

**Denmark Vesey’s Judge’s Copy of the South Carolina Acts**

3. **[AFRICAN-AMERICANA]** [SOUTH CAROLINA] [VESEY REBELLION] [LAW] *Acts of the General Assembly of the State of South-Carolina, from February, 1791, to December, 1794, Both Inclusive [from December, 1795, to December 1804, Both Inclusive]*. Columbia, (SC): Printed by D. & J.J. Faust, state printers, 1808. 8vo. 2 volumes: (2), (80), 394, (9); 568, (13) pp. Contemporary law sheep (rubbed, skinned around edges), gilt rules and leather labels on spines; foxed, in places quite heavily, else a good solid copy. **$3500**

First edition. South Carolina lawyer Lionel H. Kennedy’s copy, with his ownership signature in each volume and annotated by him throughout. Kennedy, who practiced law in Charleston for several decades during the early part of the nineteenth century, was one of the two presiding magistrates at the Denmark Vesey insurrection trials, passing along to Vesey his death sentence, and, along with Thomas Parker who served with him, wrote the official report on the trial (*An Official Report of the Trials of Sundry Negroes, charged with an attempt to raise an Insurrection in the State of South Carolina …* Prepared and published at the request of the court by Lionel H. Kennedy and Thomas Parker, members of the Charleston Bar, and Presiding Magistrates of the Court. Charleston: Printed by James Schenck, 1822). Kennedy was also a member of the Society of the Cincinnati and published a Fourth of July oration that he delivered in St. Philip’s Church in 1813. Of particular note among the annotations are detailed marginal notes on several pages concerning the operation of magistrate’s courts in Charleston and an addition to the table of contents in the section headed “Negroes”: “Persons, connected with insurrection, guilty of treason against the State. a.a. 1805. P. 49.” Sabin 87683. *American Imprints* 16222. Turnbull I, p. 438.

**Nice Illustrated Ante-bellum Alabama Broadside Apparently Unrecorded**

4. **[ALABAMA]** [BROADSIDE] *Hotchkiss’ / Premium Vertical Waterwheel / and Appendages. /* [followed by 18 paragraphs of text describing the wheel, winner of the 1844 silver medal at the Annual Fair of the American Institute, and 12 testimonials as to its effectiveness], the entire text within a wide ornamental border. Signed in type “Gideon Hotchkiss, patentee.” (Montgomery, AL): Montgomery Advertiser Print, 1846. Printed broadside, 24 x 17 ½ inches, employing several sizes and styles of type, including large display types; text partly printed in two columns with a large central illustration of the wheel (4 ½ x 6 ½ inches). All of the testimonials are from Alabamians, including ex-governor Benjamin...
Fitzpatrick. Not in Hummel. Not recorded on OCLC. Folded (several small holes at folds), with some offset; addressed on a verso panel and with a Montgomery postmark. Very good and an attractive exhibition broadside. $2500


Josiah Nott’s Rarest Work Published on the Eve of Civil War

6. [ALABAMA] [MEDICINE] NOTT, Josiah C. Syllabus of a Course of Lectures Delivered in the Alabama Medical College, Mobile. Phila.: J.B. Lippincott, 1861. 8vo. 188 pp. Orig. cloth-backed printed stiff paper boards (rubbed and stained); old tape shadows on pastedowns and title page, some foxing. Still this is a good solid copy of a rare book. $3500

First edition. Nott (1804-1873) was serving as professor of surgery at the college at publication; he is best known for his writings on yellow fever, “recognizing that the cause is a living organism, a doctrine well in advance of the theories accepted by the majority of physicians in the middle of the nineteenth century” (DAB). Preface: “There being no text-book on surgery well adapted to the short course of instruction in the schools of the United States, I felt the want of a more regular plan for my own convenience, and of some printed guide for the students to direct their reading.” Not in Owen. OCLC locates three copies (New York Academy of Medicine, Alabama-Birmingham Medical Library, College of Physicians of Philadelphia).

7. [AMERICAN GOVERNMENT] MABLY, l’Abbé Gabriel B. de. Remarks Concerning the Government and the Laws of the United States of America: in Four Letters Addressed to Mr. Adams, Minister Plenipotentiary from the United States of America to Those of Holland; and One of the Negotiators for the Purpose of Concluding a General Peace. Dublin: Moncrieffe, Jenkin [and others], 1785. 8vo. (2), 280 pp. Recent sprinkled calf, leather spine label; tidelines from old staining through text, but a solid copy in an attractive new binding.

First Dublin edition in English (earlier English editions appeared in Amsterdam and London). Howes M-5. Sabin 42925 (quoting from Monthly Review): “His work contains some observations which are the result of good sense and a great knowledge of mankind, yet amid these there are many things which betray the author’s country and religious persuasion.”

Bergman’s Bass, with the Suite of Plates


First edition, 1/1500 copies, this one signed by the editor on the title page and signed or inscribed by a number of the authors at their essays, tributes and commentary on Theodore Gordon’s contributions to American fly fishing; in addition to Gingrich, Guy R. Jenkins, John McDonald, Charles K. Fox, Richard A. Wolters, Dana S. Lamb, Vincent Marinaro, Theodore Rogowski, Joe A. Pisarro, Gene Anderegg, Donal C. O’Brien, Jr., William Herrick, and Ed Zem have signed or inscribed this copy. We have sold only one other copy that was signed by a number of the contributors.


First edition, 1/15 copies signed by author, publisher, and binder, Carolyn Chadwick. An original fly, tied by Tapply, is set in a sunken mount on the front board and a page of the manuscript, with the author’s corrections, is bound in at the rear.

Arkansas Laws, Issued the Year before It Became a State

11. [ARKANSAS] Laws of Arkansas Territory. Compiled and arranged by J. Steele and J. M’Campbell, Esq’s (Attorneys and Counsellors at Law); under the direction and superintendence of John Pope, Esq., Governor of the Territory of Arkansas. Little Rock, Ark. Ter.: Printed by J. Steele, 1835, 8vo. (4), 562, (12) pp. Contemporary sheep (rubbed, spine somewhat eroded), leather spine label (chipped, but not touching text); usual light foxing and age-toning, but a solid copy. $2000


12. [ARKANSAS] THORPE, Thomas Bangs. The Mysteries of the Backwoods; or, Sketches of the Southwest, Including Character, Scenery, and Rural Sports. Illustrations by Felix O.C. Darley, 1846. 12mo. 190 pp. Five plates. Original gilt-stamped decorated brown cloth (spine a bit faded); small chip missing from mid-spine, else a very good copy. $1500


First edition, 1/100 copies on Hollande Van Gelder Zonen (with the publisher’s numbered slip still laid in); another 41 copies were printed on other papers. Minkoff A-18.

15. [BOTANY] KELLER, Henry. Herbarium of the Most Important Grasses of the Field and the Forest. Darmstadt, Germany: Henry Keller Son (J.C. Herbert’sche Hof-Buchdr.), 1871. Large folio. (3), 30, (1) pp. [printed rectos only]. Title page in full color lithograph, the other leaves, holding mounted grass specimens, with color decorations, including gill borders and large initials; text in German, English, and French. Later green cloth, gilt title on spine; portion of several mounted specimens missing and several others broken, some offset from specimens, but a very good copy of this elaborate production and quite scarce. Housed in a custom board slipcase (edges worn). $3750
First edition (both the title page and the presentation leaf are dated 1871; no later dates appear), this copy with a printed leaf of presentation to the United States Consul in Germany. Mr. Aaron Seeley. We have located one copy of this edition (National Library of Medicine). OCLC locates two copies of an 1876 printing (San Diego Natural History Museum, Texas A&M) and one copy of an 1872 printing with title page in German (New York Botanical Garden).

16. [BOXING] ROWLANDSON, Thomas (1856-1827). Description of a Boxing Match, June 9th 1812. (London): Published by Tho. Rowlandson, 1 March 1812. Etching, hand-colored in soft blue, gray, tan, and brown; 13 x 9 inches on sheet 18 x 14 inches. Adept as draftsman, caricaturist, and observer of society, and ever a gambler himself, Rowlandson here applied his talent with gusto to the 100 guinea pummeling, the sort of scene he depended upon as here applied his talent with gusto to the 100 observer of society, and ever a gambler himself, Rowlandson sheet 18 x 14 inches. Adept as draftsman, caricaturist, and

Early reprints of both titles. Illustrator’s association copy, with a plate in each annotated and initialed “J.D.S.” on the verso. James David Smillie, an accomplished engraver, remarked on the Mount Auburn map plate that etching its vignette was his first paid work; he was 15 years old and earned $15. He wrote and illustrated the section on Yosemite in Picturesque America, for example: Sabin 28695 and 51149.

(rubbed); spine ends chipped, but a solid copy in a custom beige cloth clam-shell box photographically illustrated with the author’s portrait on the spine panel.  

$1750


$2000

First edition, 1/100 copies signed by the author, this copy additionally inscribed on the front endpaper and with one engraving signed in pencil. Laid in is a 1-page TLS from Wall, in part about this book: “A new vista on the life of General Lee unfolded itself to me.” Not in Nevins or Broadfoot.

23. [COLT] Armsmear: The Home, the Arms, and the Armory of Samuel Colt; A Memorial. NY: [Privately printed], 1867. First edition. 4to. 399 pp. Illustrated, frontispiece portrait, map, steel engravings. Howes C-618 (“b”). Original gilt-stamped decorated green cloth (some minor wear to spine ends and corners), a.e.g.; several owner’s stamps, including one on the half-title, else very good.

