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- Thomas Macaulay

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RARE SUBSCRIBERS ISSUE: FIRST EDITIONS OF THE CELEBRATED TRANSLATIONS OF HOMER’S ILLIAD AND ODYSSEY BY ALEXANDER POPE

Homer; Translated by Alexander Pope.

The Iliad of Homer & The Odyssey of Homer.

London: Bernard Lintot, 1725-26. First editions of Alexander Pope’s monumental illustrated translations of Homer’s Iliad and Odyssey. Quarto, Subscribers edition. 11 volumes. Uniform contemporary calf, with gilt titles to the spine and corner ornaments, rebacked to style in medium brown calf, raised bands. The bookplate in each volume of Sir John C. Hobhouse. John Cam Hobhouse (1786 - 1869), was Lord Byron's close friend, literary confidante and executor. Frontispiece portrait in first volume of each work, engraved title vignette in second, folding map and folding view of the Siege of Troy, engraved head and tail pieces, decorated initials (but wanting the Shield of Achilles plate from volume V of the first work). Moderate foxing, tanning and offsetting in first four volumes of The Iliad, which is often encountered. The first volume lacks the half- title and a clean marginal tear to one binder's blank. The Odyssey, apart from some occasional marginal dusting, is generally crisp and fresh. Laid in is a one page a.n.s., undated, to Hobhouse, endeavoring to arrange a meeting, signatory illegible.

The subscribers list for the Iliad lists 575 subscribers, including Addison, Congreve, Newton, Steele and others; that for The Odyssey are 610 (including those in the supplementary list appended to the final volume). For the Odyssey, Pope was assisted by Elijah Fentonand William Broome, and pencil notes in the texts identify the responsible party for the specific Books and Notes. That those pencil annotations and incidental others in pencil in the same hand scattered elsewhere are Hobhouse's seems probable, as a pencil note in a quite similar (or same) hand appears at the conclusion of the Postscript to the final volume (14 Dec. 1843 J.H.), suggesting either the date of his acquisition of the set, or more likely, his completion of reading. Editions in folio (large and small) to benefit the publisher followed the appearance of each new volume in a timely fashion, the proceeds from Subscriber’s quarto edition having been Pope's exclusively.

$25,000
Mark Twain) Clemens, Samuel L.
Adventures of Huckleberry Finn.

New York: Charles L. Webster and Company, 1885. First edition, first issue of Twain’s masterpiece, one of approximately 500 copies bound in publisher’s three-quarter morocco binding. In near fine condition with light wear to the extremities. Octavo, original three-quarter brown morocco and marbled boards, gilt-decorated spine, marbled endpapers. Lithographic frontispiece and text illustrations by E.W. Kemble, photographic portrait frontispiece of the bust of Mark Twain by Karl Gerhardt. Copies of Huckleberry Finn in the original publisher’s leather bindings are quite rare: “The relative rarity of the cloth and leather bindings is clear. Less than two weeks before publication, [the publisher] Webster announced that he was binding 20,000 copies in cloth, another 2,500 in sheep, and 500 copies in three-quarter leather. The remaining 7000 copies of the first printing were probably bound up in similar proportions… Leather copies dried out, cracked apart, and have survived in even fewer numbers than the original production numbers would promise” (MacDonnell, 35). Housed in a custom half morocco clamshell box.

Ernest Hemingway once declared about The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn, “All modern literature comes from one book by Mark Twain. It’s the best book we’ve had. All American writing comes from that. There was nothing before. There has been nothing since.”

$16,000

“HE LAUGHS BEST WHO LAUGHS LEAST”
INSCRIBED BY MARK TWAIN

Mark Twain) Clemens, Samuel L.
The Man That Corrupted Hadleyburg.


$2,950
First Edition of the Important Smollett Translation of Cervantes’ Masterpiece

Cervantes Saavedra, Miguel De; Translated by Tobias Smollett. The History and Adventures of the Renowned Don Quixote De La Mancha. To Which is Prefixed, Some Account of the Author's Life.


Cervantes's masterpiece Don Quixote, Henry Fielding's favorite novel, was also much admired by Fielding's contemporary Tobias Smollett, who published a vigorous, highly readable translation in 1755, which continues to be read today. "Smollett's translation is historically important, for it is one of the principal versions in which Cervantes’ novel was known to several generations of English and American readers" (Thomas Hart). Its illustrator, Francis Hayman "was the most proficient English illustrator of his time, and this is his best book" (Ray, 5).

$3,850

Lavishly Illustrated with Numbered Plates of Cervantes’ Masterpiece

Cervantes Saavedra, Miguel de. Don Quixote de la Mancha.


Don Quixote is generally recognized as the first modern novel. Over those years, it has had an incredible influence on thousands of writers, from Dickens to Faulkner; who once said he reread it once a year, "just as some people read the Bible". Vladimir Nabokov is quoted as saying, "Don Quixote is greater today than he was in Cervantes's womb. [He] looms so wonderfully above the skyline of literature, a gaunt giant on a lean nag, that the book lives and will live through [his] sheer vitality... He stands for everything that is gentle, forlorn, pure, unselfish, and gallant. The parody has become a paragon."

$1,950
Handsme Set of Dickens Works With a Postcard Signed by Dickens

Dickens, Charles.

The Works of Charles Dickens.


Dickens is generally considered the greatest writer of the Victorian period. His works are characterized by attacks on social evils, injustice, and hypocrisy.

$9,500

DeFoe, Daniel; Henry Fielding; T. Smollett; Laurence Sterne; Illustrated by George Cruikshank.

The Life and Adventures of Robinson Crusoe, The History of Tom Jones: A Foundling; Amelia; Joseph Andrews; Peregrine Pickle; Tristram Shandy.


$1,950
Dickens, Charles.

**The Works of Charles Dickens.**

London: Chapman & Hall, 1906-1908. Octavo, 40 volumes. Full red morocco bound by Bayntun, with gilt titles and toothing, blue inlay. This example is finely bound and is extra-illustrated with two autograph letters signed by Charles Dickens. The first letter is to Sir John Bowring. An interesting letter regretting that Dickens did not attend Bowring's lecture and mentioning his "Falstaff house" and "All the Year Round" and joking with him about taking poison from the Natives. Bowring was a travel writer and the fourth Governor of Hong Kong. Published in Letters of Charles Dickens: 1836-1870, p 180. The second letter is from London, June 13, 1848, to Edward Davis. In which Dickens apologizes for not answering his letter earlier but explains that he has no connection to the Punch office and that his amateur company will not be able to visit Newcastle. Numerous plates throughout including mounted illustrations after George Cruikshank, Hablot K. Browne. An exquisite set in near fine condition.

$18,500

"A wonderful fact to reflect upon, that every human creature is constituted to be that profound secret and mystery to every other."

— Charles Dickens (A Tale of Two Cities)
Scott, Walter.  
**The Works of Sir Walter Scott.** 


“Scott’s influence as a novelist was incalculable; he established the form of the historical novel, and... the form of the short story” (Drabble, 879).

