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PRESENTATION COPY

1. ADAMS, John Quincy. Oration on the life and character of Gilbert Motier de LaFayette. Delivered at the request of both houses of the Congress of the United States, before them, in the House of Representatives at Washington, on the 31st December, 1834. Washington: Printed by Gales and Seaton, 1835. 8vo. Contemporary straight grain morocco. An excellent copy inscribed to David Potts Jun from John Quincy Adams on a presentation slip inserted before the title page. First edition of Adams’ biography of Gilbert du Motier, the marquis de La Fayette. Books inscribed by Adams are quite scarce. Potts was elected to the State House of Representatives of Pennsylvania before being elected as an Anti-Masonic candidate to the twenty-second through twenty-fifth Congresses (March 4, 1831-March 3, 1839). $ 6500.00

VISUAL HISTORY OF THE WORLD - - EXTREMELY RARE FIRST EDITION

2. ADAMS, Sebastian C. A chronological chart of ancient, modern and Biblical history. Synchronized by Sebastian C. Adams. Cincinnati: Strobridge & Co., 1871. Large folio. With 21 folded panels, each consisting of a fully illustrated color chromolithograph chart. First edition of this huge and impressive 23-foot long chart showing 5,885 years of history. It depicts mankind from the creation of the world through the publication date. Starting with Adam and Eve, we find out such important dates as when Noah lived, when the Ark touched down on Mt. Ararat, when the Tower of Babel was built and the beginning of the separation of mankind due to language differences, the evolving of ethnology, the building of the pyramids, the invention of agricultural tools, and the awakening of the Christian era. Includes the rare Key to Adams’ Synchronological chart of universal history (New York, 1881). $ 3000.00

DARWIN’S LEADING AMERICAN OPPONENT

3. AGASSIZ, Louis. An essay on classification. London: Longman, Brown, Green Longmans, & Roberts and Triibner, 1859. 8vo. Original pebbled cloth. First edition. Printed a few months prior to Darwin’s Origin, this work represents an entirely opposite interpretation of nature. Agassiz was convinced that different organisms arose by a series of independent and special creations, which precluded all possibility of genetic continuity between species; “man, like other animals, were of distinct types of species and were marked by different physical and intellectual traits.” $ 550.00
THREE RARE SCIENTIFIC WORKS FROM ARISTOTLE

4. ARISTOTLE. Aristotelis stagyritae acroases physicæ libri VIII. (bound with) Aristotelis stagyritae libri de coelo IIII; libri de generatione II; libri meteororum IIIII. (bound with) Aristotelis stagyritae philosophi de anima libri IIII ... de sensu & sensato liber I; de memoria & reminiscientia liber I; de somno & vigilia liber I; de longitudine & breuitate vitae. Augsburg: Grimm & Wirsung, 1518; 1519; 1520. Three books in one. Folio. First title page in red and black; heraldic woodcuts on second and third titles. Final leaf, with large woodcut of Saint Catherine on colophon, is in facsimile on contemporary paper. Old vellum. Includes Aristotle's scientific works on the motion of heavenly bodies, his physics, meteorology, on the process of birth and generation, and on the soul of man. $8500.00

BACON’S SERIOUS “NEW SCIENCE”


PRECISION BOMBING

6. BELIDOR, Bernard Forest de. Le bombardier François. Ou nouvelle methode de jetter les bombes avec precision. Paris: de l’Imprimerie Royale, 1731. 4to. Engraved frontispiece plus 8 engraved plates showing mortars, rockets, explosive charges, fireworks, etc. Contemporary calf. First edition. An essential work for use in combat, containing systematic firing tables. The exquisite illustrations show the different type of canon, bullets and mortars, loading material, and additional swagger that can be used. $750.00

EXPERIMENTAL MEDICINE


MILESTONE IN THE HISTORY OF MATHEMATICS AND PROBABILITY

8. BERNOULLI, Jakob. Ars conjectandi, opus posthumum. Basel: Thurnisiorum, Fratrum, 1713. 4to. Contemporary paper over thin boards, marbled paper spine; an excellent uncut copy with wide margins. First edition. “It is still the foundation of much modern practice in all fields where probability is concerned -- insurance, statistics and mathematical heredity tables” (PMM). $25,000.00
THE FIRST FRENCH BOOK ON NAVIGATION

9. BESSARD, Toussaint de. *Dialogue, de la longitude . . . Qui est, la premiere partie du miroir du monde: contenant, tous les moyens, que l'on pourroit avoir tenues, en la navigation, iusqu'à maintenat: que, les deux filles de cosmographie, asçavoir, geo-graphie, & hydro-graphie, en mettent un nouveau, & plus-seur, en avant: touchant le fait de cette longitude, tant par mer, que par terre.* Rouan: Messgissier, 1574. 4to. Woodcut printer’s device on title, woodcut portrait of author, 20 text woodcuts, including illustrations of instruments. Nineteenth century vellum. First edition of this extremely rare treatise, the first work printed in France on navigation and one of the earliest attempts to determine longitude at sea. $65,000.00

