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### *Honduran Trade*

1. **ALVARADO, Francisco.** *Memoria presentada al Soberano Cuerpo Legislativo por el Ministro Jeneral ... el año de 1852.* [Comayagua, Honduras?]: Imprenta de J.M. Sanchez, 1852. 4°, original self wrappers (chipping at spine). In very good condition. (1 l. title page), 16 pp., (1 blank l.).

\$300.00

FIRST EDITION. The prime minister of Honduras reports to the legislature on foreign affairs (with Nicaragua, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Great Britain), the Church, the judiciary, education, and trade. The new trade in indigo is given special attention (pp. 11-12). Pages 13-16 deal with government income and expenditures.

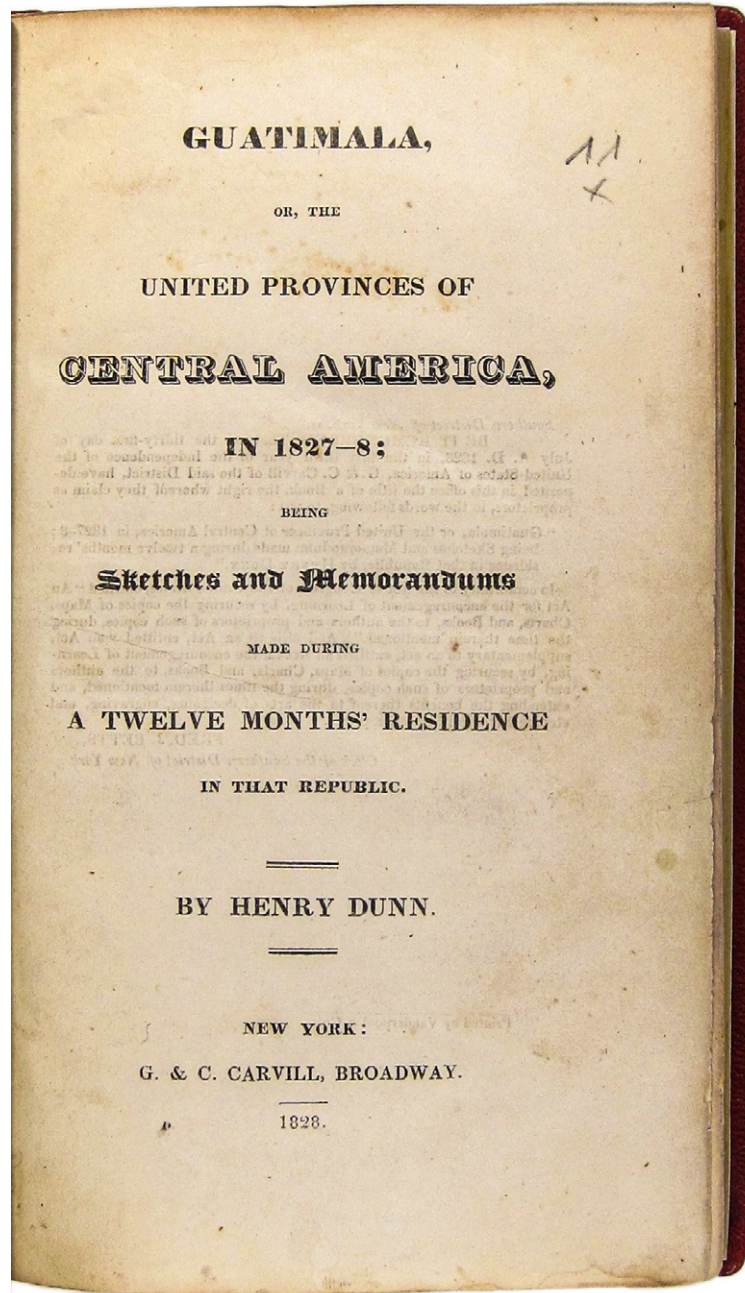
\* Not in Palau. Not located in *NUC*. OCLC: 21648605 (University of California-Berkeley); 14453808 is a microfilm, also at Berkeley. Not located in CCPBE. Not located in Jisc. Not located in KVK (51 databases searched).

2. **[DUNKELMAN, Albert, editor].** *From the New Golden Land. Four Centuries of Travel and Exploration in the Americas. Selections from the Jay I. Kislak Foundation Collection.* New York: Grolier Club, 1998. Large 8°, original brown wrappers with cut-out to reveal the "Oceanica Classis" woodcut on first leaf. As new. One of 1,000 copies. 40 pp., black-and-white illustrations in text. ISBN: none.

\$15.00

FIRST and ONLY EDITION.





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*Jamaica, Belize, the Mosquito Coast, Yucatán and Guatemala*

**3. DUNN, Henry.** *Guatemala, or, the United Provinces of Central America, in 1827-8: Being Sketches and Memorandums Made During a Twelve Months' Residence in That Republic.* New York: G. & C. Carvill, 1828. 8°, recent full crimson Oasis morocco, edges stained yellow. Very fine. 318 pp., (1 l. errata). \$900.00

FIRST EDITION of "one of the classic travelogues, written by an Anglican clergyman traveling in company with the Dutch consul general during the conflicts relating to the independence movement" (Grieb). According to Griffin, the principal value of this work lies in Dunn's "perceptive observations of all aspects of Guatemalan life during his extensive travels in the country." Described are Jamaica, Belize, the Mosquito Coast, Yucatán and Guatemala, with details on government, commerce, diseases, emigration, black population, entertainment, pirates, architecture, marriages and funerals, police, prisons, education, bullfights, religious processions, earthquakes, volcanoes, mining and agricultural products (cochineal, indigo, tobacco, sugar, coffee, cotton). Dunn describes the 1821-1823 independence movement on pp. 167-205, and devotes pp. 258-283 to the Indian population.

The second edition, London 1829, included a map.

\* Grieb GU 392. Palau 77296. Sabin 21320. Griffin, *Latin America: A Guide to the Historical Literature* 3558: without mention of the errata leaf.

