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# PROSTITUTION.

CONSIDERED IN

ITS MORAL, SOCIAL, & SANITARY ASPECTS,

In Wondon and other Barge Cities.

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PROPOSALS FOR THE MITIGATION AND PREVENTION OF ITS ATTENDANT EVILS.

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ases of the Urinary and t I. Non-Specific Diseases. Part II. us Additions. Illustrated by Coloured avo.

the Reproductive Organs fe. Considered in their Physiological, 7s.

### SYMPATHY FOR SYPHILITIC SEX WORKERS

1. ACTON, William. Prostitution, considered in its moral, social, & sanitary aspects, in London and other large cities. With proposals for the mitigation and prevention of its attendant evils. London, [Savill and Edwards for] John Churchill, 1857.

8vo, pp. ix, [1 (blank)], [2 (contents, blank)], 189, [1]; with half-title, printer's device with caduceus and the motto 'medicina literis' to title-page; light creasing and foxing to title; otherwise a very good copy in contemporary calf, borders double-filleted in gilt, marbled edges and endpapers, \$\frac{1}{2}\$ pine richly gilt, gilt lettering-piece to \$\frac{1}{2}\$ pine; \$\frac{1}{2}\$ plits to joints, corners bumped; twentieth-century ownership inscription 'CM Legge' to front free endpaper.

First edition of this medico-social analysis of sex work and sexually transmitted infections in London, in which physician William Acton argues for increased governmental intervention, influential in shaping the later Contagious Diseases Acts of 1864, 1866, and 1869.

William Acton (1813–1875) was admitted to the Royal College of Surgeons at the age of twenty-seven, having gained considerable expertise at a women's venereal hospital in Paris. Countering the myth of the sex worker's perceived 'downward progress' (disease, poverty, and untimely death), he argues that 'a large class of our women should not be ignored or excommunicated' and that they 'should be as worthy of improvement, regulation, and even special legislation, as murderers, thieves, gamblers, and other male members of the dangerous classes' (p. 4).

Acton draws particular attention to the inadequacy of English medical care relative to that of France, Germany, and other countries, providing a wealth of statistics from several hospitals in the United Kingdom and in continental Europe and highlighting the dearth of beds allocated specifically to women suffering from sexually transmitted infections in London (a mere 184 hospital beds for a population of 350,000 unmarried women above the age of fifteen).

*Provenance:* With the ownership inscription of zoologist Cecilia Mirèio Legge (b. 1900), daughter of the bibliophile James Granville Legge and granddaughter of James Legge, the first professor of Chinese at Oxford.

See Atwood, The Prostitute's Body: Rewriting Prostitution in Victorian Britain (2015).

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#### DISEASES THE RESULT OF PROSTITUTION.

massed together, is it not time to consider, whether in the present advanced state of civilization, some methodical steps should not be taken still farther to mitigate and, as nearly as may be, eradicate the evil, more especially as we have so successfully operated against many others of

"the thousand natural shocks that flesh is heir to."

Truth demands the acknowledgment that the individual affections both in England and on the Continent, are less severe in the present day. In but few cases do the symptoms run high, or is the patient permanently crippled by the disease. I myself can testify to enormous changes in this respect during the last twenty years. The frightful cases, which formerly were really not uncommon, are now very rare in private practice. The weekly average of deaths from syphilis in London, within the last ten years, varies from 1-6 to 4-3. Phagedena, or "the black lion of Portugal," was formerly to be met with weekly in our hospitals. It is now an exceptional case. Sir Astley Cooper states, that in the St. Giles' Workhouse at one time and in one room there were seven of these terrible cases, of which five were fatal. I need not say that, thanks to the improved treatment, and the many channels of relief available to the poor, these wholesale calamities are put a stop to, although an isolated case, as the Registrar-General's tables tell us, may every now and then result in a fatal termination.\*

The registered mortality is just at present considerably above the average, as will be seen in the following

Table of Registered Deaths from Syphilis in corresponding weeks of eleven years.

Week.	1847	1848	1849	1850	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855	1856	Mean		1857.	
											Deaths.	Temp.	Deaths.	Temp.
29th	3	1	1	3	1	3	3	1	2	7	2.5	62·6°	7	68.0
30th	1	3	0	4	0	2	4	4	2	3	2.3	62-20	4	68.30
31st	1	5	2	4	3	3	3	3	5	3	3.2	62.40	5	65.60
32nd	3	0	0	3	2	1	4	4	1	1	1.9	62.90	5	65.20

#### CONTINENTAL EXPERIENCE.

#### PARIS.

The different forms of venereal disease prevalent at the present day in Paris will clearly appear to the student of the following table, which I made up while going round M. Ricord's wards at the Hôpital du Midi, on the 14th of October, 1855. I may premise that he sees out-patients twice a week, and selects from them the most urgent and surgically interesting cases for immediate admission into the house. On the day

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<sup>\*</sup> It appears that the French army quartered in Rome in 1850 suffered under most severe forms of primary syphilis. In a few days after infection gangrene of the prepue took place, and severe forms of bubces were very common. Constitutional symptoms came on more quickly than in France, and showed themselves in two-thirds of the cases; whereas in French military hospitals secondary symptoms are exceptional. Yet the same treatment (mercurial) was employed. It was likewise remarked that iodide of potash was more useful in primary and secondary symptoms in Italy than in France.—M. Chalon, Chirurgien sous-aide: "Annales des Maladies de la Peau," vol. iv., p. 161, 162.

# NUEVO METODO

Para aprender facilmente

# LA LENGUA GRIEGA,

COMPUESTO

POR EL P. Fr. MIGUEL AZERO ALDOVERA,
CARMELITA CALZADO, CATEDRATICO DE
LENGUA GRIEGA EN LA UNIVERSIDAD
DE ALCALA DE HENARES.

#### PARTE I.

QUE CONTIENE EL MODO DE LEER EL GRIEGO; Y TODO LO QUE PERTENECE A LOS RUDIMENTOS.



MADRID. M. DCC. LXXVI.

Por D. JOACHIN IBARRA, Impresor de Cámara de S. M.

Con las licencias necesarias.

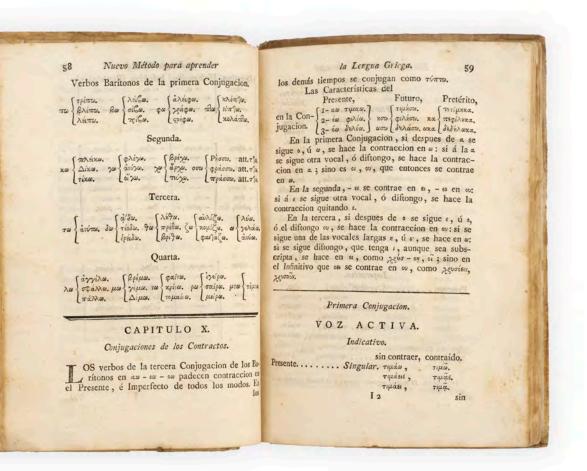
#### GREEK GRAMMAR PRINTED BY IBARRA

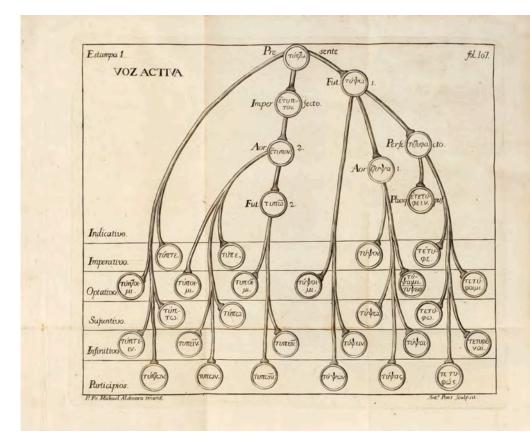
2. ALDOVERA, Miguel AZERO. Nuevo metodo para aprender facilmente la lengua griega ... Parte I [all published], que contiene el modo de leer el Griego, y todo lo que pertenece a los rudimentos. Madrid, Joachin Ibarra, Impresor de Cámara de S.M., 1776.

4to, pp. viii, 150, with 3 folding copper-engraved plates; Ibarra's woodcut monogram to title-page; some light, variable foxing, front free endpaper with torn inner margin and small loss to lower corner, small repair to rear free endpaper; nonetheless a very good copy in contemporary Spanish vellum, spine lettered in manuscript; a few light marks, some cockling and creasing, small repair to upper cover, spine reinforced with vellum at head and foot, extremities slightly rubbed; occasional early manuscript notes and corrections, watermark to rear pastedown traced in ink, *marca de fuego* 'S' to tail-edge (possibly the Colegio de Santa María de Todos los Santos in Mexico City).

Scarce first and only edition of this Greek grammar for Spanish readers by Miguel Azero Aldovera (1730–c. 1796), Carmelite friar and professor of ancient Greek at the University of Alcalá, printed by Joaquin Ibarra, 'the greatest Spanish printer of the eighteenth century, and perhaps of all time' (Oxford Companion to the Book II, p. 809).

Aldovera's grammar was elegantly printed by Ibarra – printer to the Court of Spain best known for his masterful editions of Sallust (1772) and Don Quixote (1780) – at the height of his career. The product of his teaching experience, Miguel Azero (or Acero) Aldovera's *Nuevo metodo* was conceived as an answer to the Greek grammars of the time, which, according to the author, were 'laden with too many declensions and conjugations, rules and exceptions' (p. iii, *trans.*); his work aimed to simplify the learning of ancient Greek and, at the same time, offer the best of ancient and modern grammars. The *Nuevo metodo* includes three engraved plates representing 'conjugation trees', innovative diagrams of the author's own design, which allow one to 'see where each tense is originated and formed, and which one produces the others' (p. viii, *trans.*). The work remained unfinished, however, with only the first part ever published (*Biblioteca virtual de la filología eṣpañola*). Designed by the author himself, the engravings were executed by Antonio Pons, whom Charles IV had appointed curator of the royal portrait galleries and director of the royal residences in the second half of the eighteenth century.





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OCLC finds only one copy outside Spain and Latin America (BnF). We find no copies in the UK or US.

Palau II (Supplement): 1801. On the marca de fuego, see González Ordaz, Catálogo de marcas de fuego (2006), p. 165.



### THE FIRST MODERN ETHNOGRAPHIC COMPENDIUM

3. BOEMUS, Johann, and 'Lucio FAUNO' [pseud. Giovanni TARCAGNOTA] (translator). Gli costumi, le leggi, et l'usanze di tutte le genti raccolte qui insieme da molti illustri scrittori ... In questi tre libri si contiene l'Africa, l'Asia, l'Europa. Venice, Michele Tramezzino, 1542.

8vo, ff. [11], 4-187, [1], woodcut Sibyl device to title and final leaf verso; a few pinhole wormholes to title-page (touching three characters) and to two final leaves (not touching text), otherwise very clean and fresh; a handsome copy in early nineteenth-century half vellum with marbled sides, title gilt to spine directly, red sprinkled edges; ink shelfmarks to title ('O VII. 7') and title verso ('O VII. 8').

First edition in Italian of Johann Boemus's influential ethnographic compendium, a sixteenth-century bestseller considered the first of its kind.

Johann Boemus, also known as Johannes Böhm, (c. 1485–1535) was a canon and Hebraist from Aub, Bavaria. First published in 1520, his *Omnium gentium mores, leges et ritus* is considered the first modern ethnographic compendium, an original encyclopaedia of the customs, institutions, and rites of the peoples of Africa, Asia, and Europe (but not the Americas), founded mainly on classical and humanist authors' (Marcocci, p. 88). During the sixteenth century, the work was reprinted multiple times and translated into several languages (William Waterman's English translation appeared in 1555). The translator of the present edition, Giovanni Tarcagnota (c. 1508–1566), (here identified by his pseudonym, 'Lucio Fauno') was born into a family of aristocratic Byzantine *émigrés* and translated from Latin into Italian several other works by fifteenth- and sixteenth-century authors, notably Flavio Biondo and Marsilio Ficino, which were all printed by Michele Tramezzino in the 1540s and 1550s.

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De l'Egitto, e del suo Antico vivere. Cap. V.