$2250


$1500

First edition. “Vol. 4, no. 10” at head of front wrapper. Rare; not recorded by Parrish (cf. Parrish 6009 for the second edition of this issue).

Unrecorded Confederate Broadside Printed on Silk

25. [CONFEDERATE IMPRINT] [BROADSIDE] Death / - of / Hon. Wm. C. Smedes. / From the Vicksburg Whig, Tuesday, Feb. 24, 1863 [caption title followed by text in two columns enclosed by a black ornamental border, signed “A.”]. [Vicksburg, MS]: (Vicksburg Whig?), 1863. Broadside on silk, 10 x 8 inches. Once folded (some fraying along one fold, offset of ink on blank margins); some browning, but a very good example of a rare Confederate broadside.

$1500

Obituary for the well-known Vicksburg lawyer who “for a long time stood at the head of the Vicksburg Bar.” Not in Parrish & Willingham Confederate Imprints. Not in Hummel Southeastern Broadsides. Not recorded on OCLC.

26. [CONFEDERATE IMPRINT] GILCHRIST, R.C. General Orders from the Adjutant and Inspector-General’s Office, Confederate States Army, from January 1 to June 30, 1864, Inclusive. Prepared from files of Head-Quarters, Department of South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida; with full index; also, explanatory notes, and such decisions of the War Department as could be collected touching on matters of general concern to the service. Columbia, (SC): Evans and Cogswell, 1864. First edition. 12mo. xxxv, 161 pp. Parrish 2426. Orig. cloth-backed printed tan wrappers; old tideline on front wrapper, browning to text, but a fine choice copy.

$1250


$1500

First edition thus (i.e., the first Richmond printing of the constitutions to include the first session acts). Parrish 20 (apparently conflating several issues, incorrectly calling for a separate pagination of 119 pages which would then include the acts and resolutions of the second session).

Confederate Army Regulations, Bearing Ownership Signatures of Three South Carolina Infantry Officers

28. [CONFEDERATE IMPRINT] Regulations for the Army of the Confederate States, Authorized Edition. 1862. Richmond, VA: West & Johnston, 1862. 8vo. xxii, (2), 420 pp. Plate. Original blue cloth (using a cloth case prepared for West & Johnston’s publication of Richmond in Bye-Gone Days, with that title stamped on the spine); binding rubbing, spine ends a little frayed, usual poor quality paper with persistent foxing, but a good solid copy.

$3000

One of at least four editions published in 1862. With the ownership signature of Lt. Benjamin F. Sharpton on the title page and those of Lt. William Parkman and Lt. W.E. Middleton on front endpapers; all three of the junior officers served in Company I of the 7th South Carolina Infantry, a regiment in Kershaw’s Brigade. That unit saw service in the Army of Northern Virginia from the Seven Days around Richmond in 1862 through Gettysburg, in the Chickamauga-Chattanooga campaign, around Petersburg in 1864, and finally at Bentonville before surrendering with Johnston. Was the cloth casing prepared for another work used by necessity or as subterfuge? Parrish & Willingham 2363.


$1250


$2000

31. (CRAMER, Zadok) The Navigator, Containing Directions for Navigating the Monongahela, Allegheny, Ohio, and Mississippi Rivers; with an Ample Account of These Much Admired Waters from the Head of the Former to the Mouth of the Latter; and a Concise Description of Their Towns, Villages, Harbors, Settlements, &c., with Maps of the Ohio and Mississippi; to Which Is Added an Appendix, Containing an Account of Louisiana, and of the Missouri and
Columbia Rivers, as Discovered by the Voyage under Capts. Lewis and Clark. Pittsburgh, (PA): Cramer, Spear, and Eichbaum (Robert Ferguson & Co., printers), 1817. 12mo. (2), 307 pp. Map of Pittsburgh, 25 strip maps of stretches of the rivers; errata leaf. Contemporary half-calf and marbled boards (rubbed), gilt title and rules on spine; scattered foxing, but a very good, crisp copy. $3750

Ninth edition. Contemporary ownership signature of Benjamin Beal, his stamp on title page, his note on an endpaper “Benjamin Beal on board the Brig Fredonia, Capt. Jubern (?), January 4th 1819 in the Mississippi River” (with several other of his notes on a ship’s position). Howes C-855: “Most widely used guide to western waters in the early period, both before and after the application of steam in 1807.” Sabin 17386. American Imprints 40590.

Beautifully Colored Copy of Mialhe’s Cuban Album Pintoresco

32. [CUBA] Album Pintoresco de la Isla de Cuba. Berlin, Germany: Oilprinting Storch & Kramer [for] B. May y Co., nd [ca. 1855]. Oblong 4to. 27 color lithographed plates and color lithographed illustrated title leaf [printed rectos only], with tissue guards, 2 folding maps. Original crimson leather, sympathetically rebacked, ornately gilt-stamped; some light spotting to the plates, but a very good copy. $12,500

One of two pirated editions printed in Germany in the 1850s, a marvelous album of views based on the work of Cuba’s master lithographer Frederic Mialhe depicted in his Viaje Pintoresco al Rededor de la Isla de Cuba (Havana, 1847-1848); this edition with captions in Spanish only and without vignettes on the maps (the other pirated edition was printed in either Berlin or Hamburg, with tinted lithographs instead of the color lithographed plates, as here, the captions were in Spanish, English, and German, and a series of vignettes were printed around the borders of the two maps); the lithographs in this issue are much more detailed than in the other pirated edition. Perhaps the finest pictorial record of daily life in Cuba in the 19th-century, with port and city views of Havana, countryside scenes, a bullfight, and a cockfight. This copy with all plates fully and beautifully color lithographed.

Sabin 17748 (for the other pirated edition which had only 26 plates). Though OCLC locates an equal number of the two editions, this fully colored issue seems to be less common in trade. For an account of Mialhe’s original edition, which was printed in Cuba, and the two German piracies, see Emilio Cueto’s Mialhe’s Colonial Cuba (Miami, 1994), pp. 73-77.

33. [CUBA] BLAND, William. Just Published: The Awful Doom of the Traitor: Or, the Terrible Fate of the Deluded and Guilty. Being a Full Disclosure of the Character and Selfish Designs of General Lopez, Who Decoyed a Multitude of Our Best and Bravest Citizens to a Most Horrid and Unlawful Grave in the Island of Cuba. Cincinnati, (OH): H.M. Rulison, 1852. 8vo. (6), 302, (1) pp. 60 plates, in three states, two of which are hand-colored; half-title. Crushed green morocco (spine faded to a rich brown), gilt spine title, marbled endpapers, a.e.g., matching flannel and morocco edged slipcase, all by René Aussourd. Bookplate, else a fine copy of a beautifully illustrated book in a fine binding. $1500

First edition thus, 1/30 copies, lettered and initialed by the publisher, on vélin d’Arches and the plates in three states, two colored, and with an original watercolor by Robaudi bound in ahead of the half-title. The illustrations, including landscapes, street scenes, and peasant folk at daily tasks, are quite charming and tastefully colored.

Navigating the Potomac to Washington, D.C., a Rare Pamphlet


First edition. An interesting and significant document for the history of the District of Columbia and for the development of civil engineering in America. Sponsored by the corporation of Georgetown to improve commercial navigation on the Potomac River, Thomas Moore (1760-1822), who had laid out the National Road from Cumberland, Maryland, to Ohio earlier in the decade, developed a plan to achieve that end. Claiming that Moore’s plan would endanger their property, a local bridge company sued and won an injunction against Moore based on a deposition by another pioneering American engineer, Henry Latrobe.

This tract, published by Moore to vindicate his position, consists of a series of bitter exchanges, followed by a transcript of the Latrobe deposition (separately published in 1812) and Moore’s painstaking reply. The discussion, though heated, is highly technical and informative, full of local detail about bridges, waterways, dams, city shores, islands, and harbors. The injunction aside, Moore’s efforts were not in vain: from this experience he gained a deserved reputation as the foremost authority on the topography of the Potomac region and in 1819 was appointed chief engineer of the Virginia board of Public Works. He soon proceeded to survey the Potomac with a view to a canal between the Potomac and the Ohio rivers. In 1821, Moore and his brother-in-law Isaac Briggs, best known for his prominent role in the construction of the Erie Canal, began a new survey of the Potomac in

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search of a route to the Monongahela River, out of which grew the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal. Moore’s sudden death in 1822 deprived the project of its guiding hand. Shortly before this effort was started, Moore and Briggs conducted a survey of the James River on behalf of the state of Virginia, and that led to the formation of the James River and Kanawha Company in 1820.

RARE. Rink 4299 (Michigan only). Not in NAIP, American Imprints, or Sabin. OCLC locates one copy (Michigan).

37. [ECONOMICS] BROUGHAM, Henry. An Inquiry into the Colonial Policy of the European Powers. Edinburgh: Printed by D. Willison for E. Balfour [and others], 1803. 8vo. 2 volumes: (4), 588; (6), 588 pp. Recent contemporary style quarter-calf and marbled boards, gilt title on spines; some interior soiling and browning, but a very good copy in an attractive new binding.

$1250

First edition. Sabin 8409: “The larger portion of this scarce work relates to America, and is said to have been written before the author was of age. It contains a résumé of the policy of the Spanish, English, French, and Colonial Governments.” Kress B.4654. Goldsmith 18665.

