, a dictionary of abbreviations, the *Ars Notariatus*, a handbook on legal drafting, and *Flores Legum* is a collection of maxims. It also includes, perhaps as a warning, the *Processus Sathana Infernalis Contra Genus Humanum*, a legalistic account of Judgment Day (Satan as prosecutor). A popular work, it went through several editions during the sixteenth century. All are rare today. OCLC locates 5 copies, 1 in North America (Harvard Law School). VD16 I165.







### THREE PRIMARY VOLUMES OF CANON LAW

59. BONIFACE VIII [1235-1303], POPE.  
JOHN XXII [1244-1334], POPE.  
[D'ANDREA, GIOVANNI [C.1270-1348], GLOSSES].

[Liber Sextus Decretalium D. Bonifacii Papae VIII, Suae Integritati una cum Clementinis & Extravagantibus, Restitutus; & Notis Passim Glossulisque Doctissimorum Virorum Locupletatus & Illustratus.](#)

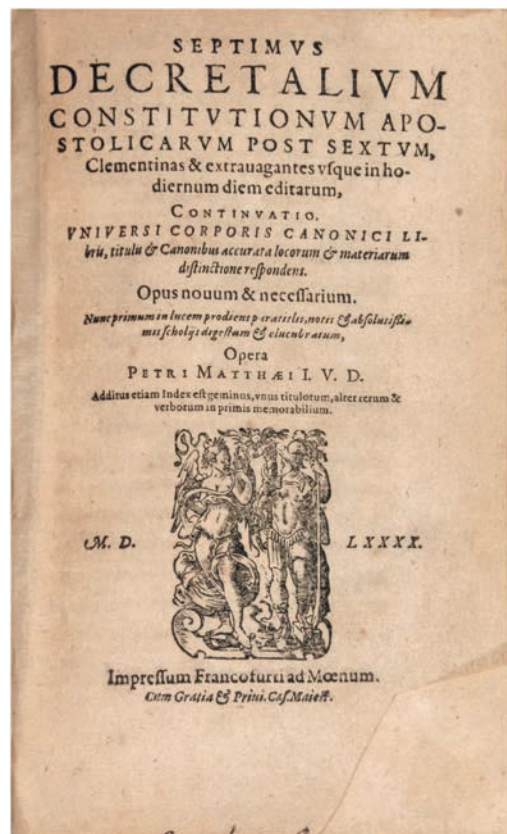
Frankfurt: Excudebat Ioannes Wechelus, Impensis Sigismundi Feyrabendii, Henrici Thacqui & Petri Vischeri, 1586. [xvii], 622, [2] pp.

[BOUND WITH]  
CLEMENT V [1264-1314], POPE  
[AND OTHER POPES].  
MATTHIEU, PIERRE [1563-1621],  
COMPILER.

[Septimus Decretalium Constitutionum Apostolicarum post Sextum, Clementinas & Extravagantes Usque in Hodiernum Diem Editarum, Continuatio Universi Corporis Canonici Libris, Titulis & Canonibus Accurata Locorum & Materialum Distinctione Respondens. Opus Novum & Necessarium. Additus Etiam Index est Germinus, Unus Titulorum, Alter Rerum & Verborum in Primis Memorabilium.](#)

Frankfurt: [H. Tackii & P. Fischeri], 1590. [xxiv], 655, [77] pp.

Contemporary paneled pigskin, raised bands to spine, clasps lacking, buckles present, colored edges. A few minor worm holes, rubbing with wear to rear board and extremities, heavier wear to spine, which has exposed cords, a few small pieces missing between the cords, and chipping to spine ends, front board beginning to separate, but secure, a few cracks to text block, tiny shelf label (?) to front pastedown. Moderate toning, faint dampspotting in places, early underlining in a few places, lower corners removed from title pages with no loss to text. \$1,500.



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THIS VOLUME collects three books from the *Corpus Juris Canonici*, a collective title first used in 1441: the *Liber Sextus* of Boniface VIII (1298), the *Liber Septimus Decretalium*, better known as the *Constitutiones Clementis V*, or *Clementinae* of Clement V (1317) and the *Extravagantes* of John XXII (1325). All of these texts were edited in 1582 in response to the reforms authorized by the Council of Trent. In this form the *Corpus Juris Canonici* remained in force until it was replaced in 1917 by the *Codex Juris Canonici*. Though often catalogued independently, our volumes are part of an edition of the *Corpus Juris Canonici* published by Feyerabend, Dack and Fischer between 1586 and 1590. VD16 C5181.

## A RARE SEVENTEENTH-CENTURY GUIDE TO LEGAL STUDY

60. BRUCKSILBER, GEORG.  
COTHMANN, ERNST [1557-1624].  
EVERAERTS, NICOLAS [1462-1532].

[Memoriale Juridicum Novum. Quo Continentur Totius Juris Civilis Constructio, Series Nexusque Librorum Corporis Juris Utriusque, Ut & Indices Titulorum cum Locorum Similium Collatione, Index Praeterea Rubricarum Universi Juris, Caesarei & Pontificii Absolutissimus. Ut et Memoriale Juridicum Georgi Bruksulbergi, Cum Ern. Cothmanni et Everardorum Libellis.](#)

Amsterdam: Apud Viduam Adr. Gasbequi, 1687. [xii], 336 pp. 12mo.  
(5-1/4" x 3").

Contemporary vellum, early hand-lettered title to spine, speckled edges. Corners and spine ends lightly bumped, small early owner markings to front and rear free endpapers. Light toning to text, somewhat heavier in places. A notably well-preserved copy. \$1,500.



LATER EDITION. Intended for students, this handbook contains a title-by-title summary of the *Corpus Juris Civilis* and parts of the *Corpus Juris Canonici*, an alphabetical index of topics in Roman law, a guide to legal study by Cothmann and a guide to legal terminology. Little is known about Brucksilber, sometimes spelled Bucksilber or Brucksulberg, or his book. He appears to have been a lawyer, but the title page of our copy doesn't list any professional or academic affiliations. We located seven editions of the book, the earliest from 1640, the latest from 1725. OCLC locates a few copies of each edition and 2 copies in North America: a 1685 edition at Harvard Law School and a 1725 edition at the University of Alberta. Our 1687 edition is not listed in OCLC. Not in Dekkers, which refers to a 1676 edition in its entry on Everaerts, or the *BMC*, which lists a 1658 edition.

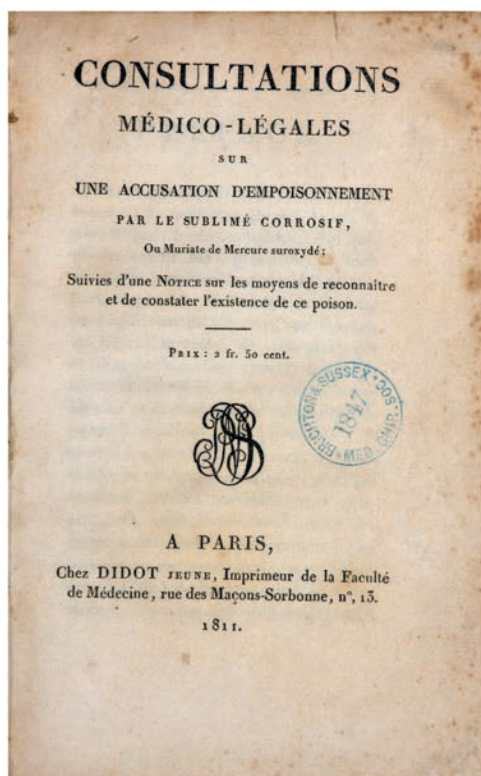
## THE DETECTION OF MURIATE OF MERCURY POISONING

61. [CHAUSSIER, FRANÇOIS (1746-1828)].

[Consultations Médico-Légales sur une Accusation d'Empoisonnement par le Sublimé Corrosif, Ou Muriate de Mercure Suroxydé; Suivie d'une Notice sur les Moyens de Reconnaître et de Constater l'Existence de ce Poison.](#)

Paris: Imprimerie de Didot Jeune, 1811. xvii, 167 pp. Lacking half-title. Octavo (8-1/4" x 5").

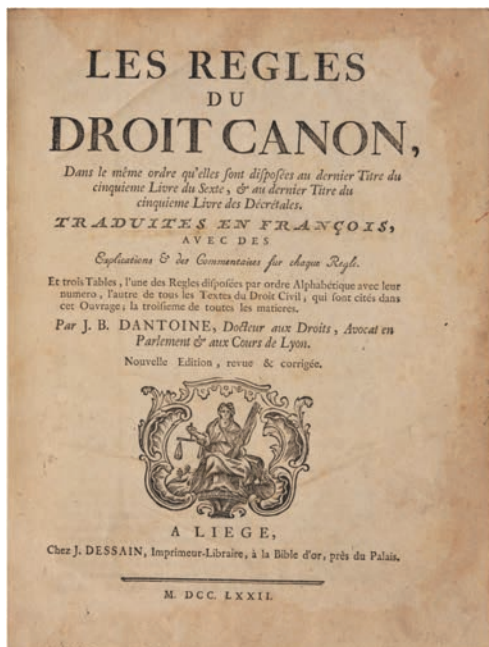
Later plain wrappers. Light soiling and shelfwear. Light toning to text, light foxing in a few places, small tear and small library stamp to title page. \$350.



ONLY EDITION. Intended to guide forensic investigation and courtroom examination, this manual outlines the nature of muriate of mercury and its effects on the body. Chaussier, a professor of medicine at the Sorbonne, was the author of several books on medicine and medical jurisprudence. OCLC locates 11 copies, 3 in North America, none in law libraries. Not in the *BMC*.



## THE PRINCIPLES OF CANON LAW STATED AS MAXIMS



62. DANTOINE, JEAN-BAPTISTE [1693-1720?],  
TRANSLATOR AND EDITOR.  
[GREGORY IX (1147?-1241), POPE].  
[BONIFACE VIII (1235-1303), POPE].

[Les Regles du Droit Canon, Dans le Même Ordre Qu'Elles sont Disposées au Dernier Titre du Cinquieme Livre du Sexte, & Au Dernier Titre du Cinquieme Livre des Décrétales. Traduites en François, Avec des Explications et des Commentaires sur Chaque Règle. Et Trois Tables l'Une des Regles Disposées par Ordre Alphabétique avec Leur Numero, l'Autre de Tous les Textes du Droit Civil, Qui sont Cités Dans cet Ouvrage; La Troisieme de Toutes les Matieres, l'Une de Tous les Textes du Droit Rapportés & Expliqués dans cet Ouvrage, l'Autre des Regles du droit Rangées par Ordre Alphabétique Selon leur Ordre Naturel, La Troisieme de Toutes les Matieres.](#)

Liège: Chez J. Dessain, 1772. [22], 468, [35] pp. Quarto (10" x 7-3/4").

Contemporary sheep with cat's-paw decoration, gilt spine with raised bands and lettering piece, speckled edges. Boards slightly bowed, rubbing to extremities with minor wear to edges, corners bumped and somewhat worn, moderate toning to interior, some offsetting to margins of preliminaries. A handsome copy. \$1,500.

PENULTIMATE EDITION. Modeled on the final title of Justinian's *Digest*, "De Diversis Regulis Juris Antiqui (Concerning Different Rules of Ancient Law)," the *Regulae Juris* (Rules of Law), are two collections of legal principles in canon law stated as maxims. 88 of these are in the *Liber Sextus Decretalium* of Boniface VIII. 11 were added by Gregory IX to the *Quinque Compilationones Antiquae Decretalium* (Fifth Book of Old Decretals), a collection superseded by the *Decretals* of Gregory IX. (The collections of these two popes are books of the *Corpus Juris Canonici*). Dantoine's edition presents the maxims in the original Latin with translations, extensive commentary and cross-references to similar statements in the *Corpus Juris Civilis*. First published in 1720, it went through six editions the, last in 1775. All are scarce. OCLC locates 3 copies in North American law libraries (Louisiana State University, UC-Berkeley, U.S. Supreme Court). Camus 658.

A WELL-REGARDED, LONG-LIVED TREATISE  
ON INHERITANCE AND SUCCESSION

63. GOUDELIN (CODELINUS), PIERRE  
[1550-1619].  
WITTEBORT, MAXIMILIAN [1586-1624].

[Commentariorum De Jure Novissimo Libri Sex, Optimâ Methodo, Accuratè ac Eruditè Conscripti, Additis Harum Vicinarumque Regionum Moribus. Opus ut Diu Avidèque Expetitum, Ita Scholis Foroque Utilissimum, Cum Indicibus. Accessit Clarissimi viri Maximiliani Wittebort, J.U.D. in Authoris Obitu Oratio Funebris, Habita Exequiis 22. Octob. MDCXIX.](#)

Arnhem: Typis Jacobi Biesius, 1661. [xxiv], 367, [32] pp. Main text in parallel columns. Full-page copperplate portrait of author facing preface. Quarto (7-1/2" x 6").

Contemporary vellum, early hand-lettered title to spine, speckled edges. A few minor stains to spine, light wear to

corners and spine ends, which are bumped, vellum just beginning to crack through pastedowns, moderate toning to text, faint dampstaining in a few places, faint early owner inscription (?) to front pastedown, early owner initials (?) to rear pastedown. \$1,500.

LATER EDITION. Educated at the University of Louvain, Goudelin commenced practice as an advocate at Malines in 1572. In 1582 he became a professor of law at his alma mater. First published in 1620, his *Commentariorum* is a study of inheritance and succession according to Roman and canon law. A well-regarded, long-lived treatise, it went through several editions into the nineteenth century. This edition includes a funeral oration in honor of Goudelin by Wittebort. All editions of this treatise are uncommon in North American libraries. For the 1661 edition, OCLC locates 6 copies, 3 in law libraries (Harvard, Library of Congress, University of Minnesota). This edition not in Dekkers.



## HANDSOME COPY OF GRONOV'S IMPORTANT EDITION OF GROTIUS

64. GROTIUS, HUGO [1583-1645].  
GRONOV (GRONOW), JOHANNES, EDITOR.

[De Jure Belli ac Pacis Libri Tres: In Quibus Jus Naturae & Gentium, Item Juris Publici Praecipua Explicantur: Cum Annotatis Auctoris, Ex Postrema Ejus Ante Obitum Cura: Accesserunt Ejusdem Dissertatio de Mari Libero, & Libellus Singularis de Aequitate, Indulgentia, & Facilitate: Nec non Joann. Frid. Gronovii v.c. Notae in Totum Opus De Jure Belli ac Pacis.](#)

Amsterdam: Apud Janssonio-Waesbergios, 1712. [xiv], [94], 158; 159-636; 537-946 pp. Complete; divided into three books, index bound before p.1 of first book. Copperplate allegorical frontispiece, copperplate portrait of Grotius. Octavo (7-1/2" x 4-1/2").



Nineteenth-century morocco, gilt rules and corner fleurons to boards, raised bands and gilt titles and compartments to spines, all edges gilt, gilt tooling to board edges, gilt inside dentelles, marbled endpapers, ribbon markers. Moderate rubbing to extremities, corners bumped. Light to moderate toning, light foxing in a few places in each book, early owner inscription to verso of front free endpaper of first book. A handsome set. \$1,250.

LATER GRONOV EDITION. With side-notes and index. Of all his numerous works *De Jure Belli ac Pacis* will always be considered Grotius' *magnum opus*, the work upon which his reputation most solidly rests. "The distinction between religion and law or morality is not clearly made, but Grotius' principle of an immutable law, which God can no more alter than a mathematical axiom, was the first expression of the *droit naturel*, the natural law which exercised the great political theorists of the eighteenth century, and is the foundation of modern international law" (PMM). The first Gronov edition, one of the most important editions of Grotius, was published in 1663. Our 1712 copy includes *Mare Liberum*, or *Freedom of the Seas* (1609), Grotius's influential treatise on maritime law and the right of free navigation. As indicated by his title, Grotius's study is in three parts, designated "three books" (*Libri Tres*). An owner of this copy took that statement literally and had it bound as a three-book set. The index was also moved to the beginning of the first book. PMM 125. Ter Muelen and Diermanse 596.





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ATTRACTIVE COPY OF *MARE LIBERUM*  
WITH A HANDSOME PICTORIAL TITLE PAGE

65. GROTIUS, HUGO [1583–1645].

[De Mari Libero.](#)

[WITH]  
MERULA (MEREL) PAULUS VAN [1558–1607].

[De Maribus.](#)

[AND]  
BOXHORN, MARCUS ZUERIUS [1612–1663].

[Apologia Pro Navigationibus Hollandorum, Adversus Pontum Heuterum.](#)

[AND]  
BOXHORN, MARCUS ZUERIUS.

[Tractatus Pacis, Mutui Commercii, Sive Intercursus Navigationum, Confirmatus Londino Anno, \[1295\] Inter Henricum Septimum Angliae Regem, & Philippum Archiducem Austriae, Burgundiae, &c.](#)

Leiden: Ex Officina Elzeviriana, 1633. 308 pp. The first two works preceded by (and listed on) copperplate pictorial general title page, third and fourth works preceded by divisional title pages. Octavo (2-1/4" x 4-1/4").

Contemporary vellum with lapped edges, early hand-lettered title to spine. Light soiling and a few minor stains, spine ends lightly bumped, small bit of glue residue to front pastedown. Light toning to text, light soiling to general title page, brief early annotation to rear free endpaper. \$650.

LATER EDITION. First published in 1609, *Mare Liberum* contained the core of Grotius's thought on freedom of navigation. Using a sophisticated argument based on natural law, and not on the written codes of Roman law, Grotius argued for the free navigation of the seas. More specifically, Grotius defended the actions of Dutch fishermen, who were attempting to operate near the English coast, and the Dutch East India Company, which was engaged in a territorial dispute in the Caribbean with Portuguese traders. Selden vigorously attacked his position in his *Mare Clausum*. Grotius' work was enormously influential on the later development of international law. Grotius's essay is complemented by those of Merel and Boxhorn. A treaty between Henry VII of England and Philip, Archduke of Austria is appended to the latter essay. Ter Meulen and Diermanse 545. Dekkers 25 (1), 69 (3), 115 (4).

A COLLECTION OF TEXTS FROM THE *CORPUS JURIS CIVILIS* IN HANDSOME  
UNIFORM CONTEMPORARY PANELED PIGSKIN BINDINGS

66. JUSTINIAN I [483–565 CE], EMPEROR OF THE EAST.  
ACCORSO, FRANCISCO (ACCURSIUS) [C.1182–C.1260], GLOSSATOR.  
Gaius [Active 130–180 CE].

[Institutionum D. Iustiniani Sacratissimi Imperatoris Libri Quatuor: Ad Vetustissimorum Simul et Emendatissimorum Exemplarium Fidem Summa Diligentia Recogniti, Emendati. Cum Scholiis Accursii. Adiecimus Pluribus Locis Annotationes ex Doctissimorum Hominum Commentariis, Ex Quibus non Parum Lucis ac Dignitatis his Iuris Civilis Elementis Accedit. Accessit Corpus Legum, Antea non Impressum, Ac Caii Institutionum Libri Duo.](#)

Lyon: Apud Hugonem à Porta, 1553. Pp. [24], 290, [2] pp. Large woodcut image of Justinian surrounded by his court. Main text in parallel columns with linear gloss.

[BOUND WITH]  
 JUSTINIAN I, EMPEROR OF THE EAST.  
 ACCORSO, FRANCISCO (ACCURSIUS),  
 GLOSSATOR.

