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It is a pleasure to introduce this the second of two catalogues of the library of John Stephens (1948-2006). A few words about his life and work may be shed some light on the nature and range of John’s extensive collection.

John was the only child of Welsh parents from Clydach in West Glamorgan. They were Welsh speaking and Welsh was John’s first language until the age of five when his parents moved to Ashford. From his primary school in Ashford John gained a scholarship to the City of London School. From there he went to Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, where he studied history, with an emphasis in Part 2 on the history of philosophy. He continued his studies at postgraduate level and was awarded an MLitt.

Book collecting was in John’s blood for he had begun at the age of ten. On leaving Cambridge, he joined the John Rylands Library as a trainee in rare-book librarianship. He then had a short period of service with the Inland Revenue before joining, in 1977, Robin Waterfield’s Antiquarian Booksellers as a cataloguer of rare books. John was always on hand there with helpful advice and encouragement especially for young scholars. Many a collection may have begun with a purchase from Waterfield’s, for John’s enthusiasm for book collecting was infectious. He became a director of the firm in 1979 and in 1988 its owner.

John was a member of a dying breed, the scholar bookseller. He soon gained a reputation for his expertise most notably in eighteenth-century history of religion and of philosophy, and many academics sought his
advice and enlisted his help. He contributed ten entries to the new Oxford Dictionary of National Biography (2004) mainly of Dissenting ministers and Churchmen. He had a more than adequate preparation for that task, when, as a co-editor of the invaluable Dictionary of Eighteenth-century British Philosophers (2 vols., 1999), he wrote over seventy entries. The dictionary was subsequently incorporated into The Continuum Encyclopaedia of British Philosophy (4 vols, 2006) for which John was a consultant editor. His entries ranged from major figures such as Richard Price and Joseph Priestley, on whom he had already published several articles, to ones so neglected that he must have been the first to read them since the eighteenth century.

The result of his work and of the dictionary generally is a considerable expansion of our knowledge of philosophical preoccupations and debate, and a much clearer location of the major figures within the thought of the time. Through his interest in Price, John came to know D.O. Thomas (‘D.O’) and they became friends and regular correspondents. John was an invaluable editorial adviser and contributor to the journal Enlightenment and Dissent, co-founded by D.O. in 1982. He also joined D.O. and P.A.L. Jones in completing the Bibliography of Richard Price (1993). The numerous editions of Price’s Observations on the Nature of Civil Liberty (1776) constitute something of a bibliographical nightmare, but together they cracked the sequence of their publication – of thirty two editions in all. John played a key role in tracing the institutional locations of Price’s works, and wherever possible he examined the editions he had traced.

He followed this with researching the bibliography of Joseph Priestley, a mammoth task which he had almost completed before his death. All these virtues were on show in his last work, a genuine labour of love, the catalogue of the library of D.O. Thomas, a fitting testament to a most fruitful friendship and collaboration, and to John’s historical expertise and unrivalled bibliographical skills. All these elements are on show in this catalogue of John’s own library.

Do enjoy and be tempted.

Martin Fitzpatrick

[adapted from Martin Fitzpatrick’s obituary of John Stevens which was published in The Guardian, 4th April 2006.]
180. KING, William. An Essay on the Origin of Evil. Translated from the Latin, with notes; tending to explain and vindicate some of the Author’s Principles Against the Objections of Bayle, Leibnitz, the Author of a Philosophical Enquiry concerning Human Liberty; and others. To which is prefix’d a dissertation concerning the Fundamental Principle and immediate Criterion of virtue. As also, The Obligation to, and Approbation of it. With some account of the origin of the passions and affections. First English translation. lvi, 330, [2]pp. Full contemporary panelled calf, raised bands, red morocco label. Some marginal worming but not affecting the text. ESTC T133421.


£195.00

~ With the ownership signature of Edward Cooper, Worcester College, Oxford, 1786, and his marginal notes to some pages of the text.

Some books (like Hume’s Treatise) fall “stillborn from the press”, as Hume put it. A small number of those are rescued from oblivion by later readers. Other books have the opposite fate – they are widely read and discussed only to fall into obscurity. One such is De Origine Mali (1702), by William King, Archbishop of Dublin, later translated by Edmund Law as Essay on the Origin of Evil (1731). Despite the interest it aroused on publication, provoking responses from Bayle and Leibniz and influencing Hume, it is largely forgotten today.


1842 on the inner board. Small stamp of Seminarian Library, Derry’s Wood on the front-end-paper. ESTC T134466.

8vo. printed by J. Stephens, for W. Thurlbourn Bookseller in Cambridge; and sold by J. Knapton, R. Knaplock and W. Innys in St. Paul’s Church-Yard London, M.DCC.XXXII. [1732].

£120.00

182. KING, William. An Essay on the Origin of Evil. Translated from the Latin, with large notes. To which are added two sermons by the same author, the former concerning Divine Prescience, the latter on the Fall of Man. The third edition corrected. By Edmund Law. lv, [3], 517, [1]; 82, [24]pp index., vignette engraving on the title-page. Some foxing mainly to the opening and final pages, and marginal browning to the title-page. A good copy bound in recent half calf, marbled boards, raised bands, blind stamped ornament, and morocco label. ESTC T133432.


£120.00


£95.00
184. KING, William. An Essay on the Origin of Evil. Translated from the Latin, with notes. To which is added, a sermon by the same author, on the fall of man. The fifth edition, revised. By Edmund, Lord Bishop of Carlisle. [3], viii-lxii, 312, 305-456, [16]pp index. Some dustiness and creasing to the title-page, which also bears the blind-stamp of Wigan Library, and again on the final leaf. Bound in recent marbled boards, with paper spine label.
8vo. printed for R. Faulder, New Bond-Street, and T. and J. Merril, Cambridge, MDCCLXXXI. [1781].
£75.00

~ ESTC T146278. The fifth edition was the last to be published in the 18th century.

8vo. [London]: Printed at Dublin, and reprinted at London, for A. Bell at the Cross-Keys and Bible in Cornhil, and J. Baker at the Black Boy in Paternoster-Row M.DCC.X. [1710].
£75.00

~ ESTC T133210. First printed the previous year in Dublin, this is the first London edition.

186. KIRWAN, Richard. Metaphysical Essays; containing the principles and fundamental objects of that science. [4], xii, 506pp., half-title. Some scattered foxing. Modern leather backed marbled boards. Scarce.
8vo. printed by T. Bensley. 1811.
£95.00

~ First printed in 1809. Copac records 2 copies of this ‘second’ edition, (BL, Belfast).

Richard Kirwan, (1733-1812) was an Irish geologist and chemist. In 1766, having conformed to the established religion two years previously, Kirwan was called to the Irish bar, but in 1768 abandoned practice in favour of scientific pursuits. During the next nineteen years he resided chiefly in London, corresponding and meeting with Lavoisier, Black, Priestley, and Cavendish. In 1787 he moved to
Dublin, where, in 1799, he became president of the Royal Irish Academy until his death. Various stories are told of Kirwan’s eccentricities as well as of his conversational powers. It is said that flies “were his especial aversion; he kept a pet eagle, and was attended by six large dogs.” There is evidence to suggest that Kirwan was a member of the Society of the United Irishmen, a revolutionary republican organisation in 18th century Ireland.