FIRST PRINTED BOOK ON METALLURGY

10. BIRINGUCCIO, Vannuccio. *Pirotechnia . . .* Venice: [Giovan Padoana], 1550. 4to. Title and text with elaborate woodcut illustrations of various machines and apparatus. Vellum-backed marbled boards; contemporary annotations throughout. Second edition. This was the first printed book dealing with metallurgy, “written for the practicing metallurgist, foundryman, dyer, type-founder, glass-maker, and maker of gunpowder, fireworks and chemicals used in warfare” (Dibner). Biringuccio here gives the earliest account of typecasting and the making of statues, medallions, and bells. $8500.00

LET THIS BE A LESSON

11. BLANCHARD, Pierre. *Les accidents de l’enfance.* Paris: P. C. Lehuby, [circa 1840]. 8vo. With frontispiece plus 11 lithographed plates. A colorful 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. Other stories do 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. $450.00
A FAILED EXPEDITION TO POLAND
12. BOËNCOURT, Chevalier [Galliard]. HENDERSON, Alexander (editor). *A narrative of the French expedition to Dantzig in 1734; Voyage des troupes Françoises en Pologne*. Edinburgh: Alexander Henderson, 1831. 4to. First part in English, second part in French. Uncut and largely unopened. First and only edition; only 58 copies were printed, this being number 36. Henderson acquired an eighteenth century French manuscript by Boëncourt, who was part of a French military expedition to the besieged port city of Dantzig (Gdansk) in Poland during the War of Polish Succession. Russians had a claim to the throne, but Sweden, in alliance with the French, wanted Stanislaw, the son-in-law of Louis XV, on the throne. Of course a war broke out. No copies located in America.

$8500.00

ORIGINAL THEORY OF CONIC SECTIONS AND THE FOUNDATION OF THE LAWS OF CONTINUITY
13. BOSCOVICH, Roger Joseph. *Elementorum universæ matheseos*. Venice: Antonium Perlini, 1757. Three volumes. 8vo. With 15 folding plates. Contemporary vellum-backed soft boards; an uncut copy with very wide margins. Boscovich’s great textbook on mathematics, originally printed in Rome, 1752 in two parts, with a third part added in 1754. This work formed the foundation of his best-known *Philosophiae naturalis theoria redacta* printed the following year. It includes a profound discussion of the law of continuity, which was further clarified in the *Philosophiae naturalis*.

$3500.00

NATIVE AMERICAN SERPENT WORSHIP
14. BOURKE, John G. *The snake-dance of the Moquis of Arizona*. New York: Charles Scribner’s Sons, 1884. 8vo. Complete with frontispiece and 33 plates. First edition of this fascinating narrative of Bourke’s observations and descriptions of the manners, customs, and rituals of the Moqui (Hopi) Indians. This work is the first publication to describe the mysterious Snake-Dance in its entirety. Bourke also details other aspects of the Moqui tribe, such as the status of wives, the role of children, pottery and bead work, and the practice of ancestor worship.

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DEMONSTRATING GENERAL OCCURRENCE OF THE NUCLEUS IN PLANT CELLS

$950.00

FIRST PUBLISHED MENTION OF OREGON

$5000.00
THE FOUNDATION OF SCIENTIFIC BOTANY
17. CESALPINO, Andreas. *De plantis libri XVI*. Florence: Georgio Marescotti, 1583. 4to. Woodcut initials. Full calf; an excellent copy. First edition of the first “rational system of plant classification” (PMM). With the knowledge of the existence of a greater number of plants, a method of scientific classification was needed. This era began with Cesalpino, who created his system of classification based upon plant morphology. This work became the foundation of scientific botany and the first articulation of the modern concept of species, the effect of which was enormous, profoundly influencing botanists that followed, including Linnaeus.  $ 25,000.00

SIGNED AUTOBIOGRAPHY

PRESENTATION COPY OF AUTHOR’S ORIGINAL OFFPRINT

HOW TO PRACTICE ASTROLOGICAL HERBALISM
20. CULPEPER, Nicholas. *The English physician enlarged with three hundred and sixty nine medicines made of English Herbs, that were not in an impression until this* . . . . London: Printed for the Booksellers, 1785. 12mo. Contemporary calf. Culpeper’s popular work explained how the planet associated with each herb is used symbolically to derive its medicinal use. In order to gain knowledge of the herb, one is expected to contemplate the symbolic associations of each planet—parts of the body, humoral correspondence, temperature, etc.—in relation to the listed indications to see how the herb can be used.  $ 650.00