$6,800

Tennyson, Alfred Lord.  
**The Life and Works of Alfred Lord Tennyson.** 

New York/ London: Croscup & Sterling Company, 1893. Octavo, 14 volumes. Three quarters leather, gilt tooling to the spine, raised bands. Top edge gilt, marbled endpapers. One of only fifty sets produced in England and America, this set is number 10. In near fine condition. A very attractive complete set.

$1,650
FIRST EDITION OF FAULKNER'S MASTERPIECE AND ONE OF THE GREATEST NOVELS OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY: IN THE RARE FIRST ISSUE DUST JACKET

Faulkner, William. The Sound and the Fury.

New York: Jonathan Cape and Harrison Smith, 1929. First edition of the author’s masterpiece. Octavo, original cloth, black and white patterned paper boards. Fine in a near fine entirely unrestored first issue dust jacket with Humanity Uprooted priced at $3.00 on the rear panel with just a touch of fading to the spine panel. Petersen A6.2a. Brucolli & Clark I:121. Housed in a custom half morocco clamshell box. A sterling copy of one of the greatest novels of the twentieth century.

“The book suggests Joyce in its technique and the Russians—perhaps Dostoyevsky—in its theme. Fundamentally it owes little to any individual or to any school: it stands alone as a unique and startling conception” (from the front flap). “I am in awe of Faulkner’s Benjy, James’s Maisie, Flaubert’s Emma, Melville’s Pip, Mary Shelley’s Frankenstein—each of us can extend the list. . . . I am interested in what prompts and makes possible this process of entering what one is estranged from” (Toni Morrison).

$50,000

“Wonder. Go on and wonder.”

“To-morrow, and to-morrow, and to-morrow,
Creeps in this petty pace from day to day,
To the last syllable of recorded time;
And all our yesterdays have lighted fools
The way to dusty death. Out, out, brief candle!
Life’s but a walking shadow, a poor player,
That struts and frets his hour upon the stage,
And then is heard no more. It is a tale
Told by an idiot, full of sound and fury,
Signifying nothing.”

— William Shakespeare (Macbeth)
Wharton, Edith.

**Summer.**

New York: D. Appleton and Company, 1917. First edition. Octavo, original red cloth. Near fine in a very good dust jacket with a closed tear to the front panel and some wear to the spine. Rare, especially in the original dust jacket.

*Summer is one of only two novels to be set in New England by Wharton, who was best known for her portrayals of upper-class New York society. The novel details the sexual awakening of its protagonist, Charity Royall, and her cruel treatment by the father of her child, and shares many plot similarities with Wharton’s better-known novel, Ethan Frome. Summer was an immediate sensation when first published in 1917 and still stands as one of Wharton’s greatest achievements.*

$1,750

“When people ask me, ‘Do you collect books?’ I always say, ‘No. Books collect me.’”

- Nicolas Barker

Wharton, Edith.

**A Backward Glance: Reminiscences by Edith Wharton.**


$350
Woolf, Virginia. 
**Mrs. Dalloway.**

New York: Harcourt, Brace and Company, 1925. First American edition of Woolf's great modernist novel. Octavo, original cloth. Small name and date of 1925 on the front free endpaper, near fine in a very good dust jacket with a few small chips to the crown and a chip to the front panel. Housed in a custom half morocco clamshell box. Rare in the original dust jacket.

"In Mrs. Dalloway Woolf breaks decisively with the fictional conventions of the realistic novel... The technique is almost orchestral, introducing and then interweaving the strains of the different characters' thoughts, and finally engineering, through a subtle sequence of readjustments and realignments, a new and delicate harmony between them at the close of the book... Mrs. Dalloway thus initiated Woolf's sequence of radical experiments with literary form, embodying a striking combination of fluid sympathy and secret resistance... Through the novel's rapid transitions between apparently disconnected, but secretly related stories, Woolf was able to suggest the hazards of neatly pigeonholing human character according to social situation or gender" (Parker, 110-11).

$5,000

Woolf, Virginia. 
**Orlando: A Biography.**


At the time of Orlando's publication critics praised Virginia Woolf, "once more has broken with tradition and convention and has set out to explore still another fourth dimension of writing. Not that she has abandoned the 'stream of consciousness' method but with it she has combined what, for lack of a better term, we might describe as an application to writing of the Einstein theory of relativity" (New York Times).

$975
The most comprehensive saga of how America became involved in Vietnam; Inscribed by the Author

Halberstam, David. The Best and the Brightest.


“The Best and the Brightest, Pulitzer Prize winner David Halberstam’s... most important and impressive book, sets out to discover why America got involved in the worst and messiest war in our history. ‘What was it about the men, their attitudes, the country, its institutions and above all the era which had allowed this tragedy to take place?’ They were, after all, ‘the best and the brightest,’ so why did it happen? It happened, Halberstam concludes, because, ‘they had, for all their brilliance and hubris and sense of themselves, been unwilling to look and learn from the past.’” In 1992, looking back over 20 years to this first publication of The Best and the Brightest, “Halberstam noted that the book’s title had entered the language, but not quite as he had hoped. ‘It is often misused,’ he wrote, ‘failing to carry the tone or irony that the original intended’” (New York Times).

$750

The Author’s Copy With His Own Corrections

Warren, Robert Penn. A Place To Come To.


$500
Warren, Robert Penn.
All The King's Men.


Set in the 1930s, "All The King's Men" traces the rise and fall of Willie Stark, who resembles the real-life Huey “Kingfish” Long of Louisiana. Stark begins his political career as an idealistic man of the people but soon becomes corrupted by success. Generally considered the finest novel ever written on American politics. Basis for the 1949 film starring Broderick Crawford and the 2006 remake with Sean Penn, Jude Law and Kate Winslet. Named by Modern Library as one the 100 greatest novels of the twentieth century.

$12,000
Heaney, Seamus.
The Death of a Naturalist.

London: Faber and Faber, 1966. First edition. Octavo, original green cloth with titles to the spine in gilt. Inscribed by the author to his aunt in a contemporary hand, “For Aunt Annie: who is content only with the right word. Love, Seamus.” Additionally signed by Heaney in full on the title page. Fine in very good dust jacket with sunning to the pink portion of the spine and some overall wear. Housed in a custom half morocco clamshell box. Association copies of this caliber seldom enter the market.

The Death of a Naturalist is the first regularly published book by the Nobel Prize-winning poet. It consists of 34 short poems and is largely concerned with childhood experiences and the formulation of adult identities, family relationships, and rural life. The collection begins with one of Heaney’s best-known poems, "Digging", and includes the acclaimed "Death of a Naturalist".

$12,500
“Very few people really care about freedom, about liberty, about the truth, very few. Very few people have guts, the kind of guts on which a real democracy has to depend. Without people with that sort of guts a free society dies or cannot be born.” - The Golden Notebook

Lessing, Doris.

The Golden Notebook.