**4. FERNANDEZ DE OVIEDO Y VALDES, Gonzalo.** *Histoire du Nicaragua.* 2 works in 1 volume. Paris: Arthus Bertrand, 1840. Pastedowns are printed descriptions of the series Voyages, relations et memoires originaux pour servir à l'histoire de la découverte de l'Amérique, publiés pour la première fois en français, par H. Ternaux-Compans. 8°, contemporary crimson half straight-grained morocco (slight wear), smooth spine tooled in blind with gilt letter. Scattered light foxing. Overall in fine to very fine condition. Old ink annotation on pastedown ("X.1.43"). xv, 269 pp. 2 works in 1 volume. \$500.00

First edition thus: Chapters 1-13 from "one of the basic sources for the earliest history of the New World" (Servies 12). It includes details on the kingdom of Nicaragua; the religious and marriage rites of the Indians; the region's lakes; Masaya and other volcanoes; mineral wealth (sulfur, alum); the relation of Fr. Blas del Castillo, a Dominican, on Masaya, followed by Oviedo's thoughts on it; and an account of the author's visit to the cacique of Tezoatega in 1523.

The first edition of *La historia general de las Indias* (Seville, 1535) included the first part (Books 1-19) and portions of Book 50. Oviedo himself said that the first part was translated into Italian, French, German, Latin, Greek, Turkish, and Arabic. The first complete edition of all three parts of the work (in 50 books) appeared in Madrid, 1851-1855.

Gonzalo Fernández de Oviedo y Valdéz (Madrid 1478-1557 Valladolid) participated in the Spanish colonization of the Caribbean; his chronicle is one of the few surviving primary sources about it (although it was denounced by Fr. Bartolomé de las Casas). A nobleman educated at the court of Ferdinand and Isabella, he was a page and a courtier

before being appointed supervisor of gold smelting at Santo Domingo in 1514. When he returned to Spain in 1523, he became historiographer of the Indies. Before his death, he visited the Americas five more times.

Henri Ternaux-Compans (Paris 1807-1864 Paris) was the first major collector of Americana. Scion of a wealthy French merchant family, he devoted several years to traveling through Spain and South America, collecting materials for a 20-volume series of works concerning the discovery and early history of South America that began to appear in 1836. For this volume he provided a brief biography and bibliography of Oviedo (pp. [vii]-xv).

\* Cf. Servies, *Bibliography of Florida* n° 12. Jisc locates copies at Oxford University and Cambridge University.

BOUND WITH:

*Recueil de pieces sur la Floride*. H. Ternaux-Compans, editor. *Voyages, relations et memoires originaux pour servir à l'histoire de la découverte de l'Amérique, publiés pour la première fois en français*. Paris: Arthus Bertrand, 1841. 8°, (4 ll.), 368 pp.

A collection of 12 sixteenth-century documents, many published here for the first time. Authors include Panfilo de Narváez, (1527); Hernando d'Escalante Fontaneda; Hernando de Soto (1539); Luis Hernandez de Biedma on de Soto's voyage (1544); Gregorio de Beteta; Guido de las Bazaras, 1559; Luis de Velasco (1559); Lopez de Mendoza Grajales (1565); a 1565 anonymous letter; Nicolas Le Challeux on Ribaut's voyage, published 1566; Dominique de Gourgues, (1568?). Ternaux-Compans published these because of the early interest of France in Florida.

\* Servies 2660. Howes T104. Field 1542. OCLC 311066830 and others.

**5. FERNANDEZ-SHAW, Felix.** *Panama y sus Relaciones Centroamericanas*. Madrid: Ediciones Cultura Hispanica, 1964. 8°, publisher's quarter burgundy cloth over yellow cloth boards (faded), smooth spine gilt. Internally in fine condition; overall good. 329 pp., (2 ll.). \$15.00

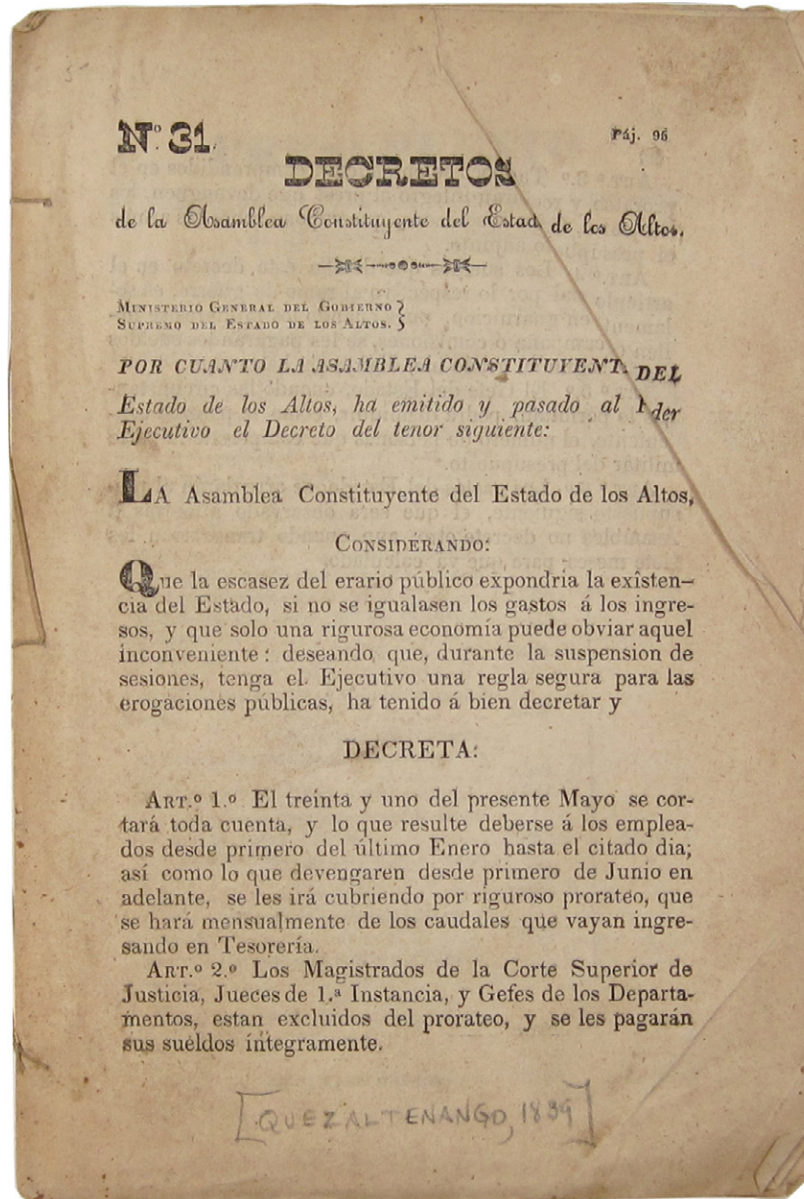
FIRST and ONLY EDITION. Describes Panama's relations with other Central American nations and with Colombia.