8vo. printed by J. Read, [1708?]. £45.00

188. KNOWLES, Thomas. The Existence and Attributes of God not demonstrable à priori; in answer to the arguments of the learned Dr. Clarke, and his followers: and more particularly, to a late pamphlet, intituled, The argument à priori &c. stated and consider’d. First edition. [8], 95, [1]p errata, bound without the half-title. Some slight foxing but a very good copy bound in recent quarter calf, marbled boards, green gilt label.

8vo. Cambridge: printed by J. Bentham, Printer to the University, and to be delivered to the subscribers and sold by C. Bathurst, and J. Beecroft in London; R. Clements in Oxford; and W. Thurlbourn, and J. Bentham, in Cambridge, MDCCXLVI. [1746].

£95.00

~ ESTC T92814. Scarce, and not in Oxford. Thomas Knowles, (1723–1802), divine, born at Ely in 1723, was son of one of the vergers and master of the works of Ely Cathedral. He was also chaplain to Lady Hervey, baroness dowager of Ickworth.
8vo. printed for R. and J. Dodsley, in Pall-Mall, M.DCC.LXII. [1762]. £45.00

~ ESTC T92607. ‘Observations on the Conversion and Apostleship of St. Paul’ is by George, Lord Lyttelton.

190. LAW, Edmund. Considerations on the Theory of Religion: In three parts. I. Want of Universality in natural and reveal’d religion, no just objection against either. II. The scheme of divine providence with regard to the time and manner of the several dispensations of reveal’d religion, more especially the Christian. III. The progress of natural religion and science, or the continual improvement of the world in general. To which are added, two discourses; the former, on the life and character of Christ; the latter, on the benefit procured by His death, in regard to our mortality. With an appendix, concerning the use of the word Soul in Holy Scripture; and the state of the dead there described. The sixth edition. [2], ix, [1], 444, [38]pp., half-title. A good copy in contemporary calf, gilt motif to spine, red morocco label. Some slight rubbing.
8vo. Cambridge: Printed by J. Archdeacon, printer to the University; for J. Robson, in New Bond-Street, B. White, in Fleet-Street, T. Cadell, in the Strand, London; and T. & J. Merrill, in Cambridge, M.DCC.LXXLV. [i. e. 1774]. £95.00

~ ESTC T165491. New York, and Western Ontario only in America.

191. LAWSON, George. Politica Sacra & Civilis: or, a model of civil and ecclesiastical government. Wherein, besides the positive doctrine concerning state and church in general, are debated the principal controversies of the times concerning the constitution of the state and Church of England, tending to righteousness, truth, and peace. The second edition. [24], 82, 81-455, [1]p., the text continuous despite pagination. Contemporary panelled calf, neatly rebacked and corners repaired. Some light browning. Francis Wrangham’s ownership signature at the head of the title-page. He was the Archdeacon of the East Riding of Yorkshire, a noted author, translator, book collector and abolitionist.
Very scarce.
8vo, printed for J.S. and are to be sold by T. Goodwin at the Maidenhead over against St. Dunstans Church in Fleet-street, 1689. £495.00

~ ESTC R6996. First published in 1660, this systematic treatise on politics in church and state is arguably the most significant work of political theory to have been printed during the Restoration crisis of 1659-60. Lawson’s stated purpose is to facilitate a lasting civil and religious settlement. He conceives the church and state as two broadly parallel and mutually informing structures of political, sovereign power and argues that an understanding of either requires an understanding of both. Ref: Cambridge critical edition of this work, 1992.

192. LELAND, John. A Supplement to the first and second volumes of the View of the Deistical Writers. Containing additions and illustrations relating to those volumes. In several letters to a friend. To which is added, Reflections on the late Lord Bolingbroke’s Letters on the study and use of history, as far as relates to the Holy Scriptures. The third edition, corrected and enlarged. With a large index to the three volumes. xvi, 155, [6], clxii-clxxvi, [8], 177-368, [40]pp. Full contemporary sprinkled calf, raised bands. Head and tail of the spine worn, and lacks the label. Armorial bookplate of Paul Beilby Thompson. ESTC T139903. 8vo. printed for B. Dod, at the Bible and Key, in Ave-Mary-Lane, near Stationers-Hall, MDCCLVI. [1756]. £75.00
193. LELAND, John. A View of the principal Deistical Writers that have appeared in England in the last and present century; with observations upon them, and some account of the answers that have been published against them. In several letters to a friend. The fourth edition. Two volumes. [2], xii, 428pp; [2], 432, [28]pp. Full contemporary calf, gilt spines rubbed, and lacking the volume labels, red morocco title labels present. Slight cracking to the joints. ESTC T136973. 8vo. printed by W. Richardson and S. Clark, for R. and J. Dodsley in Pall-Mall, and T. Longman in Pater-Noster Row, MDCCLXIV. [1764]. £95.00

194. LINDSEY, Theophilus. On Prayer; and Forms of Prayer, their defects, and remedy; a sermon, preached at the chapel in Essex Street, Strand; on Sunday, April XIV, MDCCXCIII. 30pp. A very good copy in original marbled wrappers, with early 19th century card overwrapper, noting the book number as ‘40’ and “to be returned in a week.” ESTC T26787. 8vo. printed for J. Johnson, No. 72, St. Paul’s Church-Yard, MDCCXCIII. [1793]. £60.00

~ Theophilus Lindsey, 1723-1808, founded the first avowedly Unitarian congregation in the country, at Essex Street Chapel. He was one of the most prominent and controversial clergymen of the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries. His petitions for liberalism within the Church of England in 1772-3, his subsequent resignation from the Church and his foundation of a separate Unitarian chapel in London in 1774 all provoked profound debate in the political as well as the ecclesiastical world. His chapel became a focal point for the theologically and politically disaffected and during the 1770s and early 1780s attracted the interest of many critics of British policy towards the American colonies. Benjamin Franklin, Joseph Priestley and Richard Price were among Lindsey’s many acquaintances.

12mo. printed for A. Churchill, and sold by W. Taylor at the Ship and Black Swan in Pater-Noster-Row, 1721.

£120.00

~ ESTC T63930. Arizona only in America.


£195.00

~ The first edition of this collection of Locke’s works, some of which were previously unpublished, was compiled two years after Locke’s death by his literary executors, Peter King and Anthony Collins. Yolton 299. Attig 724.
197. LOCKE, John. Some Familiar Letters between Mr. Locke, and several of his friends. First edition. [4], 540pp. Slight marks to several pages. Contemporary panelled calf, rebacked but not recently, and now rather rubbed, with upper joint cracked but firm. Later endpapers and paste-downs. ESTC T117287. 8vo. printed for A. and J. Churchill at the Black Swan in Pater-Noster Row, 1708. £220.00


199. LYNFORD, Thomas. Primitive Christianity revived. A sermon preach’d in the Parish-Church of St. Edmund the King, on Sunday April the 24th 1709. Being Easter-day in the evening. Published at the request of some gentleman who contribute towards the maintenance of monthly evening-sermon, to invite persons to frequent the Holy Communion, and others who heard it. 16pp. Disbound. ESTC T142375. 8vo. Printed and sold by Joseph Downing in Bartholomew-Close near West-Smithfield, 1709. £30.00

“Though a number of other general expositions of Newton’s thought were published during the eighteenth century, Maclaurin’s Account has long been recognized as the leading authoritative statement of mainstream Newtonianism” (DNB).