E GITTO, che è un paesene l'Africa, d' come nogliono alcuni, appresso l'Africa, su cosi detto da Egitto, fratello di Dando, essen do prima chiamato Aeria: dice Plinio, che da Oriente ha il mare rosso, e consina con la Palestina: da Occiden te ha Cyrene, est il resto de l'Africa: da mezo di si ste de sino a l'Etiopia: da Tramontana ha il mare d'Egit to: Hebbe gia queste città samose Thebe, Abido, Alessandria, Babilonia, e Memphi: hoggi ha Damiata, e la grandissima città del Cairo, doue il Soldano sa residentia: Non si è mai visto pionere (come vuol Platone) in Egitto, ma la terra, mediante la inondatione del Gli costumi, le leggi, et l'usanze di tutte le genti is divided into three sections: the first, opening with a discussion of the origins of humanity, is dedicated to the inhabitants of Africa, particularly Ethiopia and Egypt; section two is devoted to Asia, including the Middle East, Persia, India, Tartary, and Turkey, and concludes with a long digression on the origins of Christianity; the final and longest section is devoted to Europe, with a particular focus on Central and Eastern Europe. In his introduction, Tarcagnota describes Boemus's book as 'a sea of the most beautiful and useful examples'. For this reason, he argues, 'the manners and traditions of so many peoples ... are no other than so many mirrors, through which we should mould our soul and body, adorning ourselves with the fine and good and scorning and throwing away as savage and evil the bad' (f. iv', trans. Marcocci, p. 89).

EDIT 16 6525; USTC 815048; Brunet I, p. 1030; Sabin 6117; not in Adams. See Lach, *Asia in the making of Europe* II/ii pp. 336-7; Marcocci, *The Globe on Paper* (2020).

### PAN-EUROPEAN HERALDIC PLAYING CARDS

4. BRIANVILLE, Claude Oronce Finé de, and Bernardo GIUSTINIANI (translator). Giuoco d'armi dei sovrani, e stati d'Europa per apprendere l'Armi, la Geografia, e l'Historia loro curiosa ... Tradotto dal Francese in Italiano, & accresciuto di molte aggiunte necessarie per la perfetta cognitione della Storia ... Naples, Antonio Bulifon, 1677.

12mo, pp. [xxxii], '262' (recte 362), [2 (blank)], copper-engraved folding plate after p. 1; with half-title, woodcut initials and symbols of card suits (clubs, spades, hearts, and diamonds); inkstain to p. 328 affecting a few letters; a very good copy in eighteenth-century mottled calf, borders roll-tooled in gilt, spine gilt in compartments, gilt red morocco spine label. red edges, marbled endpapers, green silk place-marker; wormtrack to spine label, consolidated with adhesive.

[with:]

[—.] 50 (of 52) copper-engraved armorial playing cards (87 x 56 mm, without the *roi* and *chevalier* of spades), hearts and diamonds hand-coloured in red, blank versos; some occasional wear to corners, but very good. [*Lyons, widow of Benoist Coral, c. 1676–1689.*]

Housed together in a matching eighteenth-century calf bookform box in two compartments, lined with patterned paper, gilt borders, gilt morocco  $\mathfrak{s}$ pine label.  $\mathfrak{E}1200$ 

First edition in Italian of a guide to a popular French armorial card game designed to instruct players in European heraldry, history, and geography, with accompanying playing cards from a scarce seventeenth-century French edition, the whole housed in an eighteenth-century custom-made book-shaped box.

Claude Oronce Finé de Brianville's (d. 1675) heraldic playing cards, accompanied by a volume containing instructions and detailed descriptions of each card, first appeared in Lyons in 1659 as *Jeu d'Armoiries des Soverains et Estats d'Europe*, with fifty-two engraved playing cards in the text to be cut out and mounted. Each suit is assigned to a different region – clubs to Italy, diamonds to Spain and Portugal, hearts to France, and spades to 'the North' (Germany, Britain, the Low Countries, and others).





# GIUOCO SOVRANI, E STATI D'EUROPA PER APPRENDERE L'Armi, la Geografia, el'Historia loro curiofa. DI C. ORONCE FINE, detto DI BRIANVILLE. Tradotto dal Francese in Italiano, & accresciuto di molte aggiunte necessarie per la perfetta cognitione della Storia BERNARDO GIUSTINIANI VENETO. IN NAPOLI, CIDIDCLXXVII. Appresso Antonio Bulifon. All'Insegna della Sirena. Con lic. e Privil.

'The players range themselves around a table covered with a map of Europe ... He who is first then describes the blazonry of the card he holds, forfeiting one if he makes an error, either to the player who corrects him, or to the bank, if there is one ... The first round being completed, they then proceed to the second, describing this time the geography of each card, and forfeiting points for mistakes as before. At the third round they take the history in the same manner' (pp. 17-18, *trans.* Willshire, p. 89). The translator here notes that the cards can also be used for any sort of Italian card game.

The playing cards can be dated according to the arms of the pope (king of clubs), with the earliest set bearing those of Alexander VII (r. 1655-1667). Our deck, with the papal arms of Innocent XI (r. 1676-1689) are not those of the Italian edition, but come from one of the three very rare Lyons editions (1676, 1681, and 1689) printed by the widow of the publisher of the first edition, Benoist Coral.

Willshire, A descriptive Catalogue of playing and other Cards in the British Museum (1876) I. 13, pp. 88-90.







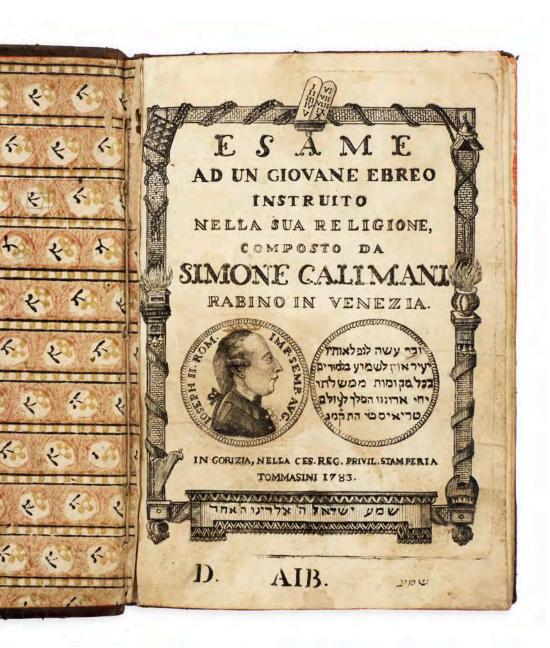












### ADRIATIC-PRINTED PRIMER FOR JEWS UNDER ENLIGHTENED HABSBURG RULE

**5. CALIMANI, Simone,** *Rabbi.* Esame ad un giovane ebreo instruito nella sua religione ... *Gorizia, 'nella Ces[area] Reg[ia] Privil[egiata] Stamperia Tommasini', 1783.* 

4to, pp. [2], 124; bound without imprimatur [\pi]2; title copper-engraved (with medallion portrait of Joseph II within a frame depicting David's lyre, the Ten Commandments, and a priestly breastplate), copper-engraved vignette head- and tailpieces, typographic ornaments; light stain to quire H not affecting legibility, tear to upper corner of Q2 touching pagination only, marginal closed tear to title-page; bound in early nineteenth-century gilt sheep, upper board lettered 'LEON COSTANTINI' in gilt, spine ruled in gilt, edges stained red, block-printed endpapers; corners worn, boards somewhat scuffed, front free endpaper neatly excised, tear to corner of rear free endpaper; early inscriptions to rear flyleaf; two nineteenth-century ink stamps 'מַבּוֹלֵי הַצְּעִינְהֵי ('Yitzchak Yosef Tzingoli the Younger') to rear free endpaper verso, booklabel of Leo Olschki to front pastedown; 'D. AIB.' stencilled in ink to title-page; 'שׁמִע' to title-page in manuscript; sums in pencil and ink in several hands to rear free endpaper (see below).

£1250

Very rare first edition of this question-and-answer tract on the central tenets of Judaism, for use in the first Jewish primary school established in Italy by Holy Roman Emperor Joseph II.

Printed in the Adriatic town of Gorizia (now on the Italian-Slovenian border) under Enlightened Habsburg Rule in an attempt to integrate Adriatic Jews into the wider community, the *Esame* is framed as a catechistic dialogue between teacher and student and discusses, *inter alia*, the holidays (including the High Holidays, Passover, Hanukkah, Lag ba-Omer, and *capanne*, or Sukkot); the wearing of a *tallit* (prayer shawl), *tefillin* (phylacteries) and *tzizit* (knotted ritual fringes); and questions of ethics and on the nature of God (*e.g.* the incorporeality and unknowability of the divine, the obligations of a father toward his son, and the legitimacy of children born of adultery within the Jewish community). Written by the eighty-three-year-old Simone (Simcha ben Abraham) Calimani (1699–1784) – Venetian rabbi, poet, and the first translator of *Pirkei Avot* into Italian – the work is dedicated to the administrators and directors of the *Pia scuola normale ebraica* in Trieste, and was quickly adopted as a textbook at the school.

The school had been established in 1782 as part of Emperor Joseph II's efforts at commercial and societal integration of the Jewish community. Unlike other *Normalschulen* designed to provide Jewish students with a secular education, the *Pia scuola normale ebraica* taught state and religious curricula under a single roof, providing instruction in German, Italian, and Hebrew and was financed by the local Jewish community; taking the Triestine school as a model, similar institutions were later established at Gorizia, Mantua, and Venice. Subsequent editions of Calimani's *Esame* were published in Trieste (1784, 1786, and 1787), Mantua (1786), Pisa (1787), and Verona (1821).

#### Provenance:

- 1. Contemporary inscription to rear free endpaper in a juvenile hand: 'Son arrivate in 24-ori con prefetta Salu[te]'; near-contemporary ownership inscription of Moise Abram (seemingly the author of the above inscription at a slightly later date), offering to compensate anyone who returns the book to him with a meal: 'Se questo libro si perdesse chi lo trova lo portara a Moise Abram VL di Pesaro che avara Li[re] 3. di buona Mangia questestato scrito nel mese 1783 da Simon Calimonti.' This is likely the village of Pesariis in Udine rather than the city of Pesaro in Le Marche.
- 2. Upper board lettered 'Leon Costantini'; a Leon Costantini is recorded as having immigrated to Trieste from the Levant in 1771; we have found little else about him beyond a series of lawsuits filed between 1776 and 1793 in Dubrovnik (mostly for disorderly conduct during synagogue services; see Miovic and Ceresnjes, Research, Inventory, and Cataloguing Documents of the Criminal Court Registers in the State Archives of Dubrovnik involving Jewish litigants (2016)).
- 3. Ink stamp of Rabbi Yitzchak Yosef Tzingoli (1840–1923), author of the commentary on biblical ethics *Imre binah* (Livorno, 1883).
- 4. From the library of renowned bookseller and publisher Leo Olschki (1861–1940), with his booklabel to front pastedown.

We find two copies in Italy (in Trieste and Gorizia) and two in the US (Hebrew Union College, Jewish Theological Seminary of America). No copies traced in the UK.

See Dubin, The Port Jews of Habsburg Trieste: Absolutist Politics and Enlightenment Culture (1999).



na volta esercitata Dio lo voglia, e mi er dimostrato loro rispetto e di os. anto di essere per



fua attenzione.

UN GIOVANE EBREO. SESSIONE I. MAESTRO. De Coo oramai venuto il tempo, o amato discepolo, in cui dovete dare un publico saggio di quelle dottrine che nelle mie private lezioni vi ho tante volte insinuate intorno alla nostra credenza e religione. Discepolo. Sono pronto, fignor maestro, a renderle conto di quanto mi ha infegnato fopra i miei religiosi doveri; e spero, che dalle mie risposte conoscerà, che non è stata per me infruttuosa la M. Di.



mo. ed Offequino. Servitore MONE CALIMANI

#### Two Hundred Years of Study and Annotation

6. CICERO, Marcus Tullius, Desiderius ERASMUS (editor and commentator), Philip MELANCHTHON, and Bartholomaeus LATOMUS (commentators). M. Tullii Ciceronis officia, diligenter restituta. Eiusdem de Amicitia & Senectute dialogi singuli: item Paradoxa, & Somnium Scipionis ... Paris, Simon de Colines, 1535.

8vo, ff. [8], 180; woodcut Colines satyr device to title, *criblé* woodcut intials, printed marginalia; trimmed at fore-edge, occasionally touching annotations, first and final leaves soiled and stained, a few small wormholes to first two leaves not affecting sense, variable dampstaining and staining, a few corners chipped; recased in an eighteenth-century French mottled calf binding, '2' gilt directly to spine; extremities rubbed, upper joint cracked with short split at head, wanting morocco lettering-piece; early ownership inscriptions 'Hieronymus David' and ?Ambrosien to title, title-page verso inscribed 'Mihi datum p[er] ... ?Guldomede post mortem fratri sui d[o]m[ini] Sebastiani ?Collineti; Cossoutii me poss'; early note to A3<sup>r</sup> ('mensibus in quibus ... nolito bibere tacet'; 1585 ownership inscription of Antonius Coussoutius to E7<sup>r</sup>, the same date in his hand to title-page verso; 1632 ownership inscription 'Joannes Barratius Pöeta' to A3<sup>r</sup>; 1764 ownership inscription of Alexis Vanier to title-page verso and several other pages; **copious marginal and interlinear annotations and markings in at least three hands from the sixteenth century to the eighteenth in brown and black ink to approx. 131 pp. (***see below***); later 'IHS' Christograms pencilled to 5 pp.** 

Extremely rare first Colines edition of Cicero to contain commentary by Erasmus, Melanchthon, and Latomus, unknown to Renouard, here annotated in several juvenile hands over more than two centuries.





