AN ALLEGORY OF HYPOCHONDRIA

1. ANNEBBIATI DA VALL’OSCURA, Entusiasmo (pseud.). *L’ipocondria composizione anacreontica di N. N. poeta archisidereo sotto nome di Entusiasmo Annebbiati da vall’oscura dal medesimo dedicata agli alunni del seminario archipatetico*. Firenze: Appresso Pietro Gaetano Viviani, 1758. 4to. With engraved title vignette and 3 leaves of plates featuring 5 subjects. Contemporary gilt-paneled vellum with double fillets and embellishments. First edition, extremely rare, of this allegorical poem on hypochondria. Although the identity of the Italian poet who penned this work remains unknown, his chosen pseudonym, which translates to something like “Bleary Enthusiasm of the Dark Valley” is nonetheless amusing. The story follows the narrator and protagonist, Fabrizio, through the Kingdom of Hypochondria where he meets its queen and her entourage of gruesome characters, a scene brought to life in one of the five wonderful plates included in this work. After the main poem, the author supplies his own commentary, complete with an explanation of the rather puzzling title vignette. $5500.00

AN AUTHORITATIVE VOICE AGAINST INEFFECTUAL REMEDIES

2. ASTRUC, Jean. *Tractatus therapeuticus et pathologicus*. Venice: Thomam Bettinelli, 1748. Two works in one. 8vo. Contemporary vellum, original loops preserved. First appearance of these two rare works together. The *Therapeutics*, in three parts, describes various formulae and suggests methods for their application. The *Pathologicus* methodically and clearly covers all phases of medicine and physiology, including respiration, the heart, the digestive tract, sex and contraception, and the eye, ear and nose. Astruc’s comparison of a sensation to a ray of light reflected on a surface, which he called reflex, seems to have anticipated Marshall Hall’s description of reflex action by more than eighty years. $350.00

EMINENT HISTORY OF VENEREAL DISEASES

3. [ASTRUC, Jean]. CHAPMAN, Samuel. *A treatise on the venereal disease; being chiefly designed as a translation and abridgment of the practical part of Dr. Astruc’s work. To which are added, the improvements with regard to the use of the sasaparilla, mezereon, and sublimate; as also an account of Mr. Plenk’s method of cure*. London: W. Owen, 1770. 8vo. Contemporary calf, rebacked. Second edition, much expanded from Chapman’s 1755 translation of Astruc’s *De morbis veneris*, Books II–IV. In his introduction, Chapman notes that he will quote all those physicians who have deviated from Astruc’s methods or have introduced newer methods, including his own observations, which are sprinkled liberally throughout. $650.00
RARE AMERICAN WORK ON LIVING A LONG LIFE

4. BELL, John. *On regimen and longevity*. Philadelphia: Haswell & Johnson, 1842. 8vo. Publisher’s blind-stamped brown cloth. First edition of an apparently rare and significant work on dietetic regimen and its relation to the duration of life. Public health and hygiene were widespread areas of concern in the mid-nineteenth century given the rapidly increasing population of the United States. Bell discusses the history of public hygiene and duration of life in various ages. A general treatment of national dietetic usages follows, comparing a vegetarian diet to a non-vegetarian diet, taking into account food supplies and customs in different regions. Specific types of food and drink are then discussed, including alcohol. Of significant interest is his closing chapter on longevity, where aspects such as inherited predisposition, temperance, race, climate urban/rural locality, and vaccinations are discussed. $350.00

WITH THE VERY RARE INSTRUCTIONS INCLUDED

5. BELLOSTE, Augustin. *Traité du mercure, par Augustin Belloste, premier chirurgien de Feu Madame Royale, Douairière de Savoie.* (bound with) *Instructions sur l’usage des pilules de M. Belloste.* [Paris]: [Belloste], 1783. Two parts in one. 12mo. Stitched into contemporary marbled wrappers. Instructions on preparation of the so-called “pilules de Belloste” for treatment of venereal disease, tumors and ulcers. It is interesting to note that Benjamin Franklin had been taking mercury pills for psoriasis until a dermatologist informed him that Belloste’s “mercury pill” would in the long run have proved lethal. $750.00

FOUNDATION OF HISTOLOGY AND TISSUE PATHOLOGY

6. BICHAT, Xavier. *Traité des membranes en général et de diverses membranes en particulier*. Paris: Chez Richard, Caille et Ravier, An VIII (1800). 8vo. An uncut copy in the original wrappers. First edition of what many consider Bichat’s best work, the foundation of histology and tissue pathology. It is here that he classifies and describes twenty-one kinds of tissue and membranes, a generalization of Pinel’s earlier work, according to their texture and properties. Garrison & Morton, 537. $1200.00