~ The result of Malebranche’s decade-long study of the Cartesian method and its results in mathematics and natural philosophy. It is primarily this text which provides the basis for Malebranche’s reputation in the modern
As its full title indicates, the Recherche focuses on the principal sources of human error and on the method for avoiding those errors and for finding the truth. The first five books enumerate the various errors deriving from the senses, imagination, pure understanding, inclinations and passions, respectively, and a sixth book is devoted to the Cartesian method of avoiding such errors through attention to clear and distinct ideas. The centerpiece of the third book, on pure understanding, is a defense of the claim that the ideas through which we perceive bodies exist in God. Tucked away in the final book, on method, is a critique of “the most dangerous error of the ancients,” namely, the Aristotelian position that there are secondary causes in nature distinct from God. ref: Stanford Encyclopaedia of Philosophy.

202. MALEBRANCHE, Nicholas. Father Malebranche his Treatise concerning the Search after Truth. The whole work complete. To which is added the author’s Treatise of nature and grace: being a consequence of the principles contained in the search. Together with his answer to the animadversions upon the first volume: his defence against the accusations of Monsieur De la Ville, &c. relating to the same subject. All translated by T. Taylor, M.A. late of Magdalen College in Oxford. The second edition, corrected with great exactness. With the addition, of A short discourse upon light and colours, by the same author. Communicated in manuscript to a person of quality in England: and never before printed in any language. [12], 168, 8, 159, 170-196, 40pp., text illustrations. Some slight marginal

~ ESTC R3403, noting that another “second” edition has “D. Midwinter” in imprint.


~ The French Cartesian Nicolas Malebranche was hailed by his contemporary, Pierre Bayle, as “the premier philosopher of our age.” Over the course of his philosophical career, Malebranche published major works on metaphysics, theology, and ethics, as well as studies of optics, the laws of motion and the nature of colour. He published this present work in response to the objections of the Jansenist theologian and Cartesian philosopher Antoine Arnauld (1612–1694), who was disturbed by what he saw as Malebranche’s denial of the assertion in the Scriptures and the tradition of God’s attention to particular details in matters of grace. Arnauld responded to the publication of Nature et Grâce by engaging in open combat, and the ensuing battle became one of the major intellectual events of the day. ref: Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy.
8vo. printed for J. Tonson in the Strand, MDCCXXVIII. [1728].
£400.00

~ Attributed to Zachary Mayne, this is a spirited response to the doctrines of John Locke’s “Essay on Human Understanding,” described by the author as being “very dangerous and pernicious.” It is “arguably the first English-language essay devoted exclusively to studying the phenomenon [of consciousness] itself.” (Heinämaa et al, Consciousness p.7). Scarce, one copy recorded in auction records, the Macclesfield copy which sold for £950.
205. [M A N D E V I L L E, Bernard]. The Fable of the Bees: or, private vices, publick benefits. With an essay on charity and charity-schools. And a search into the nature of society. The sixth edition. To which is added, a vindication of the book. [with]. Part II. The second edition. Two volumes. Bound in uniform contemporary calf, raised and gilt banded spines. Some rubbing and chipping to the head and tails. 8vo. J. Tonson. 1732-1733. £220.00

206. MANNINGHAM, Thomas. A Sermon preach’d before the Queen, at Windsor, July the 11th, 1708. Being the first Sunday after the account of the late great victory obtain’d over the French army near Audenarde, by Her Majesty’s Forces, and those of Her Allies, under the Command of the Duke of Marlborough. 16pp. Disbound, some slight worming to lower margin. ESTC T131878. 8vo. printed by H. Hills, in Black-Fryars, near the Water-Side. For the benefit of the poor, 1708. £30.00

207. MEADLEY, G.W. Memoirs of William Paley, D.D. To which is added an Appendix. xi, [1], 215, 168pp. Some foxing. Contemporary tree calf, joints cracked, spine rubbed, and corners bumped. 8vo. Sunderland: printed for the Author by J. Graham. 1809. £25.00
208. MIDDLETON, Conyers. A Free Inquiry into the Miraculous Powers, which are supposed to have subsisted in the Christian Church, from the earliest ages through several successive centuries. By which it is shewn, that we have no sufficient reason to believe, upon the authority of the primitive fathers, that any such powers were continued to the church, after the days of the apostles. [4], xxxv, [1], 232, [20]pp. First edition. Full contemporary sprinkled calf, gilt ruled borders, raised and gilt banded spine. Joints cracked but firm, corners bumped, and lacks the label. Early ownership signature of Jno Williams on the front-endpaper. 4to. Printed for R. Manby and H.S. Cox, on Ludgate-Hill, M.DCC.XLIX. [1749].

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~ ESTC T11216. The first issue of 1749 with printer’s note that “the sheets have not had sufficient time to dry .. “ dated: Dec. 12. 1748.

209. MILBOURNE, Luke. A Sermon preach’d at the Parish Church of St. Ethelburga, on Friday, Jan. 30th, 1707/8. Being A Day of Solemn Fasting and Humiliation, Appointed by Law, For the Execrable Murder of King Charles the First, Of Blessed Memory. 16pp. Disbound, worming to outer margin affecting some text. ESTC T45962. 8vo. printed for R. Burrough and J. Baker, at the Sun and Moon in Cornhill, near the Royal-Exchange, and sold by S. Bunchley, at the Publishing-Office in Bearbinder-Lane, [1708].

£25.00
210. MILL, James. Analysis of the Phenomena of the Human Mind. Two volumes. iv, 320pp; iv, 312pp. A good clean copy bound in recent dark green half morocco cloth, red gilt labels. 8vo. Baldwin and Cradock. 1829. £495.00

~ The scarce first edition of James Mill’s major philosophical work.

211. MILNER, John. The Fading Flowers of Life. A sermon Preached to young persons At Peckham-Surry, Feb. 19, 1748-9. Wherein The frailty of Human Life is Illustrated—This constitution of Providence is Vindicated—Counsel and Comfort are addressed to Parents and Young Persons. On occasion Of the Death of Master Richard Holmes, Feb. 12. Aged xiii Years and 5 Months: only child of Mr. Thomas Holmes, Hosier. iv, 44pp. Disbound. ESTC R54269. 8vo. printed for J. Noon, at the White Hart, Cheapside; J. Waugh, at the Turk’s Head, Gracechurch-Street; and R. Davis, at the Corner of Sackville-Street, Piccadilly, MDCCXLIX. [1749]. £35.00
212. MILNER, John. The Rest & Reward of Good Men at Death. A sermon Preached at Peckham-Surry, Dec. 11. 1748. Being the next Lord’s Day after the Interment of that Eminent, Faithful, and Useful Minister of Jesus Christ Dr. Isaac Watts. 44pp. Disbound. 8vo. printed for J. Noon, at the White Hart in Cheapside, near Mercer’s Chapel; J. Waugh, at the Turk’s Head in Gracechurch-Street; and R. Davis, at the Corner of Sackville-Street, Piccadilly, MDCCXLIX. [1749].

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213. MOIVRE, Abraham De. The Doctrine of Chances: Or, A method of calculating the probabilities of events in play. The second edition, fuller, clearer, and more correct than the first. [4], xiv, 256pp. Disbound, and lacking nearly all the title-page, only part of the imprint left. 4to. Printed for the author, by H. Woodfall, without Temple-Bar, M.DCC.XXXVIII. [1738].