The Parisian printer Simon de Colines (1480–1546) first published the *Officia diligenter restituta* in 1524, containing Cicero's *De officiis* and five shorter works (*De amicitia, De senectute, Paradoxa stoicorum*, and *Somnium Scipionis*), all edited and annotated by Erasmus (1469–1536), the editions of 1530 and 1533 adding an extra set of notes by Melanchthon (1497–1560). In 1535, these were followed by the present edition, which combined for the first time the notes of Melanchthon and Erasmus with those of Latomus (c. 1485–1570).

One of the earliest readers supplies interlinear annotations with Latin synonyms and commentary on the text to the first portion of *De officiis* in a small, neat cursive hand. Another early, seemingly different, hand, adds information concerning the places mentioned in Cicero's text (see 'Milo Crotoniata', 'Olympia. Locum in Achaia' ff. 142<sup>r</sup>, 143<sup>r</sup>), or definitions, for instance, of Roman military ranks (see 'tribunus militaris', f. 143<sup>r</sup>). Seemingly unconnected to the text are two inscriptions in Greek (taken respectively from chapters I and V of Agapetus' *Admonitions*, ff. 174<sup>v</sup>, 180<sup>r</sup>). Joannes Barratius, whose 1632 ownership inscription appears to the verso of the title-page, concentrates primarily on *De amicitia*; he provides extensive annotations in greybrown ink in a slightly more hurried hand, comprising concise summaries of the work's contents (e.g. 'Describit quam homines cupidi sint gloria' (f. 20<sup>r</sup>) and 'ad calculos aliquid vocare' (f. 124<sup>r</sup>)).

The nature of the text and extensive marks of readership point toward the volume's use as a schoolbook, annotated by several generations of young readers from the mid-sixteenth century to 1764. The various owners seem concentrated in Lorraine: one Alexis Vanier of Lunéville repeats his name and the date (1763–4) throughout, and we find an Antoine Cousseau (perhaps our Antoine Cossoutius) active as a builder of musical instruments in Lorraine in the last decade of the sixteenth century. One of the earliest inscriptions indicates that the owner (another member of the Cousseau family?) was given the book by a friend whose brother, Sebastian, had recently died – is the juvenile drawing of a martyred St Sebastian to A3<sup>r</sup> a mark of commemoration?

We find only two other copies of the 1535 edition, at the Folger Shakespeare Library and the Université Laval in Quebec. Not in Library Hub or CCfr.

USTC 185542 (described as a 'lost book'); Moreau IV 1250; Pettegree & Walsby, French Vernacular Books 61258; not in Renouard, Bibliographie des éditions de Simon de Colines, 1520–1546.



#### M. TVL. CIC.

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ritur) Principio definitio est concipienda ex die

no est simplex officij vocabulu, neq; poteratia niri commode, dinisione explicat, duplici quiden re eadem. Facit autem ex Stoicorum sentétia la ciorum: alterum quod perfectum vocant, éfiqu oni coniunctum, neg; in quenquam præterquan em competit: Altern medium sine inchoatum, que bonum sit neg; malum, sed ad vsum alique vite rette depositum reddere, perfetti sit offici: de ddere,imperfecti:cx recte nisi sapiens nemo ne nt autem simul & fulti. Diuns autem Ambrofu neris esse putat, que secundum consilia fint:pole secundu pracepta:vt bene administrare remai ficin pertineat:erogare in pauperes, ad perfetti DIVISIO OFFICII. Laire Sein

Mnis de officio duplex est qua flio: Vnu genus est, quod pertine ad finem bonoru: Alterum, quoi positu est in præceptis, quibus artes ulus uitæ cofirmari pollit.Sun eneris buiusmodi exepla sut, Omnian feeta fint, nuquid officiu aliud aliom r que fint eius de generis. Quoru aut. præcepta tradutur, ea quaqua pi fine bonorum, tame id minus apparel gis ad institutione uita comunis feel ur, de quibus est nobis his libris explana tq; etia alia divisio est offici; nam o ... uodda officiu dicitur, & perfectu. Pa

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fetty aute officiu, retu (opinor) uocem? quod perfetti officia, elligatur qd sit id, de quo disputatur. Graci na Toedw na appellat. Hoc aute comu- in 3. de sinibus ne officiu nadunop merop nocant . Atq; ea fic cicero in relin, definiut, ut rectu quod fit, id perfectu officiu tum rette fattu effe definiant. Mediu aute officiu id effe dicat, interpretatur, quodcur factu sit; ratio probabilis reddi posit. His propierse

\* Quod positű est) siont medicina dupliciter tractatur. Na expetenda. aut Mt 900 inas caufa morboru excutiuntur or remedioru, Aut tatum pracepta sanitatis, aut remedia tradutur: quod sepe solet anicule imperite causaru. Ita de Officijs bifaria Cribitur, Na aut natura hominis, & finis bonoru μεθοσιε nos inquiritur, Aut wapaivlous tantu tradutur, fine dif putatioe accuratiore de natura hominis & de bonis:vt sut præcepta Phocylidis, aut Theognidis, aut que dicutur Cato nis. Hoc modo Cicero profitetur hic se præcepta congessisse. Græci κατόρθωμα) κατόρθωμα perfettu officiu eft. σ ne gabant vilum factu effe cuiusquam tale Medium vero officiu tribuebat mediocribus & ciuilibus viris:quare hic zel? κατορθωμάτων nihil disputat, que tantú disputando imaginamur, sicut perfectu oratore, aut alias species in artibo.

C Que in deligedis rebus deliberandi ratio. Cone in deligedis rebus deliberandi ratio.
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dit:in quo cosiderado, sepe animi in cotrarias tin addit Fabins fetetias diftrahutur. Tu aute aut inquirut, aut quem suvator, cofultat ad uitæ comoditatem, iucuditatemq; minat. ad facultates reru atq; coplas, ad opes, ad potentiam, quibus & fe poffint inuare, er suos: conducat id nec ne, de quo deliberant . Que deliberatio omnis in rationem utilitatis cadit.

Call Sir Tompour assimo rogum In Cabouch Juding Marchisting Milde you from CERONIS CATO MAIOR, SEV The Frank Source Aguitar confiamos refunde on his 2 (Sim Sier infulage masi igni, si monga & sar afolling has of min apollo. a gusi fir guid Cato Chelorum you blemy de 20 mighine of orationsi might-Brisio

DE SENECTVTE.

enter (sicut omnia) er ferre, er lat ferto scio sed mihi cum de senecti uellem scribere, tu occurrebas digni nere, quo uterque nostrum communi tur. Mihi quidem ita iucunda huius fectio fuit, ut non modo omnes abste nectutis molestias , sed effecerit moll er iucundam senectutem. Nunquam; tis laudari digne poterit philosophia pareat, omne tempus ætatis sine mol sit degere. Sed de cæteris & diximus sape diæmus . Hunc uero librum de ad te mi simus. Omnem autem sermon mus, non Tithono, ut Aristo Chius, 1 effet authoritatis in fabula: fed M. Ca quo maiorem authoritatem habere Apud quem Lælium er Scipionem fe mirantes, quod is tam facile senectute isque eum respondentem. Qui si erun debitur disputare, quam consueuit it is libris, attribuito Gracis literis, quar stat eum perstudio sum fuisse in senece quid opus est plura? Iam enim ipsiu fermo explicabit nostram omnem de fententiam.

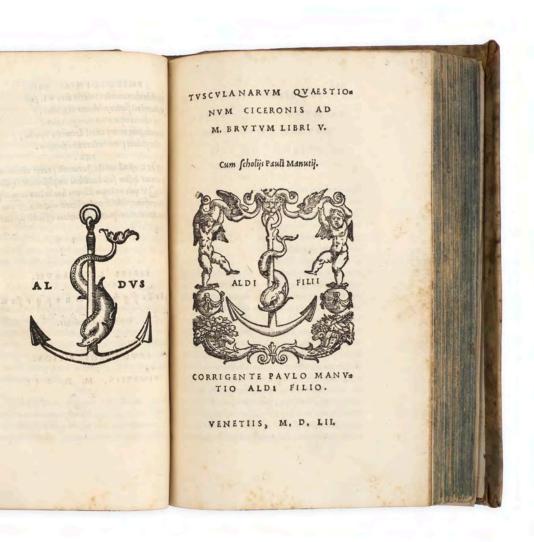
Tite, si quid ego adiu to, curanue leuasso; Quænunc te coquit er uer sat sub pecto re fixa, mi alan Et qua deprimeris,ec quid erit pretij? Liæt enim uersibus

atticus. eifde mihi affari te Attice, quibus affatur Flaminium ille uir haud magna in re, sed fidei ples nus: quanquam ærto scio, non ut Flaminiu fol licitari te Attice sic noctes diésque. Noui enim moderationem animi tui, & aquitatem, Teque non cognomen solu Athenis de portasse, sed hu manitatem etiam & prudentiam intelligo, & tamen suspicor ifde rebus te, quibus meipsum interdum, gravius commoueri. Quarum confolatio & maior est, o in aliud tempus differen da. Nunc autem mihi ui sumest, de senectute ali quid ad te scribere. Hoc enim onere (quod mihi tecum commune eft ) aut iam urgentis , aut geseaf Sago aguentantis senectutis, or te, or meipsum

de Senectute, ad Titu Pomponium Atticum.

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#### WITH COMMENTARY BY PAULUS MANUTIUS

7. CICERO, Marcus Tullius, and Paulus Manutius (editor). De philosophia, prima pars, id est, academicarum quaestionum editionis primae liber secundus, editionis secundae liber primus, de finibus bonorum & malorum libri V. Tusculanarum quaestionum libri V. Cum scholijs & coniecturis Pauli Manutij. Venice, heirs of Aldus, 1552.

Two parts in one vol., 8vo, ff. [4], 147, [10], 148-251, [5], [2 (blank)]; capital spaces with guide letters, woodcut Aldine device to title and final leaf verso for both parts; sporadic minor marginal foxing, soiling to title of first part, small wormhole to first 3 ff. touching two characters, but overall a very good, clean copy; recased in old (reused) vellum over boards, yapp fore-edges, edges stained blue; soiled and stained, some creasing, endpapers renewed; early ownership inscription 'Bibliotheca Nicolspurgensis Pauperum Matris Dei Scholarum Piarum' (library of the Piarist college in Nikolsburg, now Mikulov in the Czech Republic; likely dispersed in 1873) to first title; nineteenth-century paper label to front pastedown with manuscript shelfmark '189'; some early ink underlining.

# Second edition of the first part of Cicero's philosophical writings edited and with commentary by Paulus Manutius.

Paulus Manutius (or Paolo Manuzio, 1512–1574), third son of Aldus, took charge of the Aldine press in 1533. Having already published Cicero's *De philosophia* in 1541, he devoted particular attention to 'the style and the literary, philosophical, and rhetorical production of Cicero, the absolute protagonist of [Manutius's] catalogue alongside Manutius himself' (DBI, *trans.*). The first edition to feature Manutius's explanatory *scholia* dates to 1546, followed, six years later, by the present edition. The book is divided into two parts and includes Cicero's works on epistemology (*Academica*), on the nature of good and evil (*De finibus bonorum et malorum*), and on the soul, death, and suffering (*Tusculanae disputationes*). Each part is followed by Manutius's notes on unnumbered leaves, the first underlined by an early reader, as is Manutius's dedicatory letter to Diego Hurtado de Mendoza (1504–1575), writer and sometime Spanish ambassador to Venice.

EDIT16 12309; USTC 822348; Adams C-1757; Ahmanson-Murphy 431; Kallendorf 354; Renouard, 154:7.

#### CONTAINING THE PLAGUE ON BRITISH CORFU

8. [CORFU.] Notificazione. Uffizio della segreteria del governo. Corfu, 7 Maggio 1816 ... Corfu, 'en te typographia tes dioikeseos', [1816].

Printed broadside (445 x 325 mm), printed in Italian and Greek in two columns divided by typographic ornaments above a letterpress table, woodcut arms of United Kingdom at head; creases from folding, some light dampstaining; very good.