ONE OF THE EARLIEST COMPREHENSIVE TREATISES ON COMPARATIVE ANATOMY

7. [BLASIUS (BLAES), Gerard; SWAMMERDAM, Jan]. AMSTERDAM, PRIVATE COLLEGE OF. *Observationes anatometricae selectiores; Observationum anatomicarum . . . In quibus praeceps de piscium pancreate ejusque succo agitatur . . . Amsterdam: Caspar Commelin, 1667-1673*. Two parts in one volume. 12mo. Complete with two title pages, large folding engraved plate in first part and 10 full-page and 1 double-page engraving in second part. Full blind-tooled calf in an antique style. First edition, extremely rare, of the “only publication of one of the earliest scientific societies” (G&M). The Private College of Amsterdam was founded by Gerard Blaes (1626-1682), a professor of medicine in Amsterdam. The College devoted itself to comparative anatomical and physiological investigations; it is in this treatise that the results of these investigations are published, the first comprehensive treatise on comparative anatomy since Severino’s 1645 *Zootomia democritaea*. This work also contains the first publication of Swammerdam’s early experiments with neuro-muscular physiology, as well as one of the earliest descriptions of mercury injection, an investigative method first employed by Malpighi. OCLC locates 5 copies in North America (Stanford, Cornell, American Museum of Natural History, NYAM, NLM); Garrison & Morton, 292.1. $8500.00
RESULTS OF CHILDRENS’ BAD BEHAVIOR

8. BLANCHARD, Pierre. *Les accidents de l’enfance*. Paris: P. C. Lehuby, [n.d., but circa 1840]. 8vo. With half-title, frontispiece, and 11 additional lithographed plates. Blue cloth, elaborately decorated in colour, gilt, and blind on covers and spine. A colourful work containing individual short stories depicting terrible accidents brought on by the actions of children. Some stories end happily, such as the overly confident boy who dared to torment a bull. He develops a healthy sense of fear towards animals that can take their revenge on over-confident young boys. Another such story does not end so pleasantly. Finette, a little girl obsessed with her own beauty, sneaks into her mother’s room to try on her jewelry but perishes when she ends up setting fire to herself trying to look in the mirror over the fireplace. Other accidents involve boiling water, knives and scissors, playing on the roof of the house, broken windows, and angry bees. Works like this were common in the nineteenth century as ways of frightening children into minding their manners.

$ 350.00

DISCUSSION OF CANCER TREATMENTS WITHIN THE MEDICAL COMMUNITY

9. BRIGHT, J.W. *Cancer: its classification and remedies*. Philadelphia: S. W. Butler, 1871. 8vo. Publisher’s blue cloth. First edition of a small but comprehensive and important overview of cancer and its treatments. Bright attempts to not only provide a streamlined classification for cancer, but he also strives to set forth remedies and case studies of the disease in hopes that his efforts will inspire other professionals to further the research in the field. Following his preliminary observations, Bright provides an overview of the types of cancer and treatments being performed by the most eminent physicians of the time. Of particular interest is an explanation of the various methods of preparing case records and the distribution thereof throughout the medical community.

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THE NATION’S RESPONSIBILITY FOR PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE

10. CHADWICK, Edwin. *Report to Her Majesty’s principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, from the Poor Law Commissioners, on an inquiry into the sanitary condition of the labouring population of Great Britian; with appendices. (offered with) Supplement report on the results of a special inquiry into the practice of interment in towns*. London: W. Clowes and Sons, 1842-1843. Two volumes. 8vo. Complete with 19 lithographed plates, including 3 folding maps printed in color. Publisher’s plum-colored cloth. First editions of “one of the most important documents of the first half of the nineteenth century. Its recommendation included, for the first time, national responsibility for drainage, cleaning of streets, paving, light and water supply, and a national health and burial service” (PMM). Chadwick points out the correlations between the lack of sanitation and disease, high mortality rates and low life expectancy, concluding that the problems had become not only a humanitarian but an economic crisis.

