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“Few things are impossible to diligence and skill. Great works are performed not by strength, but by perseverance.”

Dr S. Johnson
Contemporary full calf with coat of arms. First edition, all in fine contemporary hand color, of Van Adrichem's famous description of the Holy Land. Illustrated with 12 folding and/or double page engraved maps, including a large sheet map of the Holy Land, a large sheet plan of Jerusalem, and 10 maps showing the territories of the Tribes of Israel. Good copy, professionally rebacked.
2. AGASSIZ Jean Louis Rodolphe
UNTERSUCHUMGEN DIE GLETSCHER
(Atlas for “Études sur les Glaciers”)
NEUCHATEL, LITHOGRAPHIE
VON H. NICOLET, 1840
Large Folio (480x325 mm)

Publisher’s half cloth binding. The volume is the Atlas for the famous “Études sur les glaciers”. “Un ouvrage fondamental sur la théorie des glaciers. Les observation de Agassiz ont ouvert de nouvelles perspectives dans la description de la formation, du développement, du mouvement de l’effet des glaciers” (Perret).

3. AGRIPPA Camillo
TRATTATO DI SCIENTIA D’ARME, CON UN DIALOGO DI FILOSOFIA DI CAMILLO AGRIPPA MILANESE
ROMA, PER ANTONIO BLADO, (1553)
4to (225x170 mm)

Contemporary vellum. First edition of this beautifully illustrated fencing-treatise. “Seventeen years after the first appearance of Marozzo’s system of fencing, the printer Antonio Blado published in Rome (...) a remarkable work on swordsmanship, which advocated some very bold and new principles. (...) Agrippa devoted much of his time to practice in the schools of fence. Not being a teacher, he was not shackled by any conventions, and accordingly the book is orig., and much in advance of the popular notions of his days” (Castle). Expertly washed, otherwise good copy.
4. ALBUM OF ORIGINAL SKETCHES AND WATERCOLOURS
ENGLAND (?), 18th/19th CENTURY
Folio (480x290 mm)
Contemporary half calf over marbled boards. 106 watercolors, ink and pencil sketches by unknown artist on vellum paper mounted on 54 leaves. This beautiful album takes inspiration from the famous work published in Paris (1781-1786) in four volumes by Saint Non Abbot “Voyage pittoresque ou description des royaumes de Naples et de Sicile”. The drawings, finely executed, depict views of southern Italy enriched by characters. An interesting section is dedicated to the archeology of Pompeii. Some plates are slightly damaged, because of the delicacy of the thin paper, otherwise good condition.

5. ALEXANDROS TES APHRODISIAS
ALEXANDRI APHRODISII
IN TOPICA ARISTotelis,
COMMENTARII. (Graece) (ALDUS)
VENETIIS IN AEDIBUS ALDI, ET
ANDREA SOcERI, MENSE SEPTEMBRI. MDXIII
Folio (305x200 mm)
18th century half calf. Very rare Editio princeps of the Commentari of Alexander of Aphrodisias to the eight books of Topics of Aristotle. Very good copy.
Stunning contemporary calf gilt à la cire, with wax mosaic decoration. A collection of fifteen classical and medieval authors writing on rhetoric. Very good copy, beautiful binding.

6. **ANTIQUI RHETORES LATINI... EX BIBLIOTHECA FRANCISCI PITHOEI I C. INDEX OMNES SUPERIORES AUTHORES.**
PARIIS, APUD AMBROSIUM DROUART, 1599
4to (220x155 mm)

7. **APULEIUS Madaurensis COMMENTARII A PHILIPPO BEROALDO CONDITI IN ASINUM AUREUM LUCII APULEII.**
BONONIAE, BENEDICTUS HECTORIS, August 1st, 1500
Folio (310x220 mm)

8. ARGELLATA (da) Petrus
CIRURGIA MAGISTRI PETRI
DE LARGELATA
VENETIIS, PER BONETUM LOCATELLUM,
MANDATO ET EXPENSIS OCT. SCOTI, 1497
Folio (282x188 mm)

Modern vellum. Third edition. Argellata was a distinguished surgeon in his day, a pupil of Guy de Chauliac and Chair of Logic, Astrology and Medicine at the University of Bologna. Some leaves neatly restored, otherwise in good condition.