*Rare Early Printing from Quetzaltenango, Guatemala*

**6. [GUATEMALA]. No. 31. *Decretos de la Asamblea Constituyente del Estado de los Altos***. [Guatemala]: Imprenta del Estado de los Altos, Issued at Quezaltenango, May 31, 1839. 4°, stitched. Caption title. Creased and lightly browned. In good condition. (4 ll., paginated 96-102).

\$400.00

FIRST and ONLY EDITION. Rare example of early printing from Quetzaltenango. The decree establishes a source of income so that the executive can run the government



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while the Asamblea Constituyente is on hiatus. The projected expenses of the government are set out in great detail on pp. 97-100.

The decree is signed in print by José Antonio Aguilar and Marcelo Molina, two of the triumvirate (the third was José M. Gálvez) who governed Los Altos during its brief stint as an independent country.

This is one of the earliest imprints from Quetzaltenango. In OCLC, the earliest Quetzaltenango imprints all date to 1839 (a series of other decrees, plus the periodical *El Popular* and a decree by Carlos Salazar). Valenzuela does not list this work, and only lists four others printed at Imprenta del Estado de los Altos in 1839: an anonymous poem, a decree by Carlos Salazar, a plan issued by the executive, and *Discurso sobre los deberes y educación de la juventud* (translated from English).

The Mayan city Xelajú was perhaps 300 years old when the Spanish conquistador Alvarado arrived. The city's name in colonial times was Quetzaltenango, the Nahuatl name used by Alvarado's Indian allies. Quetzaltenango was capital of the state of Los Altos, one of the component provinces of the Federal Republic of Central America, which declared on May 31, 1838, that its component states were free to create their own republics. The independence of Los Altos, declared that year, was short-lived. On April 2, 1840, Rafael Carrera conquered Quetzaltenango, shot its liberal officials and incorporated Quetzaltenango and most of Los Altos into Guatemala.

\* Not located in Valenzuela, *Bibliografía Guatemalteca*; for other works printed in 1839 at Imprenta del Estado de los Altos, see IV, nos. 270, 294, 297, 306. OCLC: not located; 16573827 (Tulane University), with 16 unnumbered leaves, includes *Decretos* 33-38 and 40. Not located in CCPBE. Not located in Rebiun. Not located in Jisc. Not located in KVK (44 databases searched).

#### *Mocks a Caudillo*

7. **Los Heroes de Centro-America.** [Colophon] Valparaiso: Imprenta Constitucional, 1830. 4°, unbound. Caption title, 2 columns. Lightly dampstained at top. Overall in very good condition. (2 ll.) \$800.00

FIRST and ONLY EDITION [?] of this rare satirical poem mocking a *caudillo* who is seeking imperial power. The only name in the text is D. Miguel Alvares Castro (p. 3, end of column 2).

\* Not in Briseño, René-Moreno or Palau. Not located in NUC. OCLC: 21648320 (University of California-Berkeley). Not located in CCPBE. NUNot located in Rebiun. Not located in Jisc. Not located in Library of Congress Online Catalog. Not located in Catnyp. Not located in Newberry Library Online Catalog. Not located in Hollis. Not located in Orbis.

#### *Anthology of Panamanian Authors*

8. **KORSI, Demetrio, ed.** *Antología de Panama (parnaso y prosa). Seleccion y notas de ...* Barcelona: Casa Editorial Maucci, (1926). 8°, later green quarter morocco over cloth (minor wear), spine smooth (faded to brown) with crimson leather lettering piece, gilt bands and ornament, decorated



## LOS HEROES DE CENTRO-AMERICA.

Aunque la musa no quiera  
Y este nimen retobado  
Ya se resiste á escribir  
Sus versos disparatados,  
Es fuerza amigos, es fuerza  
Decir algo á los paisanos  
Y pintar caricaturas,  
O bosquejos ó retratos;  
Baste ya de introduccion  
Y al asunto luego vamos;  
Mas por donde empesaremos?  
¡Tengo yo mecenas tantos!  
Pues que sea per Barrundia,  
Porque es entre los ingratos  
El que á todos ha excedido  
En escandalosos rasgos.  
Este heroe de telarañas  
Siempre andubo sin zapatos,  
Siempre á tres menos cuartillo,  
Tan pobre y tan dado al diablo,  
Como es holgazan y ocioso,  
Patardista y mentecato.  
El tuvo algunos amigos,  
Que de apuros lo sacaron  
Y á quienes vendió vilmente  
Por intereses tacaños.  
Metiose luego á patriota  
Para vivir mas barato;  
Pero tan vil y cobarde,  
Tan descarado y villano,  
Que en la lid nadie le ha visto,  
Pues metido en los tabancos  
Asomaba cuando veia  
Que el peligro habia pasado;  
Si el triunfo era de los suyos  
La victoria iba cantando,  
Y vilmente se arrastraba  
Cuanto era de los contrarios;  
O allá se iba a temeroso  
Ocultandose en los ranchos  
Con su preciosa Manueta  
Haciendole cien muchachos  
No entre sabanas de holanda  
Ni entre los perfumes raros  
Ino en lecho de petates  
al olor de los emplastos  
de agripa y sonilativo