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AMERICA’S REACTION TO CHESELDEN’S TREATISE


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OPHTHALMOSCOPIC PHENOMENA

12. COCCIU, [Ernst] Adolph. *Über Glaucom, Entzündung und die Autopsie mit dem Augenspiegel.* Leipzig: Immanuel Müller, 1859. 8vo. With a lithographic plate and leaf of publisher's advertisements. Recent cloth. First edition. An early treatise on the use of the ophthalmoscope (Augenspiegel) by Coccius, professor of ophthalmology in Leipzig. He was the first physician to make an important modification of Helmholtz's instrument. In the present work, he describes, for the first time, a number of ophthalmoscopic phenomena. His contributions to alleviating the condition of glaucoma, and his observations made during autopsies with the use of the ophthalmoscope, are of great significance. $300.00

EARLY STRUGGLE TO ERADICATE SMALLPOX

13. COTUNNI (COTUGNO), Domenico. *De sedibus variolarum.* Naples & Bologna: Sancti Thomae Aquinatis, 1775. 4to. With 1 plate containing 8 engraved figures. Modern vellum backed marbled boards. Third edition of Cotugno's investigative report on the localization of variola pustules, the smallpox virus. Cotugno describes the history and pathology of smallpox as well as providing a comprehensive description of the virus and ways to prevent the disfigurement of the face. Smallpox became a true crisis during the later eighteenth century, causing nearly half a million deaths. Cotugno's contribution to the study of the disease came at the cusp of Jenner's research and success with the smallpox vaccine, making this work an important part of the early struggle to eradicate the disease from the modern world. $950.00

HEALTHY WOMEN EQUALS HIGH QUALITY BREAST MILK

14. DONNÉ, Alfred. *Mothers and infants, nurses and nursing.* Boston: Phillips, Sampson and Company, 1859. 8vo. With 8 plates of photomicrographs. Brown stamped cloth. First edition in English, translated from the original French, of an important treatise on nursing, weaning, and the general treatment of young children. A strong advocate for the pre- and post-natal health care of children, Donné emphasizes the importance of nursing infants and discusses the benefits and disadvantages of a mother nursing her own children versus hiring a professional wet nurse. He takes great care to discuss the proper handling of breast milk, drawing the conclusion that healthy women produce higher quality milk. Donné also discusses methods for rearing children including proper exercise, friendships, sleeping habits, and even the consumption of sugar and other dietary necessities. $300.00

THE KING'S DENTIST

15. DU BOIS-FOUCOU, Joannes-Josephus. *De dentium vitiosè positorum curatione. Theses anatomico chirurgicæ.* Paris: Michaelis Lambert, 1775. 4to. With a charming woodcut vignette headpiece. A fine copy in pasteboards. First edition. Du Bois-Foucou was one of the first, if not the first, to manufacture mineral teeth. At the time in Paris, an attempt was being made to create a denture made of hard porcelain. Du Bois-Foucou worked many years to overcome the imperfections others made, and was finally rewarded with some success; his efforts contributed to the propagation of this new mode of making artificial teeth. He wrote on many different conditions found in the mouth, such as preservation of teeth, the maxillary sinus and on dental hygiene. Du Bois-Foucou was dentist to four sovereigns: Louis XI and Marie Antoinette until their deaths; to Emperor Napoleon I; to Louis XVIII; and to Charles X. $1800.00

THE “GO-TO” RESORT FOR HEALTH AND RESTORATION

16. DUCCINI, Giuseppe. *De¹ bagni di Lucca trattato chimico, medico, anatomico.* Lucca: Appresso Pellegrino Frediani, 1711. Two parts in one. 8vo. Contemporary vellum; an excellent copy. First edition of this rare work on the famous thermal waters of Bagni di Lucca. Located near Florence, the spas at Bagni di Lucca have been the go-to resort for rest and restoration for centuries. Based on the firm conviction that “experience is the infallible teacher of truth,” the author describes the natural properties and wonderful virtues of the waters. His book becomes a fascinating journey into the characteristics and the chemical composition of the thermal waters, with a detailed description of its therapeutic use. The first part of the book describes each of the five spas that form the thermal complex of Bagni di Lucca, covering everything from the geology of the area to the architecture of the buildings. In the second part, Duccini examines both the different effects and cures of each spa, also explaining which diet is appropriate before bathing in the thermal waters. $2500.00
TWO EARLY DESCRIPTIONS OF SYPHILIS
17. FALLOPIUS, Gabriel. *De morbo galllico [sic] liber absolutissimus a Petro Angelo Agatho Materate, (eo legente) scriptus . . . editis et scholiis marginalibus illustratus. Additus etiam est in calce de Morbo Gallico tractatus, Antonii Fracanciani Bononiae in loco eminentis scientiae faeliciter legentis.* Patauii: Lucam Bertellum; Christophorum Gryphium, 1564; 1563. Two works in one. 4to. Half-calf with paper boards. First edition of two rare treatises on syphilis. “In this classic work on ‘the French disease,’ Fallopius wrote more knowingly of the Europe-wide scourge of syphilis than previous authors on the subject and was one of the first to oppose the use of mercury in its treatment.” The second treatise on the same subject is by Fracanzano (1500?-1569), who became professor of medicine at Padua in 1539. $12,000.00