THE GENESIS OF THE THEORY OF EVOLUTION
21. DARWIN, Charles, FITZROY, Robert, & KING, P. Parker. *Narrative of the surveying voyages of His Majesty’s ships Adventure and Beagle* . . . . London: Henry Colburn, 1839. Four volumes. Complete with 44 lithographed plates and all of the maps and charts. Original cloth. First edition, first issue recording the historic voyage of the Beagle, including Darwin’s *Journal*, which forms the third volume of the *Narrative*, Darwin’s first published book.  $ 85,000.00
GEOLOGY OF THE VOYAGE OF THE BEAGLE

22. DARWIN, Charles
1. The structure and distribution of coral reefs. Being the first part of the geology of the voyage of the beagle, under the command of Capt. Fitzroy, R.N. during the years 1832 to 1836. London: Smith, Elder and Co., 1842. With 3 folding engraved maps. Recent cloth. 2. Geological observations on the volcanic islands visited during the voyage of H.M.S. Beagle, together with some brief notices of the geology of Australia and the Cape of Good Hope. With the folding map entitled “A plan of the Island of Ascension.” Original publisher’s purple cloth. 3. Geological observations on South America. Being the third part of the geology of the voyage of the Beagle. London: Smith, Elder and Co., 1842; 1844; 1846. 8vo. With an additional folding plate of shells at the end of the ads with the notation “Sowerby’s Fossils of British Strata, 1 folding map and 5 folding plates (1 hand-coloured). Original publisher’s cloth; an excellent copy. Three separate works. All first editions. These contain the records of Darwin’s observations during the voyage of the Beagle. The first volume records Darwin’s theory of the formation of coral reefs. The second work is his study of volcanic islands and is based on a wide range of rock and mineral specimens, including his own, and considerable research into contemporary theories of volcanic activity, mountain formation, and the elevation of extensive tracts of land relative to the sea. The final book on geological observations demonstrates the origin of metamorphic rocks by deformation and of the distinction between cleavage and sedimentary bedding, a major contribution to geology.

$ 75,000.00

THE FIRST MAJOR TEXTUAL CHANGES AND REVISIONS

23. DARWIN, Charles. On the origin of species by means of natural selection or the preservation of favoured races in the struggle for life. New York: D. Appleton and Company, 1860. 8vo. Original brown blind-stamped publisher’s cloth; in excellent condition. First American edition. This, the fourth issue, with the added three quotes, is the first of the American issues where the text has been considerably altered, revised and augmented by the author. In addition it contains the historical sketch in its earlier and shorter form.

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$ 24,000.00

CLASSIC OF AMERICAN MEDICAL GEOGRAPHY


$ 2500.00
SENSATIONALIST LANGUAGE AND VIVID DETAILS
26. DU CHAILLU, Paul B. *Explorations & adventures in Equatorial Africa*. With accounts of the manners and customs of the people, and of the chase of the gorilla, crocodile, leopard, elephant, hippopotamus, and other animals. New York: Harper & Brothers, 1861. 8vo. Frontispiece, folding map, and 80 illustrations. Original publisher’s cloth with gilt embossed gorilla on spine. First American edition of a thrilling scientific exploration by the first western European to “discover” gorillas. Voyaging into Equatorial Africa, du Chaillu not only claims to be the first witness to gorillas, but also to other apes, and new species of quadrupeds and birds. He was also credited as the first westerner to observe local pygmy tribes. $ 550.00

UNIQUE VICTORIAN MATHEMATICAL PUZZLE
27. DUPIN L. *Géométrie stéréométrique ou décomposition du cube en polyédres réguliers, irréguliers et corps ronds; formant entre eux plus de 120 solides appliqués à l’elude de la géométrie, de la coupe des pierres, de la charpente et de la minéralogie*. [Paris : de Clérin (?) c. 1839]. Original mahogany box with twenty-seven polyhedrons and one cylinder, all of varying sizes with mathematical definitions or formulas printed on each side. An early mathematical and geodesical puzzle provides an inventive way to explain stéréotomie, the science of cutting materials used in construction, carpentry, or mineralogy. The individual pieces can be fit together in numerous patterns and shapes, and can be removed and examined to explain the geometry of cut stone or wood. This particular object was exhibited by the Boeringer Brothers at the Paris 1839 *Exposition des produits de l’industrie Française*. $ 9500.00

GENERAL RELATIVITY
FROM THE LIBRARY OF A NAZI SYMPATHIZER
28. EINSTEIN, Albert. *Die Grundlage der allgemeinen Relativitätstheorie*. Leipzig: J. A. Barth, June, 1916. 8vo. Original printed wrappers on rippled paper. An uncut copy, ownership signature on the front wrapper, preserved in a half-morocco solander box. First separate printing of Einstein’s classic paper. Not an offprint from the *Annalen der Physik* as is often thought, but a completely new setting of type with significant and important additions and revisions, including an introduction published here for the first time which was not in the journal issue. From the library of Dr. Sten Lothigius, Swedish physicist with an affinity to the Nazi movement, an anti-Semite who wrote against the theory of relativity and Einstein. His book, *Esquisse d’une théorie nouvelle de la lumière (Sketch of a new theory of light)*, 1920, is noted in Christopher Jon Bjerkness, *The manufacture and sale of Saint Einstein* (see the website jewishracism.com). $ 8500.00