£375 + VAT in the UK

A seemingly unrecorded bilingual broadside, in parallel Italian and Greek, reporting on cases of plague in the district of Leftimo on the island of Corfu, issued during the British protectorate in May 1816 and printed in the capital at the government press.

Long under Venetian control, Corfu became a British protectorate within the United States of the Ionian Islands in 1815 following the Napoleonic Wars, with Sir Thomas Maitland as its first Lord High Commissioner. Plague broke out in the village of Marathia, in southern Corfu, in December 1815, prompting the British to establish a board of health and military cordons to isolate affected communities. This notice declares that on 6 May 1816 no one had died from the plague but that there was one new confirmed case of infection and eleven suspected cases at Anaplades, and that seven people had been discharged from the plague hospital and taken to a convalescent camp. The table at the foot, intended for recording the names of the deceased, is happily blank. The text explains that three strictly separate camps had been created to contain the epidemic, for those merely suspected of infection, for those under observation, and for those highly suspected.

A thorough account of the epidemic can be found in J.D. Tully's *The History of the Plague, as it has lately appeared in the Islands of Malta, Gozo, Corfu, Cephalonia* ... (London, 1821).





### Innovative Multicolour Nature Printing

9. CYME, L.M. Phytocromotypie ou impression en couleur des végetéaux. Nouvelle méthode permettant d'obtenir avec la plus grande facilité l'image exacte et coloriée d'une plante, sur papier ou autre surface ... Marseille, 'Chez les principaux Libraires et chez l'auteur', May 1883.

8vo in 4s, pp. 58; internally very good; bound in the original brown printed wrappers; corners and spine chipped; contemporary colour print in green, pink, blue, and orange laid in loose (*see below*); dust-soiling and chipping to margins, particularly at head.

First and only edition, very rare, of this work proposing a new method for nature printing using a solution of aniline dye, with a masterful contemporary example of the technique added by a previous owner.

Aniline dyes, which are oily in texture and darken upon exposure to air and light, are here combined with alcohol-soluble coloured powders and applied to the plants themselves to suffuse them with colour. Cyme's method aims to provide images more accurate than those produced by photography or lithography and allows the expert or amateur printer to 'quickly and easily reproduce the form and colour of plants, whether for artistic purposes, scientific study, or sheer curiosity' (p. 1, *trans.*).

Once he has explained the fundamental process, he provides instructions for variations in technique and subject matter, suggesting experimentation with small feathers, fish scales, snakeskin, or dragonfly wings. He provides instructions for the mixing of certain colours, such as vivid yellow-greens, as well as multicolour printing; he notes, however, that the technique is particularly difficult to master as varying shades of aniline are generally incompatible with one another and thus should be applied rapidly. **Our copy contains a loosely inserted colour plate produced by a contemporary owner who appears to have mastered the difficult method of multicolour** *phytocromotypie*: here, four plant specimens are arranged on thick paper and dyed in pale blue, red-violet, and pale green, the largest plant seemingly retouched by hand using violet dye.

We find two copies only, both at the Bibliothèque nationale de France.

ouvrir avec précaution les feuilles contenant les ifier leurs faux plis ou mauvaises positions. Mais faudra éviter d'y toucher. Si l'on peut exposer tout sés au soleil, au-dessus d'un four de boulanger ou e quelconque chauffée à 35 ou 40°, la dessication plus rapide. On reconnaîtra que les plantes sont en appliquant la main dessus, on n'éprouvera plus fraîcheur.

dessication, qui est ordinairement employé par les manque pas d'être un peu long. Il faut compter sur maines, suivant le degré d'humidité des plantes. il existe bien des végétaux à tissus secs, tels que beaucoup de mousses, de lichens, de feuilles urellement desséchées, de petites plantes des lieux peut imprimer immédiatement, ou du moins dès llons ont pris, par la pression (dans quelque vieux aple), la forme qu'on veut leur donner, il est un scher une plante en quelques minutes : à cet effet, nte sur une main de papier sans colle, et on la feuille double ou quadruple du même papier. On as, à plusieurs reprises, et en appuyant modérérepasser bien chaud, et l'on continue ainsi, en pier à mesure qu'il s'humecte, jusqu'à dessication t éviter de trop presser sur le fer, afin de ne pas rer les parties, et afin de ne pas rendre la plante op fragile (1).

ccessoires. — Occupons-nous maintenant des couaccessoires.

ue j'emploie, dites (assez à tort du reste) conleurs ssèdent une vivacité de ton et une abondance de ss rend très propres au but proposé. Bien que leur nsidérable, il suffit d'une douzaine de nuances

ar plus de commodité, chauffer le fer au-dessus d'une lampe

d des couleurs d'aniline (encyclopédie Roret); et dans la 1<sup>er</sup> semestre 1882, p. 269 et suiv.; Programme d'un cours lorantes, par M. Palist. principales pour arriver à des résultats convenables. Nous emploierons donc les suivantes :

Ponceau, Bleu-verdâtre,
Cramoisi, Vert,
Rose, Jaune,
Violet-rouge, Orangé,
Violet-bleu, Brun,
Bleu, Noir,

auxquelles nous ajouterons le blanc de zinc, dont nous indiquerons l'usage particulier.

Ces couleurs, choisies parmi celles qui sont à la fois solubles dans l'eau et dans l'alcool, sont à l'état de poudre ou de grumeaux. Elles doivent être dissoutes dans l'alcool, les cinq premières, à froid et en proportion moyeme; les sept autres, au bain-marie et à saturation. On les laisse reposer, puis on les tire au clair, et on les conserve dans des flacons à large encolure, étiquetés et parfaitement bouchés, soit à l'émeri, soit autrement (1). Comme l'alcool s'évapore facilement, si les couleurs devenaient trop épaisses, on n'aurait qu'à ajouter un peu d'alcool, mais toujours modérément.

Le blanc de zinc, réduit en poudre impalpable, sera intimément mélangé avec une légère solution dans l'eau de gomme arabique et de salpètre, et conservé aussi bien bouehé.

On aura le soin d'agiter ces flacons avant de s'en servir.

On voit, d'après ce qui précède, combien il sera facile au botaniste voyageur de prendre des empreintes. Il lui suffira d'emporter une ou plusieurs de ces couleurs en poudre. On trouve partout de l'eau et un alcool quelconque. Il n'aura qu'à opérer la préparation suivant le besoin et d'après la manière indiquée.

Trois flacons, également bien bouchés, contiendront l'un de l'alcool, l'autre de la glycérine, le troisième une dissolution saturée de salpètre dans l'eau. Ces liquides seront employés dans les cas que nous signalerons.

(1) Il arrive parfois qu'un bouchon à l'émeri se force dans l'encolure. Je rappelle qu'on l'enlèvera facilement en imprimant au flacon un mouvement rapide de va-et-vient, après avoir entouré le col d'un cordon de laine, dont on fixe les deux extrémités. PHYTOCROMOTYPIE

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#### PREDATING PUBLICATION

10. [DA PORTO, Luigi.] 'Lettere di Alvigi da Porto vicentino al Savorgnano, al Ghilini, e ad altri intorno ai successi della Guerra d'Italia dall'anno 1509 al 1513. Copiate da un codice manoscritto della bibbliotheca Ambrosiana, segnat. I 27 dell'ordine inferiore.' [Milan, c. 1800].

Manuscript on paper, in Italian, folio (310 x 215 mm), pp. [2 (title, blank)], 192; written mostly in a single hand in brown ink, up to 28 lines per page, pagination of Ambrosiana manuscript recorded in margins; the last leaf (blank save for a few contemporary sums) detached, some occasional light staining, variable browning and offsetting; very good, uncut, sewn longstitch in contemporary carta rustica; extremities and corners lightly bumped.

A manuscript of an influential and then-unpublished historical work by the author of the original *Romeo and Juliet*, copied from a sixteenth-century codex at the Bibliotheca Ambrosiana.

Luigi (or Alvise, or Alvigi) da Porto (1485–1529) is better known as the author of the novella *Historia novellamente ritrovata di due nobili amanti*, the tale of star-crossed lovers Romeo Montecchi and Giulietta Cappelletti which served as Shakespeare's primary inspiration for *Romeo and Juliet*. His *Lettere storiche*, here reproduced from a manuscript at the Ambrosiana (shelfmark '127 Inf'), narrate episodes of the War of the League of Cambrai, fought in 1508-1516 as part of the Italian Wars. Da Porto was born in Vicenza to Elisabetta Savorgnan, a noblewoman of Friulian origins and the sister of Antonio Savorgnan (1458–1512), a prominent military leader, to whom he addressed several of his letters. The letters' first-person narrative situates the author as 'an attentive witness to historical and military events as well as private, geographical or sociological information, all accurately collected and vividly narrated ... effortlessly blending the description of reality with the pure enjoyment of storytelling' (DBI, *trans.*).



AM Antonio Savergnaus in Wine O mente mia presaga de dami nostri, hor es par. ran paleri la insidie della nimica fortuna? contra noi e Rediti dello estato l'initiano che ci ha Safriato Santo tenque incodes space, forme perehe la futura Querra i habbia appaver Inil amava. Doveta adang, Sagrere, che interment le Serito nostre quelle de Frances andave centre nivetta, nella quel Terra evace Gracque valla Vafretta, et Gurlotto da Ravena con decento of thati de north, mohe fo doc: coverla talle unito; che ne l'un, ne L'altro fampe I la proquintità, et gre perra non savebbe anotto divifo. Me afrando Stati lenti i nostri et spando perduta la Terra si forna et Sacheggiata quasi Sopra i lovo ouchi, et forme in fortethe di Trivi, il alle ggiarone di vicini the fal mattina levand on non dolo le me Fromber ati Sambueri dell'una, et l'alera gente Musivano tra de, o pur divedevano mall'un Salvato, et l'alero di favellavano It acti dove i Mare fasacif sevar aus di Sopra givinger i memici, che la Serva las que got hum Disati- gagliardamente Sit differe

Left unpublished at his death, the *Lettere* passed through the hands of Pietro Bembo (1470–1547), who, having used them as the main source for his *Historia viniziana* (1552), dissuaded da Porto's brother from publishing them. After Bembo's death, the polygraph and cartographer Girolamo Ruscelli (1518–1566) took possession of the manuscript and published some of the letters in two books: *Dell'istorie del suo tempo di mons. Paolo Giovio... con un supplimento* (1560), and *Lettere di principi* (1562). The complete *Lettere* appeared in print only in 1857 (ed. B. Bressan), before which point da Porto's work had circulated primarily in manuscript; Bressan cites the codex at the Ambrosiana as one of the most significant manuscript sources consulted for the preparation of the 1857 edition, as well as codices at San Marco, Padua, and two then in private hands. Our copy contains twenty-four letters from 1509–10, ending abruptly in the midst of a letter to Savorgan dated 24 January 1510 (pp. 187-92), suggesting that a second volume, covering the period of 1510–13, is missing; numerous retroactive corrections and insertions, as well as notes recording the corresponding pages of the manuscript at the Ambrosiana, suggest that our reader revisited the codex on multiple occasions.

*Provenance*: from the collection of Professor Cecil H. Clough (1930–2017), historian of the late Middle Ages and Renaissance.

#### ILLUSTRIOUS WOMEN FROM A TO Z

**DELLA CHIESA, Francesco Agostino.** Theatro delle donne letterate con un breve discorso della Preminenza, e perfettione del sesso donnesco. *Mondovì, Giovanni Gislandi and Giovanni Tomaso Rossi, 1620.* 

8vo, pp. [8], 302, [2 (blank)]; woodcut depicting the arms of the Duchy of Savoy to title-page; light worming to title-page not affecting text, browning and foxing throughout, particularly to quires D and O, a few small paperflaws with loss of a few characters to E8, H5, and T3, occasional subtle early repairs to inner margins; a good copy, disbound, spine preserving later printed waste, title lettered to head- and tail-edges in ink; contemporary manuscript correction of erratum to p. 127; seventeenth-century inscription 'Hic liber est Meus' to final page; ownership inscription 'Comprato in Gaetta ... Sebastianus Fascie' to final page above, dated January 1686; 1741 ownership inscription 'ex Libris a ... Henrico Burlamacchi ... 1747' to title-page.

First and only edition of this unusual work on the intellectual merits of women, with an alphabetical catalogue of over four hundred classical, medieval, and contemporary women containing summaries of their achievements in poetry, politics, music, and rhetoric.