EXTREMELY RARE RENAISSANCE TREATISE ON TUMOURS
18. FALLOPIUS, G[abriele]. *Libelli duo alter de ulceribus: alter de tumoribus praeter naturam.* Venice: Donato Bertelli, 1563. 4to. Later vellum; an excellent copy with contemporary annotations. First edition of Fallopius’ extremely rare treatise on ulcers and tumors. He here presents a systematic discussion of the etiology and treatment for these afflictions, and introduces the novel observation that when early lesions are detected, excisions and cauterisations should be carried out. $9500.00

THE PRECURSOR TO BURTON’S ANATOMY OF MELANCHOLY
19. GRAHAME, Simion. *The Anatomie of Humors.* Edinburgh: Thomas Finlason, 1609. 4to. Tipped in is a leaf with 2 pages of nineteenth-century manuscript dealing with the history of this book. First edition of the original printed treatise, exceedingly rare. This work, consisting of prose interspersed with verse, describes the melancholy or humors of man. Like so many other writers on the subject, including Burton, Grahame’s inducement was due in great part to his own depression and melancholy. $35,000.00

DEFENDING THE PRESCRIPTION AND USE OF SPANISH FLIES
20. GROENEVELT, Joanne [GREENFIELD, John]. *A treatise on the safe, internal use of cantharides in the practice of physick . . . To which are added, several further and very remarkable observations and histories of the said doctor; also of the translator and others concerning the safe, prevalent, effectual, and wonderful vertues of cantharides internally administered in divers difficult and deplorable distempers, as ulcers of the kidney and bladder, stone, gravel, strangury, dropsies, and some particular venereal cases; most clearly evincing that without them, those diseases can never be cured. . . .* London: Printed for Jeffery Wale, 1706. 8vo. Full calf. First edition in English of this rare work, a product of a notorious legal battle between the Royal College of Physicians and the author over his use of cantharides (powdered bodies of the beetle Cantharis vesicatoria, and aphrodisiac commonly known as Spanish flies), a practice which he defends citing actual cases and the opinions of leading physicians throughout history. He details numerous cases where cantharides were used as a successful remedy of a specific affliction, as well as antidotes to the use of cantharides for other (sexual) purposes. The work was originally published in Latin in 1698. $2500.00

WITH EXPLICIT COLORED ILLUSTRATIONS
21. HONMA SOKEN (GENCHO). *Zoku hoka hiroku (Additions to the secrets of treating skin growths).* Edo: Izumiya Kinemon, 1859. Five volumes. Xylographically printed on double leaves. With numerous woodcut illustrations, mostly colored. Original light blue wrappers. First edition of Honma Soken’s medical treatments observed and recorded by his five pupils. With a focus on inflammatory tumors, it is an important work on gangrene with amputations, aneurysms, benign tumors such as external vesicles containing lymphatic fluid, penile infections, prolapse of the uterus and wounds of the female genitalia, and abortions or miscarriages. In addition, poisoning due to plants, fish, drugs, mushrooms and morphine smoking are also described with illustrations of malignant tumors and carcinoma of the esophagus. There are illustrations of tumors of the head, surgical instruments of the period with instructions for suturing, wounds of the face and head, and supportive bandaging – mostly illustrated with color woodcuts, as well as sections on dermatology and dentistry. $2000.00
RARE MEDICAL WORK BY ANTI-NEWTONIAN PHILOSOPHER
22. [HUTCHINSON, John]. *An attempt to explain the oeconomy of the human frame, upon the principles of the new philosophy*. London: James Bettenham: & Sold by George Straham, 1739. 8vo. Contemporary calf; an excellent copy from the library of The Earl of Portsmouth. First edition, exceedingly rare with only 4 known copies (3 in the UK and the Yale copy in America). Hutchinson was not a physician, but interested in the activities of medical men, including the so called quack practitioners. He cites physicians that do not look to the patients’ symptoms and only guess what diseases they might carry. He here writes on the human frame (skeleton), describing his positions about numerous subjects, such as the motion of bodies in fluid, the quality of matter placed in the stomach and of the juices secreted into it out of the blood, the circulation of blood in animals, a description of the ducts for secreting, and the glands for collecting juices out of the blood, the state of the operations in a healthy person, the effects of too much heat and too much cold, the use of purges, diuretics, cupping and scarifying, blistering, smoking, or chewing tobacco and snuff, and his observations and comparisons between the effects of eating fresh fruits, greens, etc.