[Volumen hoc Complectitur \(Sic Enim Peculiari Vocabulo Vocant\) Novellas Constitutiones Iustiniani Principis Post Repetitam Codicis Praelectionem Aeditas: Authentica Vulgò Appellant. Tres Item Posteriores Libros Codicis; Feudorum seu Beneficiorum Duos; Constitutiones Friderichi Secundi Imperatoris; Extravagantes duas Henrici Septimi Imperatoris; & Tractatum De Pace Constantiae. Omnia ad Vetustissimorum Simul & Emendatissimorum Exemplarium Fidem Recognita, Emendata. Accesserunt nunc Primùm, & Nunquam Antehac Aediti, Iustiniani Novellarum Constitutionum Libri Duo.](#)

Lyon: Apud Hugonem à Porta, 1553. [xvi], 276, 148, 99, [1] pp.  
 Woodcut table of descents (in the form of a tree). Main text in parallel columns with linear gloss.

[WITH]  
 JUSTINIAN I, EMPEROR OF THE EAST.  
 ACCORSO, FRANCISCO (ACCURSIUS),  
 GLOSSATOR.



[Infortiatum, Pandectarum Iuris Civilis Tomus Secundus: Quartae Partis Reliquum, Itemque Quintam Digestorum Partem, Ac Sextae Partis: Libros Continens, Ex Pandectis Florentinis Ita in Universum Recognitus ac Emendatus, Ut Nihil Praeterea, Quod ad Puram Eorum Librorum Lectionem Attinet, Desiderari Possit.](#)

Lyon: Apud Hugonem à Porta, 1556. [xxxvi], 923, [1] pp. Main text in parallel columns with linear gloss.

[AND]  
 JUSTINIAN I, EMPEROR OF THE EAST.  
 ACCORSO, FRANCISCO (ACCURSIUS), GLOSSATOR.

[Digestum Novum: Pandectarum Iuris Civilis Tomus Tertius Sextae Partis Reliquum, Ac Septimam, Eandemque Novissimam Digestorum Partem Continens, Ex Pandectis Florentinis Ita Universum Recognitus, Ac Emendatus: Ut Nihil Praeterea, Quod ad Puram Putam Eorum Librorum Lectionem Attinet, Desiderari Possit.](#)

Lyon: Apud Hugonem à Porta, 1556. [lvi], 866 pp. Main text in parallel columns with linear gloss.

Folio (15-3/4" x 11"). Contemporary paneled pigskin over beveled boards with elaborate blind tooling. Crest (of Adam Mockel) in oval frame to center of each board, brass clasps, colored edges. Moderate soiling, moderate rubbing to extremities, some rubbing, scuffing and minor stains to boards and spines, a few chips to spine ends of *Digestum Novum*, minor worming to hinges and pastedowns, early owner signature ("P. Lieber") to front pastedowns. All volumes printed throughout in red and black. Light toning, faint dampstaining in places, margins trimmed with occasional minor loss to headlines, neat early underlining and brief annotations to some leaves, a minor inkstains in a few leaves, light soiling to title pages, substantial ink staining to leaves aa7 and aa8 of "Index Materialium Digesti Novi," legibility not affected. \$9,500.

COMMISSIONED BY THE EMPEROR JUSTINIAN in 530 CE, the body of writings known collectively as the *Corpus Iuris Civilis* reformed, restated and preserved early Roman law. Its subsequent influence on European jurisprudence is difficult to underestimate. Our volumes contain every part except the *Digestum Vetus*. They also contain several related works, such as the pre-Justinian *Institutes* of Gaius, *Liber De Pace Constantiae*, *Epitome Feudorum* and *Authentica*. The texts used in this edition, along with the gloss by Accursius, were the standard versions from the High Middle Ages until 1583, when they were supplanted by Godefroy's seminal critical edition. Baudrier VII:329-336.



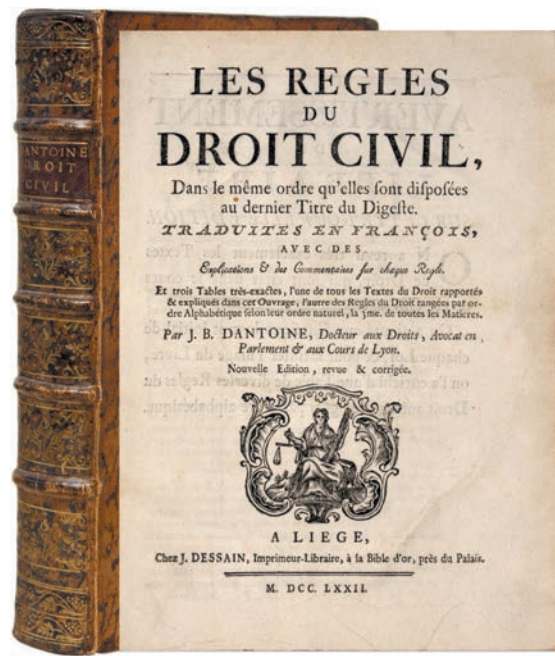


## A NOTABLE FRENCH EDITION OF THE DIGEST, BOOK 50

67. [JUSTINIAN I (483-565 CE),  
EMPEROR OF THE EAST].  
DANTOINE, J[EAN] B[APTISTE] [1693-1720?],  
TRANSLATOR AND EDITOR.

[Les Règles du Droit Civil, Dans le Même Ordre Qu'Elles sont Disposées au Dernier Titre du Digeste; Traduites en François, Avec des Explications & Des Commentaires sur Chaque Règle. Et Trois Tables Très-Exactes, l'Une de Tous les Textes du Droit Rapportés & Expliqués dans cet Ouvrage, l'Autre des Regles du Droit Rangées par Ordre Alphabétique Selon Leur Ordre Naturel, La 3me. de Toutes les Matieres. Nouvelle Édition, Revue & Corrigée.](#)

Liege: Chez J. Dessain, 1772. [lxiv], 502, xxxii pp. Quarto (10" x 8-3/4").



Contemporary sheep with cat's-paw decoration, gilt spine with raised bands and lettering piece, speckled edges. Boards slightly bowed, rubbing to extremities with minor wear to edges, corners bumped and somewhat worn, joints just starting at ends, moderate toning to interior. A handsome copy. \$1,500.

PENULTIMATE EDITION. The final title of the *Digest*, "De Diversis Regulis Juris Antiqui (Concerning Different Rules of Ancient Law)," is a collection of 211 maxims derived from Ulpian and other jurists. Dantoine's edition presents the maxims in the original Latin with translations and extensive commentary. First published in 1710, it went through six editions the, last in 1775. All are scarce. OCLC locates 3 copies of the 1772 edition in North America (Bibliothèque et Archives Nationales du Québec, McGill University, UC-Berkeley Law School). Camus 658.

## A WELL-REGARDED COMMENTARY ON THE INSTITUTES



68. MATTHAEUS, ANTONIUS [1564-1637].  
MOMMERIUS (MOMMER), AEGIDIUS [C.1510-1570].

[Notae & Animadversiones in Libros IV. Institutionum Juris Imper. Justiniani: Praefixa est Epistola Aegidii Mommerii, De Ratione Legendi Discendique Iura, Antehac Nunquam Excusa; Subjuncta Synopsis Institutionum Juris, Qua Illae ad huc Hodie Sunt in Usus.](#)

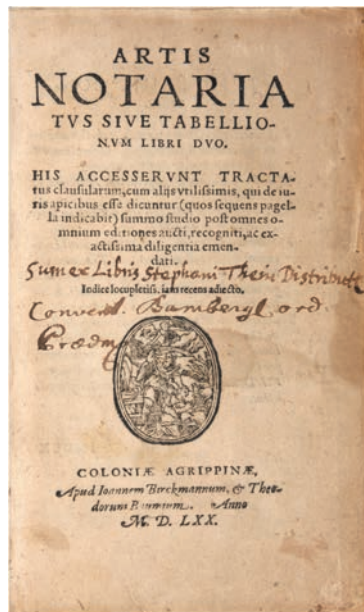
Amsterdam: Impensis Ioannis Ianssonii Iunioris, 1657. [xiv], 407, [9] pp. Main title page preceded by copperplate pictorial title page, engraved copperplate coat of arms of page facing dedication. 12mo. (5" x 2-3/4").

Contemporary vellum with yapp edges. Light soiling and some spotting, spine ends lightly bumped, pastedowns loose, some edgewear and crinkling to endleaves. Moderate toning to text block, faint dampstaining to its lower half, pictorial title page affected slightly by trimming, early owner signature to front endleaf. \$450.

LATER EDITION. Matthaeus was a jurist, professor of law at the University of Marburg and the father of the distinguished Roman-Dutch jurist, Antonius Matthaeus (II). Originally published in 1600, *Notae et Animadversiones* is a commentary on the

*Institutes* of Justinian. A well-regarded work, it went through seven subsequent editions, the last in 1784. OCLC locates 2 copies of this edition in North America, one in a law library (UC-Berkeley). Dekkers 110.





A RARE TREATISE ON NOTARIES BOUND TO A CLASSIC STUDY  
OF DEBTOR AND CREDITOR IN ROMAN LAW

69. [NOTARIES].

[HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE].

[Ars Notariatus Sive Tabellionum Libri Duo. His Accesserunt Tractatus Clausularum, Cum Aliis Utilissimis, Qui de Iuris Apicibus Esse Dicuntur \(Quos Sequens Pagella Indicabit\) Summa Studio Post Omnes Omnium Editiones Aucti, Recogniti, Ac Exactissima Diligentia Emendati. Indici Locupletiss. Iam Recend Adiecto.](#)

Cologne: Apud Ioannem Birckmannum, & Theodorum Baumium, 1570. [xiii], 402, [1] ff.

[BOUND WITH]

PECK, PETER [1529–1589].

[De Iure Sistendi et Manuum Iniectione Quam Vulgo Arrestationem Vocant Succincta Explicatio. Editio Tertia, Multis Capitibus & Locis Aucta.](#)

Cologne: Apud Ioannem Gymnicum, 1581. 263, [1] pp.



Front cover detail

Octavo (6-1/4" x 4"). Contemporary paneled pigskin, large images of Lady Justice (front) and Lady Fortune (rear) to center of each board, raised bands and faint hand-lettered titles to spine. Boards slightly bowed, some rubbing and light soiling, spine darkened, corners bumped and somewhat worn, front hinge cracked, front free endpaper lacking, minor worming to rear hinge. Moderate toning to text, light foxing and brief early annotations and underlining to some leaves in each work, title page of *Ars Notariatus* has light soiling, minor edgewear, a few tiny stains and early owner inscription (with offsetting to front pastedown).

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ARS NOTARIATUS: ONLY EDITION; *De Iure Sistendi*: third edition. From the establishment of the legal profession onward, a notary was an important legal officer in Continental law with a role analogous to a present-day English solicitor. *Ars Notariatus* is a procedural guide, both written and verbal, for junior members of this profession working in The Holy Roman Empire. *De Iure Sistendi* is a comprehensive treatise on security on the Roman law of debtor and creditor. First published in 1564, it went through several editions into the seventeenth century and was one of the titles included in the *Tractatus Universi Iuris* (1584–1586). *Ars Notariatus* is a rare title; all editions of *De Iure Sistendi* are scarce. OCLC locates no copies of *Ars Notariatus* in North America, and 3 copies of the third edition of *De Iure Sistendi* (Columbia Law School, Harvard Law School, Library of Congress). VD16 A3855, P1096.

C.1490 VENICE PRINTING OF A RENOWNED GUIDE TO  
DRAFTING WILLS AND CONTRACTS

70. PASSAGGERI, ROLANDINO DE' [D. 1300].  
[UNZOLA, PIETRO DA (D. 1312)], ADDITIONS.

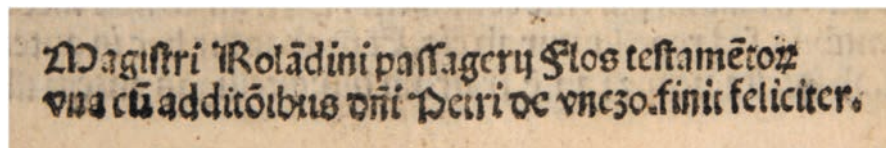
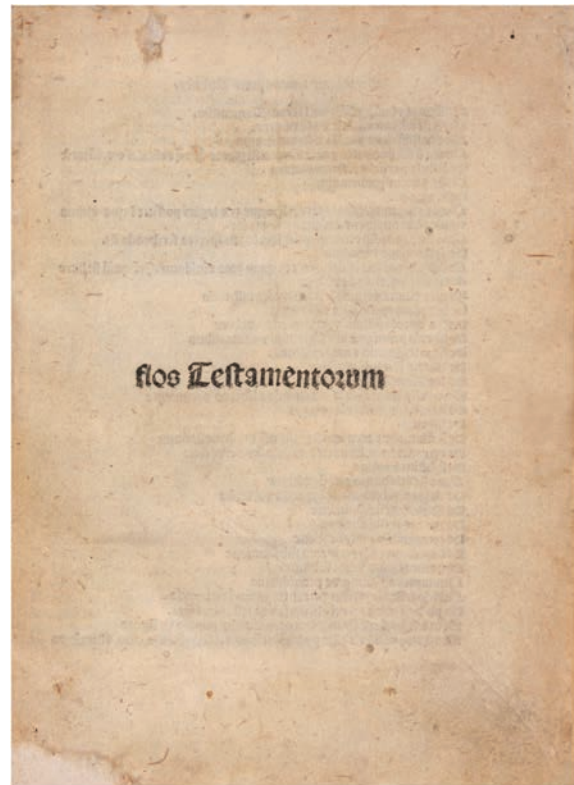
[Flos Testamentorum cum Additionibus Petri de Unzola.](#)

[Venice: S.n., c.1490]. 46 ff. Collation: [\*2], a-f8.4, g8. Quarto (8" x 6-3/4"; 20.3 x 17.2 cm).

Later three-quarter sheep over marbled boards, raised bands and gilt title to spine, endpapers added. Moderate rubbing to extremities, corners bumped, joints starting, small wormhole to rear joint, two later annotations in small hands (most likely shelf numbers), bookplate residue and tiny worm hole to front pastedown. 42-line single-column text, guide spaces blank. Moderate toning, somewhat heavy in places, careful repairs to margins of several leaves, light foxing in a few places. An attractive, wide-margined copy of a rare imprint. \$16,500.



PASSAGERI was a notary, government official and professor of rhetoric in Bologna. First published in 1482, *Flos Testamentorum* is a guide to drafting wills and contracts. It was derived from Passageri's *Summa Artis Notariae*, also printed in 1482, with rewritten sections and additional material by Pietro da Unzola. Recognized immediately as a useful work, it went through four editions before 1500 and several editions and adaptations during the sixteenth century. The *Incunabula Short-Title Catalogue* locates 11 copies (2 of them incomplete), 1 in North America (UCLA). Not in Goff. *Indice Generale degli Incunaboli delle Biblioteche d'Italia* 7240 (source of approximate date of 1490). ISTC ir00243500.



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COLLECTED WORKS BY A NOTABLE SALZBURG JURIST  
ON MARRIAGE, ESTATES AND SMALL ANIMALS



71. PEGIE, MARTIN [1523-1592].  
[PERNEDER, ANDREAS (C.1500-1543)].

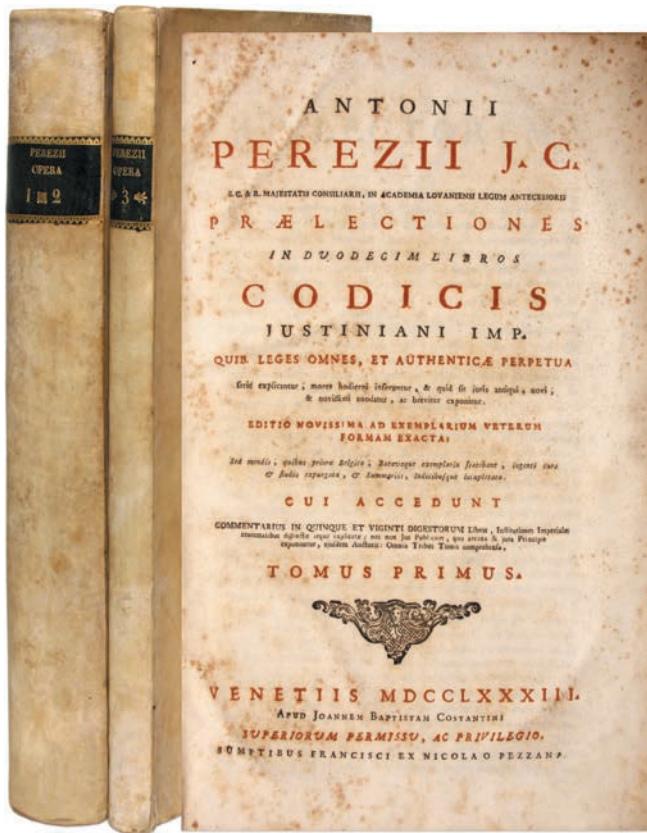
Verschiedene Juristische Schriften, Nemlich: I. Drey Bücher vom Erb-Bau-Recht. II. Juristische Ergötzlichkeiten vom Hunde-Tauben-Und Hünen-Recht. III. Vollkommener Unterricht von Recht und Freyheiten derer Henraths-Güter und Aller dahim Gehörigen Bedingnissen. IV. Schau-Platz derer Dienstbarkeiten in denen Städten, So wohl als auf dem Lande. Denen, Als ein Anhang Andrea. Perneders Vollständige Nachricht von Testamenten und Codicillen Beygefügt Worden.

Frankfurt and Leipzig [and Regensburg]: Bey Carl Christoph Immig, Buchhändlern in Regensburg, 1728. [viii], [iv], 425, [39]; [4], 44, [4], 171, [13]; 76; [4], 130, [2] pp. Copperplate allegorical frontispiece featuring Lady Justice seated on a hill above Regensburg. Four parts, one with an appended work by Perneder, each with title page. Parts bound out of order. General title page bound after preliminaries of fourth part, which is at the beginning of the volume. Text complete. Quarto (7-3/4" x 6-1/4").

Contemporary vellum, faded hand-lettered title label and date to spine. Light rubbing to boards, minor chipping to head of spine and upper corners, minor worming to hinges, which are partially cracked. Title pages, all with copperplate vignettes, printed in red and black. Light toning to text, occasional light foxing. \$2,500.

ONLY EDITION. Pegie, or Pegius, was a sixteenth-century Salzburg jurist and law professor. Due mostly to reprintings by Christoph Immig in the early 1700s, his works were rediscovered and popularized. *Verschiedene Juristische Schriften* is a collection of his most important works. Three of these concern aspects of marriage, families and estates, one of them addresses laws concerning dogs, pigeons and chickens. OCLC locates 4 copies, none in North America. VD18 12314137-001.





## IMPORTANT COMMENTARIES ON JUSTINIAN

72. PEREZ, ANTONIO  
[1583-1673 (?1674)].

[Praelectiones in Duodecim Libros Codicis Justiniani Imp. Quib. Leges Omnes, Et Authenticae Perpetua Serie Explicantur, Mores Hodierni Inferuntur, & Quid Sit Juris Antiqui, Novi, & Novissimi, Enodatur, Ac Breviter Exponitur. Editio Novissima ad Exemplarium Veterum Formam Exacta; Sed Mendis, Quibus Priora Belgica, Batavaque Exemplaria Scatebant, Ingenti Cura & Studio Expurgata, & Summariis, Indicibusque Locupletata. Cui Accedunt Commentarius in Quinque et Viginti Digestorum Libros, Institutiones Imperiales Erotematibus Distinctae Atque Explicatae; Nec non Jus Publicum, Quo Arcana & Jura Principis Exponuntur, Ejusdem Acutoris: Omnia Tribus Tomis Comprehensa.](#)

Venice: Apud Joannem Baptistam Costanini, 1783.  
Three volumes in two books. xii, 376; 388; 284 pp.  
Text in parallel columns. Folio (15" x 9-1/2").