€ 16.000

9. ARISTOPHANES
IN HOC PARVO LIBRO HAEC INSUNT. ARISTOPHANIS CERERIS SACRA CELEBRANTES.
EUSDEM LYSISTRATE. (Graece)
FLORENCE, IUNTA, 1515 [i.e. 1516]
8vo (166x105 mm)

19th century red paper boards. Text in Greek. Editio princeps of Thesmophoriazousae and Lysistrata. “These editions are of some rarity and value: the edition of 1515, which presents us with better readings than Aldus’s was published... with the nine comedies only; but in the same year, and with the same types, the remaining two comedies were first given to the world in a separate volume, so that purchasing the first edition of Junta it will be necessary to examine whether it contains the eleven comedies” (Dibdin). Lacks the penultimate blank, otherwise good condition.

€ 5.000
10. ARISTOTELES
[OPERA] HOC IN VOLUMINE CONTINENTUR INFRASCRIPTA OPERA ARISTOTELIS VIDE LICET
VENETIIS, PER GREGORIUM DE GREGORIIS, 1496. DIE VERO, XIII. IULII
Folio (310x195 mm)
Contemporary full calf. Sixth edition (but first of this collection of works). Contains many works of Aristotle about natural sciences as well as texts by Johannes Argyropulo, Leonardo Bruni, Giorgio Valla and others; dedicatory letter to Benedictus Fontana. Professionally restored binding, browning at some leaves, otherwise good copy.

11. AVICENNA - RAMON LULL - ARISTOTELES
DE ALCHIMIA OPUSCULA COMPLURA VETERUM PHILOSOPHORUM
FRANCOFORTE, CYRIACUS JACOBUS, 1550
4to (185x140 mm)
Contemporary full vellum. First edition. A compendium of different alchemical treatises in Latin; the most significant is the treaty of Abu ‘Ali al-Husayn ibn’ Abd Allah ibn Sina, better known as Avicenna, Persian polymath who is regarded as one of the most significant thinkers and writers of the Islamic Golden Age. In good condition but missing the second part Rosarium Philosophorum.
12. BARBERIIS (de) Philippus
DISCORDANTIAE SANCTORUM DOCTORUM HIERONYMI ET AUGUSTINI
[ROMA, GEORGIVS TEUTONICVS (HEROLT O LAUER) AND SIXTUS RIESSINGER], [C. 1482].
4to (230x155 mm)

Beautiful binding in full brown morocco à la Grolier, signed by Lortic Frères. The work, first published in 1481, describes the divergences between St. Jerome (St. Hieronymus) and St. Augustine, following are some poems attributed to Proba Centona. Two initial and two terminal blanks replaced. Probably washed in the 19th century, impressive binding.

13. BERGOMENSIS Jacobus Philippus
[FORESTI Giacomo Filippo] DE PLURIMIS CLARIS SELECTISQUE MULIERIBUS.
FERRARIE, LAURENTII DE RUBEIS DE VALENTIA, April 29th, 1497
Folio (315x205 mm)
Modern brown calf over wooden boards. First and extremely rare edition. A classic of Italian renaissance book illustration and the first encyclopedia of women. The dedication of this treatise on illustrious women to Beatrice of Aragon, widow of Matthias Corvinus of Hungary, implies that the work may have been printed from an earlier manuscript, since Beatrice died in 1491. Perfect condition. Very nice copy, wide margins.
14. BLOUET Guillaume Abel
CHUTES DU NIAGARA.
NIAGARA FALLS.
PARIS, DELPECH ÉDITEUR, 1838
Large Folio (570x390 mm)

Original wrappers and title Chutes du Niagara. 6 leaves of plates executed by C. Remond and printed by Delpech, depicting the falls from different perspectives. According to J. E. Adamson this album is one “of the most interesting series of representations of waterfalls appeared before 1850”. Good condition.