“The Golden Notebook is Doris Lessing’s most important work and has left its mark upon the ideas and feelings of a whole generation of women” (Elizabeth Hardwick, New York Times Book Review).

$3,250

First Edition of The Nobel Prize Winning Author’s
Magnum Opus

Kawabata, Yasunari; Translated by Edward G. Seidensticker.

Snow Country.


“Beautifully economical. . . . The haiku works entirely by implication; so, in this novel, using the same delicate, glancing technique, Mr. Kawabata probes a complicated human relationship” (The Time Literary Supplement).

$450
McCarthy, Cormac.

**Blood Meridian, or The Evening Redness in the West.**


"Blood Meridian seems to me the authentic American apocalyptic novel, more relevant even in 2000 than it was fifteen years ago. The fulfilled renown of Moby-Dick and of *As I Lay Dying* is augmented by *Blood Meridian*, since Cormac McCarthy is the worthy disciple both of Melville and of Faulkner. I venture that no other living American novelist, not even Pynchon, has given us a book as strong and memorable as *Blood Meridian*" (Harold Bloom). McCarthy can only be compared with our greatest writers, with Melville and Faulkner, and this is his masterpiece" (Michael Herr).

$15,000
McCarthy, Cormac.

_Suttree._


_Suttree is the fourth of McCarthy's novels to be published, but he had started it well before his first, The Orchard Keeper, appeared in 1965 to great critical acclaim. The principle scene of Suttree is Knoxville, Tennessee in the early 1950's. The central figure, Cornelius Suttree, is a fisherman who lives in a dilapidated houseboat on the river. Estranged from his prominent family, he has withdrawn from the society they represent, choosing instead a different world inhabited by people who live precarious, desperate, often violent lives. "McCarthy is a writer to he read, to be admired, and quite honestly- envied" (Ralph Ellison)."

$14,500
Literature

Ellison, Ralph.  
Invisible Man.  


Ralph Ellison’s first novel is “one of the most important works of the 20th century” (New York Times). It went on to win the National Book Award and was named by Modern Library as one of the 100 greatest novels of the twentieth century.

$8,500
Wolfe, Tom.
The Electric Kool-Aid Acid Test.

New York: Farrar, Strauss and Giroux, 1968. First edition of the classic account of Ken Kesey and the Merry Pranksters during their bus trip across America in the late 1960’s. Octavo, original cloth. Signed by Tom Wolfe with his characteristic signature on the title page and additionally signed by the subject, Ken Kesey on the half title page. Jacket design by Milton Glaser. Fine in a near fine dust jacket with just a touch of shelfwear. From the library of Larry Owens. The Electric Kool-Aid Acid Test was published by Farrar Strauss Giroux in 1968 and is considered ideal insight into the hippie movement. The New York Times said the novel is not simply the best book on the hippies, it is the essential book . . . the pushing, ballooning heart of the matter . . . Vibrating dazzle!" Indeed, "[a]mong journalists, Wolfe is a genuine poet; what makes him so good is his ability to get inside, to not merely describe (although he is a superb reporter), but to get under the skin of a phenomenon and transmit its metabolic rhythm" (Newsweek). The journalist himself is considered by Terry Southern "a groove and a gas. Everyone should send him money and other fine things. Hats off to Tom Wolfe!"

$2,500

Percy, Walker.
The Moviegoer.


“[I]t is clothed in originality, intelligence, and a fierce regard for man's fate. . . . Percy has a rare talent for making his people look and sound as though they were being seen and heard for the first time by anyone” (Time). The Moviegoer was included on Modern Library’s 100 Greatest novels of the 20th century and Time Magazine named it on its list of 100 Best English-language Novels from 1923 to 2005.

$4,500

“BEFORE, I WANDERED AS A DIVERSION. NOW I WANDER SERIOUSLY AND SIT AND READ AS A DIVERSION.”
GONE WITH THE WIND; FIRST EDITION INSCRIBED BY MARGARET MITCHELL

Mitchell, Margaret.
Gone With the Wind.

New York: Macmillan, 1936. First edition of the author's classic novel. Octavo, original gray cloth. Inscribed by Margaret Mitchell on the front free end paper. First printing, with “Published May 1936” on the copyright page and no mention of other printings. First issue dust jacket, with Gone with the Wind listed in the second column of the book list on the back panel, with $3.00 cost on the front flap. Near fine in an excellent dust jacket that shows light wear to the extremities. Housed in a custom half morocco clamshell box. A very bright copy.

In 1923, Margaret Mitchell became a feature writer for the Atlanta Journal, and in 1925, married John Marsh, a public relations officer for Georgia Power. She found most of her assignments unfulfilling, and she soon left to try writing fiction more to her own taste. Her own harshest critic, she would not try to get her work published. She began to write Gone with the Wind in 1926, while recovering from an automobile accident. Over the next eight years she painstakingly researched for historical accuracy. She accumulated thousands of pages of manuscript. Here is how she later described her life's labor: "When I look back on these last years of struggling to find time to write between deaths in the family, illness in the family and among friends which lasted months and even years, childbirths (not my own), divorces and neuroses among friends, my own ill health and four fine auto accidents ... it all seems like a nightmare. I wouldn't tackle it again for anything. Just as soon as I sat down to write, somebody I loved would decide to have their gall-bladder removed. ... " In 1934, an editor from Macmillan's Publishers came to Atlanta seeking new authors. He was referred to John and Margaret Marsh as people who knew Atlanta's literary scene. She steered him to several prospects, but didn't mention her own work. A friend told him that she was writing a novel, but she denied it. On the night before he was to leave Atlanta, she appeared at his hotel-room door with her still imperfect, mountainous manuscript and left it with him for better or for worse. "This is beyond doubt one of the most remarkable first novels produced by an American writer. It is also one of the best" (New York Times). Said to be the fastest selling novel in the history of American publishing (50,000 copies in a single day), Gone with the Wind went on to win the Pulitzer Prize.

$13,500

"Burdens are for shoulders strong enough to carry them."
— Margaret Mitchell (Gone with the Wind)
Salinger, J.D.
The Catcher In The Rye.

Boston: Little Brown, 1951. First edition of the author's first book. Octavo, original black cloth. An excellent very good copy in the original dust jacket, which has had some professional restoration to the spine extremities. The dust jacket is the correct first issue with the cropping of Salinger's head on the rear panel and the price on the front flap. Housed in a custom half morocco clamshell box.

Since his debut in 1951 as The Catcher In the Rye, Holden Caulfield has been synonymous with "cynical adolescent." Holden narrates the story of a couple of days in his sixteen-year-old life, just after he's been expelled from prep school, in a slang that sounds edgy even today and keeps this novel on banned book lists. It begins, "If you really want to hear about it, the first thing you'll probably want to know is where I was born and what my lousy childhood was like, and how my parents were occupied and all before they had me, and all that David Copperfield kind of crap, but I don't feel like going into it, if you want to know the truth. In the first place, that stuff bores me, and in the second place, my parents would have about two hemorrhages apiece if I told anything pretty personal about them."