Contemporary vellum, calf lettering pieces to spines, speckled edges. Light rubbing, corners and spine ends lightly bumped, boards slightly bowed, light fading to rear board of book containing Volumes I-II. Title page of Volume I printed in red and black. Moderate toning, occasional light foxing. A handsome set. \$1,500.

FINAL EDITION of works first published in 1626 and 1651. Perez, a Spanish jurist and statesman, was Professor of Law at the University of Louvain, state counselor to Phillip II and an influential scholar of Roman law. His commentaries on Justinian, works that went through several editions through 1783 (and reprinted in an 1827 collected-works edition), were highly esteemed because they were not just elucidations of Justinian and civil law, but original contributions to legal theory. In addition to its treatment of Justinian, this work examines several aspects of current French, German and Spanish practice. OCLC locates 6 copies of the 1783 edition, 2 in North America (Harvard Law School, University of Minnesota Law School). Dekkers 132.



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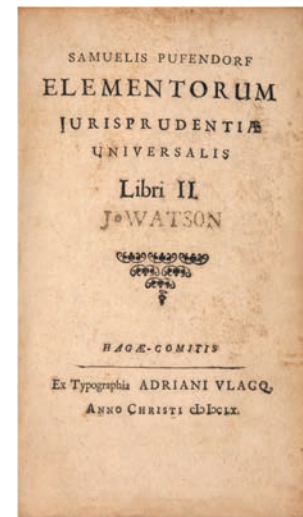
## FIRST EDITION OF PUFENDORF'S FIRST MAJOR TREATISE

## 73. PUFENDORF, SAMUEL VON [1632-1694].

[Elementorum Jurisprudentiae Universalis Libri II.](#)

The Hague: Ex Typographia Adriani Vlacq, 1660. [xiv], 384 pp. Octavo (6" x 3-3/4").

Contemporary vellum, faint early hand-lettered title to spine and rear board, large hand-lettered nineteenth-century owner name ("S.M. Hopkins") to front board, ribbon marker. Some soiling, spine ends and corners lightly bumped, small chip near foot of spine, front hinge starting. Moderate toning, light foxing in a few places, very faint dampstaining to lower corner of rear half of text block, brief early annotation to front pastedown, illegible signature to front free endpaper, small nineteenth-century owner stamp ("Jo Watson") to front free endpaper and title page. Book housed in handsome recent blind-tooled calf clamshell box with marbled edges. \$3,500.

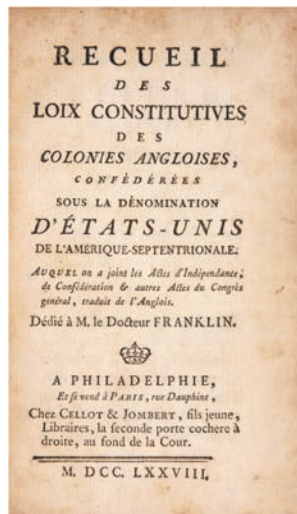


FIRST EDITION. Pufendorf's first important work, *Elementorum Jurisprudentiae Universalis* proposed a system of international law based on natural-law concepts drawn from Grotius and Hobbes, a geometrical scheme outlined by Erhard Weigel, his former mathematics teacher and his experiences during the Dano-Swedish war. (He was imprisoned by the Danes, which gave him the leisure to write this treatise.) Central to Pufendorf's investigation is the nature of right and wrong in principle and practice. Immediately acclaimed as a major work, it established Pufendorf's reputation. In 1662 he 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. OCLC locates 3 copies in North American law libraries (Harvard, Northwestern, University of Minnesota). BMC 20:1074.

THE FIRST COLLECTION OF  
AMERICAN CONSTITUTIONS, INCLUDES  
THE FIRST PRINTING OF THE DECLARATION OF  
INDEPENDENCE IN FRENCH

## 74. [RÉGNIER, CLAUDE-AMBROISE, COMPILER].

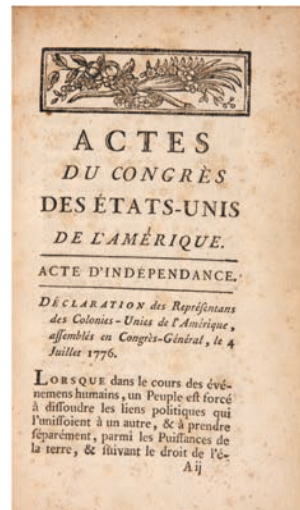
[Recueil des Loix Constitutives des Colonies Angloises: Confédérées sous la  
Dénomination d'États-Unis de l'Amérique-Septentrionale: Auquel on a Joint les  
Actes d'Indépendance, de Confédération & Autres Actes du Congrès Général.  
Dédié à M. le Docteur Franklin.](#)



[Paris]: A Philadelphie, A Philadelphie, Et se Vend à Paris, Rue Dauphine, Chez Cellot & Jombert, 1778. [xii], 370 pp. Lacking final blank leaf. Octavo (6-1/4" x 4-3/4").

Later cloth over marbled boards, gilt fillets and title to spine, endpapers renewed. Light rubbing to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities, boards just beginning to separate but secure. Moderate toning, occasional light foxing, later owner signature to front free endpaper, tiny ink marking in early hand to head of front free endpaper. \$1,500.

INTENDED TO INCREASE FRENCH SUPPORT for the American Revolution, this book was the first collection of state constitutions enacted since the Declaration of Independence. There were six in 1778, those of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and South Carolina. (A collection with the all thirteen post-1776 constitutions was published in 1781.) This volume also includes the Declaration of Independence, its first printing in French, along with the Articles of Confederation and significant laws enacted by the Continental Congress. The work is dedicated to Benjamin Franklin, who enabled its publication. Sabin 68448. Cohen 3031.







### INTERESTING SEVENTEENTH-CENTURY DUTCH TREATISE ON MARRIAGE LAW

75. RODENBURG, CHRISTIAAN  
[1608-1668].

[Tractatus De Jure Conjugum. In quo de Viri in Uxorem Potestate, Eorumque Obligationibus, Judiciis, Mutuis Gratificationibus, Bonorum Communione, Pactisque Dotilibus, Illustriores Controversiae, Ad Usus Fori Patrii, Vicinarumque Regionum Expenduntur, Cum Tractatione Praeliminari De Jure, Quod Oritur Ex Statutorum, Vel Consuetudinum Discrepantium Conflictu.](#)

Utrecht: Apud Gisbertum Zylum, & Theodorum ab Ackersdijck, 1653. [xxvi], 358, [24] pp. Quarto (7-3/4" x 6").

Contemporary vellum with lapped edges, early hand-lettered title to spine. Moderate soiling and a few tiny stains, two chips to top-edge of front board. Some rubbing to corners, vellum just beginning to crack through pastedowns, lower section of front endleaf lacking, partial crack in text block between front endleaf and title page. Light toning to text, corners of a few leaves dog-eared, annotations in early hand to endleaves. \$1,500.

FIRST EDITION. An interesting treatise on marriage in canon, Germanic, feudal, Roman and Roman-Dutch law. Educated at the Universities and Utrecht, Rodenburg was a state official and a canon of Saint Peter's Church in Utrecht. His *Tractatus de Jure Conjugum* is an interesting comparative treatise on marriage in canon, customary, Roman and Roman-Dutch law. A practical work, Rodenburg pays particular attention to conflicts between these different systems. Two more editions were published in 1676 and another in 1699. All are scarce. OCLC locates 6 copies of the first edition in North American law libraries (George Washington University, Harvard, UC-Berkeley, University of Chicago, University of Michigan, Yale). Dekkers 146.

### A POPULAR EIGHTEENTH-CENTURY GERMAN TEXTBOOK ON ROMAN LAW

76. SCHOPPACH, JOHANN MICHAEL.

[Einleitung zum Jure Civili, Nach Ordnung der Institutionum Imperialium Zusammen Getragen, Und Aus Liebe vor die Angehend-Studirende Jugend ans Licht Gegeben. Nunmehr aber mit Dienlich- und Hinlänglichen Allegatis Versehen.](#)

Regensburg: Verlegt Johann Conrad Peetz, 1730. [xvii], 430 pp. Copperplate allegorical frontispiece. Octavo (6-1/4" x 3-3/4").

Contemporary paper-covered boards, gilt-stamped lettering piece to spine, edges rouged. Light rubbing to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities with some wear to spine ends and corners, which are bumped, two later owner signatures to front free endpaper, later owner initials to rear free endpaper. Title page printed in red and black. Moderate toning, light foxing to a few leaves, check mark to margin of p. 286, frontispiece just beginning to detach at foot, light soiling and three tiny early owner signatures to title page. \$950.

LATER EDITION. This introductory textbook on Roman civil law is patterned on the *Institutes* of Justinian. First published in 1711, it was a popular work that went through several editions, the last in 1763. All are scarce today. OCLC locates 6 copies, all of them in Germany or Switzerland. This edition not in *VD18*.

### AN IMPORTANT COLLECTION OF EARLY OF ROMAN LAW

77. SCHULTING, ANTON [1659-1734],  
EDITOR.

AYRER, GEORG HEINRICH [1702-1774], PREFACE.

[Jurisprudentia Vetus Ante-Justiniana ex Recensione et Cum Notis. Editio Nova Collata cum Codicibus Antiquissimo Wurceburgensi et Gothano. De Illustratione Juris Civil. Antiqui ex Lectione Classicorum Auctorum. Praefatus est d. Georgius Henricus Ayrer.](#)

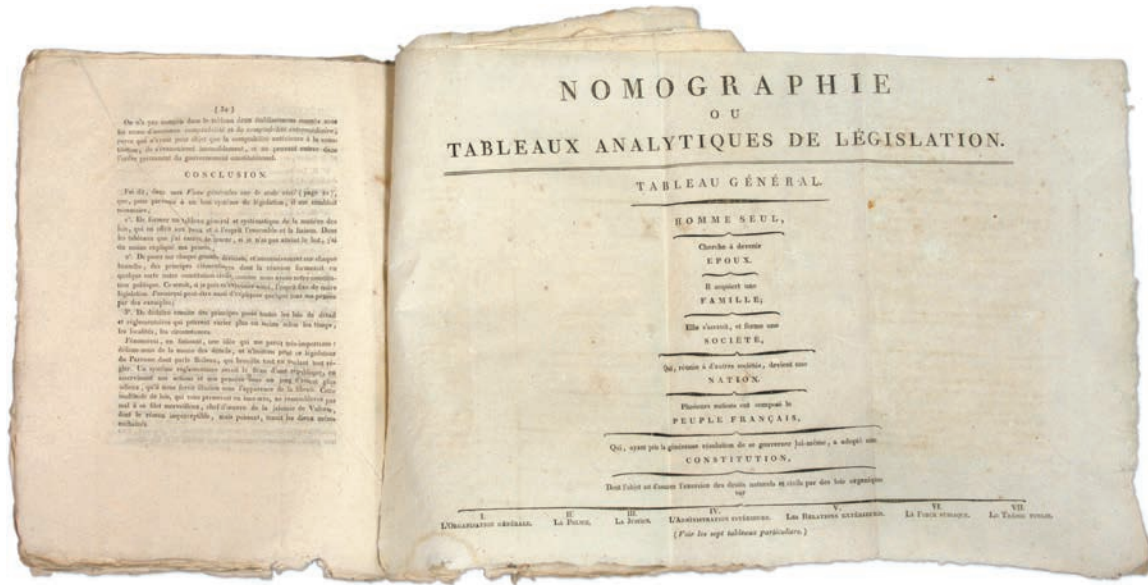
Leipzig: Ex Officina Weidmanniana, 1737. [lxxxviii], 941, [79] pp. Quarto (9-3/4" x 7-1/2").

Contemporary calf, raised bands, lettering piece and gilt ornaments to spine, sprinkled edges. Light rubbing to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities, front joint cracked, rear joint starting at ends, small chip to head of spine, corners bumped and somewhat worn. Moderate

toning and light foxing to text, recent owner bookplate (A. Pitlo) to verso of front free endpaper. \$500.

SECOND AND FINAL EDITION. Known as the "Cujacius of the Netherlands," Schulting, or Schultingh, was a law professor who taught at the the Universities

of Harderwyk, Leyden and Franeker. First published in 1717, *Jurisprudentia Vetust* is a carefully edited and annotated collection of writings by Gaius, Paulus, Ulpian, Papinian and other pre-Justinianic jurists. Dekkers 159.



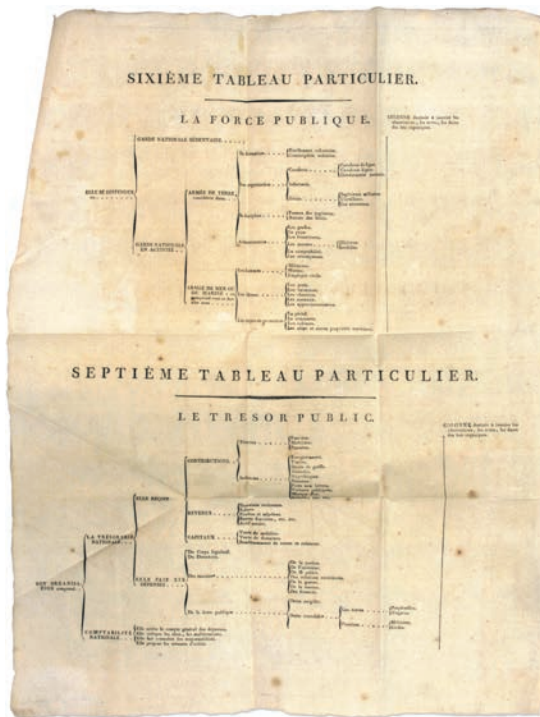
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## TABLES USED TO DESCRIBE THE LAW TO REVOLUTIONARY CITIZENS

78. SÉDILLEZ, MATHURIN-LOUIS-ÉTIENNE [1745-1820].

[Nomographie ou Tableaux Analytiques de Législation, Accompagnés d'une Explication Sommaire, Pour Servir de Suite aux Vues Générales sur la Composition du Code Civil, Présentées au Conseil des Anciens le 23 Pluviose an 7, Par M.L.E. Sédillez \(de Nemours\), Département de Seine-et-Marne.](#)

[Paris]: De l'Imprimerie Nationale, An VII [1799]. viii, 32, [1]. Seven tables on six folding leaves. Complete. Quarto (11" x 8-1/2").

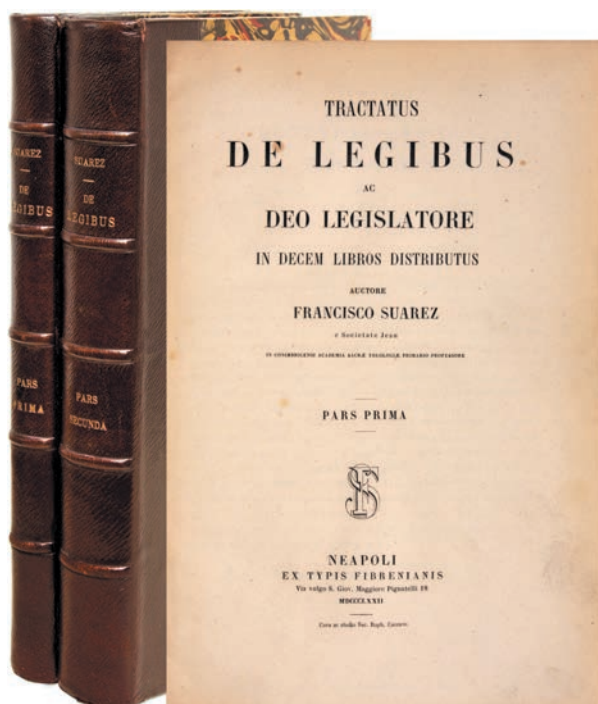


Uncut and untrimmed stab-stitched text block in original plain paper wrappers. Light soiling and some staining, rodent bite through text block near foot of spine below text, some wear to spine ends. Light toning to text, somewhat heavier in a few places, faint dampstaining at foot of gutter to front wrapper and following four leaves, a few creases to folding tables. A well-preserved copy. \$1,250.

ONLY EDITION. Written by the prolific legal and political writer Sédillez, this work contains analytical tables of public law with commentary. Very much a product of the Revolutionary period, it embodies a desire to explain the law clearly to the average citizen using the deductive and schematic methods favored by the Enlightenment *philosophes*. (Sédillez says in the introduction that he wished this book had been written by Montesquieu, Rousseau or Condorcet.) Similar in style to the "Tableau des Connaissances Humaines" found in Diderot and D'Alembert's *Encyclopédie*, the tables cover the laws in general, police, justice, interior administration, foreign relations, armed force and public treasure. An introductory table charts the stages of development from a single man to the creation of the French constitution. OCLC locates 5 copies, none in North America. Not in Camus.



A HANDSOME COPY OF ONE OF THE GREAT  
LANDMARKS OF INTERNATIONAL LAW



79. SUAREZ, FRANCISCO [1548-1617].

[Tractatus de Legibus, Ac Deo Legislatore, In Decem Libros Distributus.](#)

Naples: Ex Typis Fibrenianis, 1872. Two volumes. [vi], 378; [iv], 680 pp. Main text in parallel columns. Quarto (10-1/2" x 7").

Contemporary quarter morocco over marbled boards, raised bands and gilt titles to spines, marbled endpapers. Light rubbing to extremities with negligible wear to spine ends and corners, owner bookplates (of Gilbert Picot) to front pastedowns, light toning to interiors. A very handsome set. \$750.

SUAREZ, a theologian and jurist who wrote treatises on political philosophy, the state and sovereignty, was one of the greatest thinkers produced by the Jesuit order. First published in 1612, his *Tractatus de Legibus, Ac Deo Legislatore* is a landmark work that proposes a natural law basis for the law of nations. It was a significant influence on the work of Grotius and Pufendorf.

USEFUL SUMMARY OF THE  
LAW OF THE SPANISH NETHERLANDS

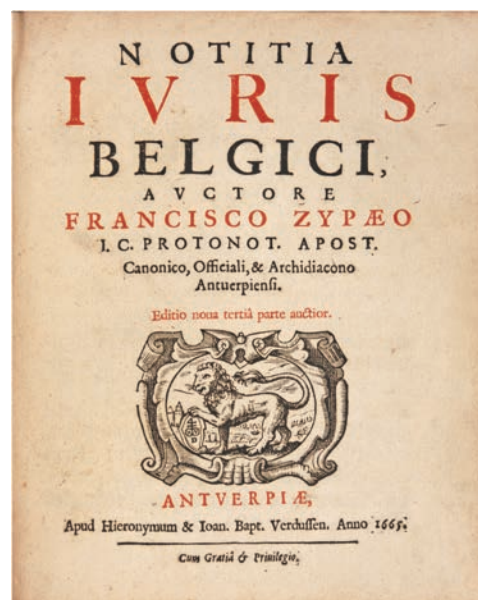
80. ZYPE, FRANÇOIS VAN DEN (FRANCISCUS)  
[c.1578-1650].

[Notitia Iuris Belgici. Editio Nova Tertia Parte Auctior.](#)

Antwerp: Apud Hieronymum Verdussium, 1665. [24], 358, [60] pp. Quarto (7-1/2" x 6-1/4").

Contemporary sprinkled calf with early rebacking, gilt spine with raised bands and lettering piece. Some minor nicks and scratches to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities, joints starting, chip to foot of spine, corners bumped and somewhat worn. Title page printed in red and black. Moderate toning to text, somewhat heavier in places, light foxing to a few leaves, inkstain to foot of p. 199. \$450.