38. [EPHEMERA] [GREETING CARDS] The art of chromolithography as exemplified in a collection of 251 Victorian greeting cards, primarily Christmas and New Year’s cards, but also a few birthday cards, friendship messages, and other greetings; all are vivid chromolithographs, assembled by a family during the era. The cards are pasted into a book designed for the purpose, Christmas & New Year Cards (decorated title page, printed in brown; 4to, published by Marcus Ward & Co. of London; gilt and black-stamped decorated green cloth), many with a tiny marginal notation of sender’s name and the year (from 1870 through 1884). Among the card publishers are Raphael Tuck, Prang, Marc H. Rothe; the cards, varying in size from 10 x 8 to 2 x 3 ½ inches, include a pop-up and several adorned with needlework, pressed flowers, or other elaborations, together a fine Victorian display. Many leaves in the album are detached, others loosening; some offset from the cards otherwise a very good collection.

$1250

First edition. Sabin 7999. Sermies 4357 (describing the cloth issue): “While not the first bibliography of Florida, [this] work is by far the best of its time; the statement that only 100 copies were printed.” Sabin 8409: “The larger portion of this scarce work relates to America, and is said to have been written before the author was of age. It contains a résumé of the policy of the Spanish, English, French, and Colonial Governments.”


$1250

First edition. H owe s B-779: “Contains the first attempt at a Florida bibliography; only 100 copies said to have been print ed.” Sabin 7999. Servies 4357 (describing the cloth issue): “While not the first bibliography of Florida, [this] work is by far the best of its time; the statement that only 100 copies were printed is probably incorrect.” Larned 3273: “One of the favored volumes in historical writing that makes a friend of its reader. It would indeed be difficult to find one more admirable in conception and execution.”


A hastily written, undated letter to an associate discussing the engagement of several actors and actresses and possible salaries and terms of service for them. Ford, a native of Baltimore, was an active manager of theaters on the east coast for 40 years, controlling the Holliday Street Theatre in his home town, 1854-1879, and theatres in Washington, D.C., Alexandria, Philadelphia, and Richmond, simultaneously and subsequently: “he also managed a great number of travelling as well as resident companies which included the greatest stars and actors of his generation” (DAB).

Double Fore-edge Painting of Two Gloucestershire Manors, Both with Manuscript Titles


$2500

Eighth edition. The gilt edges conceal a contemporary double fore-edge painting, each with an ink manuscript identification at the edge of the endpaper just above the painting: (1) “Rodmarton Place, Gloucestershire,” the country house and its outbuilding sitting amidst a grove of trees, and (2) “Thornbury Castle, Gloucestershire,” the manor, several employees, and some farm animals also amidst a grove of trees. “Ainderby Teeple,” possibly the binder, blindstamped in the upper cover.


$1250

43. [GEOGRAPHY] [LE FRANCOIS, Abbé A.] Méthode abrégée et facile pour apprendre la géographie … avec un abrégé de la sphere … Paris: Chez les Libraires Associés, 1772. 12mo. (2), x, 515, (1) pp. 17 folding engraved maps by Robert de Vaugondy (dated 1750). Contemp. mottled calf, spine gilt-tooled, leather spine label, marbled endpapers and edges. Ecclesiastical supralibros, gilt, on both covers, described in an old manuscript, fly-leaf note as that of “Mgr Duplesses de Argenté, évêque de Sées, 1776 à le Révolution.” Spine ends chipped, but a very good copy, the maps clean.

$1500

“Nouvelle edition, revue, corrigée & augmentée” (first published in 1719, the work went through many editions in the 18th and early 19th centuries). The authorship is disputed, and, as the dedicatory letter is addressed to Madameisselle Crozat, the work is often referred to as the “Geographie de Crozat,” and the spine label on this copy is titled thusly. The 17 folding maps, all approximately 6 1/2 x 6 1/2 inches, picture the world as represented on the globe, Europe, 10 individual European countries, Turkey & Greece, Asia, Africa, South America, and North America.

Wide-Margined Copy of Berriman’s Georgia Sermon

44. [GEORGIA] BERRIMAN, William. A Sermon Preach’d before the Honourable Trustees for Establishing the
Colony of Georgia in America, and the Associates of the Late Dr. Bray, at Their Anniversary Meeting, March 15, 1738-39, in the Parish Church of St. Bridge, Alias St. Bride, in Fleetstreet, London. Published at the Desire of the Trustees and Associates. London: John Carter, 1739. 4to 24 pp. Original drab wrappers, stitched. Some soiling and wear along the edges, but a very good, large untrimmed copy, housed in a custom blue quarter-leather and cloth chemise and slipcase (spotted) $2000

First edition. Berriman compares the trustees of the Georgia Colony to the Israelites, and exhorts them to remember the religious obligation laid upon them “among these ... the conveyance of the Gospel to the neighboring Indians, is none of the least considerable.” An extraordinarily large copy of this pamphlet, measuring 26 x 20 cm. (the De Renne copy measures 22 x 17). Sabin 4986. Vail Voice of the Old Frontier 404. JCB 598. De Renne Catalogue I, pp. 76-77.


First edition. Gilmer (1790-1859) served two terms as Governor of Georgia, 1829-1831, when two important United States Supreme Court decisions, Cherokee Nation vs. Georgia and Worcester vs. Georgia, were decided, and 1837-1839, when the tragic Trail of Tears took place. Hayes G-186. Sabin 27440. Eberstadt 115, 449: “A source book of the first importance.” Harwell/Willingham Georgiana 42: “Known affectionately by scores of delighted readers as ‘Gilmer’s Georgians,’ this book recreates with humor, compassion, joy, and prejudice those days when the territory northwest of Atlanta was still frontier. These intimate glances at the early settlers, former Virginians and Carolinians, of course, as no self-respecting Savannahan would ever venture north of the Chatham County line, gave entertainment to general readers and still fill in numerous blank lines on charts for genealogists.” De Renne Catalogue III, p. 571.


McCall’s Georgia, “One of Our Rarest State Histories”

47. [GEORGIA] M’CALL, Capt. Hugh. The History of Georgia, Containing Brief Sketches of the Most Remarkable Events up to the Present Day. Savannah, (GA): Printed and published by Seymour & Williams, 1811 & 1816. 8vo. 2 volumes: viii, 376; viii, 424 pp. Somewhat later three-quarter calf, gilt, and marbled boards, spines richly gilt tooled; joints somewhat worn, some browning to the text, but an attractive copy in a nice early American binding. $3000

First edition. With the bookplate of the Reverend James Stacy, Oglethorpe University alumnus and Presbyterian minister of Newnan, Georgia. McCall (1767-1824) planned to continue the history (these volumes cover the years, 1584-1784), but records and sources were so few and he suffered from “a portion of disease and decrepitude [sic], almost without a parallel in the history of human life” (see preface and Dictionary of Georgia Biography), that no more volumes appeared. Howes M-33: “First history of this state; written by a Revolutionary officer and pioneer from personal knowledge and manuscript sources no longer extant.” DeRenne I, p. 344. Harwell Georgiana 21: “A landmark in the development of Georgia literature.” Streeter sale 1161: “A fundamental Georgia history and the chief source on the border wars with the Creeks and Cherokees. This is one of our rarest of state histories.”


50. [GEORGIA] [LAW] Watkins, Robert & George. A Digest of the Laws of the State of Georgia, from Its First Establishment as a British Province Down to the Year 1798, Inclusive, and the principal Acts of 1798: In which Is Comprehended the Declaration of independence, the State Constitutions of 1777 and 1789, with the Alterations and Amendments in 1794; Also the Constitution of 1798 ... Together with a Copious Index to the Whole. Philadelphia: Printed by R. Aitken, 1800. First edition (page 795 misnumbered “785”). 4to. iv, (2), 837, (1) (22), (4), (1) pp. Subscribers list; errata leaf. Evans 37505. De Renne Catalogue II, pp. 294-300: “This was the first Georgia Digest published and it was sorely needed ... a very conscientious and creditable performance, and it is still very useful for reference.” Recent three-quarter brown faux leather and cloth, patterned endpapers; text aged toned, some foxing, early owners’ signature on title page, some pencil notes and markings to text and index. Still a good solid copy. $3000

Willingham/ Harwell Georgiana 15: “Robert Watkins defended the Yazoo land speculation even to the point of fighting three duels with James Jackson. The third of the duels was fought over this book which was commissioned by the Georgia legislature. When Jackson became governor he refused to allocate payment to Watkins for this work which included the whole of the Yazoo Act and authorized Horatio Marbury and William H. Crawford to prepare a new digest which would be free of such taint. It is the first Georgia digest of laws and creditably put together. Its notoriety has only added to its collectibility.”

51. [GEORGIA] [TRUSTEES] An Exact List of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal ... Also, a Compleat Alphabatical
Double List, of I. The Counties, Cities, and Boroughs, with Their Representatives Against Each ... II. The Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses of the Present Parliament ... To which Is Added, The Trustees for Georgia, and Places of Their Abode: With Blank Pages for Alterations. London: Printed by E. Cave at St. John’s Gate, 1734-5. 16mo. 37, (2) pp. Contemporary calf (rubbed, lower portion of spine eroded, joints cracked); contemporary ink additions on several blank pages, stray ink notes on rear pastedown, but a good solid copy. $2500

First edition. The last printed page lists the 21 Trustees for the Colony of Georgia, headed by the Earl of Egmont, Lord Carpenter, Edward Digby, and James Ogletorpe; below the trustees are listed 23 “Commissioners appointed by the said Trustees.” Ownership signature “F. Boynton” on front endpaper; Sir Francis Boynton, representing Heydon, Yorkshire, is listed as a member of House of Commons on page 13. De Renne Catalogue I, p. 48-49. OCLC records a single copy (Virginia).