THE EARLIEST CONTRIBUTION TO THE PHILOSOPHY OF MATHEMATICS
29. EUCLID. [Greek:] *Elementa geometriae*. Basle: Johann Herwagen, 1533. Folio. Decorated woodcut border to first page of text, numerous woodcut diagrams. Contemporary English calf. *Editio princeps* of Euclid’s *Elements*, an epic-making text with the important commentary by Proclus on the first book, the earliest extant criticism of Euclid’s fifth postulate on the existence of parallel lines, the study of which led, after a further fifteen hundred years of effort, to the discovery of non-Euclidean geometry by Gauss, Bolyai and Lobachevsky. It is also the first printing of the earliest work on the philosophy of mathematics. $ 35,000.00
AN AMAZING JOURNEY

30. FORREST, Captain Thomas. *A voyage to New Guinea, and the Moluccas, from Balambangan: including an account of Magindano, Sooloo, and other islands . . . to which is added, a Vocabulary of the Magindano Tongue.* London: G. Scott, 1779. 4to. Engraved frontispiece portrait plus 32 engraved plates and maps. Contemporary calf. First edition of a truly amazing journey from one of the most experienced ship captains sailing the eastern seas. Forrest here documents a trade journey starting from a small settlement on the island of Borneo east to the northern coast of New Guinea, then through the Moluccas and finally to the Malay Peninsula. Forrest’s recollections include everything from his encounter with a wild boar to descriptions of multi-day wedding ceremonies. Full of maps and illustrated panoramas, detailed coastal charts, genealogical trees and lists of city populations or items exchanged with Chinese vessels, the book concludes with the very important English to Magindano and Papua vocabulary.

$ 4000.00

THE FIRST FRENCH PATENT FOR AN INVENTION

31. FOULLON, Abel [Fulton, Fullone]. *Descrittione, et uso dell’holometro. Per saper misurare tutte le cose, che si possono veder coll’occhio così in lunghezza, & larghezza; come in altezza & come in altezza & profondita.* Venice: Giordano Ziletti, 1564. 4to. With 16 engravings. Old limp vellum. First Italian edition (after the first French edition of 1555) of a valuable treatise on the author’s newly invented quadrant for geometrical measuring and surveying. The device, which he named holometre, resembled a cross-staff, and was mainly intended for the delineation of cartographical maps and surveying. However, and of great interest, the instrument gave instant results, without the need for calculations in the age before logarithms. It is for this invention that Henry II granted the first ever patent in France to Foullon.

$ 5000.00

CHEMICAL SYNOPTIC TABLES

32. FOURCROY, A[ntoine] F[rançois comte de]. *Synoptic tables of chemistry, intended to serve as a summary of the lectures delivered on that science in the public schools at Paris.* London: T. Cadell & W. Davies, 1801. Folio. 4 pp. and 12 double-page printed leaves. Overall in excellent condition. First English edition of this scarce and handsome set of Fourcroy’s chemistry tables, the first set of chemical synoptic tables ever published. They were originally created as teaching aids to be split up and posted on the wall of a laboratory or classroom, which likely contributed to the current rarity of complete sets.

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INFANTILE SEXUALITY


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RENAISSANCE ASTRONOMY FROM THE VENETIAN SOCRATES

34. [GABRIELE, Tryphon] GABRIELE, Giacomo. *Dialogo di M. Iacomo Gabriele nel quale de la sphera, et degli orti et occasi de le stelle, minutamente si ragiona.* [Colophon: Venezia: Giovanni Griffio, Giovanni Ferri e fratelli, 1545]. 8vo. Later vellum; an excellent copy. First and only edition of this rare treatise written in the form of a dialogue between some of the most prominent humanists and philosophers in the Italian Renaissance. Tryphon Gabriel (1470–1549), known as the Venetian Socrates, here identifies astrology as the most noble and true science; his eclectic perspective occupies the boundary between the philosophies of Plato and Aristotle. Tryphon, practically unknown for his interest in the sciences, is well known for collaborating with his dearest friend Pietro Bembo in the codification of the Italian language. Of particular interest is that Tryphon did not publish any of his own writings during his lifetime. That was left to Giacomo Gabriele (1510–1550), Tryphon’s nephew and heir, who has created the critical edition of his uncle’s work on astronomy, astrology, theology and philosophy. It is a timely publication, discussing the validity of early theories of astrology in light of Renaissance approaches to science, especially given the recently published *De revolutionibus* by Copernicus.