THIRD EDITION. Zype was a canon lawyer and church official attached to the Bishop of Antwerp. First published in 1635, this useful and summary of the law of the Spanish Netherlands went through at least four more editions and issues into the eighteenth century. Topics include procedure and the law concerning commerce, marriage, the military and other topics. All editions are scarce. OCLC locates no copies of the third edition in North America. Dekkers 198.



# Trials



## ILLUSTRATED ACCOUNT OF ONE OF THE MOST FAMOUS AMERICAN MURDER TRIALS OF THE NINETEENTH CENTURY

81. AVERY, EPHRAIM [1799-1869], DEFENDANT.

[The Terrible Hay-Stack Murder. Life and Trial of the Rev. Ephraim K. Avery, For the Murder of the Young and Beautiful Miss Sarah M. Cornell, A Factory Girl of Fall River, Mass., Whose Affections He Won, and Whose Honor he Betrayed, He Afterwards Strangled His Poor Victim, and Hung Her Body to a Hay-Stack in Order to Convey the Idea that She had Committed Suicide.](#)

Philadelphia: Barclay & Co., [1877]. [ii], 19-62 pp. 4 plates. Octavo (9-1/2" x 5-1/2").

Stab-stitched pamphlet in pictorial wrappers. Light soiling and some edgewear, minor tears and chips to wrappers, three tiny wormholes near foot of spine, one affecting title page and following leaf. Moderate toning to text, a few leaves have faint smudges or dog-eared corners. \$850.

ONLY EDITION. The Avery Case was one of the most famous American murder trials of the nineteenth century. Although questions about this case remain, it appears that Avery murdered Cornell when he learned she was pregnant with his child. After strangling her he put a noose around her neck and hung her from a barn rafter to make it appear that she had committed suicide. Like many Barclay publications, this was published many years after the event. OCLC locates 10 copies, 3 in law libraries (Library of Congress, University of Kansas, University of Minnesota). McDade 48.







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### "VIOLATING HER CONJUGAL VOW"

82. BAYNTUN-ROLT, MARIA ALICIA COVENTRY, LADY.

[The Trial of the Right Honourable Lady Maria Bayntun, Daughter of the Right Hon. George William, Earl of Coventry, And Wife of Andrew Bayntun, Esq; Son of Sir Edward Bayntun, Baronet, In the Arches Court at Doctors Commons, For Committing the Crime of Adultery, And Violating Her Conjugal Vow. To Which is Added, A Very Pathetic and Affecting Letter, From Lady Maria to Her Husband, After the Discovery of Her Illicit Amours.](#)

London: printed for the editor, and sold by G. Lister, [1781?]. 103, [1] pp. Includes one-page publisher list. Copperplate frontispiece. Octavo (8-1/4" x 5").

Stab-stitched pamphlet bound into recent period-style three-quarter calf over marbled boards, gilt title and gilt-edged raised bands to spine, endpapers renewed. Light toning to text, somewhat heavier in places, light foxing to a few leaves. \$1,850.

ONLY EDITION. A colorful account, with ten supporting depositions, of Lady Maria Bayntun-Rolt's unfaithfulness to her husband, Andrew Bayntun-Rolt. Andrew's nephew, John Allen Cooper, a recent veteran of the American Revolution, had moved into the Bayntun Household and, soon after, Lady Bayntun-Rolt's bed, when Mr. Bayntun was away. The servants conspired to reveal the affair and Mr. Bayntun-Rolt sued for divorce. OCLC locates 4 copies in North America, 2 in law libraries (Osgoode Hall, University of Minnesota). ESTC T95762.

### UNRECORDED ACCOUNT THE MURDER "OF AN AGED COUPLE, NEAR STAFFORD"

83. BLACKBURN, HENRY, DEFENDANT.  
MOORE, EDWARD, DEFENDANT.  
WALSH, CHARLES, DEFENDANT.

[Full and Correct Account of the Trial, Henry Blackburn, Edward Moore, And Charles Walsh, For the Murder of an Aged Couple Near Stafford.](#)

Stafford [England]: Buxton, Printer, [1853]. 8 pp. 12mo. (5" x 3-1/2").

Whip-stitched pamphlet in self wrappers. Light soiling and edgewear, light toning, ink spot to verso of final leaf. \$750.

ONLY EDITION. An especially gruesome account of the Ash Flats Murder. John and Jane Blackburn were robbed and bludgeoned to death in their home. The criminals tried to hide their crime by burning the house, but the fire was extinguished before the bodies were destroyed. Other evidence of the crime also survived, including blood stains and the murder weapon. Blackburn, Walsh and Moore were tried for the crime. Blackburn was freed and Walsh and Moore were sentenced to death. Moore later confessed that he acted alone, which spared Walsh's life. The final page of our account has a moralizing account of the crime in verse. Our imprint appears to be unrecorded. No copies located on OCLC or COPAC.

## THE FIRST BANK ROBBERY IN THE UNITED STATES

## 84. BULLOCK, ALEXANDER H.

[1816–1882].

GREEN, EDWARD W. [D.1866], DEFENDANT.

[Address of His Excellency Alexander H. Bullock to the Honorable Council on the Occasion of Presenting the Case of Edward W. Green, A Convict Under the Sentence of Death for the Crime of Murder in the First Degree. February 27, 1866.](#)

Boston, Wright & Potter, State Printers, 1865 [i.e. 1866].  
29 pp. Octavo (9-1/4" x 5-3/4").

Stab-stitched pamphlet in printed wrappers, recent repair to lower corner of rear wrapper. Light soiling and a few minor spots, light wear to spine ends, faint vertical crease through center, presentation inscription, "J.C. Jenkins from Gov. Gov. Bullock," to head of front wrapper, light toning to interior, a few spots to title page. \$750.

ONLY EDITION. Green, the postmaster of Malden, Massachusetts, is believed to be the first person to rob an American bank. He was "a 'secretly drinking man' and had been short on his post office accounts. On December 15, 1863, finding the bank manned solely by the seventeen-year-old son of the president, he went back for his gun. Entering the bank, he shot the youth twice through the head and carried off \$5,000. in bills. The crime was very quickly traced to him; his confession disclosed where he had hidden the money, and he was condemned to die" (McDade, annotation to 381). Bullock was the governor of Massachusetts. His *Address* discusses his reasons for signing Green's death warrant. OCLC locates 5 copies in North American law libraries (Harvard, Library of Congress, Ohio State University, Worcester Trial Court Library, Yale). McDade 382.

WELL-ILLUSTRATED ACCOUNT OF ONE OF  
THE MOST SENSATIONAL DIVORCE TRIALS IN ENGLISH HISTORY

Frontispiece detail

## 85. CAROLINE OF BRUNSWICK

[1768–1821], DEFENDANT.

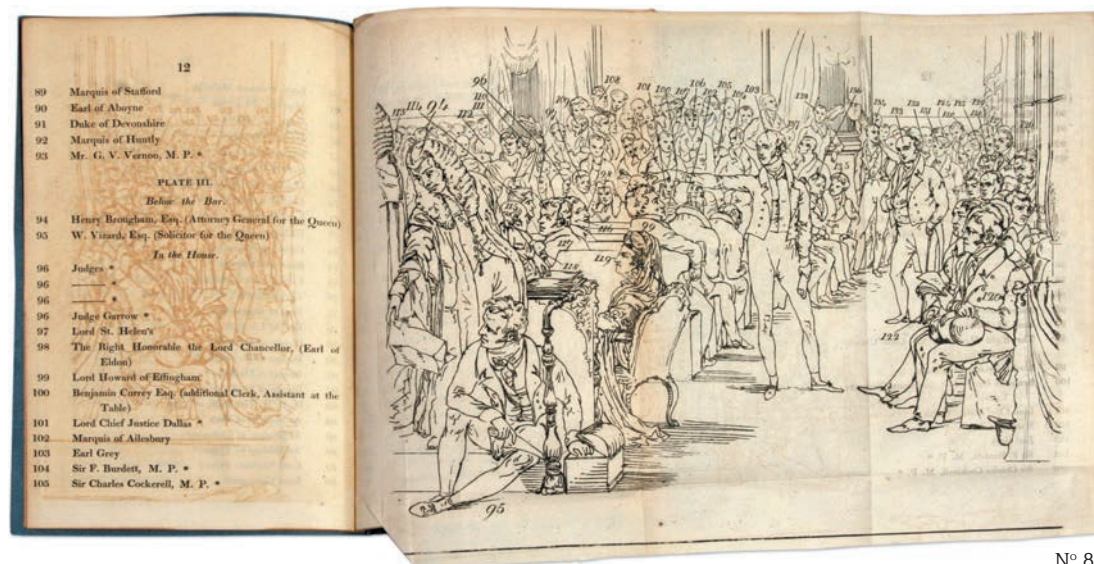
[The Trial at Large of Her Majesty, Caroline Amelia Elizabeth, Queen of Great Britain; In the House of Lords, On Charges of Adulterous Intercourse; Containing a Full and Accurate Detail of the Evidence of the Witnesses, The Speeches of Counsel, And all Other Proceedings in this Extraordinary Trial. The Examination of the Witnesses, And the Documentary Testimony, Printed Verbatim from the Authenticated Journals of the House of Peers, The Whole Illustrated by Explanatory Notes. And Embellished with Faithful and Highly-Finished Portraits, &c.](#)

London: Printed by T. Kelly, 1821. Two volumes. [ii], xviii, [2], 664; [iv], 719 pp. Title pages preceded by engraved title pages. Volume I has frontispiece portrait of Caroline of Brunswick. 24 (of 25) engraved or lithographed plates in text. Octavo (8" x 5").

Later quarter morocco over marbled boards, lettering pieces to spines. Moderate rubbing to extremities with some wear to spine ends and corners, which are lightly bumped, light scuffing to spines, hinges cracked. Moderate toning to text, occasional dampspotting, faint dampstaining to a few leaves in each volume. \$450.

ONLY EDITION. The repudiation of Queen Caroline by King George IV was one of the most sensational events in English history. Estranged soon after their marriage, Caroline was eventually banished to Europe after the birth of their daughter, Princess Charlotte Augusta. In 1820 her husband's accession to the throne brought her back to Britain. The King asked his ministers to get rid of her. After she refused a monetary offer to ask for a divorce, the Earl of Liverpool introduced The Pains and Penalties Bill to the House of Lords in July 1820 in order to strip Caroline of her title and dissolve her marriage. (The bill alleged that Caroline had an affair with a servant, Bartolomeo Bergami, while in Italy.) The bill was approved by the House of Lords, but it was not submitted to the House of Commons, where it would have been defeated. Despite the King's best attempts, Caroline remained a popular favorite. Indeed, her popularity increased during the trial. Although she prevailed, she fell ill and died shortly after the coronation of George IV. The trial inspired numerous books, pamphlets and ephemera, such as Kelly's account. The first volume contains evidence in support of the charges, the second evidence and speeches for the defense. Most of the plates are portraits, the others are court scenes. One depicts Caroline's arrival at the House of Lords. (Our set lacks the plate depicting Theodore Majocchi.) HLC II:1037.





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### "THE GREAT HISTORICAL PICTURE"

#### 86. [CAROLINE OF BRUNSWICK

[1768-1821], DEFENDANT].

[HAYTER, SIR GEORGE (1792-1871), ARTIST].

A Descriptive Catalogue of the Great Historical Picture, Painted by Mr. George Hayter, Member of the Academy of St. Luke, &c. &c. &c., Representing the Trial of Her Late Majesty Queen Caroline of England, With a Faithful Interior View of the House of Lords, And One Hundred and Eighty-Nine Portraits; Amongst Which are Included Those Princes of the Royal Family, With Most of the Peers and Distinguished Personages Who Were in the House on that Memorable Occasion and Who did the Artist the Honor to Sit: Containing in the Whole Upwards of Three Hundred Figures: Now Exhibiting at Mr. Cauty's Great Rooms, No. 80-1/2 Pall Mall.

London: Printed by W. Hersee, 1823. vii, [i], 9-16 pp. Folding title page. 5 etched folding plates. Octavo (8-1/4" x 5-1/4").

Stab-stitched pamphlet in recent plain wrappers. Light toning, slightly heavier in places, a few minor creases and tears to plates. \$300.

ONLY EDITION. Hayter's painting depicted one of the most sensational trials in English history: the repudiation of Queen Caroline by King George IV. After she refused to grant a divorce and renounce her title of Queen Consort, the Earl of Liverpool introduced The Pains and Penalties Bill in Parliament in order to compel the king's demands through legislation. (The bill alleged that Caroline had an affair with a commoner, Bartolomeo Bergami, while in Italy.) The bill was approved by the House of Lords, but it was not submitted to the House of Commons, where it would have been defeated. Despite the King's best

attempts, Caroline was always a popular favorite. Indeed, her popularity increased during the trial. Although she prevailed in the court of popular opinion, she fell ill and died shortly after the coronation of George IV. She was certain that she was poisoned by one of the King's agents. OCLC locates 1 copy in a law library (Harvard). Another copy located at Yale Law School. BMC 11:987.

### HE TRIED TO MAKE THE MURDER LOOK LIKE A SUICIDE

#### 87. COMINGS, WILLIAM F., DEFENDANT.

Report of the Trial of William F. Comings: On an Indictment for the Murder of His Wife, Mrs. Adeline T. Comings. At the September Term of the Court of Common Pleas Holden at Haverhill, In the County of Grafton, N.H., A.D. 1843. Together with His Life, Written by Himself.

Boston: Samuel N. Dickinson, 1844. 158 pp. Octavo (9" x 5-1/2").

Stab-stitched pamphlet in printed wrappers. Light soiling and a few minor marks to wrappers, light wear to spine ends and corners, rear joint and adjacent signature just starting to detach at foot, rodent damage (?) to foot of fore-edge of rear half of text block with no loss to text. Light toning to text, somewhat heavier in places, occasional light foxing. \$950.

ONLY EDITION. "He was convicted of strangling his wife at Bath, N.H., with a handkerchief, and suspending her from a bedpost to make it appear to be suicide" (McDade). OCLC locates 5 copies in law libraries (Library of Congress, New York University, Social Law Library, University of Missouri, Yale). McDade 208.

“THE MURDER OF MRS. SARAH STOUT, A QUAKER”

88. COWPER, SPENCER [1669–1728], PRINCIPAL DEFENDANT.

[The Tryal of Spencer Cowper, Esq; John Marson, Ellis Stevens, And William Rogers, Gent. Upon an Indictment for the Murther of Mrs. Sarah Stout, a Quaker. Before Mr. Baron Hatsell, At Hertford Assizes, July 18, 1699. Of Which They were Acquitted. With the Opinions of the Eminent Physicians and Chyrurgeons on Both Sides, Concerning Drowned Bodies, Delivered in the Tryal. And the Several Letters Produced in Court.](#)

London: Printed for Isaac Cleave in Chancery-Lane, Matt. Wotton in Fleet-street, and John Bullord, 1699. [iii], 22 [i.e.46] pp. Folio (11-1/2" x 7").

[BOUND WITH]  
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[The Hertford Letter: Containing Several Brief Observations on a Late Printed Tryal, Concerning the Murder of Mrs. Sarah Stout.](#)

London: Printed and Sold by the Booksellers of London, and Westminster, 1699. 16 pp. Octavo (8-1/2" x 5").

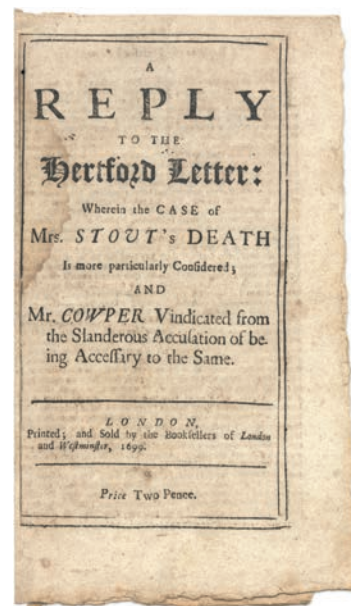
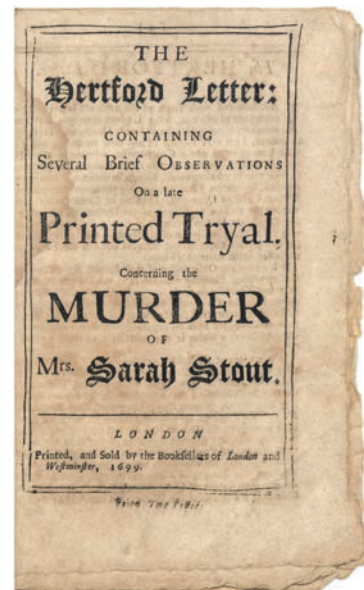
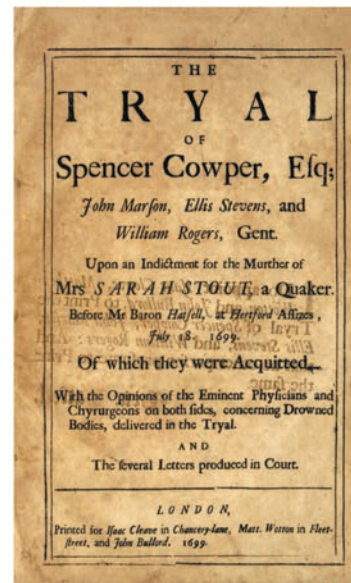
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[A Reply to the Hertford Letter: Wherein the Case of Mrs. Stout's Death is More Particularly Considered; And Mr. Cowper Vindicated from the Slanderous Accusation of Being Accessory to the Same.](#)

London: Printed; And Sold by the Booksellers of London, and Westminster, 1699. 8 pp. Octavo (8-1/2" x 5").

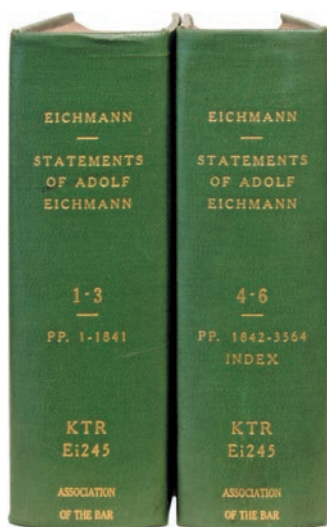
Three titles in an 11-1/2" x 7-1/2" binding. Three-quarter cloth over paper-covered boards, gilt title to spine. Light soiling, dampspotting and offsetting to boards, some rubbing to extremities, early owner bookplate top front pastedown. Light browning and foxing to interior, internally clean. \$2,500.

ONLY EDITIONS. Spencer Cowper, a judge, was indicted for the murder of Sarah Stout. He was at her house late on the evening before she was found drowned in a river. Cowper's alleged motivations were a desire to end an illicit love affair and avoid payment of a debt. Cowper's lawyers argued that Stout's parents wanted to hide the fact that their daughter committed a suicide, a heinous act among Quakers. The defence also suggested a political motivation: a desire by local Tories to harm the career of a rising Whig. Cowper had been at the woman's house late on the evening before she was found drowned in the river, but there was little material evidence against him. Also, his lawyers benefited from expert medical testimony from three leading physicians, Samuel Garth, Hans Sloane and William Cowper." He was acquitted. The trial attracted a good deal of attention and generated several pamphlets, including post-verdict pamphlets that attempted unsuccessfully to reopen the case. Our volume collects three examples. The *Tryal of Spencer Cowper* is one of the standard accounts of the trial. The *Hertford Letter* and *A Reply to the Hertford Letter* reflect the post-trial debates about the verdict. The *Tryal* and *The Hertford Letter* are scarce; *A Reply* is rare and apparently unrecorded. No copies are found on OCLC. The *ESTC* lists a pamphlet with the same title, but it has a different imprint and a much-different collation. *ESTC* R226805 (Tryal), R493540 (Letter).