Reprint. Inscribed by Caroline Gordon to Brainard Cheney “Dear Lon: This is practically my favorite book ... accept this well-worn copy with love ... Caroline.” Laid in is an original Caroline Gordon watercolor greeting card picturing an upside down black robed figure against a red background, inscribed “For Lon / Carolina.”

54. HARRIS, Joel Chandler. Uncle Remus, His Songs and Sayings: The Folk-Lore of the Old Plantation. Illustrations by Frederick S. Church and James H. Moser. NY: Appleton, 1881. 8vo. 231 pp. Plates; publisher’s catalogue. Original gilt-stamped decorated cloth (a little rubbed, lower corners bumped); small ownership stamps on endpapers and frontispiece tissue guard, but a very good copy. $1000


55. [HARRISON, William Henry (1773-1841; 9th President of the United States). Return of military equipment, a document in the hand of a adjutant or quarter master, signed by Harrison (“Wm. H. Harrison / Commmdt.”), 6 October 1796. Half-sheet 4to, in full: “A Return for Wollen [sic] Overalls for a Recruiting Party under Command of Capt. Wm. Harrison. For 36 Men, 72 Pair Overalls. Issue 72 Pair of Wollen [sic] Overalls agreeable to the above return. The Quartermaster.” Docketed, as accomplished, on verso. Harrison received his commission in the army in 1791, serving in the Northwest Territory and “acquiring himself well, rising to the rank of lieutenant and acting as aide-de-camp to Anthony Wayne” (DAB). After Fallen Timbers he served on garrison duty at various posts until he resigned from the army to accept the position as secretary of the Northwest Territory in 1798. Matted, glazed, and framed with a color portrait of Harrison and a gilt-stamped title label. An attractive display item. $3000


First Edition of Beckford’s Thoughts on Hunting


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58. [HUNTING] (BECKFORD, Peter) Thoughts on Hunting in a Series of Letters to a Friend. Sarum (i.e. Salisbury, England): Printed by E. Easton, sold by P. Elmsly, in the Strand [and others], 1781. Small 4to. (10), [1]-334 pp. Engraved frontispiece and two plates; with the half-title. Contemporary or slightly later half-leather and boards of French or Stormont marble paper, flat panelled spine tooled with gilt rolls and fleurons, leather spine label, and here bound together. Thick 8vo. 1076 pp. Contemp. sheep (rubbed, with some skinned spots), leather spine label and gilt rules on spine (dull). Joints rubbed, some interior soiling and light staining, otherwise a solid, very good copy. $1250


59. [HUNTING] COLBURN, Frederick S. The Unbelievable Game Country. Privately printed, 1927. First edition. Large 4to. 181 pp. Illustrated from photographs, plates, maps. Czech, p. 38: “A quite scarce book, this details the author’s safari into Kenya accompanied by Philip Percival. Colburn’s trek reflected the changing times: ‘There is no question that the motor car has done much toward destroying the romance, the poetry, the glorious local color of the old-time African safari.’” OCLC locates seven copies (New York Public, Yale, Smithsonian, Newberry, Northwestern, Duke, Brigham Young). Original parchment-backed gilt-stamped blue boards (rubbed, corners bumped), gilt spine title; somewhat soiled, but very good. $1250

60. [HUNTING] [ART] SCHALDACH, William. Carl Rungius, Big Game Painter: 50 Years with Brush and Rifle.
West Hartford, VT: Countryman Press, (c1945). First edition, 1/1275 copies. Large 4to. 117 pp. Illustrated, color plates. Consummate painter of animals in their habitats, insightfully profiled by a fellow artist. Silver-stamped cloth; bookplate, else very good in worn slipcase. $1000

**Rare Midwestern Swedish Emigration Pamphlet**


First edition. Rare Swedish emigration promotional. OCLC locates one copy (National Library of Sweden). Not in the NUC or Chicago Pre-Fire Imprints.

62. [ILLINOIS] [FIRE FIGHTING] *Constitution and By-Laws of the Young America Fire Engine Company, No. 2, Adopted July 20, 1858.* "The Public Safety is our Incentive to Action." Company organized July 4, 1858. Peoria, (IL): Benj. Foster, printer and bookbinder, 1859. First edition (?). 12mo. 11 pp. Rear wrapper prints a certificate, to be filled out in manuscript, for members as they join the unit; this copy made out to James Ward, 30 October 1859, and signed by the company’s foreman and secretary. Not recorded on OCLC. Original printed wrappers (rubbed and soiled); lower corner worn away (not affecting text). Good copy of a rare early Illinois fire fighting pamphlet. $1250

**Colton’s 1852 Map of Indiana in Fine Condition**

63. [INDIANA] [MAP] *FISHER, Richard S., M.D. Indiana: In Relation to Its Geography, Statistics, Institutions, County Topography, etc; with a “Reference Index” to Colton’s Map of Indiana. NY: J.H. Colton, 1852. 12mo. 126 pp. 18 pages of publisher’s ads. Folding map: “Colton’s Map of the State of Indiana Compiled from the United States Surveys & Other Authentic Sources, Exhibiting Sections, Fractional Sections, Railroads & Canals, etc.” (NY: J.H. Colton, 1852); engraved sheet, 41 x 29 in., folded in at the extremities frayed, otherwise a near fine copy with the map in exceptional condition. $2250


64. [IOWA] *The Statute Laws of the Territory of Iowa Enacted at the First Session of the Legislative Assembly of Said Territory, Held at Burlington, A.D. 1838-9.* Du Buque: Russell and Reeves, printers, 1839. First edition, the second book printed in the territory. 8vo. 597, (1) pp. Contemporary sheep-backed boards (edges worn and rubbed), morocco spine label; somewhat foxed, but a solid copy. $1500


First edition, one of two issues printed the same year. Late 19th-century carte-de-visite of Gano, taken from an earlier portrait, laid in. Howes G-56: “Gano served as chaplain in the Revolution and came to Kentucky in 1787.” Sabin 26538: “Contains many incidents of Revolutionary history.” Streeter sale 1642. Clark *Old South I*, 242: “He made a second journey through the Carolinas about 1758 and stayed for two years ... moving to Kentucky in 1787 ... the chief historical value lies in the impression he conveys of an itinerant preacher’s work among the simple rural folk of the South, the primitive living conditions, and primitive religious faith.” Coleman 179: “He preached at Town Fork, Lexington, Elkhorn, and Frankfort churches ... he is reputed to have baptized George Washington during the Valley Forge winter.” Thornton 4696.


67. [KENTUCKY] *M’CLUNG, John A. Sketches of Western Adventure; Containing an Account of the Most Interesting Incidents Connected with the Settlement of the West, from 1755 to 1794; Together with an Appendix. Maysville, KY: Printed and published by L. Collins, 1832. 12mo. 360 pp. Half-title. Recent calf, leather label and gilt rules on spine; thoroughly foxed, but a solid copy. $1500


copies issued for copyright purposes. 8vo. 4 pp. O'Brien A199. Original printed cream wrappers (a little darkened around the edges). Very good copy. $3000

72. LEWIS, Matthew Gregory. Romantic Tales. London: Printed by D.N. Shury for Longman, Hurst, Rees, and Orme, 1808. 12mo. 4 volumes: xxii, (1), 307; 335; 276; 326 pp. Half-title for the last three volumes. Contemporary three-quarter green calf (uniformly sunned to dark brown) and marbled boards (rubbed), endpapers, and edges; one leaf in volume one torn (without loss), owner’s name at head of each title page (smudged on vol. II), some browning through text. Still an attractive copy. $1250

First edition. Many of the tales included here were adapted from French or German versions.

73. [MASSACHUSETTS] [DERMOTT, Laurence.] Ahiman Rezon Abridged and Digested: As a Help to All That Are, or Would Be Free and Accepted Masons; to Which Is Added a Sermon, Preached in Christ-Church, Philadelphia, at a General Communication, Celebrated, Agreeable to the Constitution, on Monday, December 28, 1778, as the Anniversary of St. John, the Evangelist. Published by order of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania by William Smith. Philadelphia: Printed by Hall and Sellers, 1783. 8vo. xvi, 166 pp. (the “Sermon” with its own title page). Engraved armorial frontispiece (a little soiled but neatly backed). Contemporary plain calf (a bit stained); title page also a bit soiled and worn at the fore-edge, old water stain through top third of text. Still a good solid copy. $1500


74. [MASSACHUSETTS] [Charter] Granted by Their Majesties King William and Queen Mary, to the Inhabitants of the Province of the Massachusetts-Bay in New England. Boston in New-England: Printed by B. Green, 1726. Folio. (2), 14 pp. Bound with, as usually issued: Acts and Laws, of His Majesty’s Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New-England. Boston in New-England: Printed by B. Green, 1726. Folio. (2), 347, 17 pp. Bound with: The 29 subsequent session laws for the province through 1737 (and 626 pages). Somewhat later leather (rubbed, joints cracked); title page to charter laid down, with loss of almost all the word “charter” and parts of several other letters, manuscript additions to the general table. In all, a good copy of 31 Evans titles (see below) bound together, covering the laws and acts of Massachusetts Bay, 1726-1737. $3500


75. [Sammelband of Colonial Massachusetts Election Sermons] [ELECTION SERMONS] Sammelband of ten Massachusetts election sermons, described individually below. Bound together in somewhat later calf (rubbed), leather spine labels; some foxing and age toning, one pamphlet lacking its title page and final leaf, another only its final leaf, but generally very good. $2500


d. [Haven, Jason. A Sermon Preached before His Excellency Francis Bernard, Esq.; Governor, His Honor Thomas Hutchinson, Esq; Lieutenant Governor, the Honourable His Majesty’s Council, and the Honourable House of Representatives of the Province of the Massachusetts-Bay in New England, May 31st, 1769, Being the Anniversary for the Election of His Majesty’s Council for said Province. Boston: Printed by Richard Draper, 1769], 8vo. 54 of [55] pp. Evans 11289. Lacks half-title, title page, and final leaf.

e. Cooke, Samuel. A Sermon Preached at Cambridge, in the Audience of His Honor Thomas Hutchinson, Esq; Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief; the Honourable His Majesty’s Council, and the Honourable House of Representatives of the Province of the Massachusetts-Bay in New England, May 30th, 1770, Being the Anniversary for the Election of His Majesty’s

f. Tucker, John. A Sermon Preached at Cambridge, Before His Excellency Thomas Hutchinson, Esq; Governor; His honor Andrew Oliver, Esq; Lieutenant Governor, the Honourable His Majesty’s Council, and the Honourable House of Representatives of the Province of the Massachusetts-Bay in New England, May 29th, 1771, Being the Anniversary for the Election of His Majesty’s Council for said Province. Boston: Printed by Richard Draper, 1771. 8vo. 63 pp. Lacks half-title. Evans 12256.