15. BODION Giambattista - PETITOT Eurimond
DESCRIZIONE DELLE FESTE CELEBRATE IN PARMA L’ANNO 1769
IN PARMA, NELLA REALE STAMPERIA (1769)
Large Folio (570x420 mm)

Contemporary boards. Famous work printed by Giambattista Bodoni and produced in celebration of the wedding of Ferdinand I de Bourbon, Duke of Parma, to the Maria Amalia, Archduchess of Austria, in 1769. Jean Pierre Mariette marveled “à voir sortir d’une imprimerie naissante un livre si parfaitement exécuté dans toutes ses parties... un chef-d’œuvre”. Very good copy.
16. BOOK OF HOURS
HEURES DE LA VIERGE
À L’USAGE DE ROUEN
FRANCE, LATE 15th CENTURY
(175x115 mm)
Contemporary velvet binding over wooden boards. Manuscript on vèlin vellum, illuminated probably by Jean Colombe’s pupil. 138 leaves, with 8 large miniatures, 12 small miniatures. The first two big miniatures and any small miniatures are extraordinarily interesting: indeed they do not follow the usual pattern of the books of hours. Most probably the book was commissioned ad hoc complying the desires of the commissioner Isabelle Reme de Croismare of Rouen. In excellent condition.
17. BOOK OF HOURS
HEURES DE LA VIERGE
À L’USAGE DE ROME
FRANCE, LATE 15th CENTURY
(180x130 mm)

18th century olive gilt italian morocco. Manuscript on vellum. 113 leaves, with 13 large miniatures, border decoration with animals and vegetables. The faces of the characters have been masterfully painted. In very good condition.

18. BOOK OF HOURS
HEURES DE LA VIERGE
À L’USAGE DE BAYAUX
FRANCE, LATE 15th CENTURY
(185x132 mm)

16th century rich and luxurious fanfare binding or reliure des Eve. Manuscript on vellum. 82 leaves, with 4 large miniatures and 6 initials on brightly gold grounds. Unfortunately, the first leave (maybe a miniature or text) of the Office to the Dead missing, otherwise in mint condition.

€ 54.000

€ 45.000
19. CARLEVARIS Luca

LE FABRICHE, E VEDUTE DI VENETIA DISEGNATE, POSTE IN PROSPETTIVA ET INTAGLIATE DA LUCA CARLEVARIS CON PRIVILEGII.

VENICE, GIO. BATTISTA FINAZZI, (1703)

4to (285x215 mm)

Contemporary marbled calf, 101 numbered etched views. Third edition and second state on three for Succi (2013). The most complete and important work of the fabrice of the city ever produced. "The large blank wall areas soaked with light, the planarity of his of his architectural rendering, and his sky and water, were to be influential not only on his immediate contemporaries, such as Canaletto and Visentin, but also later printmakers like Charles Meryon" (Millard). In mint condition.

€ 34,000

20. CASSERIUS Iulius

DE VOCI SAUDITUSQUE ORGANIS HISTORIA ANATOMICA

FERRARIAE; PATAVII: BALDINUS, 1600

Folio (380x265 mm)

19th century full vellum. First edition of the most beautiful and celebrated book published on the ear and throat, based on human and animal dissections. Several leaves trimmed to the borderline, title page and dedication page restored, otherwise good condition.

€ 6,000
21. CAVALCANTES Vincentius

MANUSCRIPT

IN TRES ARISTOTELIS
LIBROS DE ANIMA

ROME, 1606

(195x140 mm)

Stunning unrestored Roman binding in red gilt morocco. Manuscript in Latin on paper; commentary on the De Anima of Aristotle: the work consists of the handouts of the philosophy course taught by Father Joseph Augustinus, Society of Jesus, at the Collegio Romano in the Eternal City, dated 26 August 1606 and signed by the author Vincentius Cavalcantes. One clasp missing, otherwise very good condition.

22. CHAULIAC (de) Guy

CYRURGIA GUIDONIS
DE CAULIACO.

VENETIS, GREGORIUS DE GREGORIIS,
ANNO SALUTIS NOSTRE 1513
Folio (296x199 mm)

18th century half calf. Second edition of 16th century. French physician and surgeon, Guy de Chauliac was “the most eminent surgeon of his time; his authority remained for some 200 years. He distinguished the various kinds of hernia from varicocele, hydrocele, and sacrocele, and described an operation for the radical cure of hernia. Chauliac discussed the anatomy of the teeth” (Garrison-Morton). Some water stain at the first leaves, otherwise good copy.
Contemporary full vellum. 137 engraved charts, maps, and plates. “Important, fine, large-scale maps by one of Italy’s most illustrious cartographers” (Shirley). After the publications of Ortelius atlas, Mercator, Blaeu and Janssonius, the Coronelli’s Atlas was the first Italian atlas to describe the whole world, characterized by the magnificence of his maps, updated with the latest geographical knowledge. Nice condition.
24. D’AQUINO Thomas
COMMENTUM IN OCTO LIBROS PHYSICORUM ARISTOTELIS
VENETIA, GREGORIU DE GREGORII FRATRES, 1492
Folio (312x200 mm)

Modern calf over wooden boards. Third edition of a commentary on Aristotle’s Physics, first published ca. 1474. First leaves slightly restored, otherwise good copy.