## THE INTERROGATION OF ADOLF EICHMANN



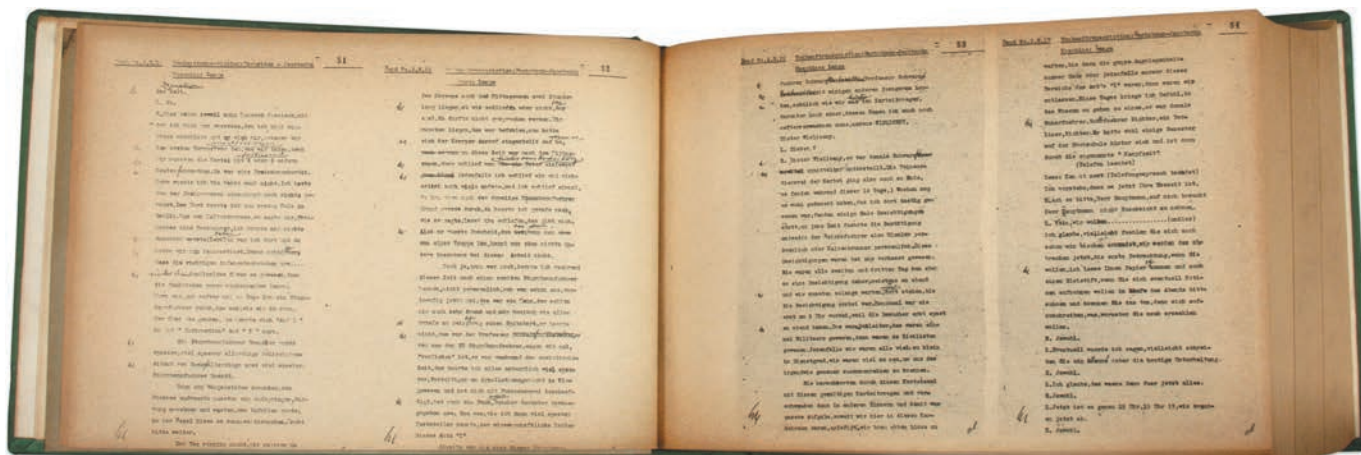
89. EICHMANN, ADOLF [1906-1962], DEFENDANT.  
LESS, AVNER W. [1916-1987], INTERROGATOR.

[Adolf Eichmann \[=\] Adolf Aickman \[Transcription of Interrogation\].](#)

[Jerusalem]: Police d'Israel, Quartier Général, 6-ème Bureau, 1961. Six volumes (3564 columns), oblong octavo, bound into two books. Text in German with parallel Hebrew translation. Prefatory material in English, German and Hebrew.

Volumes bound into contemporary library buckram retaining stiff front wrappers, gilt titles and library markings to spines. Light shelfwear, library stamps to versos of Volume 1, the first volume in the first book, and Volume 4, the first volume in the second book. Browning to interiors, front wrapper of Volume 1 detached, lower corner lacking from front free endpaper of second book and front wrapper of Volume 4. \$4,000.

LESS WAS A CHIEF INSPECTOR in the Israel Police. The only investigator allowed to speak to Eichmann, he conducted 275 hours of interrogation over a nine-month period. Upon completion, the transcript was reviewed and corrected in ink by Eichmann in Less's presence. Copies of this document were then given to members of the legal staff preparing the case for the prosecution. One of the main organizers of the Holocaust, Eichmann assumed a false identity after the end of World War II and escaped to Argentina. He was captured by Mossad agents on May 11, 1960 and brought to Jerusalem for trial. The trial lasted from April 4 to August 14, 1961. Eichmann was convicted on December 11 and sentenced to death on December 15. He submitted an appeal that was rejected on May 29 and was hanged on May 31, 1962. Eichmann's nondescript appearance, demeanor and bland insistence that he was "only following orders" shocked the public imagination. Many wondered how such an "ordinary" person could have done what he did. As Hannah Arendt argued, Eichmann was horrible because he was not a fanatic but an unquestioning state official. Complete transcripts of the interrogation are scarce; three have been offered at auction in the last 15 years, one selling at Kestenbaum and Company in 2019 for \$6,875. OCLC locates 20 copies worldwide, 3 in North American law libraries (Harvard, Library of Congress, UC-Berkeley).



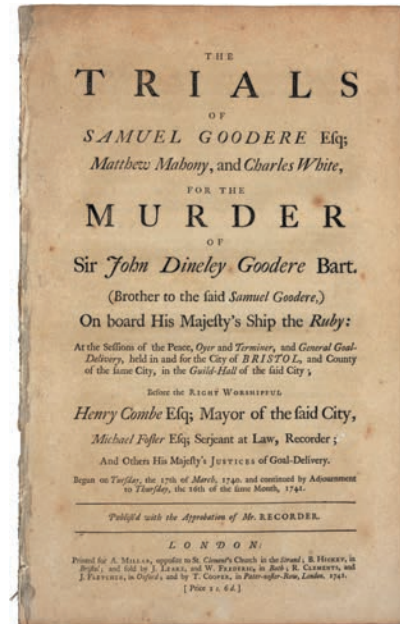
## FRATRICIDE ON THE HMS RUBY

90. GOODERE, SIR SAMUEL [1687-1741],  
PRINCIPAL DEFENDANT.

[The Trials of Samuel Goodere Esq; Matthew Mahony, And Charles White, For the Murder of Sir John Dineley Goodere Bart. \(Brother to the Said Samuel Goodere,\) On Board His Majesty's Ship the Ruby: At the Sessions of the Peace, Oyer and Terminer, And General Goal-Delivery, Held in and for the City of Bristol, And County of the Same City, In the Guild-Hall of the Said City; Before the Right Worshipful Henry Combe Esq; Mayor of the Said City, Michael Foster Esq; Serjeant at Law, Recorder; And Others His Majesty's Justices of Goal-Delivery. Begun on Tuesday, the 17th of March, 1740. And Continued by Adjournment to Thursday, The 26th of the Same Month, 1741. Publish'd with the Approbation of Mr. Recorder.](#)

London: Printed by A. Millar, Opposite to St. Clement's Church in the Strand [et al.], 1741. [i], 53, [1] pp. Lacking initial advertisement leaf. Bookseller catalogue to verso of final leaf. Folio (12-1/2" x 8").

Disbound stab-stitched pamphlet. Light soiling to exterior, a bit of glue residue along spine, light toning to interior, light foxing to title page, light foxing and a minor smudges to a few other leaves. \$750.



ONLY EDITION. The most complete account of this trial. Goodere was the captain of the HMS *Ruby*, which was moored near Bristol, England. Learning his brother, Sir John Goodere, was in that town, Captain Goodere sent crew members to abduct him and bring him on board. Goodere confined him in a cabin and oversaw his murder, which he claimed was a suicide. Shortly afterwards, one of Sir John's friends in Bristol noticed that he had disappeared and asked the town's mayor to investigate the matter. This investigation resulted in the arrest, trial and execution of Captain Goodere and his accomplices. OCLC locates 6 copies in North American law libraries (Harvard, Library of Congress, Northwestern, Social Law, University of Memphis, Yale). ESTC T51718.

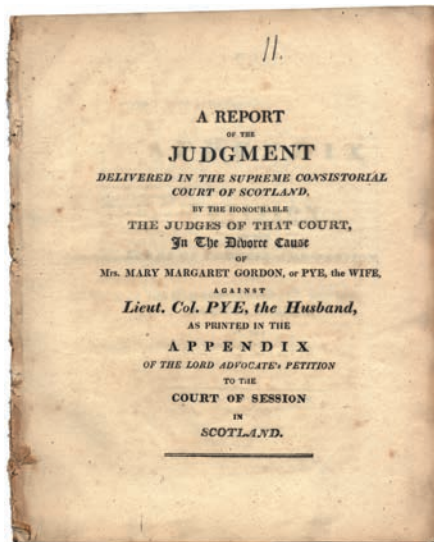
## DIVORCE AND THE CONFLICT OF LAWS

91. GORDON, MARY MARGARET  
PYE, ALLEYNE H.

[A Report of the Judgment Delivered in the Supreme Consistorial Court of Scotland, By the Honourable the Judges of that Court, In the Divorce Cause of Mrs. Mary Margaret Gordon, Or Pye, The Wife, Against Lieut. Col. Pye, The Husband, As Printed in the Appendix of the Lord Advocate's Petition to the Court of Session in Scotland.](#)

[Edinburgh?]: S.n., [1814]. 97 pp. Quarto (9-1/2" x 7-3/4").

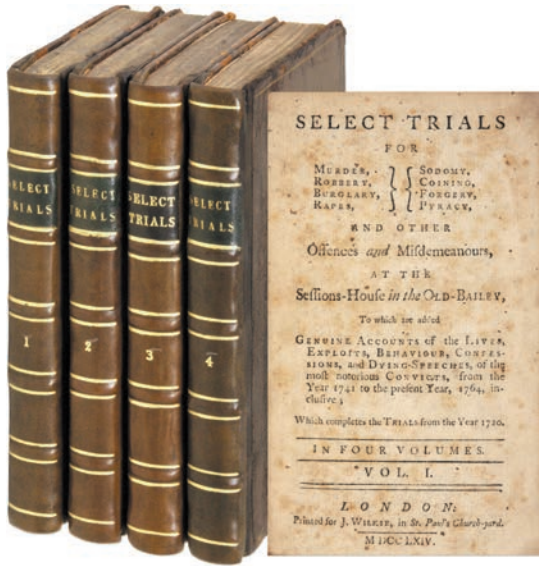
Disbound. Light soiling to exterior, light rubbing to extremities, "11" in early hand to head of title page. Moderate toning to interior, faint spotting to a few leaves. \$500.



ONLY EDITION. An interesting case that involved the conflict of English and Scottish divorce law, Gordon v. Pye held that a Scottish court did not have the power to dissolve the marriage of two English subjects who married in England and were currently living there. It is one of a group of Scottish cases cited by Story in his discussion of marriage in *Commentaries on the Conflict of Laws* (1834). No print copies of this report located on OCLC. Library Hub locates a printed copy at the British Library. We located additional printed copies at Harvard Law School and Yale Law School. HLC II:1086.



## TRIALS AT OLD BAILEY, INDEXED BY CRIME



## 92. [GREAT BRITAIN].

[Select Trials for Murder, Robbery, Burglary, Rapes, Sodomy, Coining, Forgery, Pyracry, And Other Offences and Misdemeanours, At the Sessions-House in the Old-Bailey. To Which are Added, Genuine Accounts of the Lives, Exploits, Behaviour, Confessions, And Dying Speeches. Of the Most Notorious Convicts, From the Year 1741 to the Present Year, 1764, Inclusive; Which Completes the Trials from the Year 1720.](#)

London: Printed for J. Wilkie, 1764. Four volumes. 12mo. (6" x 4").

Contemporary calf with recent rebacking, gilt fillets to boards, lettering pieces and gilt-edged raised bands to spine, endpapers retained, hinges mended. Moderate rubbing to

extremities with some wear to spine ends and corners, light scuffing and some minor gatering to boards, boards of Volume I just beginning to separate, but secure, a few joints and hinges starting. Some toning to text, light foxing in places, lower corner lacking from pp. 119-120 in Volume I with loss to catchword. pp. 217-165 of this volume have misprinted page numbers corrected in early pencil, interior otherwise clean. A nice set. \$1,750.

INDEXED BY CRIME, this set presents reports of trials held at the "Court of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery for London and Middlesex," better known as Old Bailey. Contents are arranged chronologically from 1740 to 1764. These accounts were published to amuse, titillate and perhaps instruct, and they are interesting today for their insights into the legal and cultural history of the early Georgian period. This title is the third and final set in a series of multi-volume trial collections, one published in 1734-35, another in 1742. Although these titles were issued by different publishers they have a uniform format and were later re-published as a five-volume work in 1764. ESTC T82548.

## THE FIRST PERSON TO ROB AN AMERICAN BANK. NOT IN MCDADE.

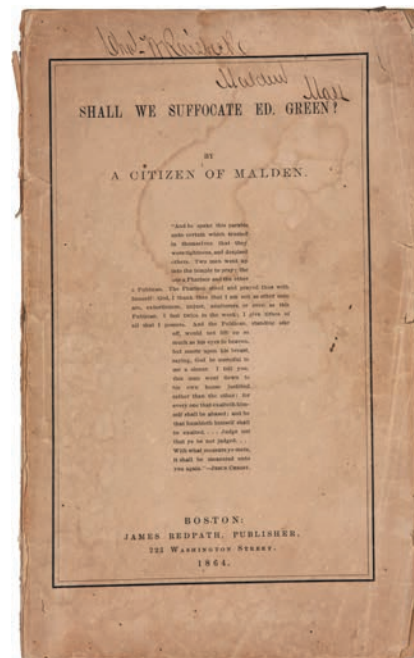
93. GREEN, EDWARD W. [D.1866], DEFENDANT.  
A CITIZEN OF MALDEN.

[Shall We Suffocate Ed. Green?](#)

Boston: James Redpath, 1864. 61, [3] pp. Octavo (9-1/4" x 5-1/2").

Stab-stitched pamphlet in printed wrappers. Light soiling, staining and edgewear to wrappers and corners of text block, spine abraded, wrappers partially detached but secure. Moderate toning to interior, faint dampstaining to a few leaves, early owner inscription to head of front wrapper. \$1,250.

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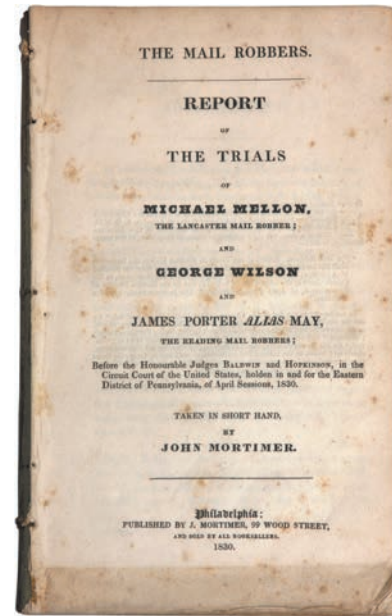
## MAIL ROBBERY IN PENNSYLVANIA

94. MELLON, MICHAEL, DEFENDANT  
 WILSON, GEORGE, DEFENDANT.  
 PORTER, JAMES, DEFENDANT.  
 MORTIMER, JOHN, REPORTER.

[The Mail Robbers: Report of the Trials of Michael Mellon, The Lancaster Mail Robber, And George Wilson and James Porter Alias May, the Reading Mail Robbers, Before the Honourable Judges Baldwin and Hopkinson in the Circuit Court of the United States, Holden In and For the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, Of April Sessions, 1830. 162 pp. Octavo \(8-1/4" x 5"\).](#)

Disbound stab-stitched pamphlet. Light soiling and edgewear, moderate toning to interior, light browning in places, occasional light foxing. \$750.

ONLY EDITION. "The defendants were found guilty of assaulting Simon M'Crea, a mail carrier, and robbing the United States mails. They were sentenced to death, but this preface indicates that Wilson received a presidential pardon" (Cohen). OCLC locates 8 copies in law libraries (Brigham Young University, Harvard, Library of Congress, University of Minnesota, University of Missouri, University of Pennsylvania, US Supreme Court, Worcester Trial Court Library). Cohen 14036.



1916 BOMBING CASE THAT  
 BECAME A CAUSE AMONG LIBERALS,  
 LABOR ACTIVISTS AND DEFENDERS OF CIVIL LIBERTIES



95. MOONEY, THOMAS J. [1882-1942], DEFENDANT.  
 BILLINGS, WILLIAM K. [1893-1972], DEFENDANT.

[Justice Raped in California: Story of So-Called Bomb Trials in San Francisco.](#)

San Francisco: Published by the Tom Mooney Molders Defense Committee, [1917]. 47, [1] pp. 64 illustrations.

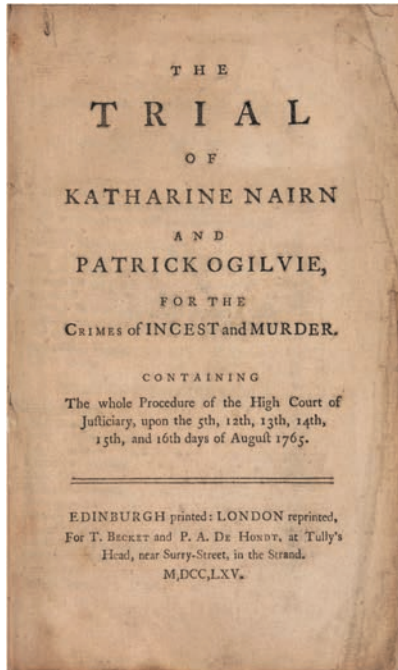
Stapled pamphlet in self-wrappers, light soiling, light wear to spine ends and corners, internally clean. A well-preserved copy. \$500.

FIFTH EDITION, revised and enlarged. Mooney and Billings were labor leaders and political activists who were framed as murderers after an anarchist's bomb exploded during the San Francisco Preparedness Day parade in 1916. Mooney was sentenced to death; Billings to life imprisonment. Their case became a cause among liberals, labor activists and defenders of civil liberties, among them Felix Frankfurter and Clarence Darrow. After 22 years of petitioning and publicity, they were released in 1939. Mooney was pardoned that year, Billings in 1961. All editions of *Justice Raped* were issued in 1917. It was re-issued a final time in 1918 with the title

*Shall Mooney Hang?: Justice Raped in California.* All editions and the re-issue are scarce. OCLC locates 1 copy in a law library, Yale, which has a fifth edition. Rocq 12501.



## INCEST AND MURDER IN EDINBURGH



96. NAIRN, KATHERINE, DEFENDANT.  
OGILVIE, PATRICK [D.1765], DEFENDANT.

[The Trial of Katherine Nairn and Patrick Ogilvie, For the Crimes of Incest and Murder. Containing the Whole Procedure of the High Court of Judiciary, Upon the 5th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, And 16th Days of August 1765.](#)

Edinburgh Printed: London: Reprinted, For T. Becket and P.A. de Hondt, 1765. [vi], 134 pp. Lacking half-title. Octavo (8-1/2" x 5").

Stab-stitched pamphlet with untrimmed edges bound into nineteenth-century cloth-backed boards, printed paper title panel to front board. Light soiling and a few minor stains, moderate rubbing to extremities, some wear to spine ends, corners bumped and somewhat worn, crack in text block between front free endpaper and title page. Moderate toning to text, light foxing to a few leaves, light staining to final few leaves of text, light soiling to title page and (blank) verso of final leaf. \$650.

ONLY LONDON EDITION, published the same year of the only Edinburgh edition. In January 1765, 19 year-old Katharine Nairn married 40 year-old Thomas Ogilvie. She soon fell in love with his younger brother, Patrick.

In June the same year, Thomas Ogilvie died after a sudden illness. Katharine and Patrick were arrested and convicted of murder by poisoning. Patrick Ogilvie was hanged, but Katharine's execution was delayed when she was found to be pregnant. Placed in a lower-security section of the prison, she took an opportunity to escape from and fled to France. She was never apprehended. This trial was the subject of a volume in the *Notable British Trials* series edited by William Roughead. ESTC T51693.

