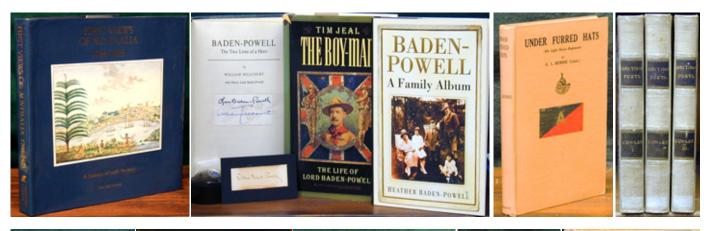
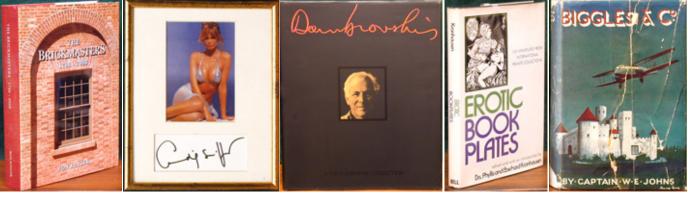
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In the late 1880's, Nikola Tesla and Thomas Edison battled over whether alternating current or direct current was the best method of distributing electricity. Tesla eventually won out, mostly because AC power could be generated at high voltages and transformers used to change the voltage level for distribution. With DC, a power station was required every two miles to keep the voltage level up.

There may be a return to DC however, at least for the mostly lower power devices we use today. The ubiquitous USB is about to be upgraded to USB PD (power delivery) and will be able to deliver ten times the power of the existing USB so that it can be used to charge laptops and run low voltage DC lighting, not just the phones and other gadgets we charge using a USB today . AC power will still be necessary for power-thirsty devices like toasters and jugs, but nevertheless the new USB will change the way we operate.

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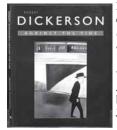
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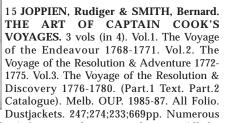
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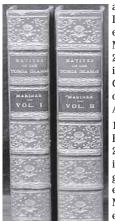
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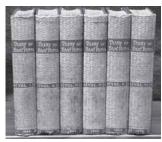
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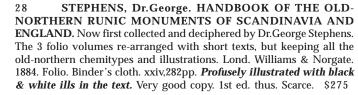
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Highlights of the exhibition include the Fra Mauro *Map of the World*, the *Boke of Idrography* presented to Henry VIII, a 15th century Ptolemy manuscript, one of only four surviving copies of Mercator's 1569 projection, and original manuscript charts by Louis de Freycinet, James Cook and Matthew Flinders. The exhibition is on until 10 March, 2014.

Rare Psalm book sells for record-breaking USD14.2 million

The Whole Book of Psalmes (aka The Bay Psalm Book) was the first book written and printed in what is now the United States, in the Massachusetts Bay Colony by the Congregationalist Puritans. A copy has just been sold for a record-breaking USD14.2 million.

Its new owner, philanthropist David Rubenstein, plans to loan it to various libraries before putting it on long-term loan at one of them. The other ten surviving copies are in institutional collections. The Rubenstein copy is from the collection of the Old South Church in Boston, which had it for more than 300 years. It was one of two copies in their possession.

Unseen JD Salinger stories leaked on filesharing site

An anonymous filesharer has released scans of three of Salinger's short stories against his wishes, as he put an embargo on their publication until 2060, fifty years after his death.

A PDF scan of a paperback called "Three Stories" showed up in an eBay auction where it sold for £67.50. This was then uploaded to a filesharing site, with the uploader claiming that the paperback was number six of twenty-five copies published in London in 1999. The stories were "The Ocean Full of Bowling Balls", "Paula" and "Birthday Boy", and they had previously only been able to be read under supervision at the libraries to which Salinger donated them.

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