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214. MORE, Henry. An Account of Virtue: or, Dr. Henry More’s abridgment of morals, put into English. [16], 268, [2]pp., lacks one of the final blank leaves. A very good copy bound in 18th century pebble grain morocco, raised bands, new gilt label, all-edges-gilt. Some rubbing to the boards, and one leaf damaged with very slight loss of several letters. Contemporary signature of Edward Freeman on the title-page. Book-plate of George Goyder. ESTC R9573. 8vo. printed for Benj. Tooke, MDCXC. [1690].

£140.00

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216. MORE, Henry. A Collection of Several Philosophical Writings of Dr Henry More fellow of Christ’s Colledge in Cambridge. As namely, his Antidote against atheism. Appendix to the said Antidote. Enthusiasmus Triumphatus. Letters to Des-Cartes, &c. Immortality of the soul. Conjectura Cabbalistica. The second edition more correct and much enlarged. xxvii, [7], 190, [14], 133, [7], 234, [18], 184, [18] pp index., title-page printed in red and black. Contemporary panelled calf, rebacked, not recently, raised bands, red morocco label. Corners worn, and some light browning to the paper in places, but a good copy. Ownership name of Clement Bird (Chester), September 5, 1893, at the head of the title-page. ESTC R18746. folio. printed by James Flesher, for William Morden book-seller in Cambridge, M DC LXII. [1662]. £495.00
217. MORE, Henry. Conjectura Cabbalistica. Or, A conjectural essay of interpreting the minde of Moses, according to a threefold cabbala: viz. literal, philosophical, mystical, or, divinely moral. First edition. [20], 251, [17]pp. Some wear to the blank leading edge from page 213 to the end. Title-page rather dusty and laid down with loss of four letters from one word (Cambr[idge]) on the right hand edge. Old repair to the leading edge of A2 and A3, and again some wear to the leading edges of some following leaves. Old pen strokes to the margins. Contemporary calf, joints cracked and wear to the corners and head and tail of the spine.
8vo. printed by James Flesher, and are to be sold by William Morden bookseller in Cambridge, 1653. £120.00

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8vo. printed and sold by Joseph Downing in Bartholomew-Close near West-Smithfield, MDCCXIII. [1713]. £120.00
219. MORE, Henry. Enchiridion Ethicum, præcipua moralis philosophiæ rudimenta complectens, illustrata ut plurimum veterum monumentis, & ad probitatem vitae perpetuò accommodata. Editio secunda: cui accessit authoris epistola ad v.c. [32], 227, [23], 48pp. The title page is torn without loss, and lacks the final 3 leaves. Contemporary calf, early paper spine label. Some wear to the board edges and the head of the spine. ESTC R2938.
8vo. Londini: excudebat J. Flesher, venale autem habetur apud Guilielmum Morden bibliopolam Cantabrigiensem, MDCLXIX. £40.00

220. MORE, Henry. An Explanation of the Grand Mystery of Godliness; or, A true and faithfull representation of the everlasting Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, the onely begotten Son of God and sovereign over men and angels. [2], v-xxx, 546, [28]pp. Recent morocco backed marbled boards, red gilt label. New end-papers and paste-downs. Expert repairs to the leading edge of the first six leaves, and some light age toning to the paper. Rathe faint oval staamp of the Cambridge Union Society on the title-page. ESTC R17162.
folio. printed by J. Flesher, for W. Morden bookseller in Cambridge, 1660. £220.00

221. MORE, Henry. The Immortality of the Soul, so farre forth as it is demonstrable from the knowledge of nature and the light of reason. [40], 549, [35]pp., with the preliminary blank., title-page in red and black. A good clean copy bound in full contemporary blind ruled calf. Wear to the head of the spine, one corner, and small piece of leather missing from lower edge of the upper board. Some very slight worming to the inner blank margins at the head of some leaves. Contemporary ownership signature of Hugh Grove. ESTC R2813. First edition.
8vo. printed by J. Flesher, for William Morden bookseller in Cambridge, 1659. £495.00
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222. MORE, Henry. A Modest Enquiry into the Mystery of Iniquity, the first part, containing a careful and impartial delineation of the true idea of antichristianism in the real and genuine members thereof, such as are indeed opposite to the indispensable purposes of the Gospel of Christ, and to the interest of his kingdom. First edition. [12], 478, [26], 481-567, [5]pp., title-page printed in red and black, and with the preliminary imprimatur leaf. Full contemporary blind ruled calf, rear joint cracked, foot of the spine worn, and early paper spine label chipped with loss. ESTC R26204. folio. printed by J. Flesher for W. Morden bookseller in Cambridge, M DC LXIV. [1664]. £325.00

223. MORE, Henry. Philosophical Poems. [28], 37, 36-71, [7], 73-218, [8], 219-253, [5], p. 225, 256-298, [2], 299-436, [2]pp errata., each item with a separate dated title-page., text diagrams. Some occasional browning and age toning to the paper, but a good copy bound in nineteenth century calf, with a later, but not recent re-back, gilt ruled spine, red morocco label. Some wear to the board edges. Nineteenth century book-plate of Henry Lewis Edwards, Epsom. 8vo. Cambridge: printed by Roger Daniel printer to the University, 1647. £950.00

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folio. printed and sold by Joseph Downing in Bartholomew-Close near West-Smithfield, MDCCVIII. [1708]. £95.00
226. [MORGAN, Thomas]. A Brief Examination of the Rev. Mr. Warburton’s Divine Legation of Moses. In Which The Mosaic Theocracy, the Nature and Character of the Sacred Writings, the Antiquity of Hero-Gods, and a future, separate State of Animal Life, and Action for Souls after Death; with other Principles and Positions of that learned Writer are occasionally considered and discussed. Address’d to the author. By a Society of Gentlemen. lxxxiv, 175, [1]p. Title-page dusted, old waterstain to the final pages, and some marginal worming from page 143 to the end, but not affecting the text. Bound in recent plain half calf, marbled boards. 8vo. printed for T. Cox, at the Lamb, under the Royal-Exchange, 1742. £95.00

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227. [MOSS, Robert]. The Evidence of the Resurrection cleared from the exceptions of a late pamphlet, entitled, The Resurrection of Jesus considered by a Moral Philosopher; in Answer to The Tryal of the Witnesses, &c. [4], 164, 16pp adverts. Disbound. ESTC T64325. 8vo. printed for John and Henry Pemberton at the Golden Buck against St. Dunstan’s Church in Fleetstreet, MDCCXLIV. [1744]. £30.00

228. MOSS, Robert. The Providential Division of men into rich and poor, and the respective duties thence arising, briefly consider’d in a sermon preach’d in the parish-church of St. Sepulchres, May 27. 1708. Being Thursday in Whitson-Week: at the anniversary meeting of the chief promoters of the charity schools; together with the Masters and Mistresses of the said Schools; and the Children there Educated, to the Number of Three Thousand, and upwards. Publish’d at the Request of several Gentlemen concern’d in this Charity. 16pp. Disbound. ESTC T115563. 8vo. printed for Richard Sare at Grays-Inn Gate in Holborn; and Jacob Tonson at Grays-Inn Gate next Grays-Inn Lane, [1708]. £40.00
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230. **NICHOLLS, William.** Afflictions, the Lot of God’s Children. being a sermon preach’d at the parish-church of St. James’s Clerkenwell. October the 31st 1708. upon the death of Her Majesty’s royal consort, Prince George of Denmark. *16pp.* Disbound. ESTC T5107. 8vo. printed for W. Taylor, at the Ship, in St. Paul’s Church-Yard, 1709. £30.00