Emolientes y otros varios  
Con que la *histerosa dama*  
Se regocijaba el vaso;  
Mas no se diga que siempre  
Este galan era ingrato,  
Pues si la dama ayunaba,  
El obsequiaba al cuñado  
Dándole algun empleo,  
Asi como secretario  
Del Senado, por que al fin,  
Tambien comen los muchachos  
Cuando dejan de mamar,  
Y por ser lo mas barato  
Con el tio estas criaturas  
Se acomodan en el rancho;  
Mas como la renta es corta,  
Y el padre sucio tacaño,  
La dama rota y mugrienta  
Y el tio desbaratado,  
Los angelitos tambien  
En camisa van llorando  
Y maldiciendo á la vez  
Esta luxuria de gatos,  
Herencia de nana Chita,  
De Lechuga, el padre Franco  
Y de otros y otros que Dios  
Tenga en su reino y descanso  
Asi este heroe de bragueta  
Que aunque es José no es muy casto;  
Es ejemplo de patriotas  
Y de padres, no digamos,  
Pues que ambos deberes llena  
Que es un gusto, que es un pasmo;  
Asi como desempeña  
Los de gratitud tan caros,  
Y su piadoso Arzobispo  
Bien pudiera asegurarlo,  
Pues al tiempo que comia  
Por su cuenta algun bocado,  
Le pagaba la limosna  
Con diatribas y sarcasmos;  
Y Aguirre que compasivo  
Le socorrio en sus atrazos,  
Reclutandose sus miserias,  
Recibió de él igual pago  
Que á los Montufares diera  
Por que de ahogos le sacaron.

endleaves. Typographical ornament on title page, typographical head-pieces. Light browning. In good to very good condition. Blue on white rectangular paper ticket of Libreria A. Batlle, Barcleona, tipped on to upper outer corner of rear pastedown. 320 pp. \$75.00

FIRST and ONLY EDITION of this important anthology of poetry and short prose works by 70 Panamanian authors of the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Many of the works were culled from periodicals and are otherwise inaccessible. A brief biography of each writer is included. Korsi, a Panamanian poet resident in Paris, published one book of poetry, *El viento en la montaña* (Paris, 1926).

\* Palau 13158.

**9. LABASTIDA Y DAVALOS, Pelagio Antonio de.** *Carta pastoral que el Illmo. Sr. Dr. D. Pelagio A. de Labastida y Davalos dirige el venerable clero y fieles del Arzobispado de Mexico con motivo su promocion á aquella Archidiócesis.* Puebla: Tipografía de Pedro Alarcon y Ca., 1863. 4°, disbound, lower board still attached, upper board and spine present. Final line on a few pages shaved, but still legible. Good condition. From the library of Sir Thomas Phillipps, with initials "MHC" on the pastedown of the upper board. 28 pp. \$300.00

FIRST and ONLY EDITION.

*Provenance:* Sir Thomas Phillipps, 1st Baronet (1792-1872) was an English antiquary and book collector who amassed the largest collection of manuscript material in the 19th century, due to his severe condition of bibliomania. He was an illegitimate son of a textile manufacturer and inherited a substantial estate, which he spent almost entirely on vellum manuscripts, and, when out of funds, borrowed heavily to buy manuscripts, thereby putting his family deep into debt. Phillipps began his collecting while still at Rugby and continued at Oxford. Eventually he acquired some 40,000 printed books and 60,000 manuscripts, arguably the largest collection a single individual has created, and coined the term "vello-maniac" to describe his obsession. A.N.L. Munby notes that he spent perhaps between two hundred thousand and a quarter of a million pounds, altogether four or five thousand pounds a year, while accessions came in at the rate of forty or fifty a week. He was an assiduous cataloguer who established the Middle Hill Press (named after his country seat at Broadway, Worcestershire) in 1822 not only to record his book holdings but also to publish his findings in English topography and genealogy. Ultimately, the dispersal of his collection took over 100 years. A five-volume history of the collection and its dispersal, *Phillipps Studies*, by A. N. L. Munby was published between 1951 and 1960.

\* OCLC: 10963780 (gives seven locations, including Hathitrust Digital Library; we believe only University of Wisconsin-Madison, and University of California-Berkeley [Bancroft Library] are hard copies). Not located in CCPBE. Not located in Rebiun. Not located in Jisc.

10. [LEIVA, Ponciano]. *Manifiesto del Presidente de la Republica de Honduras a sus gobernados. Febrero 4 de 1875.* (Comayagua?): Imprenta Nacional, (1875). 4°, original printed wrappers (slightly foxed). Faint browning. In very good condition. (3, 1 blank ll.) \$200.00

FIRST and ONLY EDITION of this speech by the Honduran president, asserting that he will follow through on his campaign promises to respect rights, allow the Church to carry on its missionary work, and promote public education; to which he adds that he will not go to war and will grant amnesty to those who have committed political indiscretions. Leiva, a conservative and a military leader, came to power via a coup in 1874 and acted as president until 1876, when he stepped down due to pressure from the president of Guatemala. He served as president again from 1891 to 1893.

\* NUC: NN. OCLC: 18929193. WorldCat locates copies at New York Public Library, Tulane, University of Kansas, Stanford, University of California-Berkeley, and the British Library. Jisc repeats the British Library copy only. Not located in Hollis. Not located in Orbis.