First edition of each of the pamphlets. Simon Backus (1738-1823) graduated from Yale in 1759 and served as pastor of the Congregational Church in Granby, Massachusetts, 1762-1784. 77. [MATHEMATICAL INSTRUMENTS] BION, Nicolas. The Construction and Principal Uses of Mathematical Instruments. To which are added “The Construction and Uses of Such Instruments as Are Omitted by M. Bion, Particularly of those Invented or Improved by the English,” by Edmund Stone. The whole illustrated with thirty copper-pates, containing the figures, &c., of the several instruments. To which is added, a supplement, containing a further account of some of the most useful mathematical instruments as now improved. London: J. Richardson, 1758. Folio. vii, 325, (1) pp. 30 folding plates (several worn and soiled at fore-edge from overhanging the text block, two with a little loss), separate title page for the supplement. Recent quarter calf and marbled boards, leather spine label. Very good copy in an attractive new binding. $1250

Second edition in English (first translated by Stone in 1723). Lowndes: “A very excellent and esteemed work. The second edition contains an appendix, which makes it greatly preferable to that of 1723.”


Duke of Portland’s Copy of James’ Canine Madness


Three first editions bound together. Garrison-Morton 5899: “Graefe’s monograph on the symptomology of ocular paralysis forms the basis of modern knowledge on the subject.” Norman sale 1224 (first title): “First thorough account of paralysis of the eye muscles and the basis for their surgical treatment.”


Each copy with his Duke of Portland’s copy with his contemporary ownership signature on a front endpaper and his gold stamp on both boards. James is notable mainly for devising a patent medicine given Goldsmith, perhaps hastening his death, and George III, for his madness but with little effect. Samuel Johnson, friend of James, once characterized him as not so good for twenty years; nonetheless, for James’s medical dictionary, the great lexicographer contributed text and wrote a prospectus (DNB).

81. [MILITARY] [GLASER, Johann Christoph.] Vernünftiger Gedancken von der Kriegs-Bau-Kunst: erste Brobe, worinnen zuforderst ein allgemeiner an den meisten biszher gebauten Festungen befindlicher wichtiger Fehler angemercket: Gegentheils cine von demselben gänsslich biszher gebauten Festungen befindlicher wichtiger Fehler dismahl nur vorläuffig beschreiben, anbey nuch eine analysin speciosam erfundene allgemeine Construction … Berlin: In der Rengerischen Buchhandlung, 1728. 4to. (8), 191, 79. pp. Modern printed paper wrappers. Fine little effect. Samuel Johnson, friend of James, once characterized him as not so good for twenty years; nonetheless, for James’s medical dictionary, the great lexicographer contributed text and wrote a prospectus (DNB).
82. [MILITARY] GREVENITZ, Karl Wilhelm Georg von. Organisation und Taktik der Artillerie, und Geschichte ihrer taktischen Ausbildung von den frühesten bis auf die neuesten Zeiten. Berlin: Sandersche Buchhandlung, 1824. First edition. 8vo. Two volumes in one: x, (2), xviii, 103, (3); viii, 272 pp. Illustrated, 20 folding plans from various Napoleonic battles, some with hand coloring, in volume one, folding tables and 20 folding plans in volume two. The author served as an artillery officer in the Prussian army under Von Thielmann at the Battle of Ligny. OCLC locates three copies, all in Europe (Niedersächsische Staats-und Univ, Defensiebibliotheken, Het Legermuseum Delft). Somewhat later gilt-stamped and embossed calf, gilt title, rules and ornaments between raised bands on spine; joints broken, endpapers discolored, otherwise a good solid copy. $1250

83. [MILITARY] RAWSON, Jonathan (“Late aid de camp to General Sullivan”). A Compendium of Military Duty, Adapted for the Militia of the United States. Dover, NH: Printed by Eliphalet Ladd, 1793. 8vo in fours. 305 pp. Recent contemporary-style calf, leather label and gilt rules on spine; inner margin of title page strengthened, old accession number on verso of title page, but a very good copy in an attractive new binding. $1250


Manuscript Account of a Mississippian in the Mexican and Civil Wars

84. [MISSISSIPPI] SCHMALING, James. Service in the Mexican War and life in besieged Vicksburg during the Civil War as recounted in a short autobiographical manuscript, signed in the text by Schmaling. [Vicksburg, MS?], undated (but circa 1870). 4to. Three pages, approximately 600 words in pencil on lined light blue paper, sprinkled with unconventional spelling and grammar. Folded; some browning along the edges, but very good. $1500

Schmaling, a native of Lancaster, County, Pennsylvania, born in 1815, briefly recounts the highlights of his life, beginning with his move to Vicksburg, Mississippi, in 1837, after learning the carpenter’s trade and working for short periods in Philadelphia and New Orleans, “lived heare to this present day, in the occupation of building houses, etc.”

“I was a member of the Vicksburg volunteers, Dr. G.P. Crump, Capt. In 1846 we started for Mexico in the first Mississippi Rifle regiment under Col. Jeff Davis … was in the siege Monterey, and as far south as Victoria, and then up to Buena Vista at the expiration of my time. I returned home again to Vicksburg with the remnant of our regiment. I suppose about 380 out of 1000 … one incident that happened at Monterey one evening while marching over the battle field I saw the flash of cannon, I dodget. That detained me about two steps, as I got up, I saw my companions head knock off by the cannon ball.”

“At the siege of 1863 I dug a cave for my family. As I was familiar about sieges, while in Mexico, I selected the best spot in Vicksburg. I think I hat 16 ft. of hard ground on top of my cave, one time, I hat about 30 persons in it. 4 familys occupied it during the six weeks siege. One shell struck the top, and gone in about 8 ft. And bursted. No harm was done except scare the occupants.”

In addition Schmaling tells of escaping a murder attempt while in Mexico, losing his children, “one after an other,” to diphtheria during the war, fearing “being shot by Negro soldiers,” and of seeing his wife shot through her dress while at home. While brief, Schmaling’s account evokes the turmoil of war, in one case serving on the front lines, in the other suffering at home. The United States Census of 1870 shows Schmaling still living in Vicksburg, employed as a carpenter and living with his spouse, three children, and a border.

85. [MISSISSIPPI] [LAW] Statutes of the Mississippi Territory; the Constitution of the United States, with the Several Amendments Thereto; the Ordinance for the Government of the Territory of the United States, North-west of the River Ohio; the Articles of Agreement and Cession, between the United States and the State of Georgia; and Such Acts of Congress as Relate to the Mississippi Territory. Digested by the authority of the general assembly. Natchez: Printed by Peter Isler, printer to the territory, 1816. 8vo. 495, (1), (2), (20), (6) pp. Contemporary calf (rubbed), blind rules around edges of upper and lower boards and on spine, leather spine label (chipped); joints somewhat worn, but a superior example in an original binding. $3000


86. [MISSISSIPPI RIVER] CUMINGS, Samuel. The Western Pilot, Containing Charts of the Ohio River, and of the Mississippi from the Mouth of the Missouri to the Gulf of Mexico, Accompanied with Directions for Navigating the Same, and a Description of the Towns on Their Banks, Tributary Streams, &c.; also, a Variety of Matter Interesting to All Who Are Concerned in the Navigation of Those Rivers. Cincinnati, (OH): Morgan, Lodge, and Fisher, printers, 1825. 8v. 143 pp. 44 plates charting the two rivers. Original roan backed, paper-covered boards (very rubbed and soiled, much of the paper worn off the boards); spine partly eroded, early pencil and ink notes on endpapers, text with old foxing and staining, fore-edge nibbled (though barely into margin). Good copy of a scarce edition of Cumings’s Pilot. $1500

Second edition, and the first printed in the West (first published in Philadelphia, in two volumes, in 1822). Bowes C-948: “From 1825 to 1866 there were over 20 [one-volume reprints]; in later issues Cumings’s name was replaced by those of the publishers, Conclin or James. Poetic justice to one whose book was based, without credit, on Cramer’s Navigator.” The final ten pages are ads for a variety of Cincinnati businesses. Sabin 17904 (not mentioning this 1825 edition). American Imprints 20223.