$ 4500.00

INNOVATIVE TREATMENTS OF GOUT
23. INDIA, Francesco. *De gutta podagrica, chiragrica, et arthritica libri duo.* . . . Veronae: Societatis Aspirantium Cura, 1600. Small 4to. Printer’s device depicting snakes in water on the title page. Contemporary stiff paper binding. First edition of this rare work on the causes and treatment of gout. By the end of the sixteenth century, medical knowledge of gout had not progressed much past theories of the humours or wild guesses regarding diet. Purging and bleeding to restore balance were still the most widely prescribed remedies, though various other treatments (some quite disgusting) were also experimented with. This treatise by the Veronese natural philosopher and physician Francesco India (fl. 1590’s) includes a great many tables to assist in identifying the various types and treatments of the disease. India specifically identifies different forms and effects of gout and for each class details various remedies and restrictions. Quite a forward-thinking work for the time.

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EARLY WORK ON LICE
24. KELLOGG, Vernon L. *North American mallophaga*. Palo Alto, CA: Leland Stanford Jr. University, 1896. Two works in one. 8vo. With 14 plates in the first work and 14 plates in the second, each containing numerous figures. Original publisher’s cloth; excellent condition. First edition in book form of two articles that appeared as Nos. IV (March 17, 2896) and VII (November 12, 1896) of *Contributions to Biology from the Hopkins Seaside Laboratory*, published by Stanford. One of the earliest scientific works on mallophaga, or chewing lice. Prof. Kellogg provides an introduction, including a bibliography, of both European and American mallophaga, and describes the structure, life history and habits, and distribution, including a list of hosts. The reader will enjoy a complete systematic discussion of the pests, which includes a fascinating narrative on their position within the insect kingdom. The second article updates the list of hosts, and further delves into the mallophagous mouth-parts, which are compared to the mouth-parts of allied insects. The illustrations are truly scary, especially if you or your family has ever encountered the little pests.

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EARLY ANATOMICAL WOODCUTS

25. KETHAM, Joannes de. Wundartzney zu allen Gebrechen des gantzen Leibs. Frankfurt am Mayn: Herman Gülferrichen, 1549. 4to. With 4 large woodcut instruments on title, a large double page wound-man woodcut, and small woodcut of a zodiac man. Old German pasteboards. Early edition of this rare surgical treatise containing the first detailed anatomical illustrations ever printed. $ 12,500.00

MAJOR WORK ON TREATING ABNORMAL EYE ALIGNMENT

26. LAGLEYZE, Pierre (Pedro). Du strabisme. Recherches, étiologiques, pathogénie, mécanisme du traitement. Paris: Jules Rousset, 1913. 8vo. Numerous text tables and illustrations, some in color. Original printed wrappers bound into contemporary half-morocco and marbled boards. An excellent, uncut copy with a long presentation on the half-title from the author to his mother. First edition, published simultaneously in Spanish, of this rare and definitive work on strabismus. Strabismus typically involves a lack of coordination between the extraocular muscles, which prevents directing the gaze of both eyes at once to the same point in space; it thus hampers proper binocular vision, and may adversely affect depth perception. This authoritative book treats both the standard type of abnormal alignment of the eyes as well as permanent or periodic cross-eye conditions. The author provides a history and classification of the various types of strabismus, the frequency, and the pathogeny of the impairment. Much of the book deals with treatments, both surgical and non-surgical. Even ethical considerations are discussed, including whether it is appropriate to intervene in one eye or both eyes in certain given situations. $ 550.00

WHAT COLOR IS YOUR AURA TODAY?

27. LEADBEATER, C[harles], W[ebster]. Man visible and invisible. London: Theosophical Publishing Society, 1902. 8vo. Complete with 26 coloured plates (including frontispiece). Blue cloth. First edition of a classic work of esoteric literature on the presence and significance of the human aura. Leadbeater examines the bodies of humans and how their colors change to reflect emotional states. Each aura corresponds to a color depending on the person’s emotional state. For example, black signifies hatred and malice; red correlates with anger; gray symbolizes fear; crimson indicates love; and yellow implies intellect. Leadbeater notes that certain colors, such as green and blue, can have varied and curious meanings – while blue typically denotes spirituality, it can also oscillate between purity, bigotry, selfishness, or nobility; green generally indicates adaptability, but can also evolve into evil, deceit, good, or sympathy. $ 150.00
STARTLING PHOTOGRAPHS OF TREATMENT UNDER HYPNOSIS