*Archbishop of Mexico: How to Behave During Lent*

11. LIZANA Y BEAUMONT, Francisco Xavier. *Carta pastoral que el Ilustrisimo Señor don Francisco Xavier de Lizana y Beaumont, del Consejo de S. M. Arzobispo de Mexico, dirige á sus Diocesanos sobre el modo de santificar el tiempo de Quaresma.* [Mexico]: En la Oficina de Doña Maria Fernandez de Jauregui, issued February 2, 1809. 4°, disbound. Clean and crisp. In good to very good condition. 27 pp. \$400.00

FIRST and ONLY EDITION. The Archbishop of Mexico advises his flock on how to behave during Lent, with particular attention to fasting, penitence, and holy works.

Francisco Xavier Lizana y Beaumont (La Rioja, 1750-Mexico City, 1815) was appointed bishop of Teruel (Aragon) in 1801 and soon afterwards was named archbishop of Mexico. He arrived there in early 1803 and held the position until his death. From July 19, 1809 to May 8, 1810, he was viceroy of New Spain.

This pastoral letter was issued on February 2, 1809. Later that month, the Junta de Aranjuez named him interim viceroy of Mexico. He recruited provincial militia and imported arms from Great Britain, as well as making a substantial contribution to the war against Napoleon in Spain. Although he was not pro-independence, he did not take vigorous action against those who were. In May 1810, the Junta replaced him as viceroy on pretense of his advanced age. His works include *Carta pastoral que el Exmo. e. Illmo. Señor Dr. D. Francisco Xavier de Lizana y Beaumont, dirige á sus fieles súbditos sobre la falsedad de las promesas de Napoleon y su hermano Josef*, Mexico, 1810.

\* Medina, *México* 10268. Palau 139192: giving the title as "Carta que dirige a sus diocesanos sobre la Cuaresma," with 27 pp. OCLC: 21944285 (University of California-Berkeley, John Carter Brown Library, Texas A&M University, University of Texas-Austin, Biblioteca Nacional de Chile); 561385361 (British Library); microfiche copies: 22697102 (Yale University), 756942153 (New Mexico State University), and 836896014 (Ibero-Amerikanisches Institut). Jisc repeats British Library. Not located in CCPBE, which cites a number of other pastoral letters by this author.

CARTA PASTORAL  
QUE EL ILUSTRISIMO  
SEÑOR DON FRANCISCO XAVIER  
DE LIZANA Y BEAUMONT,  
DEL CONSEJO DE S. M.  
ARZOBISPO DE MEXICO,

*Dirige á sus Diocesanos  
sobre el modo de santificar  
el tiempo de Quaresma.*



Impresa en la Oficina de Doña Maria Fernandez  
de Jauregui, Calle de Stó. Domingo, año de 1809.

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## DON FRANCISCO XAVIER VENÉGAS

de Saavedra, Rodriguez de Arenzana, Güemes, Mora, Pacheco, Daza y Maldonado, Caballero del Orden de Calatrava, Teniente General de los Reales Ejércitos, Virey, Gobernador y Capitan General de esta N. E., Presidente de su Real Audiencia, Superintendente general Subdelegado de Real Hacienda, Minas, Azogues y Ramo del Tabaco, Juez Conservador de éste, Presidente de su Real Junta, y Subdelegado general de Correos en el mismo Reyno.

**E**L Exm<sup>o</sup>. Señor Secretario de Estado y del Despacho universal de Hacienda me comunicó con fecha de 27 de Diciembre del año próximo pasado la Real Orden siguiente.

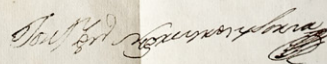
Exm<sup>o</sup>. Señor. = D. FERNANDO VII. por la gracia de Dios Rey de España y de las Indias, y en su ausencia y cautividad el Consejo de Regencia autorizado interinamente, á todos los que la presente vieren y entendieren sabed: Que en las Córtes generales y extraordinarias existentes en Cádiz se resolvió y decretó lo siguiente. = Las Córtes generales y extraordinarias atendiendo á las ventajas que resultarán de permitir á la Provincia de Santa Marta y demas países de ultramar que disfrutan la gracia de comerciar con las Colonias amigas, la exportacion del oro y de la plata, decretan: 1. Se permite la extraccion del oro y de la plata á la Provincia de Santa Marta y demas países de ultramar que disfrutan la gracia de comerciar con las Colonias amigas, en los términos siguientes: la del oro amonedado con el derecho de exportacion de tres por ciento: la del oro en pasta quintado con el de cinco por cientos; y la de plata amonedada con el de diez por ciento: 2. No se permite la extraccion de plata en pasta: 3. El oro y la plata que á su salida de aquellos países pagaren los derechos de exportacion, no pagarán ninguno por su introduccion en la Península: 4. La resolucion contenida en los artículos precedentes se entenderá con calidad de temporal, y hasta tanto que se arregle el comercio en general. Lo tendrá entendido el Consejo de Regencia y dispondrá lo necesario á su cumplimiento, mandándolo imprimir, publicar y circular. = José Obispo Prior de Leon, Presidente. = José del Valle, Diputado Secretario = José Antonio Sombielá, Diputado Secretario. = Dado en Cádiz á 18 de Diciembre de 1811. = Al Consejo de Regencia. = Y para la debida execucion del Decreto que precede, el Consejo de Regencia ordena y manda á todos los Vireyes, Gobernadores, Intendentes, Tribunales, Justicias y demas autoridades así civiles, como militares y eclesiásticas de qualquiera clase, que le guarden, hagan guardar y executar en todas sus partes. Tendréislo entendido, y dispondréis lo conveniente á su cumplimiento. = Pedro de Agár, Presidente. = D. Joaquín Blake, ausente con permiso de las Córtes = Gabriel Ciscar. = En Cádiz á 22 de Diciembre de 1811. = A D. José Canga Argüelles. = Lo que traslado á V. E. para su inteligencia y cumplimiento en la parte que le corresponde."