History of the U.S. Naval Academy
Illustrated with 25 Mounted Photographs

80. [NAVY] SOLEY, James Russell. Historical Sketch of the United States Naval Academy. Prepared by direction of Rear-Admiral C.R.P. Rodgers, U.S.N., Superintendent U.S. Naval Academy, for the Department of Education at the International Exhibition, 1876. Washington, (DC): GPO, 1876. Tall 8vo. 348 pp. 25 mounted albumen photographs, folding map; each of the photographs measures 4 x 6 1/4 inches, and is captioned on its mount. Modern three-quarter red crushed morocco, gilt, and marbled boards, endpapers, and edges, gilt title and ornaments between raised bands on spine. Several of the photographic mounts are chipped or show other wear around the edges, but the photographs are unaffected; old club stamp on title page. Very good copy in an attractive recent binding. $5000

First edition, the rare issue illustrated with photographs of Naval Academy buildings and grounds. The images include the buildings housing seamanship and gunnery departments, with some interior views, the gymnasium, the cadets’ quarters and mess hall, ships used for gunnery practice in the waters surrounding Annapolis, the library and hospital, cadets on parade, bird’s-eye views of the academy grounds, etc. The author is described on the title page as “Head of the Department of English Studies, History, and Law at the U.S. Naval Academy.”

RARE. Sabin 86382 (noting two locations for this issue: C, NYP). Not in Truthful Lens. No copy sold at auction in the past half century (ABPC, 1955-2004). OCLC has three entries for this title, the printed book and two microform versions, none of which mention the photographically illustrated copy.


83. [NORTH AMERICA] [MAP] Dominia Anglorum in America Septentrionali: A Newfoundland, od. Terra Nova, S. Laurentii Bay, die Fisch-Bank, nebst Einem Theil New Schotland; B. New England, New York, New Yersey, und Pensilvania; C. Virginia und Maryland; D. Carolina nebst Einem Theil von Florida. (Nürnberg): Homann Erben, nd [1759?]. Engraved map, 19 5/8 x 21 7/8 inches, on one sheet four inset maps, each based on a separately issued map from Moll’s Atlas Minor, each with light hand-coloring; Latin and German titles printed side by side with explanatory German text in lower margin. Cumming 233. Matted, glazed, and framed. Very good. $1250

84. [NORTH CAROLINA] HAYWOOD, John. Reports of Cases Adjudged in the Superior Courts of Law and Equity of the State of North-Carolina, from the year 1789 to the Year 1798. Halifax, (NC): Printed by Abraham Evans, 1799. 8vo. 502, (18) pp. Recent full calf, gilt title on spine; some interior soiling, but a very good copy. $1250


85. [NORTH CAROLINA] POTTER, Henry. The Office and Duty of a Justice of the Peace, and a Guide to Sheriffs, Coroners, Clerks, Constables, and Other Civil Officers, According to the Laws of North-Carolina; with an Appendix, Containing the Declaration of Rights and Constitution of This State, the Constitution of the United States, with the Amendments Thereto; and a Collection of the Most Approved Forms. Raleigh, (NC): Printed by and for Joseph Gales, 1816. 8vo. 418 pp. Contemporary calf (rubbed and soiled); old interior tidelines, staining, and foxing, early names on endpapers. Still a solid very good copy. $1250

First edition (a second edition appeared in 1828). The author was serving as a judge on the U.S. District Court for North Carolina when this work was published; earlier North Carolina Justices were printed in New Bern (1774 and 1791) and Halifax (1800). American Imprints 38692. Thornton 11012.

Separately Issued 18th-Century North Carolina Session Laws

86. [NORTH CAROLINA] [LAW] Laws of North-Carolina: at a General Assembly, Begun and Held at Raleigh, on the Twenty-first Day of November, in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-Seven, in the Twenty-second Year of the Independence of the Said State; Being the First Session of the Said Assembly [caption title]. [Halifax: A. Hodge, 1798]. Folio. 15 pp. Original self-wrappers (old tidelines through text, severe mildew stains through text). $1250

First edition. McMurtrie 257 (MH-L, NcU): “A supplement to Iredell’s Revision.” Rare; not recorded separately by OCLC, Evans, or Shipton & Mooney, but often found bound, with other session laws, in James Iredell’s 1791 Laws of the State of North-Carolina.


First edition of this post-Civil War county-by-county promotional for the state. The North Carolina Land Company was “established for the transportation and location of northern and European settlers in the state of North Carolina, for the sale of real estate, agricultural implements, machinery, &c., and to negotiate loans on mortgages and other securities.” Apparently not recorded by Thornton. We have sold a number of copies of this promotional over the years; this is by far the nicest.

88. [OHIO] DRAKE, Daniel. Natural and Statistical View, or Picture of Cincinnati and the Miami Country; with an Appendix Containing Observations on the Late Earthquakes, the Aurora Borealis, and South-west Wind. Cincinnati: Printed by Looker and Wallace, 1815. 12mo. 251,
97. [OHIO] KILBOURN, John. The Ohio Gazetteer; or Topographical Dictionary, Containing a Description of the Several Counties, Towns, Villages, Settlements, Roads, Rivers, Lakes, Springs, Mines, &c., in the State of Ohio; Alphabetically Arranged. Columbus, (OH): The author [and others], P.H. Omlsted, printer, 1821. 12mo. 204 pp. Folding map, plate. Contemporary calf (rubbed), leather spine label; persistent light foxing, but a very good, crisp copy. $2500

Seventh edition, “carefully revised and corrected.” The new preface is dated 1821; Kilbourn’s folding map of Ohio has the counties outlined in color and is dated 1821. Howes K-129. Sabin 37730. Thomson Bibliography of Ohio 672. Some references describe additional folding maps or plates, but both Sabin and Thomson call for two maps, as here. Despite the light foxing, a choice copy.


99. [ORNITHOLOGY] [PRINT] TRAVIÉS, Eduoard. Le Perroquet à tête jaune (Buffon) / Psittacus ochrocephalus (Gmelin) / Amerique [caption title below the image]. Paris: E. Savary; London: Gambart Junin et C. [lithograph by Lemercier, Paris], nd [1857]. Hand-colored lithograph, 13 ½ x 17 ½ inches, picturing a laughing American parakeet in its habitat, perched on a palm frond while spreading its wings. Matted, glazed, and framed; some soiling and browning, but a nice image. $1250

100. [PALMISTRY] [TAISNIR, Joannes] La Science curieuse, ou, Traité de la chyromancie, récuyelle des plus graves auteurs qui ont traité de cette matière, & plus exactement recherché qu’il n’a esté ct-deuant par aucun autre. Enrichi d’un grand nombre de figures pour la facilité du lecteur. Ensemble la methode de s’en pouvoir servir. Paris: Chez François Clovis, 1667. Second edition (first published in 1665). 4to. (8), 212 pp. 90 engraved plates, picturing more than 1400 analyzed hands. OCLC locates five copies in the United States (Stanford, Rice, Akron, National Library of Medicine, Jewish Theological Seminary of America). Old (contemporary?) calf (joints cracked, edges bumped, head of spine chipped); old tideline through upper portion of text block, scattered worming in margins touching several running heads; engraved bookplate. Still a good solid copy. $1250


102. [REVOLUTIONARY AMERICA] ANDREWS, John. History of the War with America, France, Spain, and Holland; Commencing in 1775 and Ending in 1783. London: John Fielding and John Jarvis, 1785-1786. 8vo. 4 volumes: iv, 448; 449; 445; 416 pp. 31 folding maps and portraits. Contemporary calf-backed marbled boards (some wear to hinges and edges), spines decorated in gilt. Very good copy housed in two custom half-morocco and cloth slipcases. $3750


103. [REVOLUTIONARY AMERICA] PRICE, Richard. Additional Observations on the Nature and Value of Civil Liberty, and the War with America: Also, Observations on Schemes for Raising Money by Public Loans; an Historical Deduction and Analysis of the National Debt; and a Brief Account of the Debts and Resources of France. London: T. Cadell, 1777. 8vo. xvi, 176 pp. 20th-century burgundy three quarter crushed morocco and marbled boards and endpaper, gilt title on spine; front joint and hinge cracking, but a very good copy. $1500

First edition. Howes P-583 (for another entry): “Price, intimate friend of Franklin, was the most influential British advocate of American independence.” Sabin 65444. Adams American Controversy 77-75a.

Edmund Ruffin Anticipates the War between the States


First edition. Very good copy. Howes R-493: “Under Seward, who followed Lincoln, South Carolina seceded in 1867 and is joined by sister states; war, following the first armed clash in Charleston Harbor, lasts one year and a ruined and disrupted North recognizes Southern independence. An ingenious effort, this, to awaken the South to the inevitability of sectional war and the advisability of immediate secession. Ruffin fired the first shot of the Civil War, at Ft. Sumter; after Appomattox and the collapse of his anticipated Confederacy, he triggered another shot—into his own brilliant but erratic brain.”

105. SAINT-MÉMIN, Charles B.J.F. (1770-1852; French miniature portraitist, active in America, 1796-1817). Tinted miniature profile engraving of Col. William Duane, 2 5/8 x 2 1/2 inches [plate mark] on a larger sheet (6 1/2 x 6 1/2 inches). Miles Saint-Memin and the Neoclassical Profile Portrait in America 277: “Although the engraving was made in 1802, the version with the inscription ‘Col. William Duane’ must date after 1808, when Duane became a lieutenant colonel in the United States Army; he also held the rank of colonel from 1813 to 1815. Duane helped Benjamin Franklin Bache publish the Philadelphia Aurora, the principal voice of the Jeffersonian Republicans. His paper was responsible for stemming the tide of war against France in the late 1790s and contributed greatly to Thomas Jefferson’s election in 1800.” Dexter Saint-Memin Collection of Portraits 159. A very good copy. $1250
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records three
New York editions were issued in 1817 and 1819). OCLC
Third American edition (first published in Edinburgh in 1816;
copy.