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IN DEFENSE OF COPERNICUS

35. GALILEI, Galileo. Dialogo sopra i due Massimi Sistemi del Mondo Tolemaico, e Copernicano. Florence: Giovanni Battista Landini, 1632. 4to. Engraved frontispiece by Stefano della Bella in fine facsimile on early paper. Contemporary vellum. First edition of Galileo’s statement and defense of the Copernican system of heliocentrism, which directly led to his trial for heresy in Rome in 1633. The frontispiece, which was not included in the first issue of the first edition (as in this copy), was added at a later date. $ 40,000.00

THE MONUMENTAL FLORENTINE TRIBUNA TO GALILEO

36. GALILEO [ROSINI, Giovanni]. Descrizione della tribuna innalzata da sua Altezza Imp. e reale il Granduca Leopoldo II alla memoria di Galileo. Firenze: Luigi Bardi. 1841. 4to. With 15 copperplate engravings. Original printed wrappers. First edition. Leopold II, Grand Duke of Tuscany, established the most tolerant reign of the Italian states. From 1839-1841 Leopold allowed the Congress of Italian Scientists to take place in Pisa and Florence, despite Vatican opposition. At the end of the Congress, the monument, Tribune to Galileo Galilei, was unveiled to the public. The Tribuna represents a rare example of Florentine Neoclassical architecture, which is vividly described. As the monument has been restored recently, this work offers a unique chance of taking a look of the original composition of the tribute paid to Galileo. $ 450.00

ACCURATELY CALCULATING AND PREDICTING ORBIT LOCATION

37. GAUSS, Carl Friedrich. Theoria motus corporum coelestium in sectionibus conicis solem ambientium. Hamburg: Perthes & Besser, 1809. 4to. With 20 pages of tables and 1 engraved plate. Nineteenth century half-morocco over pebbled cloth. First edition of Gauss’s famous classic on celestial mechanics, where he introduced the principle of curvilinear triangulation and the four formulae in spherical trigonometry known as “Gauss’s Analogies,” by which he was able to accurately calculate and predict orbit location. $ 4500.00

ORIGIN OF THE “PHOTO OP”

38. GILPIN, William M. A. Observations, relative chiefly to the picturesque beauty, made in the year 1772, on several parts of England; particularly the mountains, and lakes of Cumberland and Westmoreland. London: Printed for R. Blamire, 1792. Two volumes. 8vo. With 30 aquatint plates. Contemporary tree calf. Third edition of this significant travelogue and observations on the beauty of the Scottish landscape, particularly in Cumberland and Westmoreland. $ 1500.00

40. GRANDAMI, Jacques. *Nova demonstratio immobilitatis terrae petita ex virtute magnetica*. La Flèche: Géorgre Griveau, 1645. 4to. With 7 plates and 24 text engravings. Contemporary vellum. First and only edition of a fascinating work on magnetism, notable not only for the author’s anti-Copernican and anti-Galilean views, but also as a history of the magnet. Grandami uses his own theories, including results of his experiments, on terrestrial magnetism in an attempt to prove the immobility of the earth. Grandami, a French Jesuit physicist and astronomer, was dean of the college at La Flèche, where Descartes was schooled and the site of the main Jesuit press. He corresponded with Descartes, Huygens and Mersenne, and made detailed observations of comets of 1664 and 1665, which caused much religious and academic debate. $9500.00

41. GRIFFIN, William N. *A treatise on optics*. Cambridge: Printed at the University Press, 1838. 8vo. With 8 plates. Contemporary half-calf over cloth boards. First edition. In a series of short chapters, Griffin defines properties and dispersion of light, and treats all aspects of reflection and refraction. He then delves much deeper into the mathematical properties of light rays, as well as geometrical and physical optics. A large section is devoted to vision optical instruments, with a final piece on rainbows. $450.00

42. HAECKEL, Ernst. *System der Siphonophoren auf Phylogenetischer Grundlage entworfen. (with) Plankton-Composition. (with) Die cambrische Stammgruppe der Echinodermen*. Three original offprints, each from *Jenaische Zeitschrift für Naturwissenschaft*, 1888; 1892; 1895. Presentation copies. First editions of these zoological monographs, which contained reports of thousands of new species of lower marine animals, most gathered on the Challenger expedition. $2500.00

43. HALES, Stephen. *Vegetable staticks; or, an account of some statistical experiment on the sap in vegetables: Being an essay towards a natural history of vegetation. (offered with) Statical essays: Containing haemastaticks, or, an account of some hydraulic and hydrostatical experiments made on the blood and blood vessels of animals*. London: Printed for W. Innys and R. Manby, and T. Woodward, 1727; 1733. Two volumes. 8vo. With 19 plates. Contemporary paneled calf; bookplate of Myron Prinzmetal. First edition of both volumes. The first is Hales’ classic on the physiology of plants, the second his pioneering invention of the manometer, with which he was the first to measure blood pressure. PMM, 189a; Dibner, 26; Horblit, 45a. $8500.00
ENABLING LONG-DISTANCE TELEPHONE SERVICE