25. DION CASSIUS (in the Epitome of Joannes Xiphilinus the Younger)
DIONIS NICAEI RERUM ROMANORUM À POMPEIO MAGNO AD ALEXANDRUM MAMAEAE, EPITOME AUTHORE IOANNE XIPHILINO. (Graece)
LUTETIAE, EX OFFICINA ROBERTI STEPHANI, 1551
4to (230x160 mm)

Early 19th century red morocco. Editio princeps, printed by Robert Estienne in the gros-romain font of the grecs du roi, cut by Claude Garamond. The work deals with the Dio’s books from 36 to 80, since Caesar Pompey until the kingdom of Alexander Severus. Very good copy, wide margins.
26. EUSEBIUS PAMPHILIUS Caesariensis
ECCLESIASTICA HISTORIAE.
PARIS, R. ESTIENNE, 1544
Folio (320x205 mm)
Bound in stunning contemporary red morocco. Editio princeps and first book printed by Robert Estienne in the gros-romain font of the grecs du roi, cut by Claude Garamond. In his “Church History” or “Ecclesiastical History” (Historia Ecclesiastica), Eusebius attempted, according to his own declaration, to present the history of the Church from the apostles to his own time. Very good copy.

27. EUSEBIUS PAMPHILIUS Caesariensis
EVANGELICA PRAEPARATIONIS.
Bound with: EVANGELICAE
DEMONSTRATIONIS.
LUTETIAE, EX OFFICINA ROB. STEPHANI,
TYPOGRAPHI REGII, REGIIS TYPYS,
1544 - IBIDEM
2 works in 1 vol. Folio (320x200 mm)

Early 18th century brown calf. Editio princeps of both works, among the most relevant apologetics all-time. The two texts under consideration followed the work of Eusebius, the Historia Ecclesiasticae, published in July of the same year in 1544 (see above). Good condition.
28. EUSEBIUS PAMPHILIUS Caesariensis
CHRONICON ID EST TEMPORUM BREVARIUM.
VENETIIS, ERHARDUS RATDOLT, 13 settembre 1483
4to (245x160 mm)

18th century full vellum. Second edition of Chronicon, first published in Milan 1475. First leave restored at the time with paper strip, otherwise good copy.

29. HESYCHIUS ALEXANDRINUS
LEXICON (Graece) HESYCHII DICTIONARIUM (ALDUS)
VENETIIS, IN AEDIBUS ALDI, MDXIII (1514)
Folio (315x210 mm)

18th century vellum. First rare edition. The Hesychius’s Lexicon, compiled in the fifth or sixth century AD, is considered the most complete Greek lexicon. Includes approximately 51,000 words. Good copy.
30. HONDUS Hendrik
ICONESVIRORUM NOSTRA PATRUMQ. MEMORIA ILLUSTRIUM, QUORUM OPERA CUM LITERARUM STUDIA, TUM VERA RELIGIO, FUIT RESTAURATA.
AB HENRICO HONDIO SCULPTAE AENEISQ. TIPIS EXCUSAE, 1599
(THE HAGUE, HENDRICK HONDUS, 1599)
Folio (295x180 mm)

19th century half calf.
Only and first extremely rare edition.
49 head and shoulders engraved portraits numbered in pencil representing the same number of characters with the name and some Latin verses related to the subject; each plate has signed by the author's initials "H" or "HH". The beautiful illustrations depicting characters of the Protestant Reformation, and some others like Erasmus and Savonarola. Good copy.

€ 7,000

31. HORTUS SANITATIS
ORTUS SANITATIS DE HERBIS ET PLANTIS.
VENICE, BERNARDINUM BENALIUM, 11 AUGUST 1511
Folio (295x210 mm)

Contemporary limp vellum binding. First edition printed in Italy (fifth edition of the Latin text) of the famous "Ortus Sanitatis" ("The Garden of Health"), and the first to include the pseudo-Galenic tract De facile acquisibilibus. Hortus sanitatis is an extensively illustrated encyclopedic survey of the plant, animal and mineral kingdoms and their medical applications. "Musée à peu près compler de la superstition médiévale" (Sander) and "It was one of the most influential pieces of book ornamentation of the sixteenth century" (Mortimer). Good copy.