Francesco Agostino Della Chiesa (1593–1662), appointed custodian of the Savoy ducal archives in 1626, prefaces his list of distinguished women with an outspoken discourse on the 'perfection of the female sex', arguing that the historical exclusion of women from positions of power is a direct result the envy and bitterness of men. Among the hundreds of women celebrated are figures of myth and antiquity (Minerva, Medea, Sappho, Sulpicia), saints (Bridget of Sweden, Catherine of Siena, Hildegard von Bingen), Italian poets and artists (Laura Terracina, Sofonisba Anguissola, Vittoria Colonna, Veronica Franco), and influential noblewomen and royals (Isabella d'Este, Mary, Queen of Scots, Elizabeth I).

Each entry includes an approximate death date (if applicable), notes on each woman's character and upbringing, and a summary of her achievements: Cleopatra is celebrated for her proficiency in several languages, 'Laura Sada' (Petrarch's beloved) for her skilful compositions in Provençal, and Battista Sforza for her mastery of grammar and oration.



ea fatto moriri Da lado peritifima in ogni Icienza, massime nelle folco, mostrasse tan hepoetiche, scrisse in lingua Francese molti soch'inuitò al piano mi, ecanzoni, delle quali vna parte andarono a fua morte fi trond pluce,e l'altre fi tengono in gran conto, e riputata vna dichiaratio meda gl'huomini dotti di glla natione, a' quali mai acconsentitel mecapitate per le mani. Mori nel 1572. in età di dicio d'essa Regina manni rnator della Torre, TDi Gaspara Stampa. 1550.

tta . 1500.

Lesnaudetie.

ia di lei, ch'ellasa Gaspara Stampa Venetiana, sù in musica eccelisse sopra trè bellisse autegran poetessa, di che ne fanno fede no solo altra in Larino, ch mefinobilissimi, e famosi scrittori dell'età sua, i ul hano scritto le lodi di quella; ma anco le sue moratisfime fatiche, hauedo scritto rime bellisel Borgo d'Anuille mette mostrano al mondo la nobiltà del suo Normandia, cra si puto, le quali si diedero in luce in Venetia del ica, e grammatica, 1514 ¶ Di Geneura Malatesta. 1540.

tti i libri, e disputs | Geneura Malatesta figliuola di Padolfo vitimo à dotti giouanidla mor di Rimini, e di Violate Bentiuoglia nobiua spesso honorata lama Bolognese sua moglie, sù condotta dal pa-"ifratelli ad habitat in Ferrara, oue no ofte-



ALLA SERENISS. ET INVITTISS.

# MARGHERITA DI SAVOIA

DVCHESSA DI MANTOVA.



R A costume de gl'Egittij d'indrizzare à Mercurio stimato inuentore delle scienze tutti quei libri, che si doueuono publicare, costume, & vsanza in vero molto ficura appresso quella natione;

poiche con tal mezzo quella gente inuolta nelle tenebre della getilità, veniua à diffender le sue fatiche dalle peruerse detrattioni d'ignoranti, & a Della Chiesa pays particular attention to the printed output of sixteenth- and seventeenthcentury poets, frequently including notable dates and locations of publication. He was made bishop of Saluzzo in 1642, though his discorso was used against him during the appointment process, 'presumably on the grounds that social radicalism of this kind accorded ill with episcopal decorum'; it is likely his Savoy patronage that prevented further difficulty (Cox, Women's Writing in Italy, 1400–1650 (2008), p. 190).

#### Provenance:

- 1. Contemporary ownership inscription to final page, in a juvenile hand: 'Hic liber est Meus, nomen meu[m] pono quia me lau[d]are volo. Siste ?Girum'.
- 2. Ownership inscription of Sebastiano Facies (i.e. Facciuta) dated January 1686 and recording the purchase of the book in the seaside city of Gaeta, in Lazio.
- 3. 1741 ownership inscription of Enrico Burlamacchi, possibly the author of a 1798 history of the writers of Lucca of the same name.

OCLC finds three copies in the US (Folger, Newberry, Stanford), and two in the UK (CUL, BL).

BM STC Italian, p. 226; USTC 4005640. Graesse VII (Supplément), p. 179.

# NATURAL MAGIC WITH EARLY ENGLISH PROVENANCE

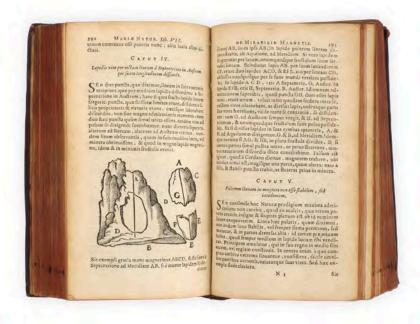
**DELLA PORTA, Giambattista.** Magiae naturalis, libri viginti. Ab ipso quidem authore adaucti, nunc vero ab infinitis, quibus editio illa scatebat mendis, optime repurgati. *Leiden, Pierre Leffen and Philippe de Croy, 1651*.

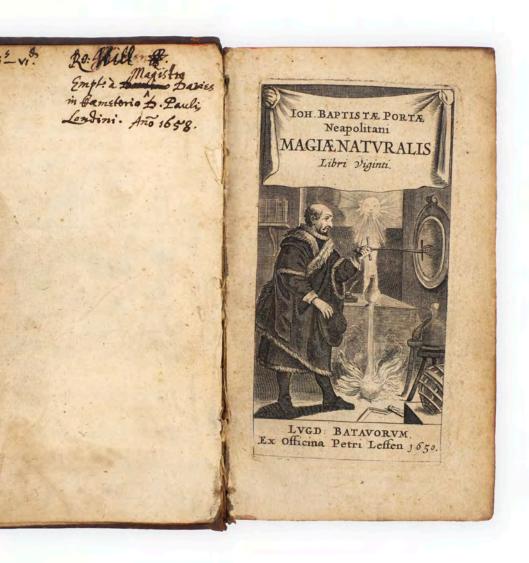
12mo, pp. [16], 670, [22 (index)], with engraved title-page dated 1650; woodcut phoenix device of Pierre Leffen to letterpress title, printer's device of Philippe de Croy to final page of index, 23 woodcut illustrations and tables in text, woodcut initials to start of each book; some light marginal soiling; bound in contemporary English blind-filleted calf, spine gilt in compartments later in the seventeenth century, gilt morocco lettering-piece to spine, board edges roll-tooled in gilt, edges stained red; very short split to upper joint, spine worn with chipping to lettering-piece and at head, boards and extremities rubbed, small inkstain to fore-edge of text block; ownership inscription of Ro[bert?] Hill, 'Pre[tium]: ijs-vid', 'Empt[um] à Magistro Davies in Cœmeterio D. Pauli, Londini', dated 1658; armorial bookplate of Tory MP and anti-slavery campaigner Charles Barclay (1780–1855) of Bury Hill, Surrey to front pastedown.

Illustrated Leiden edition of Della Porta's book on natural magic including pioneering contributions to the field of optics as well as discussion of, *inter alia*, geology, alchemy, distillation, cryptography, and cosmetics.

Neapolitan scholar and polymath Giambattista della Porta (1535–1615) authored books on plants, physiognomy, physics, and mathematics, as well as several plays; he is best known for the present work, first published in 1558 in four books dedicated to Philip II of Spain. Dissatisfied with the result, however, della Porta devoted the following three decades to revising and expanding his manuscript, with the second edition in twenty books published in 1589.







In the *Magia naturalis*, he 'treats the wonders and marvels of the natural world as phenomena underlain by a rational order that can be divined and manipulated by the natural philosopher through theoretical speculation and practical experiment. The work discusses such topics as demonology, magnetism, and the camera obscura (prototype of the camera), which made Della Porta one of the pioneers in the use of the lens' (*Britannica*). Della Porta places optics firmly within the realm of the mathematical sciences, his knowledge drawn largely from commentaries on Aristotle and the experiments of Heinrich Cornelius Agrippa (1486–1535) and Gerolamo Cardano (1501–1576).

The *Magia naturalis* was reissued multiple times and translated into several other languages. The first English translation was published in 1658, the same year in which the present copy was purchased for two shillings and sixpence by a 'Ro. Hill' from 'magister Davies' (probably Thomas Davies, bookseller 'at the Bible') in Saint Paul's Churchyard, once the centre of England's book trade.

STCN 833455907; USTC 1840370; Caillet 8852; Duveen, p. 481; Ferguson, II, p. 216. See DiLaura, *Bibliotheca Opticoria* 42.

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# General Contents

OF THE
BRITISH MUSEUM:

WITH

REMARKS.

Serving as a

DIRECTORY

In Viewing that

Noble CABINET.

THE SECOND EDITION,
With Additions and Improvements, and a
COMPLETE INDEX.

Castor gaudet equis ; ovo prognatus codem, Pugnis : quot capitum vivunt, totidem studiorum Millia.

I. O N D O N:
Printed for R. and J. Dodsley, in Pall-mall.
MDCCLXII.

#### **CURATORIAL COMMENTARY**

**I3.** [**DODSLEY, Robert.**] The General Contents of the British Museum with remarks. Serving as a Directory In Viewing that Noble Cabinet. The Second Edition ... *London, Printed for R. and J. Dodsley, in Pall-mall, 1762.* 

12mo, pp. xxiii, [1 (blank)], 210, [30 (index, errata)]; with half-title; light foxing and browning, endpapers browned at edges; a very good copy in contemporary speckled calf, rebacked, gilt borders, spine gilt-ruled in compartments, gilt red morocco lettering-piece; extremities worn, small abrasion to fore-edge of upper cover, covers lightly scuffed, corners bumped; ink ownership monogram stamp 'TB' to front pastedown and half title, inscribed 'T. B. to John W. Burgon / Oriel' to front free endpaper, armorial bookplate of Henry Babington Smith to front pastedown, nineteenth-century annotations, corrections, and reading marks in the hands of Thomas and John William Burgon to 18 pp. (see below), later bibliographical notes to endpapers.

£650

Second edition (first 1761) of this guide to the collections at the British Museum, published three years after the Museum was opened to the public, annotated by Thomas Burgon, antiquarian and assistant curator of the British Museum's coin room.

The General Contents of the British Museum presents a rollicking tour of the Museum's collections as they would have appeared to the eighteenth-century visitor, guiding the reader through 'all the Rooms in the same Order they are shewn' (p. xxxi). At this time, the Museum, housed at Montague House, comprised only three departments: the Department of Manuscripts, Medals, and Coins; Natural and Artificial Productions; and Printed Books. Dodsley begins with the blocks of marble adorning the entrance hall, taken from the Giant's Causeway, and closes with the last room of the library, containing books collected in the reigns of James, Charles I, and Charles II. Along the way, the reader is directed to an Egyptian mummy, the Magna Carta, a Japanese pagoda, mineral and fossils, a collection of beetles, and a sloth, inter alia.

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Blatta, Mill Beetles, have long slender Antennæ in continual Motion, and usually two Spines at the Tail: The Males have Wings, and are smaller than the Females. The yellow Blatta, a Native of the Northern Countries, where it feeds on the dried Fish, and a very large Kind from Jamaica, are of this Species.

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Series of English

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cal Subjects, in a Variety of Languages, and by many different Authors. The Public has been gratified with a Catalogue of this Collection, to which, without enlarging any more on the Subject, I refer them, if they should be curious to know the particular Contents.

W. B. The french med als are in Harl: 11. HARLEIANA. III.

CHARTE & ROTULI.

This fourth Room of the Department contains the Harleian Collection of original (or very ancient and authentic Copies of) Charters, Acts of Parliament, Deeds, Warrants, Rolls, and other Instruments in Writing, relative to a great Variety of public Transactions at home and charter

Burgon's annotations supply additional information likely drawn from his personal knowledge of the British Museum's contents, adding notes on the habitat of rove beetles (p. 175), on the Bibliotheca Harleiana ('N.B. the framed medals are in Harl. II'), and elsewhere correcting phrasing. His son, John William Burgon, supplies corrections of errata and large, bold manicules to pp. xxii-xxiii, perhaps expressing his horror at the rather cumbersome process of obtaining admission to the Museum, which resulted in significant delays: 'the Time allotted is two Hours; and when any Number not exceeding fifteen are inclined to see it, they must send a List of their Christian and Sirnames, Additions, and Places of Abode, to the Porter's Lodge, in order to their being entered in the Book; in a few Days the respective Tickets will be made out, specifying the Day and Hour in which they are to come, which, on being sent for, are delivered' (p. xxii).