44. HEAVISIDE, Oliver. *Electrical papers*. New York and London: Macmillan and Co., 1894. Two volumes. 8vo. Text illustrations. Original publisher’s cloth; an exceptionally good copy. Scarce second edition of Heaviside’s collected works in all aspects of practical and theoretical electricity. He deals with “theoretical aspects of problems in telegraphy and electrical transmission, making use of an unusual calculatory method called operational calculus, now better known as the method of Laplace transforms, to study transient currents in networks” (*Encyclopedia Britannica*). $1500.00

FIRST EDITION OF HERTZ’ COLLECTED WORKS

45. HERTZ, Heinrich. *Gesammelte Werke*. I. Schriften vermischten Inhalts; II. Untersuchungen über die Ausbreitung der elektrischen Kraft; III. Die Prinzipen der Mechanik in neuem Zusammenhange dargestellt. Leipzig: Johan Ambrosius Barth, 1895-1894. Three volume. 8vo. With frontispiece portrait, large folding plate, and 40 text illustrations. Generally a good clean set from the library of Stillman Drake. First edition of Hertz’ collected works, containing 22 of his papers, the second edition of *Untersuchungen über die Ausbreitung der elektrischen Kraft*, his treatise on electric waves, and the actual first printing of *Die Prinzipen der Mechanik*, one of the classic works of nineteenth-century philosophy of science. $850.00

MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR TULIPS

46. [HILL, John]. *A method of producing double flowers from single, by a regular course of culture*. London: R. Baldwin, 1758. 4to. With 8 large folding engraved plates. First edition of this extremely rare and little known work on tulips. He gives a detailed account of understanding the process of nature, as well as directions on how to double the flowers of many plants. Hill, though best known for his botanical works with which he introduced the classification system of Linnaeus into England, was certainly one of the most controversial figures in eighteenth-century England. $4500.00

HOOKE’S SUPPLEMENT TO THE MICROGRAPHIA

47. HOOKE, Robert. *Lectures and collections*. London: J. Martyn, 1678. 4to. With 5 folding engraved plates; an excellent copy, crisp and clean, in modern polished calf. First edition of one of the very rare volumes of the author’s lectures which Sir John Cutler initiated in 1664 for his benefit. Hooke, whose genius threw a gleam of light on every subject of physics which engaged his attention, gives here some remarkable supplements to his *Micrographia*. Miscellaneous contributions from Boyle, Halley, Cassini, Gassendi, Hevelius, and others are included. Of particular interest is the letters Leeuwenhoek communicated to the Royal Society concerning microscopical discoveries, including an account of the “little animals” he had found in pepperwater (protoza and bacteria). $12,500.00

DARWIN’S INSPIRATION

48. HUMBOLDT, Alexandre de. *A geognostical essay on the superposition of rocks, in both hemispheres*. London: Longman, Hurst, Rees, Orme, Brown, and Green, 1823. 8vo. Contemporary cloth. First edition in English. The present book is Humboldt’s most significant work in geology, in which he treats the superposition of rocks, and introduces the names “Jurassique” and “Jura formation.” $850.00
CLASSICS IN THE HISTORY OF DENTISTRY

49. HUNTER, John. *A natural history of the human teeth: explaining their structure, use, formation, growth & diseases.* (bound with) *A practical treatise on the diseases of the teeth intended as a supplement to the natural history of those parts.* London: J. Johnson, 1771; 1778. Two works in one. 4to. Complete with the rare half-titles to both parts. With 16 copperplates, each with printed explanation leaf. Full calf in a contemporary style. First edition of each work. Hunter correctly described “the growth and development of the jaws and their relation to the muscles of mastication,” and was the first to recommend complete removal of the pulp in filling teeth.

$7500.00

50. HUNTER, John. *Observations on certain parts of the animal oeconomy.* London: [n.p.], 1786. 4to. With 18 engraved anatomical plates. Contemporary calf-backed paste-boards; a very nice copy with wide margins. First edition. This work, considered one of Hunter’s four major masterpieces, contains fourteen separate monographs on zoology and comparative anatomy.

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THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE COLLECTION OF HUYGENS’ WORKS

51. HUYGENS, Christian. *Opera reliqua.* (with) *Opera posthuma.* Amsterdam: Janssonio-Waesbergios, 1728. Two works in one. 4to. With 58 folding engraved plates. Contemporary calf. First edition, edited by ’sGravesande. This set contains Huygens’ works on gravity and accelerated motion, the laws of elastic bodies, and the undulatory theory of light, perhaps his most important achievement. Also included are his tracts on optics, instructions on grinding lenses for telescopes, and a description of the Planetary Automate machine he constructed portraying the movements of the solar system. This machine, as well as a number of other innovations and discoveries, are all depicted in the finely engraved illustrations.