€ 34,000
32. HYGINUS Caius Julius
POETICON ASTRONOMICON.
VENEZIA, RADTOLDT, 1482
4to (250x170 mm)

19th century paper boards. Second edition but the first printed illustrations of figures of the Sun, the Moon, planets and constellations. 47 half-page woodcuts of constellations and planet probably designed by Santritter. Good copy.

33. IAMBlichUS, Marsilius FICINUS
and others.
DE MYSTERIISÆGYPTIORUM
[and other] (ALDUS)
VENEZIA, ALDO MANUZIO, SEPTEMBER 1497
Folio (300x210 mm)

Later half calf binding. Editio princeps of this collection of Iamblichus (c. 250-325) De Mysteriis, with other works included by Marsilio Ficino. Good copy.
34. JACKSON
ALBUM OF WATERCOLORS OF CHINA
ENGLAND (?), 1836
4to (250x200 mm)

Contemporary purple morocco gilt. 61 watercolors. An extraordinary album of watercolors about China, includes title page, 14 portraits of members of Chinese court, 6 bouquets, 26 botanical and naturalistic Chinese subjects (among which flowers, birds, insects) and 14 landscapes/boats all beautifully executed. In perfect condition.

€ 9,000
35. KETHAM (de) Johannes
FASCICULUS MEDICINAE
VENETIIS, GREGORII FRATRES,
ANNO DOMINI 1500 DIE 17 FEBR
Folio (312x212 mm)

Contemporary calf, nice blind stamped boards.
Rare third edition in Latin the first to include
the Rasis De aegritudinibus puerorum.
The Fasciculus medicinae was “the first
printed medical book to be illustrated with
a series of realistic figures” (G & M 363). Title
page lightly and expertly repaired as well
as some leaves, expertly washed. Rebacked,
otherwise good copy.

€ 18.000

36. KIRCHER Athanasius
CHINA MONUMENTIS QUA SACRIS
QUA PROFANIS
AMSTELODAMI, JOANNEM IANSSONIUM,
1667
Folio (365x240 mm)

Contemporary full vellum. First rare edition of
one of the most important work about China.
The text is based on descriptions by European
explorers in China, India, and other Asian
countries. The splendid engravings were
based on explorers’ sketches and original
images imported from Asia. Good copy.

€ 9.500
37. LINDEN Jean
PESCATOREA, ICONOGRAPHIE DES ORCHIDEES
BRUXELLES, HAYEZ, 1855-60
Large Folio (460x330 mm)

Original half calf. First edition of this important large format work on a wide-ranging selection of the most beautiful orchids then in cultivation, originating from all the tropical regions of the world, with 48 hand-colored lithographed plates. Very good copy, with added two initial hand-colored leaves.

38. MARDRUS Joseph
SCHMIED François-Louis
LE LIVRE DE LA VÉRITÉ DE PAROLE
Paris, Schmied, 1929
Folio (335x235 mm)

Stunning morocco binding signed F.L.S. (François-Louis Schmied). Numbered copy 135/150. Superb art-deco inlaid geometric binding, the text is followed by Schmied’s great illustrations. In mint condition.
39. MATISSE Henri - MALLARMÉ Stéphane
POÉSIES DE STÉPHANE MALLARMÉ. EAU-FORTES ORIGINALES DE HENRI-MATISSE. (WITH ADDED ORIGINAL DRAWING BY H. MATISSE)
LAUSANNE, ALBERT SKIRA & CIE., 1932
Folio (330x247 mm)

Loose as issued in original printed wrappers with glassine; calf-backed board chemise and calf-edged slipcase. Matisse’s first artist’s book, one of 90 signed copies on arches paper, with 29 original etchings. Exceptional copy with added original drawing by Matisse signed “à Max Pellequer. 13/342 Henri Matisse”. In mint condition.

€ 145.000
Contemporary full vellum. The first part, in the first edition, concerns a medical practice treaty, with definition and treatment of various diseases. The second part, in very rare first edition, is a treaty on syphilis, written by the famous doctor Geronimo Capivaccio.