## CONTEMPORARY REPORT OF A FUNDAMENTAL CASE IN ENGLISH CONSTITUTIONAL AND TORT LAW REGARDING THE RIGHT TO VOTE

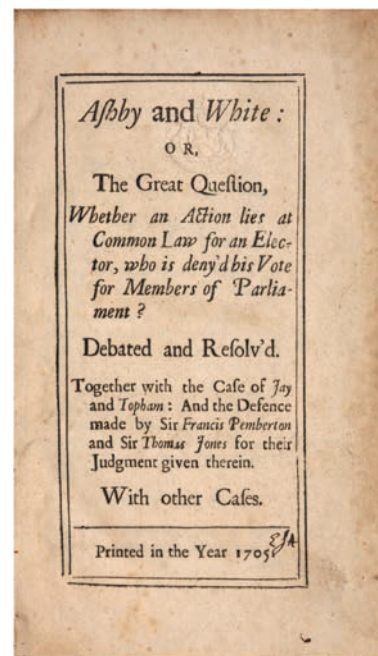
97. [NEEDHAM, CULVERWELL (B.1656), REPORTER].  
[ASHBY, MATTHEW, PLAINTIFF].  
[WHITE, WILLIAM, DEFENDANT].

[Ashby and White: Or, The Great Question, Whether an Action Lies at Common Law for an Elector, Who Is Deny'd His Vote for Members of Parliament? Debated and Resolv'd.](#)

[London]: S.n., 1705. [iii], 257, [3] pp. Octavo (7-3/4" x 4-1/2").

Contemporary sheep, blind panels to boards, raised bands to spine. Some scuffing to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities, with some wear to spine ends and corners, joints just starting at ends, hinges cracked, armorial bookplate of the Earls of Macclesfield to front pastedown, small embossed Macclesfield device to title page. Moderate toning, faint dampspotting in a few places, a few brief annotations to index, initials in small early hand to foot of title page, lower corner lacking from final index leaf below text. An appealing copy. \$750.

ONLY EDITION. Also known as the Aylesbury Election Case, *Ashby v. White* is a fundamental case in English constitutional and tort law. Ashby was prevented from casting a vote in an Aylesbury election by White, a constable who claimed Ashby was not an established resident of that town. The case was decided in Parliament in Ashby's favor and it established the following rule: the actions of one party may not hinder the rights of another. The present copy once belonged to the library of Shirburn Castle, the library of the Earls of Macclesfield, one of the finest private libraries in Great Britain. ESTC T84969.



A SUCCESSFUL  
"MANIA TRANSITORIA" DEFENSE

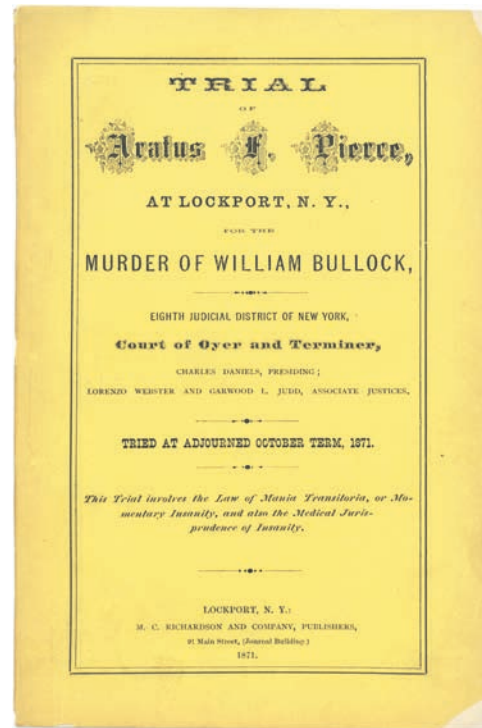
98. PIERCE, ARATUS F., DEFENDANT.

[Trial of Aratus F. Pierce, At Lockport, N.Y., For the Murder of William Bullock, Eighth Judicial District, Court of Oyer and Terminer, Charles Daniels, Presiding; Lorenzo Webster and G.L. Judd, Associate Justices, Tried at Adjourned October Term, 1871.](#)

Lockport, NY: M.C. Richardson and Co., 1871. 101 pp. Octavo (8-3/4" x 5-3/4").

Stab-stitched pamphlet in printed wrappers. Minor wear to spine ends, a few small chips to edges, light soiling to rear wrapper, light toning to interior. A well-preserved copy of a scarce title. \$1,250.

ONLY EDITION. Pierce killed a man who seduced his sister, then refused to marry her. The trial is notable because it involved a successful defense based on the law of "mania transitoria," or momentary insanity (McDade). OCLC locates 13 copies, 4 in law libraries (Harvard, Social Law, Supreme Court of New York, U.S. Supreme Court). McDade 748.



A RARE MCDADE ITEM WITH AN EARLY  
DISCUSSION OF THE MAFIA

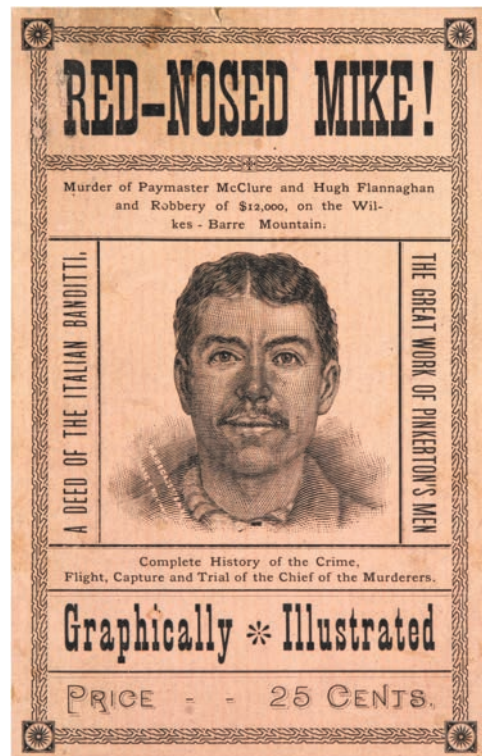
99. REZZOLO, MICHAEL, DEFENDANT.

[Red Nosed Mike! Confession of a Terrible Crime, Assassination and Robbery of Paymaster McClure! And Hugh Flannaghan, On Wilkes-Barre Mountain. A History of the Crime! As Exposed by Pinkerton's Men.](#)

Wilkes-Barre, PA: Hart and Co., 1889. 43 pp. Main text in parallel columns. 9 woodcut portraits. Illustrations. Octavo (9-1/4" x 5-3/4").

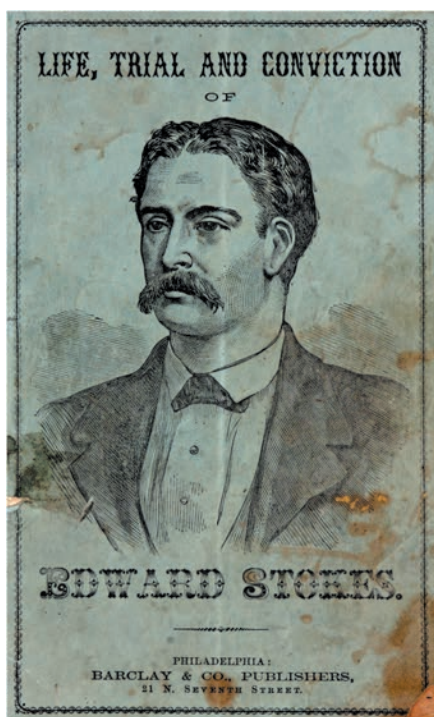
Stab-stitched pamphlet in pictorial wrappers, woodcut portrait of Rezzolo to front wrapper. Light toning, soiling and some edgewear, early cello tape repairs to spine, top-edge of front wrapper and sections of rear wrapper, which is lightly dampstained. Light toning to interior. \$1,000.

ONLY EDITION. This account of Rezzolo and his fellow "Italian Banditti" begins with a headline reading: "An Atrocious Crime. Is It the Work of the Italian Maifa [sic] (1)." This is one of the earliest discussion of the Italian Mafia, which began its activities in the U.S. in the early 1880s. "J. Barney McClure and Flannaghan were shot to death during the robbery of a payroll for the construction gang of the Lehigh Valley Railway, Near Wilkes Barre, October 19, 1888. Rezzolo was condemned to death" (McDade). OCLC locates 5 copies (Harvard, Harvard Law School, NY Public Library, University of Iowa, Wilkes University). McDade 798.



Front wrapper detail





Front wrapper detail

## A LOVE TRIANGLE, ALLEGATIONS OF FINANCIAL MISCONDUCT AND MURDER

100. STOKES, EDWARD S. [1841-1901], DEFENDANT.

[Life, Trial and Conviction of Edward Stokes, For the Assassination of Jas. Fisk, Jr. To Which is Added, The Life and Eventful Career of Josephine Mansfield. The Interesting Trial. Many Secrets Now for the First Time Made Public.](#)

Philadelphia: Published by Barclay & Co., [1873]. [ii], 19-111, [1] pp. 12 full-page woodcuts. Complete. Octavo (9-1/4" x 5-3/4").

Stab-stitched pamphlet in pictorial wrappers. Light soiling and a few faint dampstains and minor tears to wrappers, spine abraded, moderate wear to corners of wrappers and text block. Moderate toning to interior, corners of some leaves dog-eared, faint stains to a few leaves. \$1,250.

ONLY EDITION, one of two issues. "Jim Fisk...was a financial wonder in New York in 1872. Edward Stokes had been associated with him in the oil business, but they had become engaged in a bitter legal battle which originated when Stokes stole Fisk's mistress, Josie Mansfield. In retaliation Fisk had charged Stokes with embezzling oil company funds; Stokes replied with a charge of false imprisonment. Then Mansfield threatened to

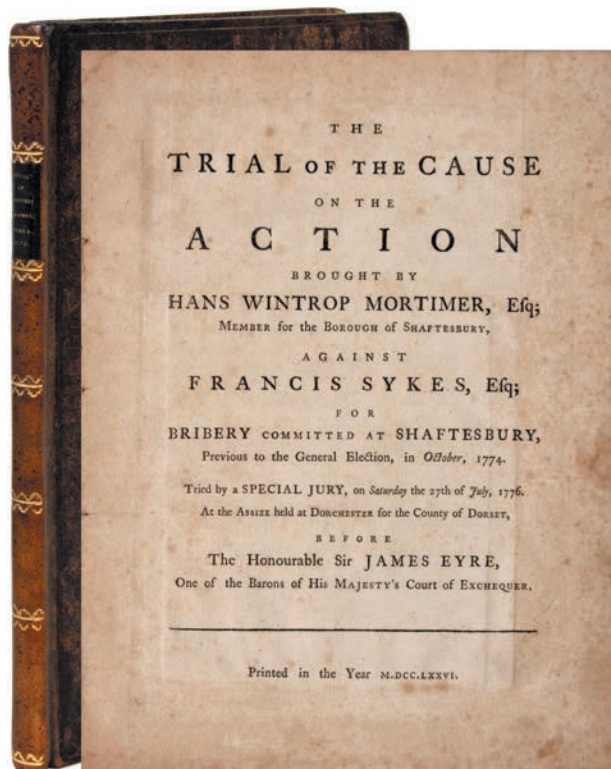
publish letters from Fisk revealing some of his transactions. On January 5 an injunction was issued restraining the publication of the letters; on the next day Josie Mansfield was exposed to a humiliating cross-examination in police court on her relations with Fisk. Stokes, in a rage, followed Fisk to the Broadway Central Hotel where he shot him on the stairs. After two trials the state could only convict Stokes of third-degree manslaughter" (McDade, annotation to 917). This Barclay account was published after the second trial. It was also issued by Barclay with the imprint: "Cleveland, Ohio: Great Western Publishing Company, [1872]." OCLC locates 2 copies in law libraries (Harvard, Yale), both with the Philadelphia imprint. McDade 922.

## ACCOUNT OF A NOTORIOUS CASE OF ELECTION BRIBERY BOUND WITH SEVERAL RELATED ITEMS

101. SYKES, FRANCIS [1730-1804], DEFENDANT.

[The Trial of the Cause on the Action Brought by Hans Wintrop Mortimer, Esq; Member for the Borough of Shaftesbury, Against Francis Sykes, Esq; For Bribery Committed at Shaftesbury, Previous to the General Election, In October, 1774. Tried by a Special Jury, On Saturday the 27th of July, 1776. At the Assize Held at Dorchester for the County of Dorset, Before The Honourable Sir James Eyre, One of the Barons of His Majesty's Court of Exchequer.](#)

[London?]: [S.n.], 1776. 19, [1] pp. Main text in parallel columns. Two later tipped-in leaves of notes, affixed to one of these leaves are a contemporary account of the trial and a section of a letter in Mortimer's hand, tipped-in contemporary 21" x 14" mezzotint by an unknown





Detail from N° 101

artist, *The Shaftesbury Election or the Humours of Punch* (1775), additional annotations about the mezzotint to front endleaves, one followed by two ownership inscriptions, affixed to one of these is a small clipping about the Mortimer family, broadside by Mortimer, *To the Worthy Electors of the Borough of Shaftesbury*, 1790 affixed to verso of title page. Quarto (9-3/4" x 7-1/2").

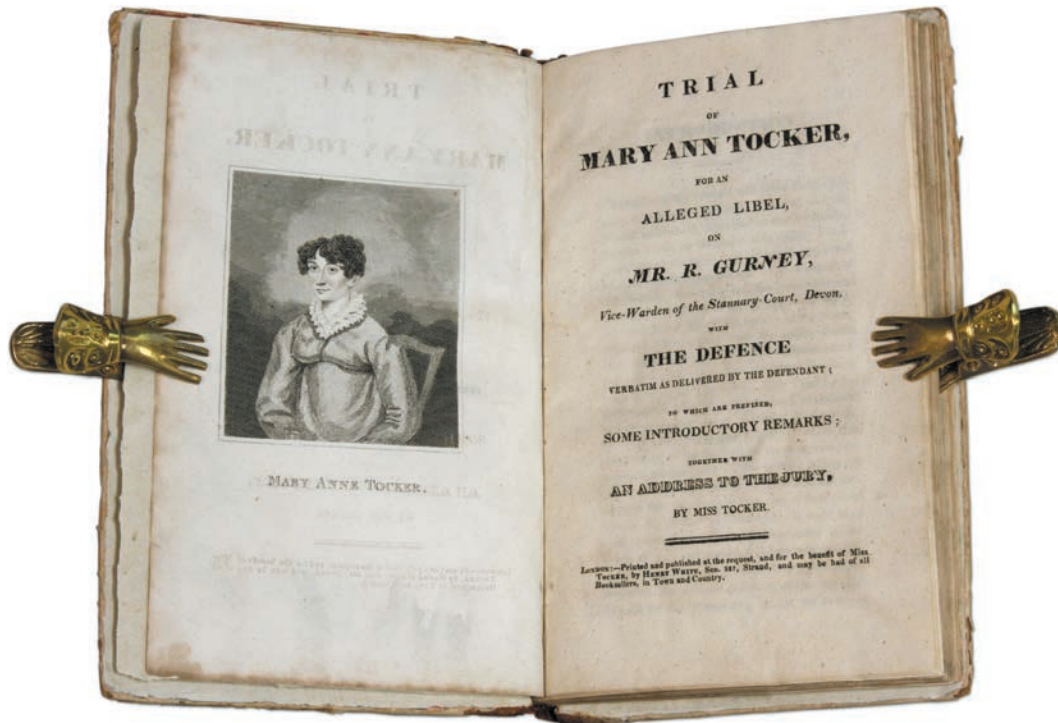
Nineteenth-century calf, rebaked in period style, gilt rules to boards, gilt fillets and retained nineteenth-century lettering piece to spine, hinges mended, marbled endleaves. Light rubbing to boards, moderate rubbing to board edges, corners bumped and somewhat worn. Moderate toning and light foxing to text, occasional early underlining and brief notes in pencil. Light soiling, minor edgewear and a few clean tears to mezzotint, one with early repair to verso. \$4,500.

ONLY EDITION. The Shaftesbury Election of 1774 was perhaps the most notorious English example of a rigged election. "At the election of Sir Thomas Rumbold and Sir Francis Sykes, the two ministerial candidates for Shaftesbury in 1774, several thousand pounds were distributed to the voters.... The defeated candidate, Hans Mortimer, petitioned against the return on the ground of gross and notorious bribery by the members and their agents... The House of Commons resolved that Sykes, Rumbold and six members of the Corporation of Shaftesbury should be prosecuted for subornation of perjury; a bill was brought in for disfranchising Shaftesbury. These proceedings were eventually shelved, but while they were pending Mortimer brought actions... against Sykes for twenty-six acts of bribery, obtaining a verdict for twenty-two penalties amounting to £11,000' (BMSatires). Our copy of *The Trial* belonged to two of Mortimer's descendants: J.W. Mortimer, who notes that he received this book and the mezzotint in 1821 from a Henry White, whose owner inscription is above, and Mark Mortimer, who wrote the tipped-in leaves of notes, one of which is dated 1856. OCLC locates 8 copies *The Trial* in North America, 3 in law libraries (Harvard, Library of Congress, Yale). OCLC locates 3 copies of the mezzotint, 1 in North America (Yale). The tipped-in broadside appears to be unrecorded, no copies listed on OCLC or Library Hub. BMC 24:746. BMSatires 5341.



Broadside detail





### THE FIRST WOMAN TO REPRESENT HERSELF IN A BRITISH COURT

102. TOCKER, MARY ANN [1778-1853],  
DEFENDANT.

[Trial of Mary Ann Tocker, For an Alleged Libel, On Mr. R. Gurney, Vice-Warden of the Stannery-Court, Devon, With the Defence Verbatim as Delivered by the Defendant; To which are Prefaced, Some Introductory Remarks; Together with an Address to the Jury, By Miss Tocker.](#)

London: Printed and Published at the Request of, And for the Benefit of Miss Tocker, by Henry White, 1818. viii, 40 pp. Etched portrait frontispiece of Tocker.

[BOUND WITH]

[Observations on a Libel; For Which an Indictment was Instituted by Richard Gurney, Esq. Of the Inner Temple, Special Pleader, As Vice-Warden of the Stanneries of Devon, Against Miss Mary Ann Tocker; Of Which the Defendant was Found Not Guilty. Tried Before Mr. Justice Burrough, At Bodmin. The 5th of August, 1818. By the Prosecutor. The Third Edition.](#)

London: Published and Sold by Effingham Wilson, [1818]. [iv], 84 pp.

[AND]

[Reply of Mary Ann Tocker, To the False and Scurrilous Pamphlet of Mr. R. Gurney, Ex-Vice-Warden of](#)

TRIAL  
OF  
MARY ANN TOCKER,  
FOR AN  
ALLEGED LIBEL,  
ON  
MR. R. GURNEY,  
Vice-Warden of the Stannery Court, Devon.  
WITH  
THE DEFENCE  
VERBATIM AS DELIVERED BY THE DEFENDANT;  
TO WHICH ARE PREFACED,  
SOME INTRODUCTORY REMARKS;  
TOGETHER WITH  
AN ADDRESS TO THE JURY,  
BY MISS TOCKER.

London: Printed and published at the request, and for the benefit of Miss Tocker, by Henry White, Sen. 40, Strand, and may be had of all Booksellers, in Town and Country.

[Devon; Comprising the Private Correspondence of the Rev. R. Gurney, The Rev. W.O. Gurney, And Mr. R. Gurney.](#)

London: Printed and Published by Henry White, [1818]. 45 pp.

Octavo (8" x 5"). Contemporary quarter cloth over marbled boards, gilt ornaments and "2" to spine, endpapers renewed, hinges reinforced (on versos of free endpapers). Moderate rubbing to boards and extremities with some wear to spine ends and corners, which are bumped. Moderate toning, somewhat heavier in places, faint dampstaining throughout. \$2,750.