$6,500
Levi, Primo; Translated by Raymond Rosenthal.  
**The Periodic Table.**


_The Periodic Table_ is largely a memoir of the years before and after Primo Levi’s transportation from his native Italy to Auschwitz as an anti-Fascist partisan and a Jew. “I immersed myself in _The Periodic Table_ gladly and gratefully. There is nothing superfluous here, everything this book contains is essential. It is wonderful pure, and beautifully translated...I was deeply impressed” (Saul Bellow). “Brilliant, grave and oddly sunny; certainly a masterpiece” (Los Angeles Times). In 2006, the Royal Institution of Great Britain named it the best science book ever.

$3,500

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Conroy, Pat  
**The Great Santini.**


$600

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Allen, Woody.  
**Without Feathers.**


_The title of Woody Allen's second collection of New Yorker-style sprint humor is a sly comment on Emily Dickinson's famous quote, "Hope is the thing with feathers."_

$500
Garcia Marquez, Gabriel.  
One Hundred Years of Solitude.  

New York: Harper & Row, 1970. First American edition of the author's magnum opus. Octavo, original green cloth with gilt lettering to the spine. Fine in a very near fine first issue price-clipped dust jacket with only light wear to the extremities. Inscribed and dated by Garcia Marquez on the dedication page. Inscribed by Bill Clinton on the half-title page, "For a fellow Yalie Bill Clinton." Also signed by the translator Gregory Rabassa. One Hundred Years of Solitude was declared Clinton's favorite novel. He recalls “I read it in my third year of Yale Law School and I literally couldn’t put it down,” Clinton said “My corporate law professor saw me reading that book and he thought I was three bricks shy of a full load. It was the first book in the style of ‘magical realism’ that Clinton said that he could fully fathom. From the book “I learned a lot about dreaming and family history. I believe he's the most important writer of fiction in any language since William Faulkner died” (William J. Clinton). Housed in a custom half morocco clamshell box. An exceptional copy of this landmark novel, seldom found inscribed.

"One Hundred Years of Solitude chronicles the life of Macondo, a fictional town based in part of Garcia Marquez's hometown of Aracataca, Columbia, and seven generations of the founding family, the Buen- dias. He creates a complex world with characters and events that display the full range of human experience. For the reader, the pleasure of the novel derives from its fast-paced narrative, humor, vivid characters, and fantasy elements. In this 'magic realism', the author combines imaginative flights of fancy with social realism to give us images of levitating priests, flying carpets, a four-year-long rainstorm, and a young woman ascending to heaven while folding sheets" (NYPL Books of the Century 31).

$12,500
Grass, Gunter.  
The Tin Drum.  
New York: Pantheon, 1962. First American edition. Octavo, original red cloth. Fine in a near fine dust jacket with light shelfwear to the spine. Inscribed by the author to poet Robert Lowell in German inscription, translated into English, reads: "To Robert Lowell, in admiration and in the hope to have the pleasure of meeting you soon in Berlin. Gunter Grass Berlin, Nov 3, 1966." From the estate of Elizabeth Hardwick, novelist and wife of Robert Lowell. Association copies of this caliber are rare, especially on what is considered his masterpiece. Housed in a custom half morocco clamshell box.

"When Günter Grass published "The Tin Drum" in 1959 it was as if German literature had been granted a new beginning after decades of linguistic and moral destruction. Within the pages of this, his first novel, Grass recreated the lost world from which his creativity sprang, Danzig, his home town, as he remembered it from the years of his infancy before the catastrophe of war. Here he comes to grips with the enormous task of reviewing contemporary history by recalling the disavowed and the forgotten: the victims, losers and lies that people wanted to forget because they had once believed in them. At the same time the novel breaks the bounds of realism by having as its protagonist and narrator an infernal intelligence in the body of a three-year-old, a monster who overpowers the fellow human beings he approaches with the help of a toy drum. The unforgettable Oskar Matzerath is an intellectual whose critical approach is childishness, a one-man carnival, dadaism in action in everyday German provincial life just when this small world becomes involved in the insanity of the great world surrounding it. It is not too audacious to assume that "The Tin Drum" will become one of the enduring literary works of the 20th century" (The Swedish Academy).

$8,500
Orwell, George. **Animal Farm.**


“A political fable that partly recounts, in an allegorical mode, the aftermath of the Russian revolution, and partly illustrates a belief in the universal tendency of power to corrupt” (Stringer, 22). “Animal Farm is [Orwell’s] masterpiece” (Connolly 93).

$275

Nabokov, Vladimir. **Lolita.**


“Brilliant... One of the funniest and one of the saddest books that will be published this year” (New York Times).

$350

Kerouac, Jack. **The Dharma Bums.**


“There were three books that really shaped Kerouac’s public image, the three that came out within a year of each other in 1957 and 1958: On the Road, The Subterraneans and The Dharma Bums” (Charters, 295). One of the best and most popular of Kerouac’s autobiographical novels, The Dharma Bums is based on experiences the writer had during the mid-1950s while living in California, after he’d become interested in Buddhism’s spiritual mode of understanding. One of the book’s main characters, Japhy Ryder, is thinly disguised on the poet Gary Snyder, who was a close friend and whose interest in Buddhism influenced Kerouac.

$975

“**ALL ANIMALS ARE EQUAL, BUT SOME ANIMALS ARE MORE EQUAL THAN OTHERS**”

- GEORGE ORWELL’S ANIMAL FARM
Lewis, C.S.
**The Screwtape Letters.**


*The Screwtape Letters* comprises thirty-one letters written by a senior demon named Screwtape to his nephew, Wormwood (named after a star in Revelation), a younger and less experienced demon, who is charged with guiding a man toward "Our Father Below" (Devil / Satan) and away from "the Enemy" (God). Versions of the letters were originally published weekly in the Anglican periodical *The Guardian* between May and November 1941.

$2,500

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**First Edition of Cat's Cradle; Signed by the Author with a Self-Caricature**

Vonnegut, Kurt.
**Cat's Cradle.**


*Cat's Cradle* is an apocalyptic tale of this planet's ultimate fate, it features a midget as the protagonist; a complete, original theology created by a calypse singer; and a cision of the future that is at once blackly fatalistic and hilariously funny. *Cat's Cradle* is one of the century's most important works. Chosen by the Modern Library as one of the best 100 novels of the 20th century.

$5,500
Fleming, Ian.
Casino Royale.

London: Jonathan Cape, 1953. First edition. Octavo, original black cloth. Inscribed by the author, “To Edwina who helped in the birth-pangs. From The Author.” With a letter of provenance from the original owner, Edwina C. Smith, who was a bilingual secretary to the Foreign Manager of Kemsley Newspapers, who was Ian Fleming.” When Fleming was writing Casino Royale, Smith notes that “this copy was acquired on the first day of its publication.” Fine in a near fine first issue dust jacket with lightest of rubbing to the extremities. Housed in a custom half morocco clamshell box.