41. MATTHIOLI Pietro Andrea
COMMENTARII IN SEX LIBROS PEDACII DIOSCORIDIS ANARZABEI DE MEDICA MATERIA
VENETIIS, EX OFFICINA VALGRISIANA, 1565
2 vols. Folio (340x235 mm)

Full vellum binding. This is the first enlarged edition in Latin, described by Hunt as "the most valued for its completeness". This famous commentary on Dioscorides’ De materia medica by Pietro Andrea Matthioli, first written in Italian and subsequently translated into Latin, French, German, and Spanish, included new medicinal plants and detailed woodcut illustrations. Very good copy.
42. MILLER William
LONDON, MILLER, 1804-1818
(Whatman 1818-1819)
7 vols. Folio (360x255 mm)

Contemporary blue straight-grain morocco. The complete set of Miller’s series of costume books. “By presenting to the eye a series of judiciously selected and well executed pictorial representations, forming striking portraits of single subjects, accurately finished in the colours of the original, and aided by short descriptive essays, they give more pleasing and definite ideas of the external character, style of dress, and peculiarity of occupation, than can be acquired by any other method, except personal observation” (the author). Very good copy.

43. MONTAGNANE Bartholomei
TRACTATUSTRES DE BALNEIS PATAVINIS […]
VENEZIA, BONETUM LOCATELLUM BERGOMENSEM, 1497
Folio (319x215 mm)

Contemporary full vellum (restored). Third edition. Author of more than 400 medical Consilia Montagnana was, with his colleague Cermisone, the most prolific writer of Consilia during the XV century. Title page and some leaves professionally restored, otherwise good copy with wide margins.

€ 10.000
€ 5.000
44. MONTANUS Arnoldus
AMBASSADES MÉMORABLES
DE LA COMPAGNIE DES INDES
ORIENTALES DES PROVINCES
UNIES, VERS LES EMPEREURS
DU JAPON.
AMSTERDAM, JACOB DE MEURS, 1680
Folio (340x260 mm)
Contemporary calf. First edition in French
of this important work on Japan, a work
whose illustrations "represent a high-water
mark in book illustrations of the 17th century"
(Lach). Good copy.

€ 6.800

45. OVIDIUS - MAILLOL Aristide
L’ART D’AIMER - OVIDE
(ARSAMATORIA)
PARIGI, POUR LE FRÉRES GONIN, 1935
Folio (380x275 mm)
Stunning art-deco
inlaid geometric
binding signed J. Ogiez.
Signed limited edition
of this French transla-
tion of Ovid’s love
poetry, illustrated with
16 original in-text
woodcuts and
12 full-page original
lithographs by Aristide
Maillol. In mint
c condition.

€ 6.500
46. OVIDIUS
[OPERA] METAMORFOSIS. HEROIODAS. ARSAMANDI. AMORES REMEDIA AMORIS. MEDICAMINO FACIEI FEMINAE. NUX. FASTI. EPISTOLA CONSOLATORIA AD LIVIAM DE MORTE DRUSI. TRISTIA. EPISTOLA EX PUNTO. PULEX. PHILOMENA.
VENEZIA, JACOBUS RUBEUS, 1474
Folio (310x195 mm)

47. PLINIUS Secundus
NATURAE HISTORIARUM LIBRI 37 E CASTIGATIONIBUS HERMOLAI BARBARI QUAM EMENDATISSIME EDITI
VENETIIS, PER IOANNEM ALUISIUM DE VARISIO, 1499
Folio (306x205 mm)
16th century vellum. A famous and important work, which is called by Sarton “One of the most influential books ever published”. As “a purveyor of information both scientific and nonscientific, Pliny holds a place of exceptional importance in the tradition and diffusion of culture” (DSB). Some browning, otherwise good copy.
48. QUATTRAMI Evangelista da Gubbio
LA VERA DICHIARATIONE DI TUTTE LE METAFORE,
SIMILITUDINI, & ENIMMI DEGLI ANTICI FILOSOFI ALCHIMISTI
IN ROMA, VINCENZO ACCOLTI, 1587
4to (220x160 mm)
Contemporary full vellum. Rare first edition of this treaty against the deceptions of the alchemists in those times. In good condition.

€ 2.300

49. QUIROT Pierre - MANUSCRIPT
RECUEIL DE CE QUI CONCERNE L’ARTILLERIE
(France), 1693
(260x205 mm)
Contemporary marbled calf. Interesting manuscript on paper, beautifully illustrated with 54 fine ink drawings. All artillery weapons and technics are described and depicted in detail with great exactness and precision, including the latest inventions in the field, like the new mortar-locks. Very good copy.