TOCKER is believed to be the first woman to represent herself in a British court. Tocker accused a local official, Richard Gurney, of corruption. Prosecuted for a libel by Gurney, she offered an able defence and was exonerated by the jury. Her bravery and ability brought her great fame in radical circles and she became an inspiration for early nineteenth-century feminists. The three pamphlets in our sammelband are rare. OCLC locates 6 copies of the *Trial of Mary Ann Tocker*, none in North America, no copies of the third edition of *Observations on a Libel*, which has more content than the first two editions, and 4 copies of the *Reply of Mary Ann Tocker*, 2 in North America (University of Pennsylvania Law School and Yale Law School). These pamphlets not in McCoy. BMC 25:221.

# Artwork & Photographs

## PHOTOGRAPHS OF BENJAMIN CARDOZO

103. [CARDOZO, BENJAMIN N. (1870-1938)].

[\[A Collection of Nineteen Black-and-White Press Photographs of Cardozo, 1920-1938\].](#)

Sizes ranging from 5" x 7" to 8" x 10." Light to moderate edgewear, annotations and tipped-in captions to versos, some photos have faint crop marks and creases. \$1,500.

ELEVEN OF THESE ARE CANDID and posed images of Cardozo in his office or attending public functions, three are formal portraits in judicial attire. There is also a picture of Cardozo at the bench of the N.Y. Court of Appeals. Two other pictures show Cardozo receiving honorary degrees at the University of Chicago and St. Lawrence University. The final pair of images depict Cardozo with Chief Justice Hughes. One is a candid outdoor photo in business attire, the other a more formal indoor photo in judicial attire.

## HANDSOMELY FRAMED IMAGE OF CARDOZO WITH INSCRIBED CARD

104. CARDOZO, BENJAMIN N. [1870-1938].

[\[Photograph of Cardozo in Judicial Attire with Inscribed Studio Card\].](#)

Washington: The Clinedinst Studio, 1920. 8" x 10" portrait black-and-white photograph and 3" x 5" card inscribed and signed in bold hand above an engraved brass plaque. Handsomely matted and glazed. Small scrape to top section of frame, otherwise fine. \$1,250.

THE CARD is dated November 5, 1932. Cardozo, an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court from 1932 to 1938, was one of the most influential American jurists of the twentieth century. Note: Item unexamined out of the frame.

*Details from N° 103*





"A PEEP INTO THE COURT OF KINGS BENCH"

105. DIGHTON, ROBERT (SENIOR) [1752-1814].

[Term Time or The Lawyers All Alive in Westminster Hall.](#)

[London, 1795].

Glazed and attractively matted 13-3/8" x 9-7/8" watercolor and pen and black ink on laid paper, signed, numbered and captioned on bottom margin, in handsome 24" x 18-1/4" frame with a few minor nicks and scratches. \$15,000.

A SUPERB WATERCOLOR satirizing lawyers, judges and juries. "Three judges preside over lawyers who jabber among themselves. No interest is taken in clients and it is impossible to say if one is actually present, although the crestfallen man holding a hat, on the right of the picture, could be a plaintiff. Meanwhile the jury of five men sit in their box exhibiting at least one deficiency each: they appear to be individually deaf, blind, asleep, dumb and sick in the head" (Padbury). The piece is numbered 557 and captioned, after the title, with a strike-through: "A Peep into the Court of Kings Bench." Robert Dighton was a portrait painter, printmaker and caricaturist known for his satirical views of elite Londoners. Three of his children and two of his grandchildren followed in his footsteps. This watercolor is from the collection of David Edward Padbury, an authority on the work of the Dightons. Padbury 39, 82.

# IMPRESSIVE CARICATURE OF ONE OF THE GREAT AMERICAN LAWYER-STATESMEN OF THE NINETEENTH CENTURY

106. [EVARTS, WILLIAM M. (1818-1901)].

[\[Caricature of Evarts\]](#).

N.p., S.n., c.1872.

14-1/4" x 11-1/4" engraved woodcut caricature of Evarts by "Wiist" mounted on 21" x 17" board, clipped autograph signature of Evarts mounted below image. Moderate toning, light soiling and a few minor stains, light rubbing and a few small chips to edges of board, a few tiny nicks to image, horizontal fold line through its center. \$350.

REMOVED FROM A PERIODICAL, this impressive caricature depicts one of the most important American lawyer-statesmen of the nineteenth century. Renowned for skills as a litigator, Evarts played leading roles in three of the most important causes of his day: the impeachment of President Johnson, the Alabama Claims (Geneva Arbitration) and the contest before the electoral commission to settle the presidential election of 1876. Our caricature relates to the Alabama Claims, so it was probably drawn and published in 1872, the year the claims were settled. Evarts stands on a book titled *Alabama Claims*, five other books are placed or propped up against an adjacent table. Three of them refer to the Alabama Case, one refers to his role in the Johnson impeachment and one, *Life of William H. Seward*, probably refers to his support of Seward's presidential candidacy in 1860.



"WELL FRIEND, WHERE A'YOU GOING, HAY?"



107. GILLRAY, JAMES [1756-1815].

[Affability.](#)

[London: Hannah Humphrey, c. 1795].

13-1/4" x 9-1/4" hand-colored etching and aquatint (measured to plate marks) on wove paper, without watermark, attractively mounted and matted. Light even toning to margins. A good impression with vivid colors. \$950.

"THE KING IN PROFILE TO THE RIGHT, with the Queen holding his right arm, leans towards a startled yokel who clutches his hat and a bucket. Behind the yokel (right) are pigs sniffing at the bucket and the gable end of buildings. All are caricatured. The King wears riding-dress, with a broad-brimmed hat and a spencer (see *BMSatires* 8192) over his coat. He stands as if knock-kneed, his legs awkwardly splayed out. The Queen is dwarfish, wearing a hood over her hat and a shapeless cloak. In her right hand is a snuff-box. The yokel, wearing smock and gaiters, has the staring eyes, lantern jaws, and gaping mouth characteristic of Gillray's sansculottes. Beneath the title: "Well, Friend, where a' you going, Hay? - what's your Name, hay? - where d'ye Live, hay? - hay?": *BM Satires* 9041.





N° 108

“SWAMPED IN THE FLOOD  
OF NEW-TAXES”

108. GILLRAY, JAMES.

[A Great Stream from a Petty Fountain, Or, John Bull Swamped in the Flood of New-Taxes: Cormorants Fishing in the Stream.](#)

London: Hannah Humphrey, May 9, 1806.

8-3/4" x 14" hand-colored etching (measured to plate marks) on wove paper, without watermark, attractively mounted and matted. Light even toning to margins and background. A good impression with vivid colors. \$1,250.

A SATIRE ON THE SLEW OF NEW TAXES added to the state budget, the largest an increased income tax. In this image a fountain on an embankment marked "New Taxes" gushes from the mouth of Lord Henry Petty, Chancellor of the Exchequer. The water expands and rushes into a sea with a horizon inscribed "Unfathomable Sea of Taxation." Various politicians with cormorant features, among them Lord Grenville and Charles James Fox, fish greedily along the shore, while John Bull sits in a sinking rowboat, dropping an oar inscribed "William Pitt." *BM Satires* 10564.

“ENGLISH-BEAUTIES”  
FOR SALE IN INDIA

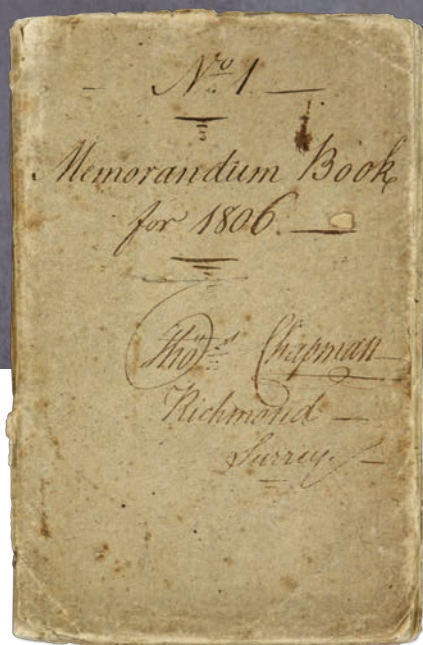
109. GILLRAY, JAMES.

[A Sale of English-Beauties, In the East Indies.](#)

London: William Holland, May 16, 1786 (printed later).

15" x 21" etching on wove paper, trimmed to edges, attractively mounted and matted. Light even toning, light soiling, vertical crease through center, minor tear near upper right corner, few negligible spots to image. \$950.

THIS BITING SATIRE on the East India Company's immoral activities in India presents an auction of a just-unloaded cargo of English courtesans to members of the company and their Indian colleagues, who are evaluating the women. The man in the center of the image has a set of papers projecting from his pocket reading "Instructions for the Governor-General." The unsold women are entering a warehouse on the right "for unsaleable goods from Europe, to be returned by the next ship." A foppish auctioneer stands at a podium made of bales of British-made "britches." At his feet are boxes of pornographic books "for the amusement of military gentlemen." At the bottom of the print is a case of "surgeon's instruments" and several barrels of "Leakes Pills," a contemporary remedy for sexually transmitted diseases. The use of wove paper for this impression indicates it was printed after 1786. *BMSatires* 6101.



# Manuscripts & Scrapbooks

## EARLY NINETEENTH-CENTURY DIARIES OF AN ENGLISH SOLICITOR

110. CHAPMAN, THOMAS.

[Memorandum Book for 1804, No. 1.](#)

[Richmond, Surrey, England]. [80] pp.

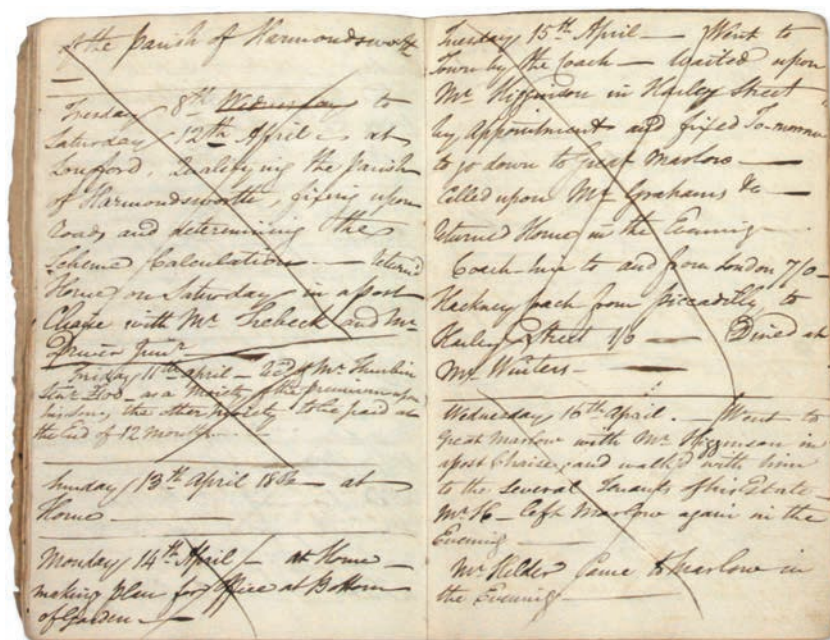
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[No. 1-memorandum book for 1806.](#)

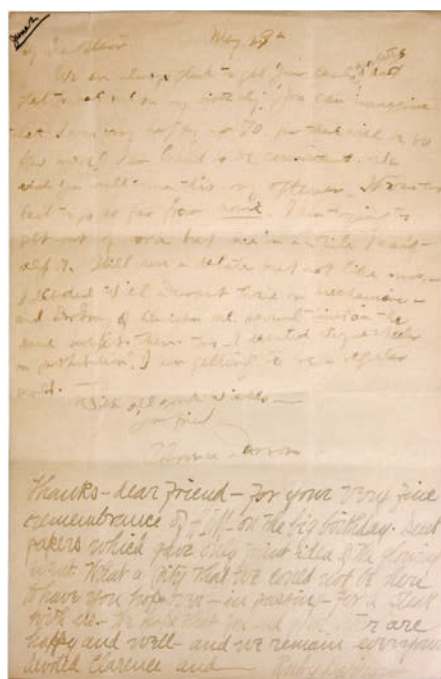
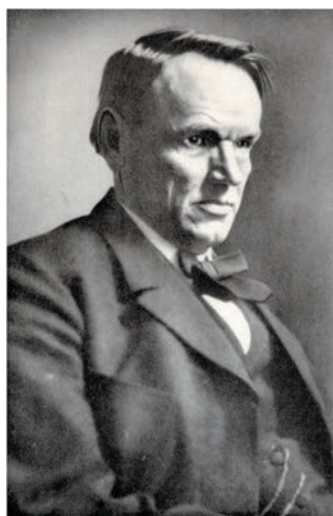
[Richmond, Surrey, England]. [64] pp. Three printed leaves (of interest tables and 1797 holidays) laid in.

Octavo (7" x 4"). Plain wrappers with manuscript titles, remains of front wrapper of 1804 book laid down on recent paper. Light soiling and considerable rubbing, wrappers partially detached, some wear to spine ends and corners. Moderate toning to interiors, slash holes to a few leaves in 1806 book and wear to upper corners of first two leaves of 1804 book with minor loss, edgewear to laid-in printed leaves. \$1,500.

THOMAS CHAPMAN was a Richmond solicitor and the father of Edward Chapman, the bookseller and publisher of Charles Dickens. These two diaries have entries concerning professional and personal matters. The professional entries include evaluation of property, mostly in London and Surrey. Personal entries include the birth of his son, Edward, "Friday 13th January [1804] Mrs Chapman Confined in Bed, a fine Boy born about half past 5 - O'Clock in the Evening - Gave Mr. Smith for attending her - £3," and a visit to the theater, "Tuesday 24th January [1804] Went to Drury Lane in the Evening and saw the Comedy of the Wife of two Husbands; and the Entertainment of Cinderella - Paid for Myself and Mr Barrett 7/10 - Slept at Wills's Coffee House."







"I AM GETTING TO BE A REGULAR SCOLD"

111. DARROW, CLARENCE [1857-1938].

DARROW, RUBY [1870-1957].

[\[Autograph Letter, Signed, With Long Postscript by Ruby Darrow, Signed, \(Chicago?\) May 29, \(1927\)\].](#)

Single-page letter on 10-3/4" x 7" sheet and 6-1/2" x 4-3/4" portrait photograph of Clarence Darrow in attractively matted and glazed 20" x 21-1/2" frame. Light toning to letter, some fading to ink, "June 2" in different hand to upper left corner, a few minor nicks to frame. \$2,500.

ADDRESSED TO "MY DEAR BLAIR," this warm personal letter offers belated thanks for a birthday card and a tribute that was read aloud at Darrow's 70th birthday party on April 19, a gala event at Chicago's Palmer House (that took place the day after Darrow's birthday). He explains why he couldn't reply sooner: he was working to fulfill a "book contract," which was for *The Ordeal of Prohibition* (1927), and preparing for a series of debates with Will Durant, on "mechanism," Clifton Daggett Gray, on "the same subject" and Wayne Wheeler, on Prohibition. At the end of his letter he says: "I am getting to be a regular scold." Ruby's note thanks Blair for his "very fine remembrance of HIM on the big birthday" and says she sent "papers which gave only faint idea of the glowing event." Clarence and Ruby both express regret that Blair could not attend the party. This letter is not included in Randall Tietjen's edition of Darrow's letters, *In the Clutches of the Law*.

Note: Letter not examined out of the frame.



Front cover detail from N° 112

PRE-PUBLICATION MANUSCRIPT COPY  
OF THE DEVONSHIRE CHAPTER  
OF THE DOMESDAY BOOK

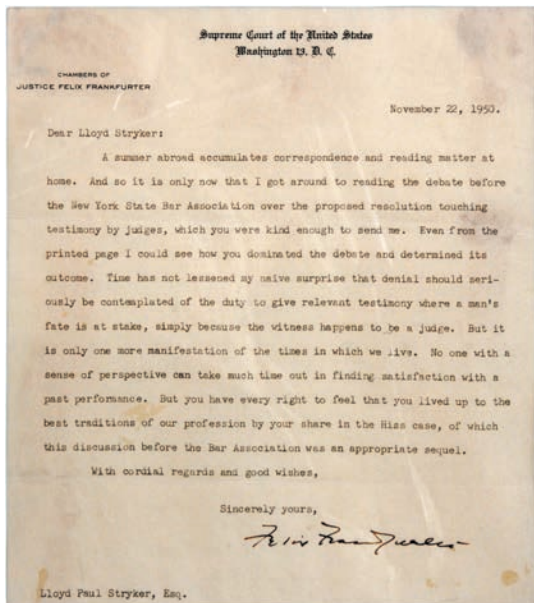
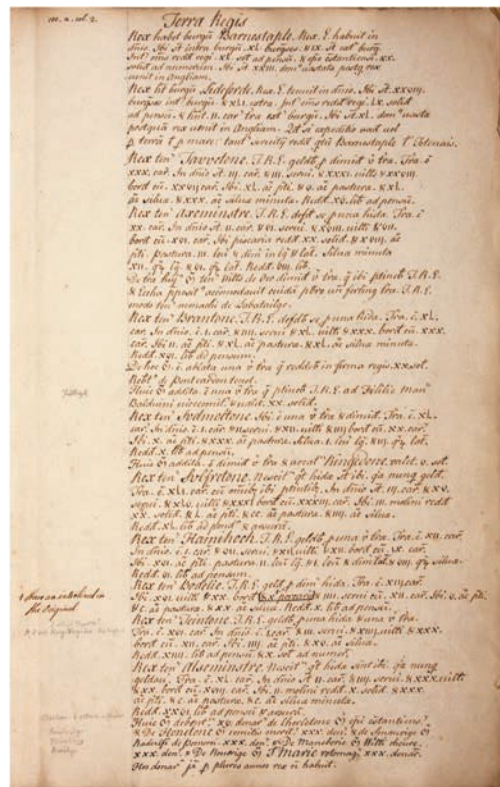
112. [DOMESDAY BOOK].

[No. 23. V 1.2. Domesday Book for Devonshire.](#)

London?, c.1714–1783. 73 ff. Folio (15–1/2" x 10–1/2").

Marbled paper-covered limp boards, raised bands to spine, hand-lettered title panel to front cover. Rubbing and soiling to boards, spine and extremities with wear to spine ends and corners, sections of marbled paper rubbed away, chip to lower corner of title panel, minor worming to rear cover, pastedown and endleaves, two tiny stab-holes though rear half of text block. Light toning to leaves, text in neat hand to rectos of leaves, neat contemporary annotations in pencil to margins. \$1,250.

THE DOMESDAY BOOK is a comprehensive census and survey of English landowners and their property commissioned by William the Conqueror in 1085. It is probably the most remarkable statistical document in the history of Europe. The British government initiated a project to publish the book in 1773. It was eventually appeared as a two-volume set in 1783. (Two more volumes of indexes and related material were added to this set in 1811 and 1816.) Carefully arranged and free of corrections, this faithful transcription of the Devonshire chapter appears to be a fair copy. Most of the annotations in pencil are family names, places and landmarks. The watermark on several leaves bear the cipher "G.R.," which dates the manuscript to the Hanoverian Era, which began with the coronation of King George I in 1714. It is likely this manuscript was produced between that date and the publication of the first printed edition.