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THE NATURE OF HEAT


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ARTISTICALLY NAVIGATING THE PERILOUS WATERS OF CAPE HORN

53. KENT, Rockwell. *Voyaging southward from the Strait of Magellan.* New York & London: G. P. Putnam’s Sons, 1924. 4to. Complete with frontispiece and title page vignette, 69 illustrations and endpaper maps. Cloth with woodcut illustration and title on front board. First edition, first printing, of Kent’s lively narrative about his attempt to circumnavigate Cape Horn. Filled with exquisite woodcut illustrations, this text provides valuable insight into the people, culture, and landscape of South America, as well as the travel culture of the twentieth century.

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54. KETHAM, Joannes de. Wundartzney zu allen Gebrechen des gantzen Leibs. Frankfurt am Mayn: Herman Gülféferichen, 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

THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF KLEE

55. [KLEE, Paul]. KORNFELD, Eberhard W. Verzeichnis des graphischen Werkes von Paul Klee. Bern: Verlag Kornfeld und Klipstein, 1963. Folio. With 150 color and monochrome plates. Original publisher’s cloth, dust jacket a bit worn and chipped in the corners; interior excellent. First edition of the major catalogue of Paul Klee’s work, one of 1400 copies. Laid in is a 24-page guide to Klee’s work in the Bern Art Museum (Wegweiser zu Paul Klee im Kunstmuseum Bern) dated September 22, 1987, containing photographic illustrations as well as both color and black and white images of Klee’s art. $850.00

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56. LA CONDAMINE, [Charles Marie de]. Journal du voyage fait par l’ordre du roi, a l’équateur, servant d’introduction historique a la mesure des trois premiers degre’s du meridien. (offered with) Mesure des trois premier degre’s du meridien dans l’hemisphere Austral, tiree des observations de M.rs de l’academie royale des sciences, envoyes par le roi pour l’équateur. Paris: De L’Imprimerie Royale, 1751. Two separate volumes. 4to. With 9 engraved plates, including the map of Quito. Contemporary tree calf. First edition of the account of the scientific expedition to the equator sponsored by the Academie des Sciences, the purpose of which was to measure an arc of the meridian in order to settle a controversy over the shape of the earth. La Condamine ultimately split from his group and traveled alone to Quito, and then down the Amazon. $7500.00

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57. LAMARCK, Jean-Baptiste. Flore Françoise ou description succincte de toutes les plantes qui croissent naturellement en France, disposée selon une nouvelle méthode d’analyse, & à laquelle on a joint la citation de leurs vertus les moins équivoques en médecine, & de leur utilité dans les arts. Paris De L’Imprimerie Royale, 1778. Three volumes 8vo. With 8 folding engraved plates. Contemporary mottled calf; overall an excellent copy from the library of Richard Burkhardt. First edition Lamarck’s first acclaimed work, and one of the first French books to include the Linnaean nomenclature as well as that of Tournefort. It is here that Lamarck developed his “method of analysis,” a system of identification of plants by dichotomous keys which resulted in the ability to name various groups of plants through mutually exclusive characteristics. $1200.00

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58. LASSAIGNE, Jacques. Chagall. Paris: Maeght, 1957. 4to. With 13 original lithographs in color, 2 in black and white, plus 11 color and numerous black and white reproductions. First edition of one of the best books on Chagall. The lithographs were printed by Mourlot of Paris. Text is in French. Included are two poems by Chagall, plus a critical study of Chagall’s work. $1200.00
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60. LE VERRIER, Urbain Jean Joseph. “Recherches sur les mouvements d’Uranus.” From *Comptes rendus hebdomadaires des séances de l’académie des sciences*. Paris: Bachelier, 1 June, 1846. Plus 8 additional issues. All 9 parts in original printed wrappers. First editions, first printings. These publications represent the cumulative work of Le Verrier’s prediction of the existence of the then unknown planet Neptune, using only mathematics and astronomical observations of the planet Uranus.

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CONTEMPORARY BIOGRAPHY OF THE JESUIT’S FOUNDER

61. [LOYOLA]. LANCICIUS, Nicolas. *Gloria sancti P. Ignatii de Loyola fundatoris Societatis Jesu*. Antwerp: Henricum Aertssens, 1628. 24mo. Engraved title with a vignette of Loyola. Contemporary vellum; a wonderful copy. First edition (?) of the author’s rare and very original account of the life and achievements of the founder of the Society of Jesus, Ignatius of Loyola (1491–1556). Lancicius recalls Loyola’s life milestones, from his period of illness to his trip to the Holy Land, and explores the Saint’s magnanimity, his virtues and the incredible oratory that he infused into his *Spiritual exercises*. He deals with the reports of miracles while Loyola was alive and after his death, and devotes the final chapters to Francis Xavier, Teresa of Avila, Philip Neri, all saints canonized in 1622 with Loyola by Pope Gregory XV. No copies located in America.

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62. [MALCOLM, Sir John]. *Sketches of Persia, from the journals of a traveller in the East*. London: John Murray, 1827. Two volumes. 8vo. Contemporary polished calf. First edition of Malcolm’s travels through Persia. He starts from Bombay, and sails into the Persian Gulf, arriving at Abusheher. From there his party moves inland into the mountains, and finally reaches Shiraz and then Persepolis. Malcolm fills this work with his observations about the people he meets, and recounts Persian folk stories and fables.