€ 5.800
50. ROLEWINCK Werner
FASCICULUSTEMPORUM
VENICE, ERHARD RATDOLT, 8 SEPTEMBER 1485
Folio (312x210 mm)
18th century boards. Ratdolt's fifth and last edition of Rolewinck's chronological history of the world. The chronology follows a double time-line, measuring time from both the Creation and the birth of Christ, demanding a remarkably complex typographical layout. Generally in good condition.

51. ROSACCIO Giuseppe
MONDO ELEMENTARE ET CELESTE.
Bound with: TEATRO DEL CIELO E DELLA TERRA.
Bound with: LE SEI ETA' DEL MONDO.
Bound with: DISCORSI DEL ROSACCIO
TREviso, E. DEUCHINO, 1604
VENEZIA, HEREDI DOMENICO FARRI, 1604
IBIDEM- IBIDEM
4 works in 1 vol. 8vo (140x90 mm)
Contemporary full vellum. Rare collection of 4 geographical and astronomical works, beautifully illustrated. Fair copy.
52. SCAMOZZI Vincenzo
DELL’IDEA DELLA ARCHITETTURA
PIAZZOLA (SUL BRENTA), LUOGO DELLE
VERGINI, 1687 (first part). IN VENEZIA,
PRESSO L’AUTORE, 1615 (second part)
2 parts in 1 vol. Folio (320x220 mm)

Full vellum remboitage. First part in the third
Italian edition (Piazzola del Brenta, 1687); second part in the first and very rare edition
printed in Venice, 1615. One of the most
comprehensive treatises on architecture,
which had a wide influence in Italy and
northern Europe. Professionally restored
binding, otherwise very good copy.

53. SPIEGEL (Van de) Adrian
OPERA QUÆ EXTANT OMNIA
AMSTERDAMI, APUD JOHANNEM BLAEU, 1645
Folio (415x265 mm)

Contemporary sheepskin armorial binding.
First and rare edition of Spiegel’s works,
edited by Johannes vander Linden, contains
the three published during his lifetime
Isagogæ in Rem Herbariam (1606), De lumbrico
lato liber (1618) and De semitertiana (1624);
as well as De Humani Corporis Fabrica Libri
X (1627), and De Formatu Foetu (1626),
left in manuscript on Spiegel’s death.
Fair condition, some staining and browning.

€ 4,000

€ 9,500
54. STEPHANUS Byzantinus
STEPHANUS DE URBIBUS (Graece)
(ALDUS)
VENETIIS, APUD AULUM ROMANUM, MENSE IANUARIO 1502
Folio (310x205 mm)

Modern calf. Editio princeps, De Urbibus is a sort of geographical dictionary which contains names of places and cities, but also information about their inhabitants and their way of living. Good copy professionally washed.

55. SUIDAS
LEXICON GRAECUM (Graece)
MEDIOLANI, IMPRESSUM IMPENSA ET DEXTERITATE D. DEMETRII CHALCONDYLI IOANNIS BISSOLI BENEDICTI MANGII, 15 NOVEMBRE 1499
Folio (340x225 mm)

Early 19th century red morocco. Editio princeps of one of the most important literary works from the Byzantine period. The Suidas was a “Byzantine amalgam of dictionary and encyclopedia which despite its bulk was often recopied because of its proven value to students of the classics” (Wilson). In mint condition.
Stunning Venetian contemporary gilt marbled calf. First edition in the second state. “It is apt to consider the most beautiful illustrated book, the Gerusalemme Liberata by Piazzetta. Piazzetta proceeds from miracle to miracle—gives a bold proportion and transforms vignettes into the first real decorative etchings, which occupy a full-page” (Morazzoni). Very good copy, perfect binding with original (rare) case.
57. THEOCRITUS
TADE ENESTIN ENTE GAROU SE BIBLO THEOKRITOU EIDYLLIA, HEX KAI TRIAKONTA AUTOU EPIGRAMMATA ENNEA KAI DEKA. (Graece)
ROMA, ZACHARIAS KALLIERGES PER CORNELIO BENIGNO, JANUARY 1516
8vo (153x100 mm)

Beautiful 18th century English calf. The first edition of Theocritus to include the Scholia (but the fourth edition overall), and the second book ever printed in Greek at Rome. Very nice copy.