Duke & Browne, 1822. 12mo. 220 pp. Folding map with hand
Subsequent Wreck in the Ship’s Long
Author’s Shipwreck on the Island of Sanna

Author’s Experience in the Important Business of Religion, by
158 pp. Rowfant Bindery’s 20th century red crushed morocco
and marbled boards, gilt spine title, a.e.g.; foxed. $1500
First edition. Evans 5974. South Carolina Quaker’s call for
repentance and reformation (see Notable American Women),
as popular work published in seven editions on both sides of
the Atlantic by 1754.

[South Carolina] (Mitchell, Thomas R.)
Thoughts on the Constitution of the State of South Carolina.
Georgetown, SC: Printed by E. Waterman, 1819. 8vo. 81 pp.
Original self-wrappers, stitched; deeply foxed, soiled, old
tideline through early leaves. Serviceable copy of a rare
pamphlet. $1250
First edition. The author was highly critical of the power of
the state’s judiciary. Sabin 88079 (recorded anonymously;
Charleston Library Society copy). Turnbull, II, p. 44
(Charleston Library Society copy). OCLC locates one copy
(South Carolina). Not in the NUC or American Imprints.

Archibald Campbell’s Voyage round the World,
the Rare Charleston Printing

[South Carolina IMPRINT] Campbell, Archibald. A Voyage round the World, from 1806 to 1812; in
Which Japan, Kamschatka, the Aleutian Islands, and the
Sandwich Islands Were Visited; Including a Narrative of the
Author’s Shipwreck on the Island of Sannack, and His
Subsequent Wreck in the Ship’s Long-Boat: with an Account
of the Present State of the Sandwich Islands, and a
Vocabulary of Their Language. Charleston, SC: Printed by
Duke & Browne, 1822. 12mo. 220 pp. Folding map with hand-
colored outline. Recent period-style calf, leather label and gilt
fillets on spine. Some browning in text, otherwise a very good
copy. $2500
Third American edition (first published in Edinburgh in 1816;
New York editions were issued in 1817 and 1819). OCLC
records three copies of this edition (Huntington, American
Antiquarian Society, Calgary). This imprint not mentioned in
Hill, Sabin, or Turnbull. American Imprints 8243 (Huntington,
Connecticut Historical Society, South Carolina, North
Carolina). Hill 244 (on the first edition): “An account of
Campbell’s journey to China and Japan, and along the coast of
Alaska. His description of the Hawaiian Islands is of great
value. Campbell became close to Kamehameha I, King of
Hawaii, and became the king’s sailmaker. He built the first
loom made in those islands. After a shipwreck, Campbell had
both his feet frozen, which made amputation necessary.” Hill
245 (on the 1819 New York edition): “American imprints of this
date relating to Pacific voyages are rare.” Howes C-88 (the
first edition): “Adventures on the Northwest Coast.” Sabin
10210 (the first edition).

Cauldon Plates with Humorous Sporting Scenes Originally
Designed for a Gift to the Prince of Wales

[SPORT] [Staffordshire Painted Plates] (Kennard, Edward.) Set of 8 Cauldon dessert plates painted
with humorous sporting scenes. (Hanley, England: Cauldon,
between 1891 & 1900). Diameter 9 1/2 inches, no shoulder.
Printed and hand painted in colors with 8 different scenes,
filling the entire face of each plate and edged with a narrow
gold band. Back-marked “CAULDON / England.” A
charming set with only light signs of wear. $1250
Cauldon, a Staffordshire pottery located in Hanley, active
during the period from 1858 to 1962, produced a wide range
of household china. In 1876 they received a Royal commission
for a dessert service to be given the Prince of Wales by one of
his friends; it was to show the “hunting field” with “moving
accidents.” For the project, Cauldon selected their skilled artist
Edward Kennard, himself a member of the Market
Harborough Hunt, and he designed humorous scenes of
riders on horseback with hounds galloping or spilling across
the English countryside. Robert E. Cluett’s book Staffordshire
Pottery, 1858-1962 … from Cauldon, illustrates several plates,
describes their origin, and profiles Kennard. His designs were
reproduced for public sale following the creation of the
original set. These date from the 1890s, and, in correspondence, Mr. Cluett explained that they are “copies of
the original Edward Kennard plates and are what we call
printed and hand tinted … produced from copper plate
engravings of the original design and then hand painted.”

Stowe, Harriet Beecher. Uncle Tom’s Cabin; or, Life among the Lowly. Boston: John P. Jewett; Cleveland, OH:
Jewett, Proctor & Worthington, 1852. 8vo. 2 volumes: x, [13]-
312; iv, [5]-322 pp. Illustrated, 6 plates, title page vignettes.
Recent quarter-leather and cloth, gilt title on spines; some
foxing, but an attractive copy in a modern binding. $3500
First edition, first printing (with the Hobart & Robbins
printer’s slug on verso of title page). BAL 19343. Grolier
Club’s One Hundred Influential American Books before 1900
61: “Though she offered no practical solution to the slavery
problem, Mrs. Stowe, with her scenes from ‘life among the
lowly,’ added the fuel of righteous anger to the fire already
kindled; it was her misfortune to see it spread until it involved
the whole nation in civil war.”

(chipped at spine ends, completely separated along rear joint, and
somewhat soiled). $1250
First edition, intermediate state (with the first issue point
“sense” on p. 19, but with page “viii” unnumbered). Blanck
Peter Parley to Penrod, pp. 132-133.

Haywood, John. The Civil and Political History of the State of Tennessee, from Its Earliest Settlement up to the Year 1796; Including the Boundaries of the State. Knoxville, TN: Printed for the author by Heiskell & Brown, 1823. 8vo. (4). 504 pp. Lacks separate copyright slip
and half-title. Black morocco, gilt, the boards framed with four
thin rules, spine gilt with rules and title between raised bands, gilt inner dentelles, gilt patterned silk endpapers, a.e.g. $3000

First edition. With the bookplate of noted Georgia historian Charles C. Jones, Jr., on the front pastedown. Howes H-358. Sabin 31084. Streeter sale 1658. Field 671. McMurtrie Tennessee Imprints 205. Allen Tennessee Rarities 25. Horn Twenty Tennessee Books 5: “[Haywood] was writing only a few years after the actual occurrence of the events discussed and still had the advantages to be derived from personal contacts with actual participants, a fact which gives this book its well deserved reputation as a storehouse of information about Tennessee’s earliest days and the men who laid the state’s foundation stones.”

114. [TENNESSEE] [LAW] HAYWOOD, John (comp.) The Duty and Authority of Justices of the Peace, in the State of Tennessee. Nashville, (TN): Printed and sold by Thomas G. Bradford, 1810. 8vo. 372, (7), (8) pp. Original full calf binding edges and corners worn); leather spine label; three leaves with snaps (binding faults?), resulting in the loss of a few letters; paper fault at edge of one leaf, resulting in the loss of several words. Still a sound copy for this book. $3000

First edition. A rare book, rather amateurishly printed and bound, it evokes the state of frontier life. An important association copy, with the following inscription: “Alex. Forgeye / acting justice of / the peace for / Knox County.”

115. [TENNESSEE] MORRIS, Eastin. The Tennessee Gazetteer, or Topographical Dictionary; Containing a Description of the Several Counties, Towns, Villages, Post Offices, Rivers, Creeks, Mountains, Valleys, &c., in the State of Tennessee, Alphabetically Arranged; to Which Is Prefixed a General Description of the State ... Nashville, (TN): W. Hasell Hunt, 1834. 12mo. cvvi, 178, (18) pp. Errata pasted to base of final leaf. Orig. roan-backed printed boards (print mostly rubbed away, edges rubbed); spine worn, text block foxed, as usual, but a sound copy. $2000


First edition, the fifth Nashville directory and the first to include a map. An excellent picture of Nashville on the eve of the Civil War. Spear, p. 204. OCLC locates two copies of this edition (Vanderbilt, Harvard).

117. [TENNESSEE] ROWLES, W.P. The Life and Character of Capt. Wm. B. Allen, of Lawrence County, Tenn., Who Fell at the Storming of Monterey, on the 21st of September, 1846; With an Appendix, Containing a Number of His Essays and Speeches. Columbia, TN: J.J. M’Daniel, “Democratic Herald” Book Office, 1853. 12mo.226 pp. Portrait frontispiece. Original gilt-stamped green cloth (rubbed, rear board somewhat bubbled); some old foxing and staining, but a very good copy for this book. $1250


OVERTON and Haywood’s Tennessee Case Reports

118. [TENNESSEE] [LAW] OVERTON, John [and John Haywood]. Tennessee Reports; or, Cases Ruled and Adjudged in the Superior Courts of Law and Equity, and Federal Courts for the State of Tennessee. Knoxville: Printed for the Proprietor, G. Wilson, printer; Nashville: Printed for the Proprietor, by T.G. Bradford, 1813 and 1817. 8vo. 2 volumes: (8), 535, (1), xxi, (2); (8), 436, (22) [tear across last page of index repaired]. With: Reports of Cases Argued and Adjudged in the Court of Errors and Appeals [Supreme Court] of the State of Tennessee by John Haywood. Knoxville: Printed by Heiskell & Brown; Nashville, (T): printed for the author by T.G. Bradford, 1818. 8vo and 12mo. 3 volumes: (2), vi, 319, (1), (24); viii, 300, xxiv; (6), 301, xix pp. The set recently rebound in full calf, with gilt stamped black leather labels and gilt rules on spine. Some age toning and foxing to text, but overall a very good set in attractive new uniform bindings. $6500

First editions, a complete set of Tennessee Reports, published between 1813-1818, as edited by the two most important early Tennessee jurists, John Overton and John Haywood; another volume of Reports, edited by William W. Cooke, was published in Nashville in 1814 and a seventh, edited by Jacob Peck, was published in 1824.