28. LUYS [Jules Bernard]. Leçons cliniques sur les principaux phénomènes de l’hypnotisme dans leurs rapports avec la pathologie mentale. Paris: Georges Carré, 1890. 8vo. With 13 leaves containing 37 varnished collotype photographic plates. Morocco-backed marbled boards. First edition. Luys was among the most notable of the many nineteenth-century French neurologists who made important contributions to the understanding of the anatomy and physiology of the brain. Later in his career, under the influence of Charcot, Luys became interested in the role of hypnosis in the treatment of mental and nervous disorders, and hypnotism in general. He describes the reaction of subjects under a hypnotic state, and the potential medical applications, including the effects on the brain. The photographs reveal the reactions of subjects having received hypnotic suggestions, as well as diagrams of the brain and the effects of transfer into the hypnotic state. $3000.00

EIGHTEENTH CENTURY MEDICAL MANUSCRIPT

29. [MANUSCRIPT]. [DOLCE, Francesco]. De febribus; De morbis mulierum; De morbis puerorum. [Naples: n.p., 1749]. 8vo. 67, [3], 41, [17] leaves. Black pen on paper. Bound in contemporary calf-backed marbled boards. An important medical manuscript written in Latin in the early eighteenth century and dedicated to the prominent and noble Gasparrini family of Naples, containing the lectures of Francesco Dolce, a well-known physician and professor of medicine at the famous “Hospital of the Incurables.” This manuscript has a unique didactic value with its descriptions of various types of fever (illnesses), including a thorough discussion of the definitions, symptoms, causes, prognosis, treatments and medical procedures to be used. Maladies of the head, the skin, the heart, and other common conditions are treated. This section concludes with a discussion of colds, and includes a number of fascinating remedies. Of significant interest is the second section, which treats women's diseases. The author discusses the menstruation cycle, and the various potential problems that arise from irregularity, failure to menstruate, and excessive bleeding. He further deals with pregnancy and the myriad of issues that can be encountered during that time, difficulties of giving birth, childbed fever, sterilization, and issues related to removal of the placenta. There is also a section on abortion. The third part deals with the more common problems of infancy, including colic and teething. Also included here are sections on children that suffer from canker sores, epilepsy and rickets. This manuscript is a testimony of the Neapolitan medical school tradition. The lectures are in line with the philosophy of medicine during the eighteenth century, where the approach was to utilize observation and reasoning in practice. Dolce’s use of descriptive symptomology was an expression of the “verismo scientifico,” the scientific positivism, that was notable of the time. $12,000.00
RARE MANUSCRIPT OF VIRCHOW LECTURES ON PATHOLOGY

30. [MANUSCRIPT]. [VIRCHOW, Rudolph]. Vorlesungen über Allgemeine Pathologie; Vorlesungen über Spezielle Pathologie; Publice über Krankheiten Gefässe. Berlin: [n.p.], 1879, 1880, 1888. Three parts in one. 8vo. 138; 68; 30 pp. Manuscript in an unknown hand. With numerous text figures (some in colour). Contemporary cloth-backed boards. Meticulously handwritten notes of lectures given by Virchow in Berlin covering several subject areas for which he was well known, including pathology, anatomy, and disease. The first section explains Virchow’s general pathology; the second part contains notes on lectures about special pathology and anatomy; the third section treats diseased blood vessels. At the end of the nineteenth century, Virchow gave a series of lectures entitled “General Pathology and Therapy” and “General Pathological Anatomy.” This manuscript appears to be the notes taken by a student who attended those lectures, given when Virchow was chair of Pathological Anatomy at the Friedrich-Wilhelms University. There are nine publicly accessible notes of Virchow’s lectures extant, of which only two others deal with general pathology. Virchow published in 1858 Cellularpathologie, his groundbreaking book that is still considered the root of modern pathology. This notebook explains in Virchow’s own words the main principles of his doctrine that laid the foundation of modern scientific medicine. Stating that the job of pathology starts where the physiology stops, he explains the importance of food processes and digestion, and treats necrosis, atrophy, hypertrophy, thrombosis, embolism and components of tumor pathology, among other topics. Of particular interest is a section on osteo malacia (softening of the bones). The second section starts with a discussion on the distinction between distinguishing if changes in cells took place while the subject was still alive or after death. In each section the author has added drawings to visualize the concept expressed in the text. $4500.00