58. THESAURUS CORNUCOPIAE & HORTI ADONIDIS (Graece) (ALDUS)
VENICE, ALDO MANUZIO, AUGUST 1496
Folio (300x195 mm)

Modern half calf over wooden boards, two clasps. Editio princeps of the Thesaurus, a collection of 34 grammatical writers, based on the works of ancient and medieval authors including the first edition of Eustathius's work, Bishop of Thessalonica. Good copy, professionally washed.
59. THURNEISSER Leonhard
HISTORIA UND BESCHREIBUNG
INFLUENTISCHER,
ELEMENTISCHER UND
NATÜRLICHER WIRCKUNGEN
BERLIN, BEY M. HENTZSCHEN, ANNO 1578
Folio (341x235 mm)

Contemporary calf. First German edition finely hand colored. Interesting and curious work of botanical literature that combines alchemy, astrology with medical botany. Usual slightly browning, otherwise attractively hand colored copy.

60. TOLOMEO Claudio
MAGINI Giovanni Antonio
GEOGRAFIA CIOE DESCRITTIONE UNIVERSALE DELLA TERRA PARTITA IN DUE VOLUMI
VENETIA, GALIGNANI FRATELLI, 1598-97
2 parts in 1 vol. Folio (305x205 mm)

Modern vellum in antique style. First edition in Italian, edited by Giovanni Antonio Magini and translated from his Latin edition in Italian by Leonardo Cernoti. Ptolemy’s Geography, the most influential cartographic account of the ancient world, was the point of reference for all Renaissance mapmakers. Skillfully recased, title page & first following page’s professionally restored (the upper part of both entirely replaced by facsimiles on antique paper), otherwise good copy.
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Tornamira was a professor of medicine at the University of Montpellier, as well as the Gregory XI and Clement VII Pope’s personal physician. The work contains his lectures on the ninth book of Abu Bakr Muhammad ibn Zakariya ar-Razi (also known as Rhazes).
It was one of the most popular books at the faculty of medicine in the Middle Ages. Good copy.

17th century half vellum. Very rare first edition in French for the most important work on cryptography. Trithemius was the founder of the secret society Sodalitas Celtica (Celtic Brotherhood) dedicated to the study of languages, mathematics, astrology and magic numbers. Title page replaced by a 18th century manuscripted page.
63. URBANUS BELLUNENSIS
INSTITUTIONES GRAECAE
GRAMMATICÆS (ALDUS)
VENEZIA, ALDO MANUZIO, GENNAIO 1497
4to (210x150 mm)

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DE RE MILITARI
VERONAE, BONINUM... IMPRESSIT
(FEBRUARY 13th, 1483)
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65. VERSCHAFFELT Alexandre
NOUVELLE ICONOGRAPHIE DES CAMELIAS
GAND, ALEXANDRE VERSCHAFFELT, 1849-1860
12 vols. 8vo (on 13, the first missing)
(260x195 mm)

Original chagrin cloth binding, 576 full page coloured plates. According to de Belder “this work is one of the rarest and greatest of the nineteenth-century camellia iconographies. The Verschaffelts were a family of nurserymen specializing in camellias and published this book really as a catalogue of newly introduced species and recently developed hybrids which were available from their nursery”. Despite the first volume lacking, in mint condition.

66. VIDIUS VIDI
CHIRURGIA È GRAECO IN LATINUM CONVERSA
LUCETIAE PARISIORUM, GALTERIUS, 1544
Folio (380x240 mm)

Modern vellum. First edition of the most beautiful illustrated book of the XVI century surgery. Guido Guidi was a Florentine who became chief physician of the King François I and the first professor at the Royal College of France in 1542. First 30 leaves with vague browning, otherwise good copy.

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67. WALTON Elijah
THE PEAKS AND VALLEYS OF THE ALPS
LONDRA, SAMPSON LOW SON AND MARSTON, 1868
Large Folio (570x370 mm)


68. WIER Johannes
DE PRAESTIGIIS DÆMONUM
BASILEA, IOANNEM OPORINUM, 1566
8vo (170x100 mm)

18th century vellum. Third edition, very rare as well as the previous. First published in 1563, De Praestigiiis Dæmonum was the first great European work approaching with in a scientific and practical way the study of mental illness and one of the most famous descriptions of delirium of the witches. Good copy.
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