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63. MANN, Thomas. *Wälzungenblut. Mit steindrucken von Th. Th. Heine*. Munich: Phantasus, [1921]. 4to. With 12 full-page and 20 smaller lithographs by Thomas Theodor Heine. All tissue guards present. Full vellum. Signed by Mann and Heine. First edition. From an overall printing of 530 copies, ours is number 46 of 70 bound in vellum. This famous novella parodies Richard Wagner’s musical drama *The Valkyries*, a twisted tale of hospitality, battle, love and incest. Mann was probably Germany’s most influential author of the twentieth century, receiving the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1929.

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67. MORHOF, Daniel Georg. Epistola de scypho vitreo per certum humanæ vocis fonumruptī. Kiel: Joachimus Reuman, 1672. 4to. First edition of this unusual letter from Morhof to medical colleague Johann Daniel Major, recounting how an Amsterdam wine merchant had figured out how to break glasses with his voice. The author cites the earlier acoustic works of Boyle, Descartes, Kircher and more, including Daniel Bartoli, Rector of the Jesuit College of Rome, who was previously noted for providing the earliest modern exposition on the physics of sound in his Del suono de 'tremori armonici of 1680.

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68. [NEWTON, Isaac]. Opticks: or, a treatise of the reflexions, refractions, inflexions and colours of light. Also two treatises of the species and magnitude of curvilinear figures. London: Sam. Smith and Benj. Walford, 1704. Two parts in one. 4to. With 19 folding engraved plates; the first 2 are in facsimile. Later cloth. First issue of the first edition. Regarded as one of the great classics of optics, this work expounds Newton’s corpuscular or emission theory of light, and is the first work to contain his collected optical discoveries. It also contains Newton’s first printing of the two treatises on curvilinear figures, including his invention of “fluxional” calculus. $ 40,000.00

THE FIRST CONTINENTAL EDITION OF THE PRINCIPIA
69. NEWTON, Sir Isaac. Philosophiae naturalis principia mathematica . . . editio ultima auctior et emendator. Amsterdam: Sumptibus Societatis, 1714. 4to. With folding engraved plate of cometary orbit facing p. 465, numerous woodcut diagrams in the text. Contemporary vellum over boards. First Amsterdam edition of Newton’s epoch-making work, taken from the second printed edition. It is in this edition of the Principia that Newton’s famous additions to the theory of the motion of the moon and the planets appear, as well as many other important additions and corrections. $ 18,500.00

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70. NEWTON, Sir Isaac. The method of fluxions and infinite series; with its application to the geometry of curve-lines . . . . London: Printed by Henry Woodfall; and sold by John Nourse, 1736. 4to. With engraved frontispiece, interpolated leaf [143-144], and leaf containing errata on the recto, publisher’s advertisements on the verso. Paneled sprinkled calf in a contemporary style; a large paper copy with very wide margins, a few contemporary annotations. First edition of Newton’s treatise on the calculus, a work of great importance and rarity. Ready for publication in 1671, it was not until 1736 that Method of fluxions was finally published in the present English translation by John Colson, who added a lengthy commentary. $ 65,000.00

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**LE PAUTRE, Jean (1618-1682)**
*Birth of Adonis*. [Paris]: n.d. [mid-17th century]. Sheet: 22.4 x 32 cm. Plate: 21.7 x 31.6 cm. Signed in plate “Le Potre Invent et fecit. Le Blond Avec Privilege.” Etching on ivory laid paper, trimmed close to plate edges, good impression. $1200.00

**HYDE, Helen (1868-1919)**
*The Bath*, 1905. Sheet: 42.6 x 27.9 cm. Plate: 41 x 26 cm. Color woodcut on ivory Japanese paper. Signed in wood “Copyright, 1905, by Helen Hyde” and her signature as well as the numbers 13 and 26320 in pencil in Artist’s hand. Minor damage at top corners, some discoloration towards bottom, otherwise good impression. $3000.00

**NITCHIE, Mary Kay (b. 1960)**
*Slight of Hand*. [Portland], 1990. Sheet: 51.2 x 40.6 cm. Plate: 35.5 x 27.8 cm. Linocut, Rives lightweight paper, signed in pencil, No. 2 of 30. Impeccable impression. $500.00
FRIEDLAENDER, Johnny Gotthard (1912-1992)

["Femme Assise avec l'Enfant (Seated Woman with Child)", 1955. Sheet: 31.7 x 25.6 cm. Plate: 15.5 x 11.5 cm. Two-color aquatint etching of mother and child on ivory wove paper. Signed in pencil by the artist, edition 300-5150-154, inscription by another hand, no water mark, central image in excellent condition.

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BEHAM, Hans Sebald (1500-1550)

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