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240. PALMER, Samuel. A Sermon preach’d to the Protestants of Ireland now in London, at their anniversary meeting on Monday October 24. 1709. In Commemoration of their Deliverance from the Bloody Massacre begun by the Irish Papists on the Twenty Third of that Month in the Year 1641. In the Parish-Church of St. Clements Danes. 20pp. Disbound. ESTC T49215. 8vo. printed for R. Parker under the Royal Exchange, and A. Bell at the Bible and Cross-Keys in Cornhil, M.DCC.X. [1710]. £30.00

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PRIESTLEY, Joseph. Remarks on the Monthly Review of the letters to Dr. Horsley; in which the Rev. Mr. Samuel Badcock, the writer of that review, is called upon to defend what he has advanced in it. 29, [5]pp. 9vo. Birmingham, printed by Pearson and Rollason. 1784. ESTC T46817.

HARWOOD, Edward. Of the Socinian Scheme. Third edition,
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[LARDNER, Nathaniel]. Two Schemes of a Trinity Considered, and the Divine Unity Asserted. Four discourses upon Philip.ii.5 ... 11. [12], 100pp.
8vo. [London], printed by J. Rivington... and sold by J. Johnson. 1784.
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287. RUTHERFORTH, Thomas. A System of Natural Philosophy, being a course of lectures in mechanics, optics, hydrostatics, and astronomy; which are read in St Johns College Cambridge. In Two Volumes. First edition. [24], 1105, [7]pp., 31 engraved folding plates, and an engraved folding map. A clean copy in a worn contemporary plates binding. Mottled calf, boards detached, spines and corners worn. Stamped Royal Observatory on the title-page, and with ‘cancelled as surplus to requirements’ stamp on the end-paper. ESTC T150276.
4to. Cambridge: printed by J. Bentham, printer to the University, for W. Thurlbourn, bookseller in Cambridge; and sold by J. Beecroft, at the Bible and Crown in Lombard-Street, London, MDCCXLVIII. [1748]
£120.00

4to. Cambridge: printed by J. Bentham, Printer to the University, for William Thurlbourn, Bookseller in Cambridge; and sold by W. Innys, C. Bathurst, and J. Beecroft, in London, M.DCC.XL.IV. [1744].
£95.00

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290. SACHEVERELL, Henry. A Defence of Her Majesty’s title to the crown, and a Justification of Her Entering into a War with France and Spain: As it was Deliver’d in a sermon preach’d before the University of Oxford On the 10th Day of June, 1702. Being the fast Appointed for Imploring a Blessing on Her Majesty and Allies Engag’d in the Present war. The second edition. 24pp. Disbound. ESTC T32230. 8vo. printed for Henry Clements, at the Half-Moon in St. Paul’s Church-Yard, MDCCX. [1710]. £30.00


~ ESTC T77902. In this edition the third line of the imprint begins: “in St. Paul’s”.


293. SACHEVERELL, Henry. The Perils of False Brethren, both in church, and state: set forth in a sermon preach’d before the Right Honourable the Lord-Mayor, aldermen, and citizens of London, at the cathedral-church of St. Paul, on the 5th of November, 1709. 24pp. Disbound. 8vo. printed for Henry Clements, at the Half-Moon in St Paul’s Churchyard. 1709. £30.00

~ ESTC R209681. First published in 1660, and dedicated to his friend Robert Boyle. Robert Sanderson was the first Professor of Divinity at Oxford and delivered his lectures on the binding nature of promises, and the obligation of conscience, in 1646 and 1647.


First published in 1615 this is the ninth edition of Sanderson’s treatise of logic, widely used by seventeenth-century Cambridge and Oxford students (including John Locke).

296. [SHEPHERD, Richard]. Reflections on the Doctrine of Materialism; and the application of that doctrine to the pre-existence of Christ: addressed to Joseph Priestley, LL.D.F.R.S. With an appendix: briefly stating the substance of a correspondence between Dr. Priestley and Dr. Price, on the subject; as far as that correspondence affects the preceding reflections. By Philalethes Rusticans. [2], xx, [2], 256pp. A very good copy in full contemporary tree calf, gilt spine with red and dark green labels. The labels indicate this has been bound at the time as Vol III of Shepherd’s Works.

8vo. printed for W. Flexney, Holborn; Charles Bathurst, Fleet Street; R. Dodsley, Pall-Mall; and J. Robson, New Bond Street, MDCCLXXIX. [1779]. £65.00

8vo. London, printed for J. And H. Pemberton. 1740. £30.00

298. SHERLOCK, William. The Tryal of the Witnesses of the Resurrection of Jesus. N. B. Not only Mr. Woolston’s Objections in his Sixth Discourse, but those also which he and others have published in other Books, are here considered. The firth edition. 110, [2]pp. Title-page dusty and with neat repair at the foot. ESTC T26523.
8vo. printed for J. Roberts, near the Oxford-Arms in Warwick-Lane, MDCCXXIX. [1729].

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8vo. printed for D. Browne. 1725. £30.00
300. SHERLOCK, William. A Discourse concerning the Happiness of Good Men, and the punishment of the wicked, in the next world. Part I. Containing the Proofs of the Immortality of the Soul, and Immortal Life. The second edition. [8], 472pp. Contemporary calf, spine worn, boards detached, lacks front-end-paper. 8vo. printed for W. Rogers, at the Sun against St. Dunstan’s Church in Fleet-Street, MDCCV. [1705].  
£40.00

~ ESTC T79381. No further parts were published. Three copies only in America (Cornell, Georgetown, Harvard).

£40.00

~ ESTC T79796. BL, NLS, John Rylands; Columbia, Kent State; Queensland.

302. SHERLOCK, William. A Vindication of the Doctrine of the Holy and ever blessed Trinity, and the incarnation of the Son of God. Occasioned by the brief notes on the Creed of St. Athanasius, and the Brief history of the Unitarians, or Socinians; and containing an answer to both. The third edition. [8], 272pp. A good clean copy bound in contemporary panelled calf, raised bands. Some rubbing to the boards, head of spine slightly chipped, and small crack to the top inch of the upper board. ESTC R34260. 4to. printed for W[illiam]. Rogers, at the Sun, over-against St. Dunstan’s Church, in Fleet-street, 1694.  
£45.00

303. SILVESTER, Tipping. The Evidence of the Resurrection of Jesus Vindicated, against the Cavils of a moral philosopher; Form’d in Answer to the Trial of the Witnesses. In which Tract His Blunders and Errors are Expos’d; and all his Arguments prov’d Empty and Inconclusive. [4], 124pp. Disbound. 8vo. printed and sold by T. Gardner, at Cowley’s Head, opposite St. Clement’s Church in the Strand, 1744.  
£35.00

~ ESTC T1496. Not in BL, and Huntington and Kansas only in America.