Casino Royale was written by Ian Fleming in Jamaica over a period of around two months, largely from his own experiences and imagination; he also devised the artwork for the cover. "Within the first few pages Fleming had introduced most of Bond's idiosyncrasies and trademarks," which included his looks, his Bentley and his smoking and drinking habits. The full details of Bond's martini were kept until chapter seven of the book and Bond eventually named it "The Vesper", after Vesper Lynd" (Andrew Lycett). It has been filmed twice as a feature film, the first being the 1967 spoof starring David Niven, and later as the twenty-first official Bond film starring Daniel Craig as James Bond.

$110,000
To Edwina, who helped in the fifth bang. From the Author.
Fleming, Ian.  
**The Man With The Golden Gun.**

London: Jonathan Cape, 1965. First edition with the golden gun embossed on the front boards. Reportedly only 150 copies were printed. Octavo, original black cloth. An excellent near fine copy in a near fine dust jacket. A very bright copy of the rare first state binding. Housed in a custom half morocco clamshell box.

*Made into the 1975 film of the same title starring Roger Moore as Bond, with an all-star cast which included Christopher Lee, Britt Ekland, Maud Adams and Hervé Villachaize.*

$14,500
"No one would have believed in the last years of the nineteenth century that this world was being watched keenly and closely by intelligences greater than man's"

Wells, H.G.
The War of the Worlds.


“The War of the Worlds is a tour de force whose innumerable fictional offspring include numerous adaptations and homages, by far the most effective of which was Orson Wells’ Mercury Theater radio broadcast of 1938” (Anatomy of Wonder II-1234).

$1,850

FIRST EDITION OF THE INTERVIEW WITH THE VAMPIRE, THE AUTHOR JUDITH KRANTZ’S COPY: INSCRIBED BY ANNE RICE

Rice, Anne.
Interview With The Vampire.


Anne Rice’s first novel is a “seminal modern vampire novel” but also a “profoundly modern exploration of human sexuality, religious beliefs and personal philosophies... Rice’s interweaving of fiction and historical fact and atmospheric rendering of New Orleans as a city where the living and undead mingle are particularly powerful... [Her] Vampire Chronicles are landmarks of modern horror fiction almost single-handedly responsible for the phenomenal popularity of the vampire story at the end of the 20th century” (Barron, Fantasy and Horror 303).

$950
Campbell, Joseph.
The Hero With A Thousand Faces.

New York: Pantheon Books, 1949. First edition. Octavo, original half cloth. Light wear, near fine in a very good dust jacket with some chips to the spine. Inscribed by the author, “To Barbara and Bill with love and joy in their return, Joe April 6, 1951.” The recipients were the poets Barbara Howes and William Jay Smith, with their bookplate to the inside gutter. Housed in a custom half morocco clamshell box. A nice association copy of this classic work, that is uncommon inscribed.

In his seminal work, Joseph Campbell explores the theory that important myths from around the world have survived for thousands of years all share a fundamental structure, which he called the monomyth. Campbell's theory has been consciously applied by a wide variety of modern writers and artists, among them the creator of Star Wars, George Lucas.

$5,500

Rand, Ayn.
The Romantic Manifesto: A Philosophy of Literature.


Ayn Rand argues that objective standards in art are possible because art is not a subjective luxury, but rather a critical need of human life—not a material need, but a need of man’s rational mind, the faculty on which his material survival depends. The Romantic Manifesto takes its place beside The Fountainhead and Atlas Shrugged as one of the most important achievements of our time.

$3,500
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Rawls, John. 
A Theory of Justice.


In his magisterial new work...John Rawls draws on the most subtle techniques of contemporary analytic philosophy to provide the social contract tradition with what is, from a philosophical point of view at least, the most formidable defense it has yet received...[and] makes available the powerful intellectual resources and the comprehensive approach that have so far eluded antiutilitarians. He also makes clear how wrong it was to claim, as so many were claiming only a few years back, that systematic moral and political philosophy are dead...Whatever else may be true it is surely true that we must develop a sterner and more fastidious sense of justice. In making his peerless contribution to political theory, John Rawls has made a unique contribution to this urgent task. No higher achievement is open to a scholar” (Marshall Cohen, New York Times Book Review).

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Finely Bound Four-Volume Pulitzer-Prize Winning Set on the Life of John J. Marshall

Beveridge, Albert J. 


John J. Marshall was the longest-serving Chief Justice and the fourth longest-serving justice in US Supreme Court history, Marshall dominated the Court for over three decades and played a significant role in the development of the American legal system. Most notably, he reinforced the principle that federal courts are obligated to exercise judicial review, by disregarding purported laws if they violate the Constitution. Thus, Marshall cemented the position of the American judiciary as an independent and influential branch of government.

$500
Buckley Jr., William F.

God and Man at Yale: The Superstitions of "Academic Freedom".

Chicago: Henry Regnery Company, 1951 First edition of the author's first book and seminal work. Octavo, original cloth. Fine in a near fine dust jacket that shows some light wear. Inscribed by the author, “For Senator Owen Brewster with best wishes and admiration William F. Buckley.” The recipient served in the United States Senate from 1941 to 1952, and was also governor for the State of Maine. Also laid in is a blank letterhead from the United States Senate Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, where Brewster served on. A very sharp copy, with a nice association.

William F. Buckley’s God Man at Yale “concludes that the values inculcated at Yale 'are agnostic as to religion, interventionist and Keynesian as to economics, and collectivist as applied to the relation of the individual to society and government... A like case could be made out against the economics teaching in many other leading American universities today” (Hazen, The Free Man’s Library, 48).

$3,000

Signed by the Nobel Laureate

Rabin, Yitzhak.

The Rabin Memoirs.


Yitzhak Rabin's memoirs are important not only for the insider's view they offer about Israel and the Middle East, but also for providing a very human portrait of a heroic world leader.

$1,500
Leigh Fermor, Patrick.
A Journey To Peru: July 27th-Sept 2nd 1971 (Three Letters From the Andes).


In 1971 the celebrated traveller Patrick Leigh Fermor accompanied five friends on a remarkable journey into the high Andes of Peru. His adventure took him from Cuzco to Urubamba, on to Puno and Juli on Lake Titicaca, down to Arequipa and finally back to Lima. The expedition was led by a writer and poet and the party included a Swiss international skier and jeweller, a social anthropologist from Provence and a Nottinghamshire farming squire - all seasoned mountaineers. The other two participants - the author himself and a botany-loving duke - were complete novices. As the group travelled from Lima into increasingly remote parts of the country, Leigh Fermor captured their experiences in a series of letters to his wife. “Patrick Leigh Fermor is an exquisite among travel writers ... Having a polished sense of poetry and a bright sense of humour, he outshines Lawrence ... This is a delicious book” (Sunday Telegraph).

$2,000

Wharton, Edith; Illustrated by Maxfield Parrish.
Italian Villas and Their Gardens.