#### Provenance:

- 1. Thomas Burgon (1787–1858), connoisseur of Greek antiquities, employed in his later years in the coin room of the British Museum (1844–58). Burgon's own collection of antiquities was acquired by the Museum in 1842.
- 2. His son, John William Burgon (1813–1888), dean of Chichester and biblical scholar (for whom the Burgon Society is named). Later a fellow at Oriel College, Oxford, he shared his father's antiquarian tastes, publishing a translation of a monograph *On Panathenaic Vases* in 1832 and contributing articles to the *Numismatic Journal* between 1837 and 1841.
- 3. Henry Babington Smith (1863–1923), civil servant and financier. An ardent and assiduous book collector, he notes the location and date of purchase as well as identifying the hand of earlier annotations. Babington-Smith's brother, Arthur Hamilton Smith, was keeper of Greek and Roman antiquities at the British Museum from 1909–1925. His *Guide* to the British Museum (1899) ran through several editions.

ESTC T40549; Lowndes, p. 260.



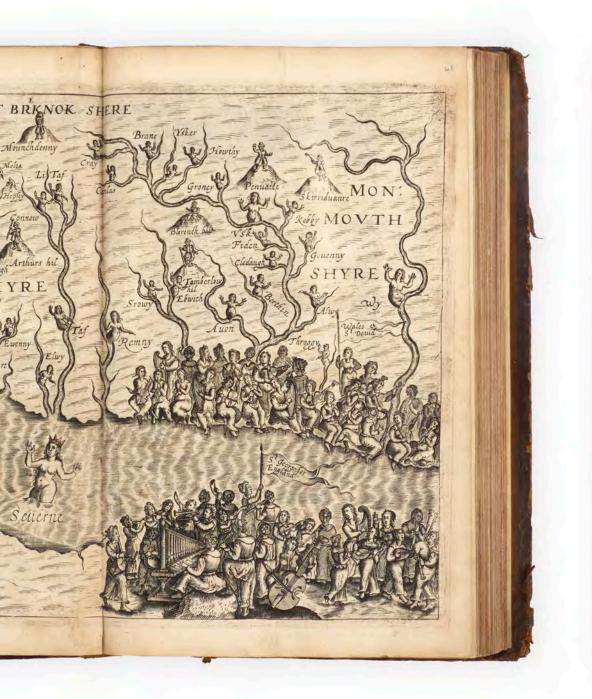
**DRAYTON, Michael.** Poly-Olbion ... London, Printed for M. Lownes, J. Brown, J. Helme, J. Busbie. [1612].

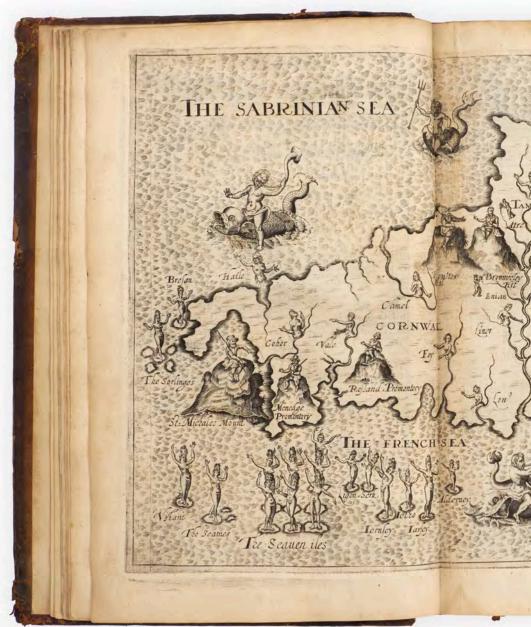
Folio, pp. [12], 303, [1 (blank)], with engraved title-page, engraved portrait of Prince Henry (second state, supplied), and 18 double-page engraved maps by William Hole (first state, before numbering); 'Upon the frontispiece' and final leaf (Dd2) neatly remounted, tear in the latter repaired without loss, else a very good copy, the maps in good crisp impressions; in contemporary English calf, sometime rebacked and recornered, borders tooled in blind, spine ruled in compartments, gilt red morocco lettering-piece to spine, gilt edges; front board now detached, lower joint split but holding, some wear to corners.

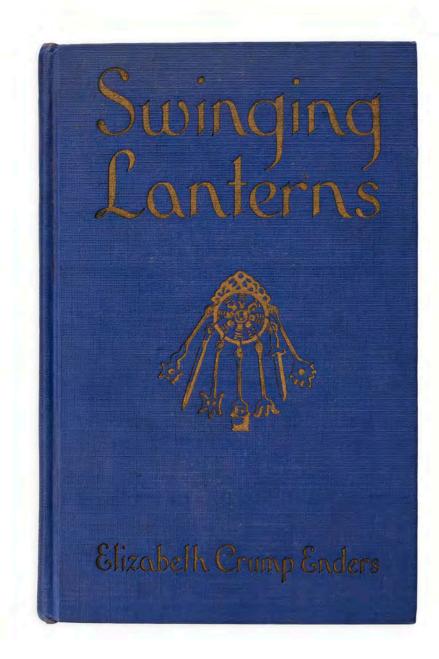
First edition, first issue – with the plates unnumbered and without the letter-press title and the table. The final gathering (Dd) is however in the third state, signed correctly and omitting the word FINIS: Drayton (1563-1631) expected a second part to be shortly ready, but it was not in fact published until 1622.

'The charm of this great patriotic poem can be fully appreciated only in this first edition' (Pforzheimer). *Poly-Olbion* was Drayton's longest work, and he had been occupied with it since the 1590s. 'Drayton's celebration of British history, legends, cities, hills, vales, and rivers suggests a nation with an identity, realized or potential, beyond any one conqueror's scope ... Albion is the heroine of this epic, not some male equivalent of Spenser's Gloriana. The impressive volume included a portrait of Prince Henry, the poem's dedicatee ... unfortunately his death that November precluded further patronage. The volume has maps and copious annotations by Selden that comment with amused but friendly scepticism on the poem's legends and descriptions' (ODNB). The first part contained eighteen poems; the remaining twelve Drayton struggled to get published.

ESTC S121629; STC 7226; *Drayton's Works* V: 19; Grolier, *Langland to Wither* 82. See Pforzheimer 308.







### CHINA IN THE 'SWINGING' TWENTIES

**ENDERS, Elizabeth Crump**. Swinging Lanterns. *New York, London, D. Appleton and Co., 1923*.

8vo, pp. xv, [1 (blank)] 359, [1], with photographic frontispiece, 1 map, and 28 pp. of photographic plates; very slightly toned with occasional marginal creasing, one leaf of plates a little creased at outer margin, else a very good copy in publisher's blue cloth, gilt to upper covers, spine lettered in gilt, paper label with black ink shelf-mark; upper cover and spine a little sunned, very small chip to headcap, corners bumped; contemporary presentation inscription to front free endpaper (see below).

First edition of this celebrated Chinese travel memoir by Elizabeth Crump Enders, a vivid depiction of China in the 1920s formerly in the possession of Josephine del Drago, American heiress and Chinese art collector.

Enders (1879–1961), author, traveller, and speaker, was heralded during her day as one of the outstanding authorities on Chinese life and customs in the 1920s and 1930s, having lived in Shanghai and Beijing and travelled extensively throughout Tibet with her husband, Major Gordon B. Enders, American diplomat and advisor to the Panchan Lama in Tibet. The memoir is peppered with lively descriptions of, *inter alia*, New Year in Peking, the Forbidden City, and the devil dance at the Lama Temple, alongside photographs by William Allen Dunn. On her return to America, Enders lectured on topics such as the 'Women of China' throughout the United States as a self-styled 'Writer, Traveller and Authority on Oriental Drama, Life and Customs'.

Provenance: Josephine del Drago dei Principi del Drago, Marquise di Riofreddo (née Josephine Kleiner (1862–1936), the wealthy widow of August Schmid, and later wife to Don Giovanni Battista dei Principi del Drago, Marchese di Riofreddo, known in the United States as the Prince del Drago. The gift inscription reads 'A little souvenir of our delightful visit to the Freer Gallery at Washington D. C., 21st June 1923. Cordially, Ann ?Daly. As Josephine and her husband owned an important collection of thirteenth- to eighteenth-century Chinese paintings centuries, the gift is particularly apt. On the del Drago collection of Chinese art, see Catalog of an exhibition of Chinese paintings owned by Mr. and Mrs. G. del Drago: and exhibited at the Albright Art Gallery by special invitation (1931).

### CROSS-DRESSING AND COCKADES IN REVOLUTIONARY FRANCE

**16.** [FRENCH REVOLUTION.] Three decrees of the National Convention relating to clothing and dress. *Paris and Chaumont, August–December 1793.* 

Three pamphlets, 4to; holes to inner margins from earlier stitching, light marks; overall very good.

Three rare and interesting decrees issued by the National Convention in 1793 relating to dress, specifically to dressing in disguise, the wearing of the tricolour cockade, and individual liberty in dressing.

The first, from August 1793, bluntly states that any citizen caught participating in a false patrol (presumably disguised as a member of the National Guard), and any man discovered at gatherings dressed as a woman, would be sentenced to death, in the interests of public safety. The second, issued in September, condemns any woman not wearing the tricolour cockade to eight days' imprisonment, and anyone who rips off another's cockade or profanes it to six years' internment. The final *décret*, dating from December, decrees that no one may force another citizen to dress in a particular manner ('everyone is free to wear such clothing and adornments of their sex as they wish'), while making it clear that this does not affect previous legislation relating to the wearing of national cockades, to priests' clothing, or to cross-dressing ('les travestissemens').

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# DÉCRET

N.º 1795

DELA

#### CONVENTION NATIONALE,

Du 8.º jour du 2.º mois de l'an fecond de la République française, une & indivifible,

Relatif aux Vêtemens des personnes des deux sexes.

LA Convention Nationale décrète :

ARTICLE PREMIER.

Nulle personne de l'un & de l'autre sexe ne pourra contraindre aucun citoyen, ni citoyenne, à se vêtir d'une manière particulière, sous peine d'être considérée & traitée comme suspecte & poursuivie comme perturbateur du repos public. Chacun est libre de porter tel vêtement & ajustement de son sexe que bon lui semble.

II.

La Convention nationale n'entend point déroger aux précédens décrets rendus sur le fait de la cocarde nationale, sur le costume des prêtres de sur les travestissemens; ainsi qu'à tous autres décrets relatifsau même objet.

III.

Le présent décret sera inséré dans le bulletin du 9 brumaire.

Visé par l'inspecteur. Signé BOUILLEROT.

# DÉCRET

N.º

DELA

## CONVENTION NATIONALE,

Du 7 Août 1793, l'an second de la république Françoise,

Portant que tout Citoyen qui sera surpris en sausse patrouille, ou déguisé en semme, sera puni de mort.

La Convention Nationale, après avoir entendu le rapport de fon comité de falut public, décrète:

ARTICLE PREMIER.

Tous citoyens surpris en fausse patrouille seront punis de la peine de mort.

II.

Tout homme qui fera furpris dans des raffemblemens ; déguifé en femme, fera également puni de mort.

III.

Le présent décret sera proclamé dans le jour à Paris.

Visé par l'inspedeur. Signé S. E. MONNEL.

Collationné à l'original, par nous préfident & fecrétaires de la Convention nationale. A Pairs, les jour & an que deffus, Signé MALLAR MÊ, ex-préfident; THIRION, P. J. AUDOUN & FRANÇOIS CHABOT, ferrétaires.

AU NOM DE LA RÉPUBLIQUE, le Conseil exécutif

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# DÉCRET



DELA

### CONVENTION NATIONALE,

Du 21 Septembre 1793, l'an second de la république Françoise, une & indivisible,

Qui enjoint aux Femmes de porter la Cocarde tricolore.

La Constituta de proposition d'un cimbre, décrète, que les semmes qui ne porteront pas la coèarde tricolore, seront punies la première sois de huit jours de prison; en cas de récidive, elles seront réputées suspectes; à quant à celles qui arracheroient à une autre ou profancioient la cocarde nationale, elles seront punies de six années de réclusion.

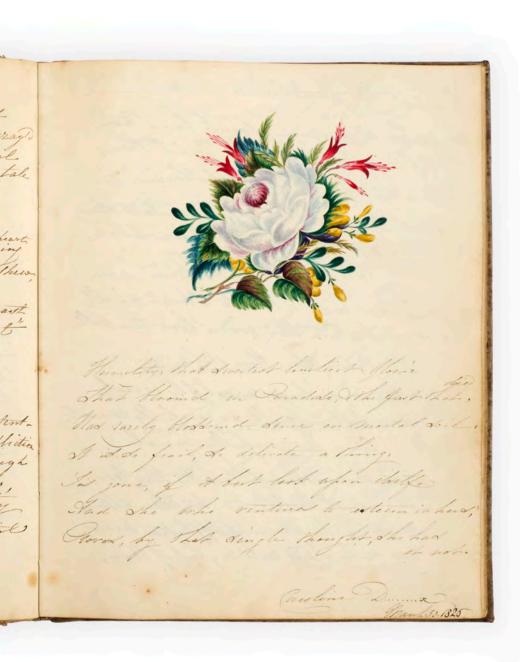
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Collisionné à l'original, per nous préfident & fecrénires de la Convention nationale. À Paris, les at feptembre 1793, l'an fecond de la république Faincele , une & loid-illale. Signé CAMBON fils ainé, préfident ; S. P. Leieung & Jacor, fertiaire.