305. SMITH, John. Select Discourses treating 1. Of the true way or method of attaining to divine knowledge. 2. Of superstition. 3. Of atheism. 4. Of the immortality of the soul. 5. Of the existence and nature of God. 6. Of prophesie. 7. Of the difference between the legal and the evangelical righteousness, the old and the new covenant, &c. 8. Of the shortness and vanity of a pharisaick righteousness. 9. Of the excellency and nobleness of true religion. 10. Of a Christians conflicts with, and conquests over, Satan. As also a sermon preached by Simon Patrick D.D. (then Fellow of the same Colledge) at the author’s funeral: with a brief account of his life and death. The second edition, corrected. xxx, [2], 512pp., each section with a divisional title-page. Title-page browned around the margins, old damp stains to the leading edge of the next two leaves, and some general light browning, but a better copy than this implies. Bound in recent calf, raised bands, gilt label. 19th century oval stamp of Hackney College Library at the foot of the title-page. ESTC R4804. 4to. Cambridge: printed by John Hayes, for W. Morden bookseller, 1673. £120.00

306. SNAPE, Andrew. A Sermon preach’d before the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor of London, the Court of Aldermen, and the governours of the several hospitals of the city; at the parish church of St. Bride, alias Bridget, on Wednesday in Easter week, 1707. Being one of the Anniversary Spittal Sermons. 16pp. Disbound. ESTC T9625. 8vo. printed for Richard Sare, at Grays-Inn Gate in Holborn, [1707]. £30.00

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In 1693 South intervened anonymously in the Socinian controversy, and against William Sherlock, his Animadversions on Sherlock’s Book, Animadversions on Dr Sherlock’s Book, entituled a Vindication of the Holy and Ever Blessed Trinity (1690) being ‘humbly offered to his admirers, and to himself the chief of them.’ He made galling references to Sherlock’s career, ‘tainted with a conventicle’ at the outset; vehemently assailed his earlier writings as heterodox on the doctrine of atonement, and maintained his ‘new notion’ of the Trinity to be tritheistic; an opinion reiterated in his Tritheism Charged upon Dr Sherlock’s New Notion of the Trinity, and the Charge Made Good (1695).

308. [SOUTH, Robert]. Tritheism charged upon Dr Sherlock’s new notion of the Trinity. And the charge made good, in an answer to the defense of the said notion against the Animadversions upon Dr. Sherlock’s book, entituled, A vindication of the doctrine of the holy and ever blessed Trinity, &c. By a divine of the Church of England. [24], 316pp. Full contemporary mottled panelled calf, raised bands. Spine rubbed and upper joint cracked but firm. ESTC R10469.

4to. printed for John Whitlock, near Stationers-Hall, MDCXCV. [1695]. 

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doctrine of atonement, and maintained his ‘new notion’ of the Trinity to be tritheistic; an opinion reiterated in his “Tritheism Charged upon Dr Sherlock’s New Notion of the Trinity, and the Charge Made Good (1695).

309. SOUTH, Robert. Twelve Sermons preached upon several occasions. Six of them never before printed. [8], 639, [1] p. Lacks the portrait frontispiece. A clean copy but in worn contemporary calf, boards loose, spine worn. ESTC R13931. 8vo. printed by J[ohn]. H[emptinstall]. for Thomas Bennet, at the Half Moon in St. Paul’s Church-yard, 1692. £45.00

310. STANHOPE, Michael. God the Author of Victory. A sermon preach’d in the Royal-Chappel at White-Hall, on Thursday the 19th of August, 1708. Being the day of thanksgiving for the happy success of Her Majesty’s Councils and forces against the late insolent attempt of the pretender to invade Her Majesty’s Kingdom of Great Britain: as also for the glorious victory obtain’d over the French near Audenarde in Flanders by the arms of Her Majesty and Her Allies, under the command of the Duke of Marlborough. 16pp. Disbound. ESTC T14089. 8vo. Printed for W. Taylor, at the Ship in St. Paul’s Church yard, 1708. £30.00

311. STERRY, Peter. A Discourse of the Freedom of the Will. [34], 242pp. Contemporary panelled calf, later, but not recent spine, boards detached, corners worn. folio. printed for John Starkey, at the Miter near Temple-Bar, in Fleet-street, 1675. £120.00

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4to. Edinburgh: George Ramsay and Company. 1810. £50.00

8vo., printed by A. Strahan. 1802. £40.00

314. [STILLINGFLEET, Edward]. The Bishop of Worcester’s Answer to Mr. Locke’s Second Letter; wherein his notion of ideas is prov’d to be inconsistent with it self, and with the articles of the Christian faith. First edition. 178, [6]pp adverts. Lacks the front-end-paper. Full contemporary panelled calf, joints cracked but firm, red morocco labels. Head and tail of the spine worn, and some insect damage to a section of the upper board. Ownership signature of J. Raymond [17?29].
8vo. printed by J[ohn]. H[epstinstall]. for Henry Mortlock at the Phoenix in St. Paul’s Church-Yard, MDCXCVIII. [1698]. £220.00

~ ESTC R3400. A reply to: “Mr. Locke’s reply to the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Worcester’s Answer to his Second Letter.”

“In March 1690, Locke’s long expected Essay concerning Human Understanding, on which he had been at work intermittently since 1671, was finally published. It met with immediate success, and led to a voluminous literature of attack and reply; young fellows of colleges tried to introduce it at the universities, and heads of houses sat in conclave to devise means for its suppression. To one of his
critics Locke replied at length. This was Edward Stillingfleet, bishop of Worcester, who, in his Vindication of the Doctrine of the Trinity (1696), had attacked the new philosophy. It was the theological consequences which were drawn from the doctrines of the Essay not so much by Locke himself as by Toland, in his Christianity not mysterious, that the bishop had chiefly in view; in philosophy for its own sake he does not seem to have been interested. But his criticism drew attention to one of the least satisfactory (if, also, one of the most suggestive) doctrines of the Essay—its explanation of the idea of substance; and discredit was thrown on the “new way of ideas” in general. In January, 1697, Locke replied in A Letter to the Bishop of Worcester. Stillingfleet answered this in May; and Locke was ready with a second letter in August. Stillingfleet replied in 1698, and Locke’s lengthy third letter appeared in 1699. The bishop’s death, later in the same year, put an end to the controversy.”

ref: Cambridge History of English Literature.