CELEBRATED COMMENTARIES ON DIOSCORIDIS

31. MATTIOLI, Petri Andreae. Commentarii denuo aucti in libros sex Pedacii Dioscoridis Anazarbei de Medica Materia. Adiectis quamplurimis plantarum, & animalium imaginibus, quae in prioribus editionibus non habentur, eodem authore. (bound with): Apologia adversus Amathum Lusitanum cum censura in eiusdem enarrationes. Lyon: Gabriel Cotier, 1562. 4to. Woodcut printer’s device on title and colophon. With 640 text woodcuts, some in contemporary hand-colour. Contemporary calf; overall a superb copy with sharp impression to the plates and with contemporary annotations. First published in Italian in Venice, 1544, this is the first Latin edition printed in France. Mattioli’s celebrated commentaries on Dioscorides is one of the great sixteenth-century herbals. It was the most widely disseminated botanical book of its time, with some forty editions known. $9500.00
32. **PARACELSUS, [Theophrastus Bombastus von Hohenheim]**. *La grande chirurgie; Discours de la goutte; Traitez de la preparation des medicaments*. Lyon: Antoine de Harsy, 1603. Three volumes in one. 4to. Full calf in a contemporary style. Second French edition translated by Claude Dariot. Sudhoff notes that the two treatises added to his Great surgery, one on gout, the other on preparations of medications, are of fundamental importance in the history of Paracelsus, particularly the latter. $2250.00

A RARE MEDICAL TREATISE

33. **PORZIO (PORTIUS), Luca Antonio**. *Opera omnia, medica, philosophica, et mathematica, in unum collecta, atque ad meliorem, commodioremque formam redacta*. Neapoli: Typis Felicis Caroli Mosca; Expensis Cajetani Elia, 1736. Two volumes. 4to. With 10 folding plates. Beautiful Cambridge-style binding. First edition of this posthumous publication of works on medicine, philosophy, and mathematics. Included is a dialogue on the blood according to Erasistratus, Galen, Thomas Willis, and Van Helmont, an Apologia of Galen, a paraphrasing of Hippocrates, and Porzio’s own *De militis in castris sanitate tuenda, De motu corporum*, and various fragments and dissertations, all of which are in Latin. The final two sections are in Italian, one being a collection of Porzio’s letters and academic speeches and the other being a treatise on the use of potions for fistulas. $1250.00

CONCISE WORK ON URINE

34. **PROUT, William**. *An inquiry into the nature and treatment of gravel, calculus, and other diseases connected with a deranged operation of the urinary organs*. London: Baldwin, Cradock, and Joy, 1821. 8vo. With half-title, 9 mounted coloured examples of sediments on the final leaf. Recent calf-backed marbled boards. First edition of an important work on urine and digestion. Prout was among the first to divided food components into fats, carbohydrates and proteins. This work led to his discovery that the gastric juice contains free hydrochloric acid. $750.00
WONDERFUL NOVEL SATIRIZING MEDICAL EXPERIMENTS AND MODERN SCIENCE

35. **QUIXOTE.** *The philosophical Quixote; or. memoirs of Mr. David Wilkins. In a series of letters.* London: printed for J. Johnson, 1782. Two volumes bound together. 12mo. Contemporary diced russia. First edition. An epistolary novel, described by the *Critical Review* as “a very laughable attack on some of the late philosophical discoveries, and on the attempts which have been made to apply them to the purposes of medicine.” The quixotic hero, Mr. David Wilkins, is a middle-aged apothecary, who is subject to a passion for all things scientific. He performs experiments and brews concoctions in the name of philosophy with as much avidity as Don Quixote conquers his enemies in the name of chivalry, all of course to the neglect of his patients. The narrator is Wilkins’ assistant Harcourt, who in a series of letters regales his friend with anecdotes of his mentor. Electricity, galvanism, phlogiston, and agricultural chemistry are all the subject of ridicule. A great example of Wilkins’ experiments is related to the activities of his contemporary, Benjamin Franklin. The philosophical Quixote has invented electrical shoes, which he hopes will deter rain. He meets with complete failure. A fine read.

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36. **RAMÓN Y CAJAL, Santiago.** *Revista trimestral micrográifica.* Madrid: Nicolás Moya, 1896-1900. Five volumes in three. 8vo. With 4 plates and 276 text illustrations, many in colour. Modern half cloth over marbled boards; an excellent set. First edition. This most valuable journal was created by Ramon y Cajal in order to publish his own scientific research and to serve to encourage his pupils. It is extremely rare with only sixty copies printed. As initially conceived by Cajal, the *Revista trimestral micrográifica* was published for five years as a quarterly review of normal and pathological histology before being taken over by the University of Madrid, who changed the name to *Trabajos del Laboratorio de Investigaciones*. Many of Cajal’s important papers were published in his journal and formed the critical mass necessary for him to become a vocal proponent in favour of the independence of neural units, along with the principle of dynamic polarization in which would eventually become the Neuron Doctrine.