AU NOM DE LA RÉPUBLIQUE, le Conseil exécutif

# The pamphlets comprise:

- 1. Décret de la Convention Nationale, du 7 Août 1793, l'an second de la république Françoise, portant que tout citoyen qui sera surpris en fausse patrouille, ou déguisé en femme, sera puni de mort ... No. 1341. *Paris, de l'imprimerie nationale exécutive du Louvre, August 1793.* 4to, pp. 2, [2 (blank)]. **BnF and University of Chicago only on OCLC.**
- 2. Décret de la Convention Nationale, du 21 Septembre 1793, l'an second de la république Françoise, une & indivisible, qui enjoint aux femmes de porter la cocarde tricolore ... No. 1575. *Paris, de l'imprimerie nationale exécutive du Louvre, September 1793*. 4to, pp. 2; manuscript note 'recu le 2 8bre 1793' at head of p. 1, signatures of 'E.B. Le Piot' and 'Legerin l'ainé' to p. 2; bleed through from signatures, neat holes to inner margin. **This imprint not traced on OCLC or CCfr.**
- 3. Décret de la Convention Nationale, du 8e jour du 2e mois de l'an second de la République française, une & indivisible, relatif aux vêtemens des personnes des deux sexes ... No. 1795. *Chaumont, chez Bouchard, [December 1793].* 4to, pp. 2, [2 (blank)]; manuscript note 'recue le 2 Nivos publié du dit' at head of p. 1, dated and signed in manuscript on p. 2 ('Langres le 29 frimaire'); paperflaw to blank second leaf. **This Chaumont printing not traced on OCLC or CCfr.**



#### NONCONFORMIST FRIENDSHIP ALBUM

17. [FRIENDSHIP ALBUM.] Album of poetry and prose with watercolour illustrations. [London, c. 1824–1832.]

Manuscript on paper watermarked 'Gater 1822', in English, 4to, pp. [114] + 50 blanks; comprising manuscript poetry, watercolour, and pencil sketches, elegantly written in several hands in dark brown, green, and lilac ink, floral watercolour border to first poem, two watercolour illustrations (one of which mounted), two pencil sketches; well-preserved with occasional faint spotting and light marginal toning, a few marginal stains to endpapers; bound in contemporary vellum, borders filleted in gilt, 'E.F.' gilt directly to upper board, edges gilt; upper joint cracked but holding well, soiling to upper cover, boards a little bowed; numerous contemporary attributions throughout (see below).

An attractive nineteenth-century album collecting poems (many of Scottish, Irish, and Nonconformist interest) and hymns, along with several charming drawings in pencil and ink, with ties to several London families.

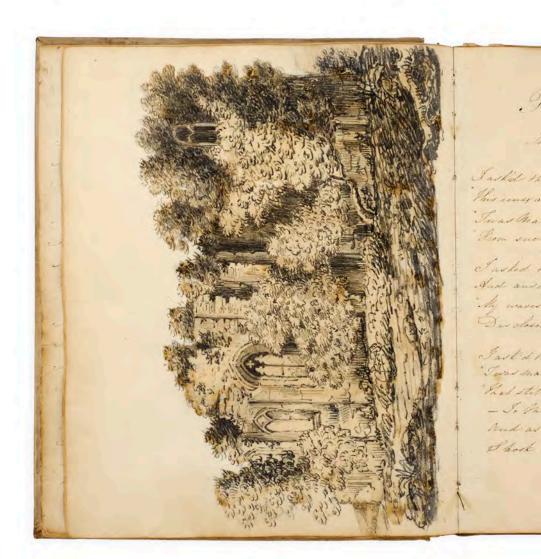
The contents of the album display a notable penchant for the work of late eighteenth- and early nineteenth-century Scots and Irish poets: several of the contributors have copied works by Scottish poet and hymn writer James Montgomery (1771–1854), including 'Lines addressed to Mr Bennet on his visit to the South Sea Islands', 'What is Life?', and 'The Crucifixion'. *Lalla Rookh*, by Irish poet Thomas Moore (1779–1852) seems to have been similarly admired, with three separate excerpts from the poem. Other examples include Burns's *Tam o'Shanter*, Thomas Campbell's *Pleasure of Hope*, and one of Moore's most popular *Irish Melodies*, 'The Last Rose of Summer'. The collection comprises several pieces relating to English dissenters. Reverend John Blackburn (1791–1855), minister at the Claremont Chapel, Pentonville Road, London, appears to have excerpted a poem, 'The Deceitful Halo', from the *Congregational Magazine*, of which he was the editor from 1818 to 1845, signing with his name and 'Pentonville / Sept 15. 1825'. Another contributor, 'L. Habbard', has included a hymn, 'Come let us join our cheerful song', presented by a young woman to 'The Clark of a Dissenting Chapel in Birmingham'.

The work of various female poets likewise appears throughout, notably that of Susanna Blamire (1747-1794), known as the Muse of Cumberland for her regional songs and poetry ('When the soft tear steals silently down from the eye') and Jane Taylor (1783-1824), poet and novelist best known for the lyrics of 'Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star' ('The Philosopher's Scales').

Much of the writing probably derives from contemporary literary miscellanies or periodicals, as in the case of Robert Pollok (1798–1827), whose 'Course of Time' was published by Mr Blackwood, early in 1827, and hymnaries. Several poems, however, appear to be original, including a female-authored occasional poem 'On the death of the Revd J Spencer by Martha Hamilton.'

Sketches display views from King's Norton Chapel, Worcester, and the Gothic Fonthill Abbey, Wiltshire.

Provenance: The album appears to have associations with several families in London, perhaps connected through religious ties. Locations identified include Camberwell, Pentonville, Coles Terrace (Islington), and Mornington Crescent. Many works are signed, revealing the variety of hands through which this collection passed, including several women (Eliza Vernon, Mary Leonard, Mary Roe). Family connections can also be traced throughout the book: the additions of Timothy Wallington (1783–1837), a sketch of King's Norton Chapel, and a 'Christmas Ode', are followed by a poem by Dryden, 'Lines on our Saviour's Miracle', copied by Wallington's son, William Blackall Wallington (1813–1883). A brother and sister can also be identified: Caroline Desormeaux (1797–1880) of Spitalfields and her brother Daniel Desormeaux (c. 1783–1844), a chemist in White Conduit Fields, Islington, who five years after copying the poem 'That very law which moulds a tear' would be declared bankrupt in the New Monthly Magazine (1831) (p. 144).





Willing rather to be absent from the boy and to be present with the Lord. The sustiment of this text experimentally, realized would cure us of our fond ness for these bodies unless we think it more desirable to be confined to a prison and to look through a grate all our lives which gives us but a very narrow prospect and that none of the best neither then to be set at liberty to view all the glories of the world. What would we give now for the least glimper of that invisible world which the first step we take out of these bodies will present us with? Death opens our eyes enlarges our prospect presents us with a new and more glorious world which we can never see while we are shut up in flesh. which should make us as willing to part with weil as to take the film off our lyes which hintersour Most people make provisions for this life as though I were never to have an end and for the life to come as though it were never to have a beginning.

aug 129. 1825

J. H.

An excellent recipe to une low spirits.

Take an annu of the seeds of resolution, properly mixed with the seeds of good conscience infuse with it alaye sprompel of the salts of patience this very earfully acomposing plant, called "other's roses"— which you will find in every part of the garden of life growing under the broad leaves of disguise, and as mall quantity and it will qually assist



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**18.** [GRIMOD DE LA REYNIÈRE, Alexandre-Balthazar-Laurent.] Manuel des amphitryons; contenant un traité de la dissection des viandes à table, la nomenclature des menus les plus nouveaux pour chaque saison, et des élémens de politesse gourmande. *Paris, Capelle and Renand, 1808*.

8vo, pp. 384; with half-title, engraved frontispiece, and 16 folding copper-engraved plates; some light foxing, particularly to the second part, short closed tear to plate after p. 108; a good copy in contemporary calf-backed boards with marbled sides (painted dark grey-green) and vellum tips, rebacked in calf, gilt black morocco lettering-piece to spine; contemporary correction of errata in manuscript; booklabel of the Stock and Reference library of H.P. Kraus to front pastedown.

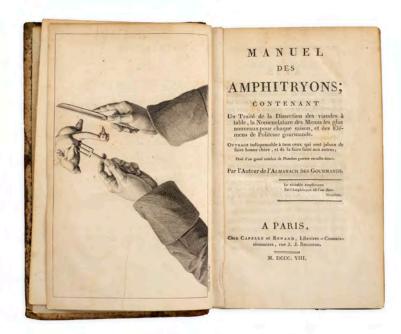
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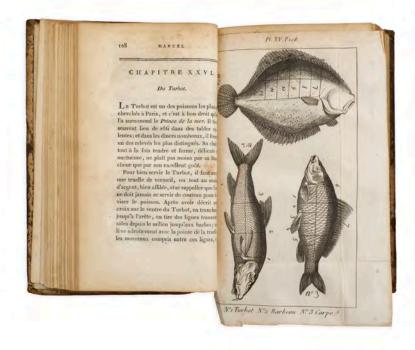
# First edition of Grimod de la Reynière's famed manual on the arts of the table and the entertainment of guests.

Grimod de la Reynière (1758–1837), the son of a *fermier général*, inherited a substantial fortune and knowledge of the art of gracious hosting from his family. Having survived the Revolution, he authored the *Almanach des gourmands*, the first Parisian restaurant and food guide, published annually between 1803 and 1812. His *Manuel des amphitryons* aimed to enlighten the bourgeoisie, the newly emerged French ruling class largely unfamiliar with refined tastes, on appreciating fine dining. The book comprises three sections: the first, illustrated with the sixteen folding plates, focuses on carving and deboning poultry, veal, fish, and other meats. Grimod emphasised these as indispensable skills, commenting that 'a host who can neither cut nor serve' was as shameful as 'the owner of a fine library who cannot read' (pp. 25-26, *trans.*). The second part, co-written with the celebrated chef Alexis Balaine, provides seasonal menus tailored for large gatherings of up to sixty guests, whilst the third section offers advice on managing invitations, seating arrangements, handling of staff and tardy guests, and other social dilemmas.

*Provenance*: from the stock and reference library of Hans Peter Kraus (1907–1988), celebrated antiquarian bookseller (his sale, Sotheby's New York, 4–5 December 2003, lot 286).

Bitting, p. 203; Cagle 233; Simon, Bibliotheca Gastronomica 805; Vicaire, col. 427.











### EARLY TOWN PLANS OF BRITAIN

19. HERMANNIDES, Rutger. Britannia magna, sive Angliae, Scottiae, Hiberniae & adjacentium insularum geographico-historica descriptio. *Amsterdam, Gillis Jansz Valckenier*, 1661.

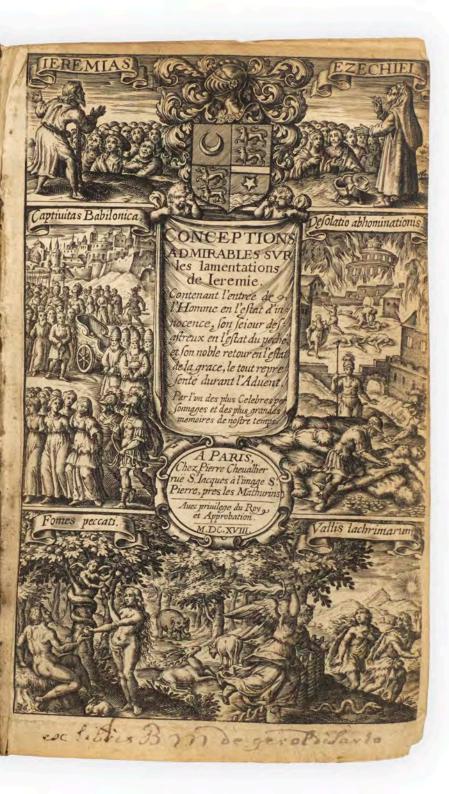
12mo, pp. [32], 645, [40 (index)], [1 (blank)], with engraved and letterpress titles, woodcut printer's device to title-page and 32 copper-engraved folded plates, comprising illustrations, maps, plans; a few pinhole wormholes to first and final quires, occasional light foxing and spotting, a little toned at edges, light dampstaining to plate of Berwick; a very good copy in contemporary vellum over boards, spine lettered directly in ink; upper board lightly spotted and a few marks to spine; modern pencil annotation to upper margin of p. 25.