8vo. Printed at Dublin, and reprinted at London, for John Baker at the Black-Boy in Pater-noster-Row, MDCCIX. [1709]. £40.00

8vo. printed for Dan. Midwinter, at the Three Crowns in St. Paul’s Church-Yard, MDCCVIII. [1708]. £40.00

317. SYKES, Arthur Ashley. The Case of Subscription to the XXXIX articles considered. Occasioned by Dr. Waterland’s Case of Arian Subscription. 52pp. Some light age toning. Disbound. ESTC T20147.
8vo. Printed for James Knapton, at the Crown in St. Paul’s Church-yard, MDCCXXI. [1721]. £40.00

8vo. printed by R[obert]. R[oberts]. for John Lawrence, at the Angel, and Thomas Cockerill at the Three Legs, in the Poultry, 1700. £125.00

320. TILLOTSON, John. A Sermon preach’d at the morning exercise, at Cripple-Gate, about the year, 1660. Never yet publish’d among the rest of his Works. 16pp. Disbound. ESTC T143635.  
8vo. printed by H. Hills, in Black-Fryars, near the Water-Side. For the Benefit of the Poor, 1709. £35.00

321. TILLY, William. The Sins and Vices of Mens Lives, the chief cause of their ignorance and corrupt opinions in religion. A sermon preach’d before the University of Oxford, at St. Mary’s, on December the 11th, 1709. 16pp. Disbound. ESTC T48310.  
8vo. printed for Anthony Peisley bookseller in Oxford, and are to be sold by J. Knapton and Hen. Clements booksellers in St. Paul’s Church-Yard, London, 1710. £30.00

322. [TINDAL, Matthew]. Christianity as Old as the Creation: or, the gospel, a republication of the religion of nature. Volume 1. [all published]. viii, 391, [1]p. A very good copy in full contemporary panelled calf, raised bands, red morocco label. ESTC T101189.  
8vo. London [s.n.], Printed in the Year M.DCC.XXX. [1730]. £30.00
8vo. [s.n.], Printed in the Year 1709. £25.00

The first book burned in Ireland?

324. [TOLAND, John]. Christianity not Mysterious: or, A treatise shewing, that there is nothing in the Gospel contrary to reason, nor above it: and that no Christian doctrine can be properly call’d a mystery. xxxii, 176pp. Some even age toning to the paper, but a very good copy bound in full contemporary blind ruled sprinkled calf. Slight chip to the head of the spine. With the early signature of J. Swift (not the Dean).
8vo. [s.n.], printed in the year 1696.
£350.00

~ ESTC R10582. The first edition of his most famous work. Born into a Gaelic-speaking Catholic family on the Inishowen peninsula of County Donegal, Toland converted to Anglicanism before the age of sixteen, was a Presbyterian in Scotland at the universities of Glasgow and Edinburgh, and at Leiden in Holland, and eventually professed to be a willing and committed member of the Church of England.

On 18th (some say 11th) September, 1697 the book was burned in front of the Irish Parliament Buildings. This had been ordered by the Parliament who declared some days earlier that the heretical book “be publickly burnt by the hands of the common hangman” and the author “be taken into the custody of the Serjeant at Arms and...prosecuted”. Such burning of books by the hangman had been done in England since 1634, though letters from Molyneaux to Locke suggest it had not happened in Ireland before.
The book had already caused controversy. It was denounced when it was first published in 1696, the first edition anonymously and the second under Toland’s name. The book argues that nothing in the Gospel can conflict with reason, the Gospel cannot transcend reason (so apparent conflicts with reason cannot be explained away as a mystery) and that no doctrine can at once be Christian and mysterious. The creation of mysteries within Christianity he attributed to innovations of competing sects.

325. [TRIMNELL, Charles]. A Sermon preach’d at the Parish-Church of St. James’s Westminster, on Sunday the 30th of January, 1708. By the Right Reverend Father in God, Charles, Lord Bishop of Norwich, At his taking his Leave of the said Parish. Published at the Request of the Gentlemen of the Vestry. 16pp. Disbound. ESTC T45963.

8vo. printed for Tho. Chapman, 1709. £30.00

326. [TUCKER, Abraham]. The Light of Nature Pursued. By Edward Search. Nine Volumes. (Volume I, Parts I & II; Volume II, Parts I, II & III; Volume III, Parts I - IV. pp. xlvi, 384; 384; 315; 335; 540, [3] (blank, errata); 403; 432; 462; 505, [1] (errata). Some slight wear to several headcaps, and the foot of one spine, but a good set bound in uniform full contemporary calf. Raised and gilt banded spines with all the red morocco labels intact. Single wormhole to the blank lower margin of the first volume, slight worming to outer margins of final leaves in volume III, and some slight foxing. ESTC T109651, and T153498.

8vo. printed by T. Jones, in Fetter-Lane; and sold by T. Payne, at the Mews-Gate, MDCCLXVIII. [1768]; and printed by W. Oliver: sold by T. Payne and Son; J. F. and C. Rivington; T. Cadell; L.Davis; and E. and C. Dilly, 1777.

£850.00

~ A very scarce complete set of the first edition of Tucker’s magnum opus, the first five volumes printed in 1768, followed by four posthumous volumes in 1777. He started the work in 1756, two years after the death of his much missed wife, but his eyesight failed him completely in 1771, and he contrived an apparatus which enabled him to write legibly enough that the result could be transcribed by his daughter. She even taught herself ancient Greek in order to help with the task. Judith oversaw the posthumous publication of the final four books. She discarded her father’s literary conceit of being ‘Search’ or ‘Comment’, publishing these volumes under his own name.
“Abraham Tucker led an uneventful life. He did not move in the intellectual circles of the age. Unlike most other notable thinkers in eighteenth century Britain, he does not crop up in Boswell’s record of Samuel Johnson’s life. Nor did Tucker correspond with philosophical contemporaries in continental Europe. For the most part, he lived quietly in Surrey on a large country estate. Having inherited the family fortune, Tucker never needed to seek a university or clerical position; nor did he rely on the sales of his books for an income. That distinguished him from contemporaries, such as Hume, Hartley and Reid, all of whom figure much more prominently in the histories of psychology. Unwilling to engage in public controversy and reluctant to push himself forward, Tucker preferred to stay at home, pursuing his intellectual interests and attending to the education of his two daughters.” Ref: Billig, Michael. Abraham Tucker as an 18th-century William James.

The author’s intention was to draw up “a scheme of nature and the fundamentals of natural religion, founded upon the basis of experience and observations resulting therefrom”. His work contains many psychological and more strictly metaphysical discussions, but it is chiefly in connexion with ethics that Tucker’s speculations are best remembered.
327. TUNSTALL, James. Lectures on Natural and Revealed Religion. First edition. [20], 308pp. Full contemporary mottled calf, spine and corners worn, boards detached. Some worming to the lower margins towards the front, neatly repaired on the first few leaves. Old dampstaining towards the rear of the volume, but not too intrusive. ESTC T102025. 4to. Printed by William Bowyer, MDCLXV. [1765]. £45.00

328. TURNBULL, George. The Principles of Moral Philosophy. An enquiry into the wise and good government of the moral world. In which the continuance of good administration, and of due care about virtue, for ever, is inferred from present order in all things, in that part chiefly where virtue is concerned. First edition. [4], iv, xiv, [2], 419, [9]pp. Full contemporary calf, raised and gilt banded spine with red morocco label. Joints and head and tail of the spine worn. Very scarce. 8vo. printed for John Noon, at the White Hart, near Mercers Chapel, in Cheapside, MDCCXL. [1740]. £325.00

~ ESTC N20795. 7 copies only in America. The first edition of the first volume of this masterpiece of Scottish Common Sense philosophy. Turnbull’s ‘Christian Philosophy’ was published later this same year, and is announced in the advertisement on the final page, “as soon as the author’s health permits.” It was based on lectures given in Aberdeen in the mid-1720s, and contains a defence of the claim that natural and moral philosophy are very similar types of enquiry. His pupil was Thomas Reid.