Edith Wharton’s Italian Villas and Their Gardens, a seminal work on garden design, is a testament to the passionate connoisseurship of one of America’s greatest writers. A comprehensive look at the history and character of Italian garden architecture and ornamentation, the book explores more than seventy-five villas, capturing what Wharton calls their "garden-magic" and illuminating the intimate relationship between the house, its formal gardens, and the surrounding countryside. "...Parish illustrations, in trademark dreamy, fairy-tale style--seems to dislocate these legendary gardens from time altogether" (Forbes).

$1,250
“FLAVOR, IN ITALIAN DISHES, BUILDS UP FROM THE BOTTOM”: SIGNED FIRST EDITION OF MARCELLA HAZAN’S FIRST BOOK

Hazan, Marcella.
**The Classic Italian Cookbook: The Art of Italian Cooking and the Italian Art of Eating.**


“The name Marcella Hazan is synonymous with great Italian cooking. The mere reading of her recipes can stimulate my appetite. Whether they are of a traditional nature or recent interventions, they are all lucidly written and well within the range of the amateur or professional” (Craig Claiborne).

$2,250

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“I consider cooking to be an act of love”

Hazan, Marcella.
**Marcella's Italian Kitchen.**

New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1986. First edition. Original boards. Fine in a near fine dust jacket. Inscribed by the author, “To Jane best wishes and...buen appetito Marcella Hazan.” The recipient is Jane Moulton, who was a food editor for The Cleveland Plain Dealer from 1967-1992. She was a member of the American Wine Society and was the editor of its journal until 2008.

“The name Marcella Hazan is synonymous with great Italian cooking. The mere reading of her recipes can stimulate my appetite. Whether they are of a traditional nature or recent interventions, they are all lucidly written and well within the range of the amateur or professional” (Craig Claiborne).

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Fisher, M.F.K.
**With Bold Knife & Fork.**


"[Fisher] writes as one intelligent adult to another—practically, often profoundly, and always beautifully. If eating means more to you than steak drowned in bottled sauces, then she's what you've been looking for" (The San Francisco Examiner). Clifton Fadiman wrote, "Mrs. Fisher is the finest writer on food now using the English language. With Bold Knife and Fork is a delightful book, every line of which throws new light on man's oldest activities."

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Mondavi, Robert.
**Harvest of Joy: My Passion For Excellence How the Good Life Became Great Business.**


In Harvests of Joy, Mondavi shares how, through his passion for excellence, he achieved this extraordinary position, one he reached not without pain and sacrifice. With invaluable insider tips on his approach to both wine making and to running a business, Mondavi's inspirational story is "a grand example of the fact that in America you can pretty much be, do, or accomplish, whatever you set out to" (Ventura County Star).“

$175

Beard, James; Illustrated by Alice and Martin Provensen.
**How to Eat (and Drink) Your Way Through a French (or Italian) Menu.**


$300

"There is absolutely no substitute for the best. Good food cannot be made of inferior ingredients masked with high flavor. It is true thrift to use the best ingredients available and to waste nothing."

— James Beard
Chatwin, Bruce.  
*In Patagonia.*  

An exhilarating look at a place that still retains the exotic mystery of a far-off, unseen land, Bruce Chatwin’s exquisite account of his journey through Patagonia teems with evocative descriptions, remarkable bits of history, and unforgettable anecdotes. Fueled by an unmistakable lust for life and adventure and a singular gift for storytelling, Chatwin treks through “the uttermost part of the earth”—that stretch of land at the southern tip of South America, where bandits were once made welcome—in search of almost forgotten legends, the descendants of Welsh immigrants, and the log cabin built by Butch Cassidy. An instant classic upon publication in 1977, *In Patagonia* is a masterpiece that has cast a long shadow upon the literary world. "A travel book to stand on the shelf with Graham Greene, Somerset Maugham, and Paul Theroux." (The New York Times Book Review).

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Vanderbilt, William K.  
*West Made East With The Loss Of A Day: A Chronicle of the First Circumnavigation of the Globe under the United States Naval Reserve Yacht Pennant.*  
New York: Privately Printed, by Edmund Garrett, 1933. First edition, one of 1,000 copies. Quarto, original cloth. Top edge gilt. In near fine condition in the original with the original slipcase. Lavishly Illustrated throughout. Uncommon in the slipcase.

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“Along with most of my fellow fliers, I believed that aviation had a brilliant future. Now we live, today, in our dreams of yesterday; and, living in those dreams, we dream again”:

*The Spirit of St. Louis* Inscribed by Charles A. Lindbergh

Lindbergh, Charles A.

*The Spirit of St. Louis.*

New York: Scribner’s Sons, 1953. Octavo, original blue cloth. Inscribed by the author, “To ______ with best wishes Charles A. Lindbergh”. Some wear to the cloth, a very good copy in an excellent dust jacket with a modicum of rubbing to the extremities. Housed in custom clamshell box.

*Winner of the 1954 Pulitzer Prize for Autobiography, this is Lindbergh’s riveting account of the first nonstop flight between the United States and Europe he undertook in 1927. “At its exciting best, this book keeps the reader cockpit close to a rare adventure” (Time).*

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First Edition of the Author’s Comic Masterpiece; Signed by Eric Newby

Newby, Eric.

*A Short Walk In the Hindu Kush.*

New York: Doubleday & Company, 1958. First American edition of the author's most well known book. Octavo, original cloth. Signed by the author on the title page. Near fine in a very good dust jacket. From the library of travel collector, Mary Anna Marten, who was the daughter of the 3rd and last Lord Alington of Crichel and later trustee of The British Museum.

*A Short Walk In the Hindu Kush is an autobiographical account of Eric Newby’s adventures in the Hindu Kush, around the Nuristan mountains of Afghanistan, ostensibly to make the first mountaineering ascent of Mir Samir. It has been described as a comic masterpiece, intensely English, and understated. It has gone on to sell over 500,000 copies in paperback. The Telegraph named it as one of its "20 best travel books of all time".*

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Popper, Karl R.
The Open Society And Its Enemies.

London: George Routledge & Sons, 1945. First editions of the economist’s magnum opus. Octavo, 2 volumes. Each volume is near fine in a very good dust jackets with light wear. Each volume is signed by Karl Popper. Housed in a custom half morocco clamshell box. Exceptionally rare signed and in the original dust jackets.

One of the most important books of the twentieth century, Karl Popper’s The Open Society and Its Enemies is an uncompromising defense of liberal democracy and a powerful attack on the intellectual origins of totalitarianism. Popper was born in 1902 to a Viennese family of Jewish origin. He taught in Austria until 1937, when he emigrated to New Zealand in anticipation of the Nazi annexation of Austria the following year, and he settled in England in 1949. Before the annexation, Popper had written mainly about the philosophy of science, but from 1938 until the end of the Second World War he focused his energies on political philosophy, seeking to diagnose the intellectual origins of German and Soviet totalitarianism. The Open Society and Its Enemies was the result.