FRANKFURTER LETTER  
CONCERNING ALGER HISS

113. FRANKFURTER, FELIX [1882-1965].  
[STRYKER, LLOYD PAUL (1885-1955)].

[\[Typed Letter, Signed \(With Full Signature\), On U.S. Supreme Court Letterhead, Washington, DC, November 29, 1950\].](#)

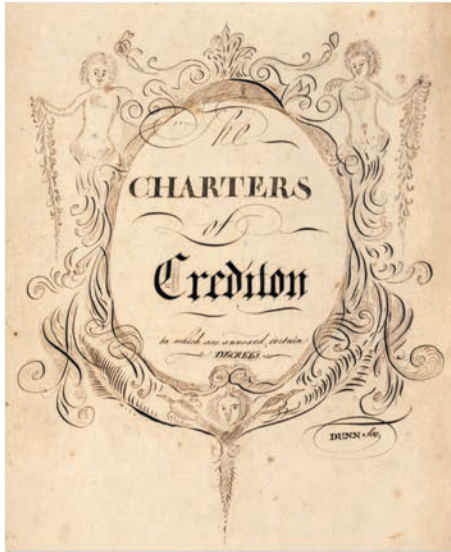
Single-page letter on 10" x 8" sheet and 7"x 5" portrait photograph of Frankfurter in judicial attire in attractively matted and glazed 15-1/2" x 19-1/2" frame. Light toning to letter, four related clippings affixed to rear of frame. \$2,500.

ALGER HISS [1904-1996], one of Frankfurter's protégés, was an American government official who was accused in 1948 of spying for the Soviet Union during the 1930s. Because the statute of limitations for espionage had expired by 1948, he was indicted for perjury. He was tried twice, once 1949 and again in 1950. His first trial ended with a hung jury, his second with a conviction. To this

day, Hiss's guilt remains a matter of debate. In the first trial, Stryker, arguably the most famous American defense lawyer since Clarence Darrow, was Hiss's lead counsel; Frankfurter was one of several notable character witnesses for testified on Hiss's behalf. In his letter, Frankfurter notes, "Time has not lessened my naive surprise that denial should seriously be contemplated of the duty to give relevant testimony where a man's fate is at stake, simply because the witness happens to be a judge." He goes on, "But you have every right to feel that you lived up to the best traditions of our profession by your share in the Hiss case." Note: Letter not examined out of the frame.



## THE DISTRIBUTION OF TITHES IN A SMALL TOWN IN DEVON, ENGLAND



Title page detail

114. [GREAT BRITAIN].

[The Charters of Crediton, To Which Are Annexed Certain Decrees.](#)

Crediton, c.1800. [90] ff. Folio (14-1/2" x 9-1/2").

Contemporary diced and mottled calf, gilt frames to boards, gilt spine, marbled endpapers, gilt edges. A few light scuffs and scratches to boards, section of calf worn away from lower corner of rear board, rubbing to extremities with wear to spine ends and corners, joints cracked. Decorated title page and text in elegant calligraphic hand within ruled margins. Light toning to text, light soiling to title page, underlining to a few passages, marks in pencil to margins of a few leaves. \$1,250.

CREDITON is a small town in Devon. It was a bishop's seat from 909CE to 1050. The town flourished from the 13th to mid-18th centuries through the manufacture and trade of wool cloth. Today, it is a suburb of the city of Exeter. At the time this manuscript was compiled Crediton

was governed by a body of commissioners. Free from corrections and lightly marked by a user, our manuscript was likely produced for one of these men for a meeting concerning the distribution of tithes. It contains three sixteenth-century town charters, a judgment of the Attorney General's Court from 1624 concerning the distribution of tithes and "A Statement of Facts Concerning the Administration of the Crediton Tithe Trust," which cites documents from the 1624 judgment to 1799.

## MANUSCRIPT COPY OF A RARE 1685 FRENCH TREATISE ON HUNTING LAWS

115. [LAISNÉ, ANTOINE (ACTIVE 1685-1737)].

[NOVION, NICOLAS POTIER DE (1618-1693)].

[La Nouvelle Jurisprudence sur le Fait des Chasses: Contenant l'Explication de l'Ordonnance de 1669, Avec les Arrests & Jugemens Rendus sur Chaque Article, & Plusieurs Autres Arrests & Jugemens Particuliers Rendus sur des Cas non Preveus par le Même Ordonnance Jusqu'à Present: Ensemble les Noms des Capitaines & Officiers de Toutes les Capitaineries & Maistrises du Royaume, Leurs Droits & Gages, Et l'Entenduë de leur Pouvoir & Jurisdiction. Dediée a Monseigneur le Premier President. Tome Premier.](#)









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### THE BUSY LIFE OF A PROMINENT JEWISH RHODE ISLAND LAWYER AND CIVIC LEADER

116. [MANUSCRIPT ARCHIVE].  
[LEVY, ARTHUR J. (1897-1972)].

[\[Letters and Other Documents of Prominent Jewish Rhode Island Lawyer and Civic Leader Arthur J. Levy\].](#)

Rhode Island, Massachusetts and New York, 1917-1931.

365 items comprising single-leaf, bifolio and multipage manuscript and typescript documents, along part-printed documents and brochures and other printed ephemera, sizes range from 3" x 2-1/2" to 8-1/2" x 11." Light toning to light browning, occasional fold lines and edgewear.

\$2,000.

LEVY, a graduate of Brown and Boston University Law School, practiced law in Providence, Rhode Island and led an active life as a member and leader of several Jewish civic organizations, such as the Jewish Family and Children's Service, which he established and led for twenty years, Rhode Island Jewish Historical Society, the Temple Beth-El Brotherhood, the Miriam Hospital, the Touro Fraternal Association and the Jewish Home for the Aged of Rhode Island. He was also a prominent member of the American Bar Association, the Brown University Alumni Association and the Brown Club of Rhode Island. Highly regarded as a jurist, he was a member of the Commission to Consolidate State Laws, a member of the Advisory Committee of the Federal Tax Institute of New England and an editor of the *Rhode Island Bar Journal*. Included in this archive are a

group of letters written during World War I discussing his role in the Jewish Welfare Board of the United States Army and Navy, an invitation to a fund-raising dinner for the Jewish Orphanage of Rhode Island, a group of documents and letters discussing the establishment of a Jewish country club in Providence, several documents from the early 1920s concerning the mostly Jewish fraternity Phi Epsilon Pi and a typescript essay from 1923 on the establishment of a Zionist state in Palestine and several items relating to Levy's personal life, such as personal letters, bills from clothiers and invitations to social events.

### LETTERS TO AN OHIO PROSECUTOR

117. [MANUSCRIPT ARCHIVE].  
[TAYLOR, CLYDE A.].

[\[Letters Addressed to Jefferson, Ohio, Prosecutor Clyde A. Taylor\].](#)

Mostly Jefferson, OH, 1906-1907.

144 items comprising single-leaf, bifolio and multipage manuscript and typescript letters, 3 printed documents, sizes range from 3-1/2" x 5-1/2" to 11" x 8-1/2". Light toning to light browning, occasional fold lines and edgewear.

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AN INTERESTING ARCHIVE that illuminates the daily work of an Ohio prosecutor in the early 1900s. Written by people ranging from local citizens to lawyers, most of the letters concern legal cases and requests for legal action. Subjects include a complaint of witness tampering, juveniles breaking windows, the sale of a

horse with undisclosed health issues and, more seriously, a report of a teenage girl who was raped twice. (The girl did not report the crimes. The author of this letter knew about them because he supplied this girl with an instrument to perform an abortion after the second rape.) There are also groups of letters concerning cases against insurance agents and a dispute between the federal government and Ashtabula County, Ohio. An interesting letter concerns an effort to organize a campaign to have President Roosevelt pardon someone (who we have not been able to identify).

## A MEDIEVAL MARRIAGE CONTRACT

118. NEVILL THOMAS DE.  
CHAUMONT, JOHN DE.

[\[Marriage Contract\]](#)

[York, England, 1345].

39 lines of text in Anglo-Norman on 10-1/2" x 10" indented parchment sheet, fragment of seal below text. Light soiling, horizontal and vertical folds, minor staining to upper left corner, natural flaw to left margin, 1 small hole in text. \$4,500.

A RARE EXAMPLE of a fourteenth-century English marriage contract. This one was agreed between Thomas de Nevill, knight, and John de Chaumont. It stipulated that Sir Thomas's eldest son will marry John's daughter, Elayne, and they will be enfeoffed of Sir Thomas's manor of Eversleye with many provisions for reversion, among other benefits.



N° 118



DOCUMENT APPOINTING A  
NOTARY PUBLIC IN OKLAHOMA  
INDIAN TERRITORY

119. [OKLAHOMA].  
[INDIAN TERRITORY].

[\[Document Appointing A Notary Public for the Central District of the Indian Territory\].](#)

Atoka, Oklahoma, October 13, 1899. Single 12-1/2" x 8" leaf, embossed seal of the United States District Court in the Central District, Indian Territory.

Light toning, horizontal fold lines, short tear along fold, text in ink on lined paper. \$250.

SIGNED BY Territorial Clerk, E.J. Tannin, and Deputy Clerk D.N. Robb, this document certifies the appointment of O.H. Etting. Robb, an early white settler and merchant at Atoka, served as Treasurer of the Murrow Indian Orphan Home and established by the American Baptist Mission to care for orphan children of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations.

A FASCINATING LOOK AT DENVER  
IN ITS EARLY DECADES

120. [SCRAPBOOK].  
[DENVER CITY COUNCIL].

[Resolutions Passed by City Council \[cover title\].](#)

[Denver, 1888-1889]. [100] pp. A few documents laid in. Quarto (11-1/4" x 9").

Three-quarter pebbled cloth over marbled paper boards, "Scrap Book" gilt-stamped to spine. Binding slightly cocked, moderate rubbing to boards, somewhat heavier rubbing to extremities with some wear to board edges and corners, which are bumped. Documents affixed to rectos and versos of first 64 pages. Light toning and edgewear to contents, light browning, edgewear and occasional chipping to scrapbook leaves, light toning, edgewear and occasional creases to documents. \$3,000.

THIS SCRAPBOOK provides a fascinating look at Denver, Colorado, when it was about 30 years old. (The city was established in November 1858.) In 1888-1889 its mayor was the colorful Wolfe Londoner [1842-1912], a former dry-goods merchant who was elected by a campaign that turned to ballot stuffing and vote-buying. Most of the documents in this scrapbook are council resolutions, some of them appropriating sums of \$250. to \$500. to entertain various conventions for firemen, pharmaceutical salesmen and other visitors. Mayor

Londoner, one of the leading entertainments in the city, took some of this money. An example from Denver's 1899 Festival and Mountain Plain suggests why he was such a draw: "Thursday, the Masquerade, was Wolfe Londoner's day and the people's, with Wolfe as director and star comedian. Wolfe is an autumn daisy, who banks his reputation partly on his resemblance to Cupid in top boots and gray mustache, partly on the after-dinner speeches with which he regales his newspaper chums, but mainly on the wine cellar that props up his store."

COMPILED BY AN EMINENT RHODE  
ISLAND LAWYER AND MAN  
OF LETTERS

121. [SCRAPBOOK].  
[GREEN, ARNOLD (1838-1903)].

[Office Scraps II. \[Spine Title\].](#)

Providence, RI, October 23, 1883-January 29, 1902. 154 pp. Folio (14" x 10").

Three-quarter sheep over marbled boards, gilt title and fillets to spine. Light rubbing to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities with some wear to spine ends, bookplate of Arnold Green to front pastedown (pasted over printer bookplate). Newspaper clippings, some with annotations, affixed to rectos and versos of thick hand-numbered leaves, a few other tipped-in leaves, most of them with newspaper clippings. A few cracks partial cracks to text block, light browning to newspaper clippings, light toning to leaves. \$1,250.

GREEN WAS A PROMINENT Providence, Rhode Island lawyer, civic leader and man of letters. For many years, he was the reporter for the Rhode Island Supreme Court. A scholar of legal history, he also produced studies in botany, mathematics and languages. His son, Theodore Francis Green was his junior partner for a few years and was later a governor of Rhode Island and a U.S. Senator. *Office Scraps II*, apparently part a series of scrapbooks compiled by Green, is a collection of newspaper accounts of court cases, events concerning Rhode Island lawyers and judges and political, business and community events in Rhode Island and, in a few cases, other parts of New England. Neatly arranged, the entries are organized chronologically. Green records the date and publisher of each article; several are cross-referenced. There are also a few non-newspaper items, such as a card announcing a change of address for Green's law office and a handbill concerning interstate tariff rates issued by the Boston and Providence Railroad. (It was probably written by Green, who was the railroad's general counsel.) Compiled by a discerning compiler, these "scraps" offer an interesting contemporary perspective on Rhode Island at the turn of the twentieth century.



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N° 121



SCRAPBOOK COMPILED BY A LAWYER  
WHO SERVED AS F.B.I. AGENT IN THE EARLY 1940S



122. [SCRAPBOOK].  
[WHITTICAR, RALPH M.].

[[Scrapbook Compiled by FBI Agent and Lawyer Ralph M Whitticar](#)].

Richmond and Fredericksburg, VA, 1941-1947, 1982-1983. [100] pp.  
Folio (14-1/2" x 11-1/2").

Padded imitation calf with ties, large hearth scene stamped to front cover below "Scrapbook." Light wear to extremities, front board detached, rear board partially detached, first leaf detached and moderately edgeworn, some edgewear and minor tears to several following leaves. Photographs, newspaper clippings, letters and documents affixed (with glue or cello tape) to rectos of 33 pages, three newspaper clippings from 1982 and 1983 laid in at rear of book. Most of these items have brief annotations. \$1,500.

RALPH WHITTICAR was a lawyer from Columbus, Ohio who joined the F.B.I. as a special agent in 1941. He served in Washington, DC and Virginia until he resigned in 1944 to take a position with the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles. Remaining in Virginia, he returned to legal practice in 1946. This

scrapbook, which is devoted to Whitticar's career, is devoted mostly to his years in the F.B.I., which were clearly a high point in his life. He was involved in several cases in Washington, DC, Virginia and Kentucky. Several pages, most with photographs taken, we presume, by Whitticar or other agents, are devoted to his role in the capture of legendary bootlegger, robber and murderer Kinzie Wagner. There are also four letters to Whitticar from J. Edgar Hoover, one of them a letter of commendation.



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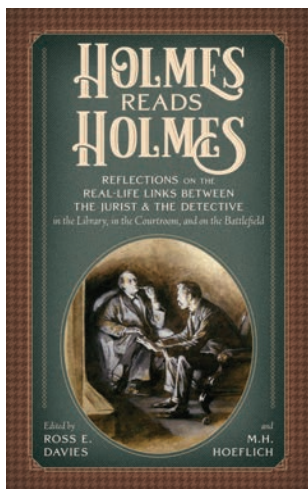
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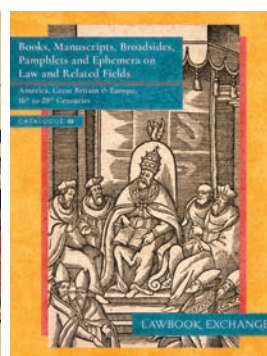
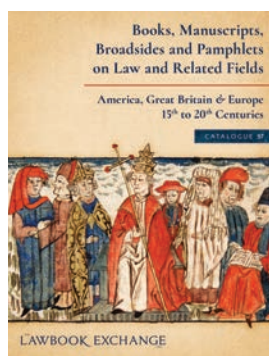
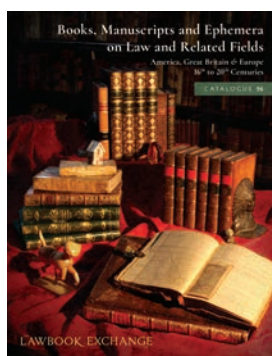
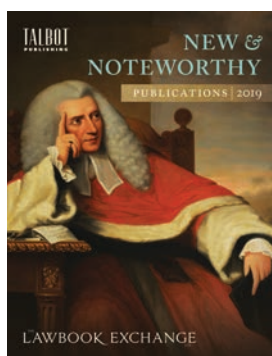
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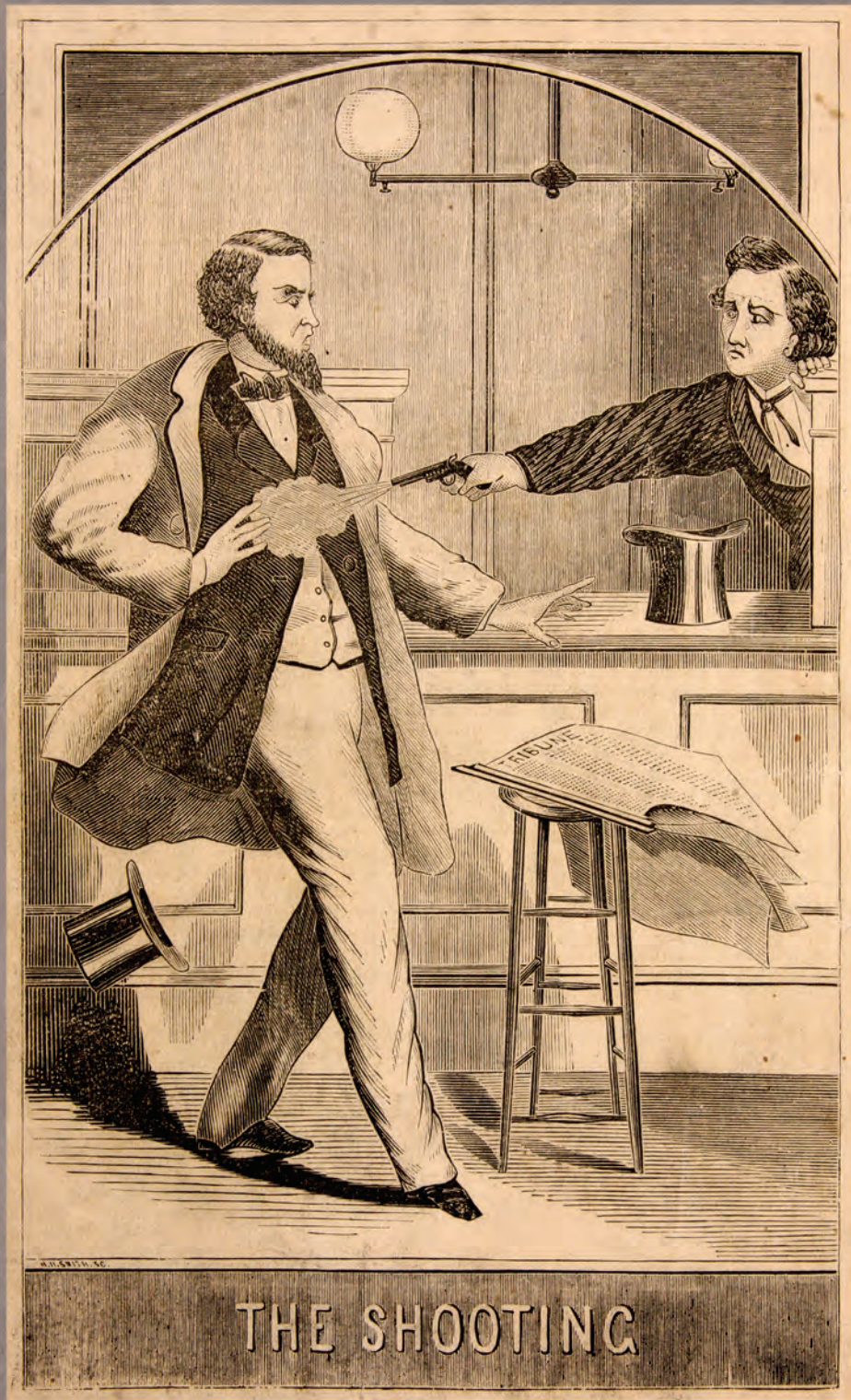
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