329. [TYRRELL, James]. A Brief Disquisition of the Law of Nature, according to the principles and method laid down in the Reverend Dr. Cumberland’s (now Lord Bishop of Peterboroughs) Latin treatise on that subject. As also his confutations of Mr. Hobbs’s principles put into another method. With the Right Reverend Author’s approbation. [98], 396,
[4]pp., with initial imprimatur leaf. A good copy in contemporary panelled calf, raised bands, lacks label. Slight wear to head and tail of the spine. Bound without the final errata leaf. ESTC R23556. 8vo. printed, and are to be sold by William Rogers, at the Sun over against St. Dunstan’s Church in Fleet-street, 1692. £395.00


331. WAKE, William. A Sermon preach’d in the Parish Church of St. James Westminster, on Sunday the 29th of September, 1706... at his taking his leave of the said parish. Publish’d at the request of the gentlemen of the vestry, and many others of the parishioners. 16pp. Disbound. Some marks to the title-page and final leaves. ESTC T59321. 8vo. Printed by W.B. for Richard Sare, at Gray’s-Inn-Gate in Holborn, 1707. £30.00


333. WAKEFIELD, Gilbert. Memoirs of the Life of Gilbert Wakefield. Written by Himself, a new edition, with his latest corrections, and notes by the editors. To which is subjoined, an appendix of original letters. Two volumes. xvi, 560pp; [6], 531, [1]p errata., portrait frontispiece. Full contemporary mottled calf, gilt spines rubbed and lacking one of the volume labels. Some foxing. Armorial book-plate of Joshua Pim. 8vo. printed for J. Johnson. 1804. £40.00


£50.00

~ First published in 1687, ‘a textbook which was to have four eighteenth-century editions and was to achieve the honor not only of being repeatedly singled out for respectful contradiction by Dugald Stewart between 1785 and 1809 in his distinguished lectures at Edinburgh on the philosophy of the human mind, but also of being mentioned with approval by Richard Whately in his ‘Elements of Logic’ in 1826.’ Howell, ‘Eighteenth-Century British Logic and Rhetoric’.

335. WARBURTON, William. Julian. Or a discourse concerning the earthquake and fiery eruption, which defeated that Emperor’s attempt to rebuild the temple at Jerusalem. In Which The reality of a divine Interposition is shewn; The Objections to it are answered; And The nature of that Evidence which demands the assent of every reasonable man to a miraculous fact, is considered and explained. First edition. [2], xlii, 23, 22-286pp. Contemporary calf, rear joint cracked, upper board loose, and wear to the head of the spine, which lacks the label. ESTC T132391.

8vo. printed for J. and P. Knapton, in Ludgate-Street, MDCCL. [1750].

£50.00

336. WARBURTON, William. The Alliance between Church and State: or, the necessity and equity of an established religion and a test-law demonstrated, from the essence and end of civil society, upon the fundamental principles of the law of nature and nations. The second edition, corrected and improved. [4], 156, [8]/pp. Old mark to gutter margin of the title-page, otherwise a very clean copy. Full contemporary calf, raised and gilt banded spine with red morocco label. Ownership signature of John Periam, Wootton, 1746, on the front-end-paper. ESTC T21262.

8vo. printed for Fletcher Gyles, 1741.

£120.00
337. WARBURTON, William. The Divine Legation of Moses demonstrated in nine books. The fourth edition, corrected and enlarged. Five volumes. Full contemporary calf, gilt panelled spines with red and dark green morocco labels. Chipping to the head and tails, and a number of joints cracked. 8vo. printed for A. Millar, and J. and R. Tonson, 1765. £160.00

~ ESTC T214226. The definitive edition of Warburton’s major work which caused such a storm of controversy and attacks from what he described as “the pestilent herd of libertine scribblers with which this island is overrun.”

339. WARD, Richard. The Life of the Learned and Pious Dr. Henry More, Late Fellow of Christ’s College in Cambridge. To which are annex’d divers of his useful and excellent letters. First edition. [24], 362, [6]pp., engraved portrait frontispiece. A good copy in full contemporary panelled calf, raised bands. Some wear to the corners. ESTC T145602. 8vo. printed and sold by Joseph Downing in Bartholomew-Close near West-Smithfield, 1710. £50.00

340. [WARD, Seth]. A Philosophicall Essay towards an eviction of the being and attributes of God. Immortality of the souls of men. Truth and authority of Scripture. Together with an index of the heads of every particular part. [16], 152pp. Some age toning to the paper, and tear with loss of text to the penultimate leaf, and without loss to the final leaf. Contemporary panelled calf, plainly rebacked. 8vo. Oxford: printed by Leonard Lichfield, and are to be sold by John Adams and Edward Forrest, 1652. £65.00

~ ESTC R203999. The first edition of this essay, in part a reply to Leviathan by Thomas Hobbes. Although a defective copy it is scarce with just 4 copies located in America; Huntington, UCLA, Toronto, Yale.

341. [WARNER, Rev. ?] God, and all other reasonable beings, happy in proportion to their virtue. Or, an essay upon moral virtue, ... In a letter to the Revd Dr. Clark, ... By a clergyman. 39, [1]p. Title page and final leaf rather dusty, and clean tear to the gutter margin of the title-page. 8vo. printed for S. Billingsley, and sold by J. Roberts, A. Dodd, and J. Billingsley, 1723. ESTC T31472, Huntington only in America.

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8vo. printed [by William Bowyer] for J. Pemberton at the Golden Buck over-against St. Dunstan’s Church in Fleetstreet, 1721.
ESTC T34789.

Two volumes bound together in recent calf backed marbled boards, raised bands, green morocco label.

£60.00

342. WATERLAND, Daniel. A Review of the Doctrine of the Eucharist, as laid down in scripture and antiquity. [8], 600pp. A clean copy. Contemporary calf, boards loose, the front cover nearly detached, and wear to head and tail of the spine and corners. ESTC T126194.
8vo. Cambridge; printed for Corn. Crownfield, Printer to the University, and W. Innys at the West End of St. Paul’s London, MDCCXXXVII. [1737].
£40.00

343. WATERLAND, Daniel. A Vindication of Christ’s Divinity: being a defense of some queries, relating to Dr. Clarke’s scheme of the H. Trinity, in answer to a clergy-man in the country. The second edition corrected. [24], 494, [2]pp. Old waterstaining towards the end of the volume, otherwise a clean copy. Full contemporary calf, gilt banded unlettered spine, which is worn at the head and tail. ESTC T124500.
8vo. Cambridge; printed for Corn. Crownfield, printer to the university: and are to be sold by James Knapton, and Robert Knaplock, booksellers in St. Paul’s Church-Yard, London, MDCCXIX. [1719].
£45.00

8vo. Printed by Sam. Aris for John Crownfield, at the Rising-Sun in St. Paul’s Church-Yard; and sold by Cornelius Crownfield, printer to the University of Cambridge, M.DCC.XXX. [1730].
£35.00

~ESTC T153595. ‘An Answer to the Remarks...” is by A. A. Sykes.
345. WATTS, Issac. Discourses of the Love of God, and its influence on all the passions: with a discovery of the right use and abuse of them in matters of religion. Also a devout Meditation annexed to each Discourse. The fifth edition. 230, [2]pp adverts. Full contemporary sheep, head and tail of the spine worn, some loss to leather at foot of the upper board, and wear to corners. 12mo. printed for J. Buckland, and T. Longman, in Pater-Noster-Row; E. and C. Dilly, in the Poultry; and T. Field, in Leadenhall-Street, 1770. £50.00

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