Y para que llegue á noticia de todos mando se publique por bando en esta Capital, y en las demas Ciudades, Villas y Lugares del Reyno, remitiéndose los correspondientes exemplares á los Señores Intendentes, Gobernadores, Gefes de Puertos marítimos, Tribunales y Ministros á quienes toque su inteligencia y observancia. Dado en el Real Palacio de México á 15 de Diciembre de 1812.

Francisco Xavier Venégas,



Por mandado de S. E.



*Mining and the Sale of Gold and Silver*

12. [MEXICO]. *Don Francisco Xavier Venegas de Saavedra ... Virey, Gobernador y Capitan General de esta N.E.... Las Córtes generales y extraordinarias atendiendo á las ventajas que resultarán de permitir á la Provincia de Santa Marta y demas paises de ultramar que disfrutan la gracia de comerciar con las Colonias amigas, la exportacion del oro y de la plata, decretan ....* Mexico: n.pr., 15 December 1812. Broadside (43 x 29 cm.), disbound. Fold lines, left margin a bit tattered. Overall good. Venegas' rubric and signature (of another official?) at foot. \$1,500.00

FIRST and ONLY EDITION. The Viceroy and Captain-General of New Spain, D. Francisco Xavier Venegas de Saavedra, disseminates a decree of 22 December 1811 by the Consejo de Regencia on behalf of D. Fernando VII, regarding the mining of gold and silver in the province of Santa Marta, and the sale of gold and silver to Spanish colonies in the Americas; "La resolución contenida en los artículos precedentes se entenderá con calidad de temporal, y hasta tanto que se arregle el comercio en general."

The decree came ten days after Venegas had suspended the Constitution of 1812, whose proclamation in September had caused great disruption in the capital. Venegas was recalled to Spain in February 1813.

\* Not in Medina, *Mexico* (cf. nos. 10818-9). Not in Gonzalez del Cossio, *Cien adiciones* or *510 Adiciones*. Not in *Sutro Collection*. Not located in NUC. Not located in OCLC. Not located in CCPBE. Not located in Rebiun. Not located in University of Texas at Austin online catalog.

*Includes Names of Deputies from Texas, New Mexico,  
"Antigua" and "Nueva" California*

13. [MEXICO]. *Lista de los Señores Diputados designados por S.M.I. para que compongan la Junta que ha de substituir al extinguido Congreso, conforme al Decreto Imperial de 31 del último Octubre.* [Colophon] Mexico: Imprenta Imperial, signed 1 November 1822. Folio (31 x 21 cm.), unbound. Caption title. Horizontal foldline, creased at one edge, small hole in margin, but overall in fine condition. On verso, name added in ink manuscript in a contemporary hand ("S.D. Jacinto Rubi" [?]). (1 l., printed on both sides). \$1,800.00

FIRST and ONLY EDITION [?]. This list of deputies designated by Iturbide to form a Junta to replace the Mexican Congress he had dissolved on October 31, 1822 includes representatives from areas that became part of the United States: Texas, New Mexico, Antigua and Nueva California. Also listed are deputies from the other Mexican states and from Guatemala, Nicaragua and Honduras. Some of the deputies were or became well known, for example: P. Refugio de la Garza (from San Antonio, Texas); Lorenzo de Zavala (representing Yucatan, later interim vice president of Texas), the Marques de San Juan de Rayas (José Mariano de Sardaneta y Llorente, from Mexico), and Miguel Guridi y Alcocer (Tlaxcala).

During the Mexican War of Independence, Agustín Cosme Damián de Iturbide y Arámburu (1783-1824), also known as Augustine I of Mexico, built a coalition of supporters

## LISTA

de los Señores Diputados designados por S. M. I.  
para que compongan la Junta que ha de substituir  
al extinguido Congreso, conforme al Decreto Im-  
perial de 31 del último Octubre.

## MÉXICO.

Sr. D. Joaquín Roman.  
Sr. Marqués de Rayas.

## PUEBLA.

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among liberals, landed nobility, and the clergy that allowed him to take control of Mexico City in September 1821. In late 1821 he became president of the Regency, and the following May named himself constitutional emperor of Mexico. Iturbide's dismissal of the Congress in October 1822 (referred to in the caption of this work), in favor of a hand-picked junta that would answer only to him, led to the revolution under Guadalupe Victoria and López de Santa Anna that ultimately resulted in Iturbide's abdication in March 1823.

\* Not located in Sutro. Not located in Steele & Costeloe. OCLC: 562568539 (British Library); 244794714 (University of North Texas). Not located in Josiah. Jisc repeats British Library only.

**14. [PANAMA CANAL].** *William H. Taft. Letter of the Secretary of War, transmitting the First Annual Report of the Isthmian Canal Commission. December 1, 1904.* Washington: Government Printing Office, 1905. Large 8°, original pale green printed wrappers (slightly chipped and spotted). In very good condition. Rubber stamp of the U.S. Consulate, Lourenço Marques on title page. Calling card of W. Stanley Hollis, American consul at Lourenço Marques, tipped onto title page. [3]-95 pp., (1 blank l.). \$25.00

Taft reports to the President on problems that have arisen in the building of the Panama Canal, expenses and income of the project, and the government of the area; also included are Congressional documents authorizing the building of the canal. Construction had not yet resumed: "The chaotic condition of affairs in the Isthmus, due to the time which has elapsed since the New French Canal Company ceased to work, the lack of care of the plant and equipment, and the rapid growth of vegetation in that soil and climate, all brought about such a state of confusion that it will require several months yet to restore the condition of the work of canal building to that of a going concern" (p. 5).