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40. REZIA, Jacobi [Giacomo]. Specimen observationum anatomicarum, et pathologicarum. Accedit Antonii Josephi Testae . . . epistola pathologici argumenti. Ticino: Petri Galeatii, 1784. 8vo. With 3 folding plates. Italian wrappers over boards. A wonderful, unsophisticated copy with the presentation signature of the author to Joannis Baptistae Bertololi of Milan, who wrote on the Bauhin Valve. First edition by Rezia, a renowned Italian physician who played an important role in developing the fields of anatomy, surgery and pathology. This book contains his observations on the bowels and an overview of the lymphatic system, with a section devoted entirely to the Bauhin valve. Located on the colon, this ileocecal valve was named for the sixteenth-century Swiss botanist Caspar Bauhin who is credited with its discovery. The folding plates include figures depicting this valve, the colon and the intestines.

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THE BIRTH OF PHYSICAL ANTHROPOLOGY AS A SCIENCE

42. RÜTIMEYER, Ludwig & HIS, Wilhelm. Crania Helvetica. Sammlung schweizerischer Schädelformen. Basel und Genf: H. Georg’s Verlagschuchandlung, 1864. Seven volumes (6 facsicles and text volume). 4to. With 82 unbound double-plate lithographs loose in the 6 facsicles. Text and facsicles in original printed wrappers, all contained in the original publisher’s printed slipcase. First edition of this elaborate and valuable contribution to ancient and modern crania, and vertebrate paleozoology. With the publication of Darwin’s Origin in 1859 and its inescapable implication that living and fossil species are linked by a common phylogeny, the primate fossil took on a new significance for documenting human genealogy in earlier epochs. Thus, in the 1860’s, the fossil record of primates was only a potential source of evidence relevant to the theory
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43. SCARLATTINI, Ottavio. Homo et ejus partes figuratus & symbolicus, anatomicus, rationalis, moralis, mysticus, politicus, & legalis, collectus et explicatus cum figuris. . . . Augsburg and Dilingae: Augustae Vindelicorum & Joannis Caspari Bencard, 1695. Two volumes in one. Folio. With frontispiece and 42 exquisite emblematic copper engravings. Wonderful contemporary rolled pigskin over thick boards, clasps present. First Latin edition from the original Italian of 1683–1684. Scarlattini’s masterpiece is a tour-de-force compendium fusing emblematic and occult knowledge with a treatise on human anatomy and physiology. He interprets human anatomy through a dizzying array of sources, including information on symbolism, history, rites, proverbs, and much more. $ 6000.00

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45. SECHENOV, Ivan Mikhailovich. [SETSCHENOW, J.] Physiologische studien über die hemmungsmechanismen für die reflexhättigkeit des rückenmarks im gehirne des frosches. Berlin: August Hirschwald, 1863. 8vo. Wrappers; a fine copy in folding case. First edition of this extraordinarily rare treatise on the reflexes of the brain. According to Sechenov, higher brain function, including any so-called voluntary act, was basically reflex in nature for it was a response to sensory stimulation which led to a motor act. Sechenov, the father of Russian physiology, laid the foundation for the study of reflexes, animal and human behavior, and neuroscience. $ 7500.00

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46. STRONG, Nathan. An inaugural dissertation on the disease termed Petechial, or Spotted Fever. Hartford: Printing by Peter B. Gleason, 1810. 8vo. Unbound as issued, stitched; uncut, wide margins. First edition of the first treatise published exclusively on what is now known as cerebrospinal meningitis. The work provides a brief time-line of the progress of the disease, outlines the effects of the disease on the functions of the body, and then proposes a number of causes of the illness. It also discusses several treatments of symptoms, suggesting remedies including camphor, opium, and muriate of mercury (a combination of mercury and muriatic acid). Garrison & Morton, 4675. $ 3500.00
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47. TISSOT, Simon-Auguste-Andre-David. Lettre a Monsieur Hirzel... sur quelques critiques de M. De Haen; Lettre a Monsieur De Haen... en repose a ses questions sur l’inoculation; Lettre a Monsieur Zimmerman... sur l’epidemie courante; Seconde lettre a Monsieur Zimmerman... sur l’epidemie de 1766. Lausanne, 1765-1766. Four volumes in one. Tissot’s famous letters detailing his observations on the existing medical practices of the day. They include insights into contemporary epidemics and their diseases, as well as the efficacy of inoculation, a major concern of Tissot and his colleagues. $ 2500.00

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