Overton (1766-1833), a native of Virginia who migrated first to Kentucky and then on to Tennessee in the late 1880s, published the first two volumes in collaboration with fellow Judge Thomas Emmerson (who appears as editor, signing the front advertisement in type). It was the first official compilation of published decisions by Tennessee’s highest courts, covering the years 1791-1816. Shortly after moving to the territory, Overton befriended Andrew Jackson and President Washington appointed him supervisor of revenue for the District of Tennessee, Territory South of the River Ohio. In 1804, Overton became a member of the Superior Court of Tennessee, and in 1810 a judge on the Tennessee Supreme Court of Errors and Appeals. He helped organize Andrew Jackson’s candidacy for the Presidency in the 1820s.

Haywood (1762-1826), a native of North Carolina, moved to Tennessee in 1807, after some involvement in a legal scandal. He was elected to the state’s supreme court in 1816 and served on that body until his death. He is best known for his two major works on Tennessee history, The Natural and Aboriginal History of Tennessee (Nashville, 1823) and The Civil and Political History of Tennessee (Nashville, 1823). “His law office was built of logs. In it were written many of the great judgement opinions that laid the foundation of Tennessee jurisprudence” (DAB).

These volumes variously bear early ownership signatures of Thos. Hardeman, Henry Nixon, Will Fitzgerald, [H. Russell, and J. Bile. Thomas Hardeman (1788-1854) served in the War of 1812 and “in 1823 assisted in organizing a Tennessee county which was named in his honor” (Handbook of Texas).

He served as first county court clerk of Hardeman County, Tennessee, before moving to Texas.

Tennessee Rarities 552, 553, and 338. OCLC records 17 locations for the Overton volumes, nine for those edited by Haywood.

Volume V from an edition of Tennyson's Works. Inscribed by the author opposite the half-title "George Stewart / from / Tennyson / May 1889." Tipped-in is a 3-page ALS of presentation from Tennyson's wife Emily to Stewart, also dated May 1889.

120. [TRAVEL] ELLIOT, Capt. Robert. Views in the East: Comprising India, Canton, and the Shores of the Red Sea; with Historical and Descriptive Illustrations. London: H. Fisher Son & Co., 1835: 2 volumes. 4to. (120) pp. 30 engraved plates on India paper with tissue guards. Contemporary black half-morocco and marbled boards (rubbed) and endpapers, spines gilt within raised bands, gilt titles on spines (professionally rebound with the original spines laid down); plates with scattered foxing, but a very good copy of the uncommon India proof issue.
First edition. Elliot was a topographical draughtsman in the East between 1822 and 1824; later his sketches were developed and finished by Samuel Prout, Clarkson Stanfield, and others.

121. [TRAVEL] HARRIS, Major W. Cornwallis. The Highlands of Aethiopia. London: Longman, Brown, Green, and Longmans, 1844. 8vo. 3 volumes: xvii, 428; xi, 430; xi, 436 pp. Illustrated, chromolithographic dedication leaf, lithograph frontispiece to each volume, two tinted, one colored, vignette on each title page, folding map; half-titles, publisher's catalogue at rear of volume one, dated "November, 1843." Original plum cloth (rubbed, faded, spines sunned); owner's embossed stamp on title pages, hinges professionally strengthened, but a solid copy.
First edition. Czech: "Harris and several other British officers and diplomats were sent to open trade relations with the then virtually unknown Kingdom of Sho. The journey through the hinterland of the country is described in great detail, as are the cultures of the various cities that were visited. While this is truly an epic of travel and exploration, there are two sporting incidents of note with a huge buffalo bagged near the Casam River and elephant taken in Galla country."

122. [TRAVEL IN AMERICA] SMITH, John Calvin. The Western Tourist and Emigrant's Guide through the States of Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Iowa, and Wisconsin, and the Territories of Minnesota, Missouri, and Nebraska; Being an Accurate and Concise Description of Each State and Territory; and Containing the Routes and Distances of the Great Lines of Travel. NY: J.H. Colton, 1853. 12mo. 89 pp. 24-page Colton catalogue of "maps, charts, books, etc." Map: Guide through Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Wisconsin & Iowa, Showing the Township Lines of the United States Surveys; Location of Cities, Towns, Villages, Post Hamlets, Canals, Rail and Stage Roads by J. Calvin Smith; hand-colored broadside with ornamental border, 22 x 26 1/2 inches, folded to 12mo. Original elaborately gilt-stamped illustrated cloth (a little rubbed); some foxing, but the map fine.


125. [VIRGINIA] [MAZZEL, Filippo.] Recherches historiques et politiques sur les États-Unis de l'Amérique septentrionale ... Par un citoyen de Virginie. Paris: Froulle, 1788. 8vo. 4 volumes: 384, 259, 292, 366 pp. Half-titles. Recent sprinkled quarter-calf and marbled boards, all edges red (top edge soiled); old institutional stamps to title page in each volume, but a solid copy in an attractive new binding. $1250
First edition. Howes M-456: "The author, Italian by birth, lived in Virginia near his friend Thomas Jefferson, who may have assisted in this work." Haynes 11607.

Nathaniel Beverley Tucker's anticipation of the war between the states


Webster's Famous 1850 Speech, Inscribed

128. WEBSTER, Daniel. Speech of Hon. Daniel Webster, on Mr. Clay's Resolution, in the Senate of the United States, March 7, 1850. Vera pro Gratis. Washington, (DC): Printed by Gideon and Co., 1850. First edition. 8vo. 64 pp. Bound with 11 other pamphlets. Somewhat later brown three quarter leather sheep (very rubbed, spine ends chipped) and marbled boards; joints and hinges repaired. Some of the pamphlets trimmed in binding, the Webster pamphlet very good, with the printed front wrapper bound in.
First edition. Inscribed at the head of the front wrapper "Honorable Moor Russell, Plymouth, / N. Hamp. / with the regards of / Daniel Webster." [Webster] rose to beat down the Northern and the Southern follies, now raging in equal extremes ... in a well considered speech he declared himself for Clay's compromise measures and poured oil on troubled waters ... slavery was an evil but not so great an evil as
disunion. There could be no peaceful secession, he informed the South. On the other hand, he condemned the unnecessary severity of the anti-slavery forces and admitted that Northerners had not lived up to their obligations to return fugitive slaves … to the conservative element of the country, Webster's performance seemed “Godlike”; but the anti-slavery men, including those of his own party, could see him only as a fallen star” (DAB). The other pamphlets include Elliott’s *Industrial Resources of Western Kansas and Eastern Colorado* (St. Louis, 1871; lacks outer wrappers), but are otherwise rather uninteresting; a list of the titles will be sent upon request.

**First Separate Edition of Mary Wollstonecraft Godwin’s Last Novel**

129.  WOLLSTONECRAFT, Mary. *Maria; or, The Wrongs of Woman: A Posthumous Fragment.* Philadelphia: James Carey, 1799. 12mo. xii, [13]-232 pp.; with half-title. Contemporary calf (rubbed, front board detached), leather spine label; edges of endpapers brittle, several leaves with tears into text (without loss), one leaf with a small chip touching a letter, another with a chip that takes one letter on each page (that leaf also pulled, frayed along the fore-edge). A good unsophisticated copy of a rare book.  $10,000

First separate edition in English and first American edition of Wollstonecraft’s second novel (first published as *The Wrongs of Woman* the previous year in London in a four-volume posthumous edition of the author’s works, edited by William Godwin; her first novel, *Mary, A Fiction*, was published in London, 1788). Left unfinished at her death in childbirth in 1797, into this novel Wollstonecraft intended to incorporate arguments she had delivered in *A Vindication of the Rights of Woman.* *The Wrongs of Woman* is clear on the political, economic, and legal ills of women, the wife’s inability to own property, her lack of rights over her children when separated, the physical and financial abuse of men, together with the salve: the help women might give each other across class” (Janet Todd *Mary Wollstonecraft*; London, 2000).

“In Maria, Wollstonecraft portrayed a heroine who is literally a prisoner of sex, immured in a madhouse by her husband so that he can control her property, and she traced the maze of legal and domestic oppression of women to the same conclusion reached by the *Vindication:* ‘Was not the world a vast prison, and women born slaves?’ She broadened her fable through form and allusion, and turned the single-centered autobiographical narrative she had written ten years before [in her first novel] into a tale of universal human relevance, transcending local and individual destiny … Mary Wollstonecraft was a polemicist by personal conviction, and when she tried to unite philosophy and fiction, experience and politics, she failed to make her fictions more than personal or political documents. And yet the value of these documents is high. Not only did she, like the other Jacobian novelists, leave a legacy for posterity by bringing a new seriousness to popular fiction, but, like Rousseau and the Romantics, she also left a permanent if imperfect record of the imagination’s quest for wholeness in life and art” (Gary Kelly, “Introduction,” pp. xvii and xxi, in the edition of *Mary, A Fiction and The Wrongs of Woman*, by Mary Wollstonecraft; London: Oxford U. Press, 1976).

Along with her first novel, the author’s rarest works in trade: no copy of this title has appeared at auction in the past half century (two copies of *Mary: A Fiction* have sold during that period, the last in 1993 for £5500). Windle A8d. Not in CBEL. Evans 35555 (AAS). ESTC locates eight copies. OCLC locates eleven copies.

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