$37,500
Popper, Karl R.

*The Poverty of Historicism.*

Boston: Beacon Press, 1957. First edition. Octavo, original cloth. Inscribed by the author, “To Jacob Viner from K.R.P.” A bright near fine copy in an excellent dust jacket with light shelf wear. Jacob Viner was a Canadian economist and is considered to be one of the "inspiring" mentors of the early Chicago School of Economics in the 1930s and was one of the leading figures of the Chicago faculty. Housed in a custom half morocco clamshell box.

*On its publication in 1957, The Poverty of Historicism was hailed by Arthur Koestler as 'probably the only book published this year which will outlive the century.' Beautifully written, it has inspired generations of readers, intellectuals and policy makers. One of the most important books on the social sciences since the Second World War.*

$6,500

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Rhea, Robert.

*The Dow Theory: An Explanation of Its Development and an Attempt to Define Its Usefulness As An Aid In Speculation.*

New York: Barron's 1932. First edition of this classic work by one of the pioneering figures in the history of Dow Theory. Octavo, original cloth. In near fine condition. Inscribed by the author, "To Katherine Hubert from the compiler of these notes Robert Rhea June 22, 1933." Laid into this volume is a pamphlet by Rhea, entitled the "Dow Theory Comment." Books inscribed by Rhea are rare.

*Originally published serially by Barron's, it is an explanation of Dow Theory development and an attempt to define its usefulness as an aid to speculation. Rhea carefully studied 252 editorials of Charles H. Dow and William Peter Hamilton in order to present Dow Theory in terms that would be useful for the individual investor.*

$1,250
“There is nothing like losing to know how not to trade, and by learning how not to trade, you learn how to trade.” First Edition of Lefevre’s The Making of a Stockbroker

Lefevre, Edwin.
The Making of a Stockbroker.


The Making of a Stockbroker was published by George H. Doran Company in 1924. Lefevre dedicated his book to John Wing Prentiss, a new breed of stockbroker of that era. This fictionalized account follows a brokerage firm from its founding through 1924, and the author explains how the stockbroker can work from the inside to make earn lucratively without using propagandic whitewashing. Lefevre follows the narrative of John Kent Wing to also portray the inner-workings of the market while contributing to the decade’s new image of managers. Lefevre wrote during the great bull market of the 1920s, and he befittingly conceived of virtuous public-spirited manager, one who places long-term economic stability above selfish interests. The Making of Stockbroker is therefore an instruction for personal form in light of human nature, but it is also a history of the market after the age of the buccaneer but before the great depression and subsequent security regulations.

$1,400

"Undoubtedly the most important work on probability"

Keynes, John Meynard. [J.M.].
A Treatise on Probability.


In 1999, Time magazine included Keynes in their list of the 100 most important and influential people of the 20th century, commenting that: "His radical idea that governments should spend money they don’t have may have saved capitalism." In addition to being an economist, Keynes was also a civil servant, a director of the British Eugenics Society, a director of the Bank of England, a patron of the arts and an art collector, a part of the Bloomsbury Group of intellectuals, an advisor to several charitable trusts, a writer, a philosopher, a private investor, and a farmer.

$1,750
MacKay, Charles.

Memoirs of Extraordinary Popular Delusions and the Madness of Crowds.


Memoirs of Extraordinary Popular Delusions and the Madness of Crowds is divided into three broad categories, including 'National Delusions,' 'Peculiar Follies,' and 'Philosophical Delusions.' The author discusses and usually debunks a wide variety of subjects and events. These include economic bubbles like the tulip craze of Holland in 1637 or the Mississippi Company financial bubble of 1719; alchemy, which was of particular interest to individuals who wanted to create gold out of lesser-valued materials; the Crusades, also known as the Middle Ages mania; witch hunts, the persecution of thousands of innocent victims that arose from either supernatural ill fortune or neighbors with a score to settle; duels; the political and religious influence on beards; and several others. The impact of Mackay’s work has been remarkably far-reaching, influencing such fields as popular psychology and the stock market— as noted by The New York Times, which urged: “Any investor who has not read Charles Mackay’s “Tulipomania,” from his classic Extraordinary Popular Delusions, first published in 1841, should grab this book for that exercise alone.”

$18,500
Ricardo, David; (Edited by McCulloch, J.R.)
The Works of David Ricardo, Esq., MP. with A Notice of the Life and Writings of the Author.

London: John Murray, 1846. First edition of the works of Ricardo. Octavo, original cloth with gilt titles to the spine. In very good condition with light rubbing to the cloth. Uncommon, especially in the original cloth. Housed in a custom half morocco clamshell box.

David Ricardo became a stockbroker at the age of 21 and slowly became a recognized economic scholar in England. Though he retired at 42, he spent the following years of his life concentrating on his writing and research. “David Ricardo is without doubt the greatest representative of classical political economy. He carried the work begun by Adam Smith to the farthest point possible... Ricardo, writing 50 years later than Smith, showed a greater insight into the working of the economic system... In the opinion of his own contemporaries at home and abroad, Ricardo was acknowledged the leader of the science... His most important work is On the Principles of Political Economy and Taxation, first published in 1817” (Roll, History of Economic Thought, 155-6).

$4,200
Ricardo, David; Edited by Piero Sraffa & M.H. Dobb.  
The Works And Correspondence Of David Ricardo.  
First editions. Octavo, original cloth. 10 volumes.  
A complete set of the works and correspondence of Ricardo. Each are near fine to fine in excellent dust jackets. An very nice set, uncommon in such nice condition.  

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Clews, Henry.  
Twenty-Eight Years In Wall Street.  

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Sharpe, William F.
Portfolio Theory & Capital Markets.

William Sharpe's groundbreaking approach to the Capital Asset Pricing Model (CAPM) laid the foundation for today's most important investment tools and theories, gave the investment world the still vital Sharpe Ratio -- and made him the co-recipient of the 1990 Nobel Prize in Economics.

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Shubik, Martin.
The Theory of Money and Financial Institutions.
Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 1999. First editions. Octavo, 2 volumes. Both volumes are inscribed by the author. Both volumes are near fine in near fine dust jackets with light shelf wear.

"Mathematical institutional economics"--a term Martin Shubik coined in 1959 to describe the theoretical underpinnings needed for the construction of an economic dynamics. The goal is to develop a process-oriented theory of money and financial institutions that reconciles micro- and macroeconomics, using as a prime tool the theory of games in strategic and extensive form. The approach involves a search for minimal financial institutions that appear as a logical, technological, and institutional necessity, as part of the "rules of the game." Money and financial institutions are assumed to be the basic elements of the network that transmits the sociopolitical imperatives to the economy. Volume 1 deals with a one-period approach to economic exchange with money, debt, and bankruptcy. Volume 2 explores the new economic features that arise when we consider multi-period finite and infinite horizon economies.

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Smith, Vernon L.