**15. PINOL (Y AYCINENA), Bernardo.** *Discurso pronunciado en la Santa Iglesia Catedral el 15 de Setiembre de 1849 en el vigesimo octavo aniversario de la independencia ... Impreso de orden del Gobierno Supremo de la Republica.* Guatemala: Imprenta de la Paz, 1849. 8°, stitched. Light foxing. In very good condition. (6 ll.) \$200.00

FIRST and ONLY EDITION. At the cathedral in Guatemala City on the twenty-eighth anniversary of the country's independence, the archbishop of Guatemala argues that the nation has suffered so much unrest and civil war because the people's desire for liberty has not been tempered by religion: "La libertad que no es dirigida por la Religión, es un torrente que arrolla cuanto se le opone: es una verdadera licencia, que contraría a las leyes: que no respeta los derechos de otro; ni quiere reconocer autoridad alguna" (f. 3v). By 1849, following years of civil war, Guatemala was dominated by Rafael Carrera, who was backed by the Church, conservatives, and large landowners.

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- 16. [PRADT, Dominique Georges Frédéric de Riom de Prohac de Fourt de, Archbishop of Mechlin].** *Antidote au Congrès de Rastatt, 1798, suivi de la Prusse et sa neutralité, 1799. Nouvelle édition de ces deux ouvrages.* Paris: Béchét, 1817. 8°, contemporary tree calf (some wear to joints, spine, corners), flat spine richly gilt with crimson morocco lettering piece, gilt letter, marbled endleaves, text block edges marbled. Overall in very good condition; internally fine. Contemporary ink inscription "Conde de Rio Maior Antonio" at foot of title-page. xxii, 580 pp.  
\$400.00

First joint edition. The two works were originally published 1798 and 1800, respectively. Michaud calls the first Pradt's most remarkable work, which met with great success in Europe. The second Congress of Rastatt (1797-99) was intended to rearrange the map of Germany by providing compensation for those princes whose lands on the left bank of the Rhine had been seized by France. It had no result, however, as it was ended by the outbreak of the Napoleonic Wars. Pages 196-222 are concerned with European colonies in the Americas and the Caribbean, including Santo Domingo; other chapters discuss the military preparedness of European powers.

Pradt (1759-1837) was born in Allanches (Auvergne) and received a doctorate of theology from the Université de Paris in 1786. In 1789 he was elected to the États Généraux, where he defended the interests of the clergy until fleeing to Germany after the outbreak of the French Revolution. For the next decade he lived in Hamburg and Münster, where he published several works critical of the Revolution. Returning to France in 1800, Pradt soon earned Napoleon's favor, and with it the offices of bishop of Poitiers (1805) and archbishop of Malines (1808). He undertook several diplomatic missions for Napoleon but, unable to serve church and state equally, found the work increasingly repugnant. Pradt renounced his office in 1816, immediately placing his pen in the service of liberal ideas and against monarchy. Of Pradt's 50 or so published works, all but a handful appeared from 1816 or later. Among his many works are *Des colonies et de la révolution actuelle de l'Amérique* (1817), *Des trois derniers mois de l'Amérique Meridionale et du Brésil* (1817) and *Les six derniers mois de l'Amérique et du Brésil* (1818).

\* On the author, see *Nouvelle biographie générale* XL, 970-3. NUC: DLC, Berkeley, UNC, West Point.

- \*17. SABIN, Joseph [with Wilberforce Eames and R.W.G. Vail].** *A Dictionary of Books Relating to America, from its Discovery to the Present Time.* 29 volumes in 2. New York: Mini-Print Corp., [1967]. Large, thick oblong 8° (20 x 24 cm.), publisher's cloth. In fine condition.  
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**18. [SAINZ DE ALFARO Y BEAUMONT, Isidoro].** *Circular que el Señor Gobernador de la Sagrada Mitra dirige as los parrocos y eclesiasticos del Arzobispado de Mexico, recordando la obediencia y fidelidad a Dios y a nuestro cautivo Rey Fernando VII.* (Mexico): n.pr., (1810). 4°, disbound. In very good condition. Contemporary ink flourishes on final page, by signatures. (1 l.), 34 pp. \$400.00

FIRST and ONLY EDITION of this pamphlet exhorting Mexican clergy to support their captive king, D. Fernando VII against the machinations of Napoleon and his brother Joseph Bonaparte, named king of Spain and the Indies in 1808. It was issued slightly less than six months prior to Hidalgo's "Grito de Dolores". Joseph Bonaparte had been trying to lure loyal Americans to his side: "Falso rey Josef, los fidelisimos americanos se burlan de tus papeles sediciosos, de tus pomposas ofertas, de tus lisongeros futuros proyectos . . ."

The pamphlet was issued by Isidoro Sainz de Alfaro acting as archbishop of Mexico on behalf of Francisco Xavier de Lizana y Baumont, who was at the time archbishop of Mexico as well as viceroy, governor and captain-general of New Spain. Sainz de Alfaro mentions Napoleon's treatment of the pope, and besides New Spain, mentions Nicaragua, Campeche, Guatemala and the Philippines.

\* Palau 285402 (calling in error for only 34 pp.). Gonzalez de Cossio, *La imprenta en Mexico (1553-1820)*, 510 *adiciones a la obra de Jose Toribio Medina* 578 (agreeing with the collation of the present copy). Not in Medina, *Mexico*. OCLC: 504481788 (British Library); 55266671 (Biblioteca Nacional de Chile, Biblioteca Nacional de Mexico); and 252852822 (Biblioteca Nacional de España, Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin-Preussischer Kulturbesitz); 20006517 (University of Pennsylvania, Texas A & M, University of Texas, Arizona State University, Washington State University, UCLA, UC-Berkeley). Not located in CCPBE. Not located in Rebiun. Jisc repeats the British Library only.

**\*19. SERRÃO, Joaquim Veríssimo, Valentin Abecia Baldivieso, Rafael Armando Rojas, et al.** *IV Congresso das Academias da História Ibero-Americanas. Actas: Lisboa e Porto, 6 a 13 de Novembro de 1994.* 2 volumes. Lisbon: Academia Portuguesa da História, 1996. Very large 8° (24.8 x 19.1 cm.), original printed white wrappers. As new. 368 pp.; (1 blank l.), [371]-781 pp., (1 blank l.). ISBN: 972-9190-89-5.