**Papers in Experimental Economics.**


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**Based on the author’s Ph.D. thesis, the first to articulate the theory of Discounted Cash Flow: Rare First Edition of The Theory of Investment Value**

Williams, John Burr.

**The Theory of Investment Value.**

Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 1938. First edition of the economist’s groundbreaking work. Octavo, original red cloth with gilt titles to the spine. In near fine condition. Housed in a custom half morocco clamshell box. First editions are exceptionally rare.

*Based on the author’s Ph.D. thesis at Harvard, John Burr Williams’ discovery was to project an estimate that offers intrinsic value and it is called the ‘Dividend Discount Model’ which is still used today by investors. “Williams combined original theoretical concepts with enlightening and entertaining commentary based on his own experiences in the rough-and-tumble world of investment”* (Peter L. Bernstein).

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“THE ISSUE IS ALWAYS THE SAME: THE GOVERNMENT OR THE MARKET. THERE IS NO THIRD SOLUTION.”

Von Mises, Ludwig.  
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*The title comes from Mises's description of the reality of central planning and socialism, whether of the national variety (Nazism) or the international variety (communism). Rather than create an orderly society, the attempt to central plan has precisely the opposite effect. By short-circuiting the price mechanism and forcing people into economic lives contrary to their own choosing, central planning destroys the capital base and creates economic randomness that eventually ends in killing prosperity.*

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Hayek, Friedrich A.; Foreword by John Chamberlain.  
The Road To Serfdom.


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$40,000
Arrow, Kenneth J.  
**Social Choice and Individual Values.**

New York: John Wiley & Sons, 1951. First edition of the economist's ground breaking work. Octavo, original blue cloth with titles and frontispiece in gilt. Inscribed by the author in a contemporary hand to fellow economist David W. Slater, “For Dave with best wishes Ken.” Slater has written his name and dept. of economics Stanford University. Fine in a very good dust jacket. Housed in a custom half morocco clamshell box. Rare, especially in the original dust jacket and inscribed.

*The Nobel Prize-winning economist's first book was his doctoral dissertation at Columbia. “Arrow's 'impossibility theorem' appeared to have such startling consequences for both political philosophy and welfare economics that literally hundreds of papers have been written to refute it. But Arrow's theorem has withstood all technical criticisms and has never been decisively challenged on its own grounds” (Great Economists Since Keynes, 6).*

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Brooks, John.  
**Once In Golconda: A True Story of Wall Street 1920-1938.**


*Once In Golconda is a Wall Street classic that vividly depicts the stock market boom of the twenties, the crash of 1929, the Depression, and the coming of the New Deal. "As Mr. Brooks tells this tale of dishonor, desperation, and the fall of the mighty, it takes on overtones of Greek tragedy, a king brought down by pride. Whitney's sordid history has been told before. . . But in Mr. Brooks's hands, the drama becomes freshly shocking" (Wall Street Journal).*

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Buchanan, James M.

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"As he usually does, Professor Buchanan has produced an interesting and provocative piece of work. [Cost and Choice] starts off as an essay in the history of cost theory; the central ideas of the book are traced to Davenport and Knight in the United States, and to a series of distinguished writers associated at various times with the London School of Economics. The author emerges from this discussion with what can be described as the ultimate in subjectivist cost doctrines. . . . Economists should learn the lessons offered to us in this little book—and learn them well. It can save them from serious errors” (William J. Baumol, Journal of Economic Literature).

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Buchanan, James M.

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*Published originally in 1975, The Limits of Liberty made James Buchanan’s name more widely known than ever before among political philosophers and theorists and established Buchanan, along with John Rawls and Robert Nozick, as one of the three new contractarians, standing on the shoulders of Hobbes, Locke, and Kant.*

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The Nobel Prize-Winning Author’s Ground Breaking Work; Inscribed by Him

Canetti, Elias.
Crowds and Power.

London: Victor Gollancz, 1962. First British edition. Octavo, original blue cloth. Inscribed by the author on the front free endpaper. An excellent copy in a very good dust jacket that shows some modest rubbing to the extremities. Elias Canetti was awarded the 1981 Nobel Prize in literature on the basis of this work, his masterpiece, Crowds and Power.

“Ranging from soccer crowds and political rallies to Bushmen and the pilgrimage to Mecca, Canetti exhaustively reviews the way crowds form, develop, and dissolve, using this taxonomy of mass movement as a key to the dynamics of social life. The style is abstract, erudite, and anecdotal, which makes Crowds and Power the sort of work that awes some readers with its profundity while irritating others with its elusiveness. Canetti loves to say something brilliant but counterintuitive, and then leave the reader to figure out both why he said it and whether it’s really true” (Richard Farr).

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First Edition of the Author’s Classic Work; Signed by Murray N. Rothbard

Rothbard, Murray N.
For A New Liberty: The Libertarian Manifesto.


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Coase, Ronald H.

**British Broadcasting: A Study In Monopoly.**


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Coase, Ronald H.

**Essays on Economics and Economists.**


*This is a series of 15 essays written by the 1991 Nobel laureate in economics. Unlike most such collections, the essays are not primarily about Coase's work. The first half of the book contains essays on methodology: what economists do and how they do it. Coase's explanations are thought-provoking. As Coase demonstrates, economics in its theoretical and empirical work is more normative than most economists would prefer to believe. Simple principles are often ignored, replaced by complex ones beyond the ken of economics. The remaining essays are biographical sketches that focus primarily on famous English economists such as Adam Smith and Alfred Marshall. These essays provide insight into the roots of modern economics.*

$850
Drucker, Peter F.
The Future of Industrial Man.


This book has but one topic: How can an industrial society be built as a free society? This is the only book by Drucker in which he systematically develops a basic social theory. He presents the requirements for any society to be functioning and legitimate, and then applies these general concepts to the special.

$5,500

Fisher, Philip A.
Paths To Wealth Through Common Stocks.


Paths to Wealth through Common Stocks expands upon the innovative ideas found in Fisher's highly regarded Common Stocks and Uncommon Profits—summarizing how worthwhile profits have been and will continue to be made through common stock ownership, and revealing why his method can increase profits while reducing risk. Many of the ideas found here may depart from conventional investment wisdom, but the impressive results produced by these concepts—which are still relevant in today's market environment—will quickly remind you why Philip Fisher is considered one of the greatest investment minds of our time.

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Galbraith, John Kenneth.
The Great Crash of 1929.

Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 1955. First edition with the date of 1955 on the title page. Octavo, original red cloth. Inscribed by the author in the year of publication, “With love and all good wishes to my very good friend Mary Lord from J.K. Galbraith June 1955.” An excellent copy with some dampstaining to the back cloth panel in a bright near fine dust jacket. The recipient was Mary Pillsbury Lord, heir to the Pillsbury fortune and from 1948-1952 she chaired and organized the U.S. Committee of UNICEF. In 1953 President Eisenhower appointed her to succeed Eleanor Roosevelt as the United States representative to the United Nations Human Rights Commission. Housed in a custom half morocco clamshell box.

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