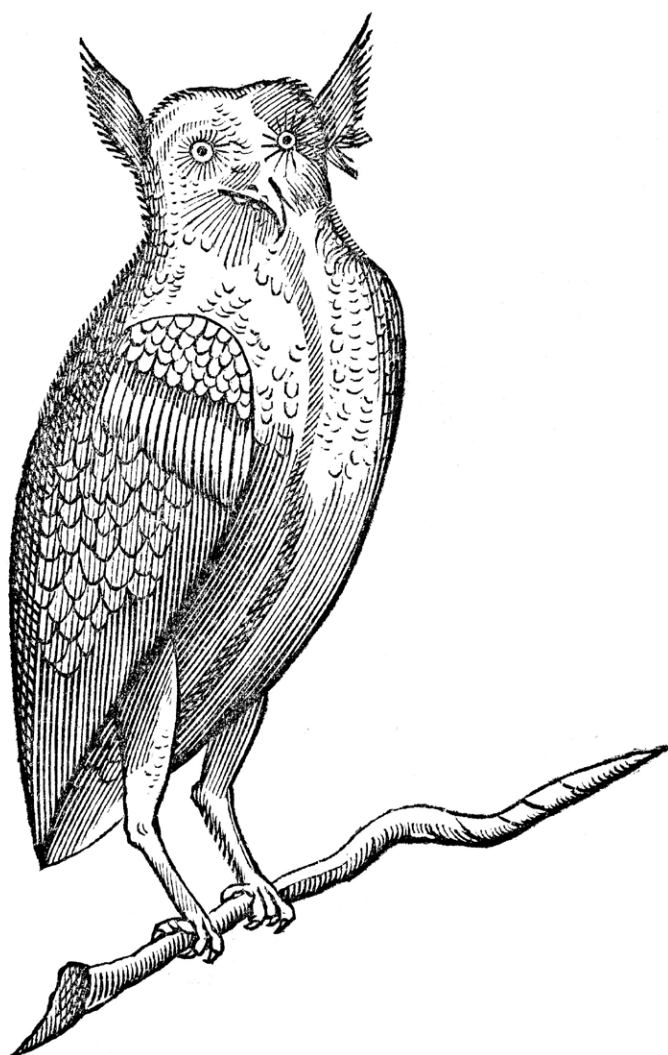
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20. **SOTHEBY PARKE BERNET, auctioneers.** *Latin American Books and Manuscripts. Central and South America. Indians and Slavery. West Indies. Autographs of the Liberators. The Property of Various Owners. Sale 4597E, May 5, 1981.* New York: Sotheby Parke Bernet, 1981. 4°, original illustrated wrappers. Black and white photographic illustrations. As new. Photocopied price list laid in. Unpaginated; 551 lots. ISBN: none.

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*California and Nicaragua*

**21. WELLS, William Vincent.** *Walker's Expedition to Nicaragua; a History of the Central America War; and the Sonora and Kinney Expeditions, Including All the Recent Diplomatic Correspondence, Together with a New and Accurate Map of Central America, and a Memoir and Portrait of General William Walker.* New York: Stringer and Townsend, 1856. 12°, publisher's black cloth, blocked in blind, spine gilt (some wear). Wood-engraved seal of Nicaragua on title page. Some browning, scattered foxing; 2-cm. tear in margin of map, which is otherwise in fine condition. Overall in good to very good condition. Signatures in ink of J.T. Williams, dated 1858, on front pastedown, front free endpaper, and blank verso of frontispiece. Stamp of Kenneth Williams on blank verso of frontispiece. Frontispiece (wood-engraved portrait with added tint block), vi, [11]-316 pp., large folding hand-colored map. \$600.00

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The fine map of Central America bears the imprint of J.H. Colton, New York, 1856, and includes insets of the Isthmus of Panama and "The Nicaragua Route."

William Walker (Nashville, Tennessee 1824-1860, Honduras) trained as a lawyer and physician but is famous for filibustering expeditions in which he attempted to establish personal "colonies" where slavery would be established. In 1853 he attempted to set up shop in Baja California and Sonora, but was easily repulsed by the Mexican government. A few years later, he went head-to-head with Cornelius Vanderbilt for control of the lucrative traffic from the Caribbean to the Pacific via Nicaragua—the fastest route for steamships to carry those in the East to the California gold fields.

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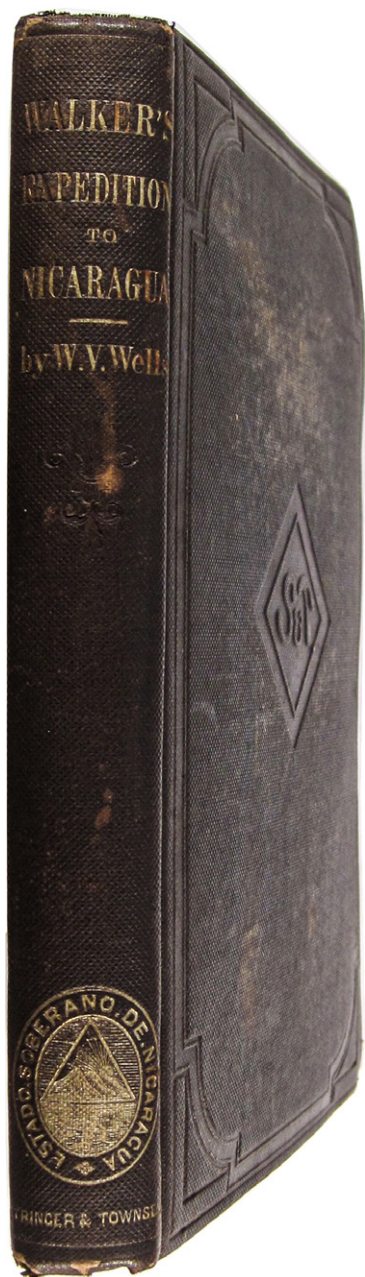
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