First edition of Hermannides's most famous work, featuring a set of thirty-two early town plans of the British Isles after John Speed.

The attractive miniature plans produced by Dutch academic, author, and cartographer Rutger Hermannides (d. 1680) are based almost exclusively on the detailed town plans inset into the maps of English cartographer, chronologer, and historian John Speed (1551/2–1629). Cities depicted include London, Cambridge, Oxford, Newcastle, Edinburgh, and Dublin. **The plan of Dover appears to be an original addition, as it did not appear on Speed's map of Kent** (Smith).

STCN 853087229; USTC 1843470.

See Smith, *Antique Maps of the British Isles* (1982), pp. 146-147.



### BEES, BASILISKS, AND BLOODLUST

**HUMBLOT, François.** Conceptions admirables sur les lamentations de Jeremie, contenant l'entrée de l'homme en l'estat d'innocence, son seiour desastreux en l'estat du peché, et son noble retour en l'estat de la grace, le tout representé durant l'Advent ... *Paris, Pierre Chevallier, 1618*.

8vo, pp. [8], 695, [56 (index, privilege)], [1 (blank)]; title copper-engraved, woodcut initials, head-and tailpieces; occasional light marginal dampstaining, creases to a few corners, outer margin of title shaved; a very good copy in contemporary vellum over boards, spine in compartments with title inked at head; slight bowing to upper board, a few marks, ties lacking; inscription at foot of title 'ex libris B M de geroldisarto' (*i.e.* Géronsart Abbey, Belgium), inscriptions of 'Matthias Carlier' to a2<sup>r</sup>, contemporary manuscript notes in French to front free endpapers, cutting from a nineteenth-century bookseller's catalogue to front pastedown.

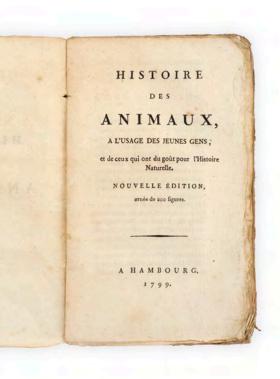
Very rare collection of sermons for Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany by the Minim friar François Humblot, who served as provincial of the Order of Minims in the French province of Touraine.

The extensive index nicely captures the breadth of Humblot's sermonising, with entries on, for example, bees, Alexander the Great, the basilisk, Melanchthon's blasphemy, Caligula's bloodlust, Plato's disciples' banquets, the symbolism of water, the story of the Minotaur, the heresy of Luther, St John's virginity, Caesar crying over Brutus's betrayal, unicorns, Muhammad being more respectful than Calvin, the properties of myrrh, the sin of bawdiness, and sinners fleeing God faster than a deer.

The remarkable engraved title-page shows the prophets Jeremiah and Ezekiel, the Babylonian captivity, the 'abomination of desolation', and Adam and Eve being tempted by the serpent and then expelled from the Garden of Eden.

No copies traced in the UK or US.

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### Animals and Monsters from *Abeille* to *Vrillette*

**21.** [JUVENILIA.] Histoire des animaux, a l'usage des jeunes gens, et de ceux qui ont du gout pour l'Histoire Naturelle. Nouvelle Edition, ornée de 200 figures. *Hamburg, [s.n.], 1799*.

12mo, pp. xii, 490, with half-title; lightly foxed throughout with occasional light browning; nevertheless a very good copy, largely uncut, in contemporary green heart-patterned wrappers, publisher's printed label to spine, printed as X6; chipping at upper joint, some soiling to spine.

£350

Scarce Hamburg edition of this educational work for children with two hundred woodcuts differing from those of the first edition (Berlin, 1780), depicting animals on land, sea, and air, as well as a host of mythical creatures.

Ordered alphabetically, each entry is accompanied by a description of the animal in question as well as an overview of its habitat and behaviour. Among the creatures depicted are exotic animals (manatee, giraffe, hippopotamus), birds (quail, woodcock, eagle), and fish (mullet, dogfish, mackerel), as well as mythical creatures such as the sphinx, the unicorn, the phoenix, and the *eveque marin*, or bishop-fish, a sea monster reported to have 'the body of a man, a mitre on his head ... he walked on his feet, let himself be touched willingly, and expressed his great desire to return to the sea. Aldovrandi, in his treatise on fish, provides a similar description' (p. 144, *trans.*).

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# ELEMENTS

OF

NATURAL PHILOSOPHY.

BY

JOHN LOCKE, Esq;

To which is added,

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FOR A

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BY THE SAME AUTHOR.

PRINTED AND SOLD BY R. TAYLOR.

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PROVINCIALLY PRINTED PIRATED PHILOSOPHY FOR A PRECOCIOUS PUPIL

**LOCKE**, **John**, *and* **Pierre des MAIZEAUX** (*compiler*). Elements of Natural Philosophy ... To which is added some Thoughts concerning Reading and Study for a Gentleman ... *Berwick upon Tweed: Printed and sold by R. Taylor*, 1754.

8vo, pp. viii, 72; first quire a little loose, upper flyleaf detached, light marginal toning to title-page and final leaf, sporadic light foxing, a few scattered marks; otherwise internally clean and fresh in contemporary English calf, spine gilt-ruled in compartments; wanting lettering-piece, joints cracked, the upper with short split at foot, small loss to head- and tailcap, corners bumped, boards lightly scuffed; contemporary ink ownership inscription 'F. S. B.' to front pastedown, late eighteenth-century ownership inscription 'Ja' Arder 1782,' 2 pp. of ink annotation in the latter hand (see below).

Uncommon pirated edition of Locke's introduction to natural philosophy, written for the use of the precocious son of his friend, Sir Francis Masham, provincially printed in the small town of Berwick-upon-Tweed in Northumberland.

Compiled by French Protestant exile and man of letters Pierre des Maizeaux (1672/3–1745) from Locke's manuscript papers, this short introduction was first published in *A Collection of Several Pieces of Mr. John Locke* (1720), nearly sixteen years after the author's death. *Elements* proved a particularly popular tract; pirated from the text of *A Collection*, it appeared as a separate publication around 1750 and by 1764 a further five Scottish reprints had been published, of which the present work is the third. According to des Maizeaux, the *Elements* was written by Locke for the use of a young Gentleman, whose education he had very much at heart' (p. iii). This young gentleman was Frank Masham (1686–1731), the only child of Sir Francis and Damaris Cudworth Masham, whose education Locke undertook during his time at Oates, the family's country home, where he took up residence in 1691 and lived for the last thirteen years of his life. By Locke's own account, the young Frank Masham demonstrated a prodigious enthusiasm for knowledge: I now live in the House with a Child, whom his Mother has so well instructed this way in Geography, that he knew the Limits of the Four Parts of the World, could readily point, being asked, to any Country upon the Globe, or any County in the Map of England ... before he was six Years old' (*Some Thoughts Concerning Education*, p. 213).

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All these move round the sun, which is, as it were, the center of their motions.

THE fecondary planets move round about other planets. Befides the moon, which moves about the earth; four moons move about Jupiter, and five about Saturn, which are call'd their fatellites.

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During the late 1690s, Locke therefore compiled for his pupil an introduction to 'The Elements of Natural Philosophy', comprising the state of knowledge in the contemporary sciences. This brief tract, which laid the ground for Locke's tutoring, begins with an account of Newton's laws of matter and motion, and proceeds to a discussion of the universe and solar system. Chapter by chapter, Locke cribs branches of natural philosophy in concise summaries of meteorology, geology, mineralogy, the study of plants, animals, and the five senses.

The treatise is followed by 'Some thoughts concerning reading and study for a gentleman,' which sets out Locke's recommended method of learning along with specific texts 'with which a gentleman's study ought to be well furnished' (p. 71). The list of authors, including Tully, Boileau, Cervantes, Hakluyt, and Seldon, provides an intriguing glimpse into Locke's tutorial room.

Provenance: James Arden (1734–1817), natural philosopher and author of Analysis of Mr. Arden's course of lectures on natural and experimental philosophy. Viz. Natural philosophy in general, chemistry, electricity, mechanics, geography, astronomy, hydrostatics, pneumatics, optics (1774). This Analysis comprises a series of public lectures on natural philosophy given by Arden, who followed in the footsteps of his father, John Arden (1720–1791), a well-known lecturer on practical mathematics and experimental philosophy, remembered as the teacher of Mary Wollstonecraft. Arden's annotations consist of calculations of the diameter of the planets, their hourly motions, turns on their axes, and the time of one revolution around the sun.

OCLC finds only three copies in the US (Trinity College Library, University of Illinois, Ransom).

ESTC T112155; Attig 795; Christopherson, p. 78; Yolton 322. See Locke, *Some Thoughts Concerning Education* (1693).



## 23. [OVERINGTON.] Overington family pedigree. *Kirdford, c. 1620–1674*.

Manuscript vellum roll (c. 70 x 560 mm), written in brown and black ink in approximately eight seventeenth-century italic and secretary hands for a total of 18 entries over 107 lines, each entry dated and separated by a dividing line; text faded at head and tail (partially affecting legibility of 4 entries); a few small chips not touching text.  $\pounds 500$ 

A manuscript pedigree on vellum tracing the line of descent of the Overington family of Kirdford in West Sussex from 1620 to 1674, recording family baptisms, dates and times of birth, and deaths.

The pedigree traces the line of descent from 'Thomas the sonne of Richard / Overington ... baptised at Kerdford the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May / Anno Domi 1620' to 'Thomas the son of ... Richard ... born the 10 of March and babtised / At home / In the yeare of ouer Lord god 1674.' West Sussex Record Office records Thomas Overington's baptism in 1620 at St John the Baptist in Kirdford and an undated mortgage by demise to 'Thomas Overington of Kerford, taylor' (SAS-H/647); little other evidence of the Kirdford Overingtons appears to have survived.

Alongside baptisms and births, family deaths are also recorded, spanning the death of Richard Overington's wife (the mother of the elder Thomas Overington) in September 1638 to the death of the younger Thomas Overington, deceased October 1671 at around fifty years old.

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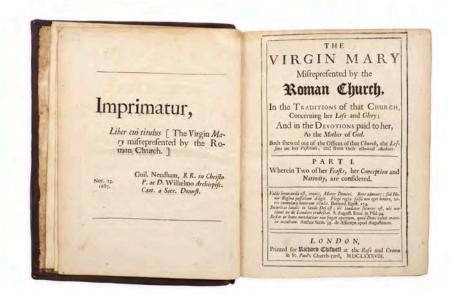
## A RELIGIOUS PRINT WAR IN THE REIGN OF JAMES II

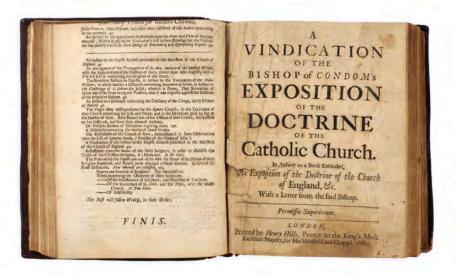
**24.** [PATRICK, Simon, John PATRICK, Joseph JOHNSTON, and William WAKE.] A sammelband of four religious polemics from the reign of James II. *London*, 1686-1688.

Four works in one volume, 4to; variable light foxing, margins a little toned, marginal browning to front and rear pastedown, slightly cockled with evidence of stitching to inner margins, some soiling to blank rectos of imprimata; bound in eighteenth-century Cambridge-panelled calf, spine ruled in blind; a few small abrasions to raised bands, joints and spine a little cracked, but holding well, small loss to head- and tailcap, some wear to corners; contemporary ink shelfmarks to each work, marginal annotations and markings to 4 pp. of Exposition and Defence, modern ownership inscription 'Peter Facer / 2/11/81'.

A sammelband of four scarce first editions (*see below*) from the vehement religious print war surrounding the celebrated French bishop Jacques Bénigne Bossuet (1627-1704) in the prelude to the Glorious Revolution.

In a bid to advance the cause of the Catholic king, Henry Joseph Johnston (c. 1656–1723), a Catholic convert and one of the sixteen Benedictine monks James established in a monastery within St. James's Palace, translated and championed the works of Bossuet. Johnston's present work (ii), his vindication of Bossuet, along with his wildly successful 1675 translation of *Exposition de la doctrine de l'Eglise catholique sur les matières de controverse* (1671), 'were part of a wider bid by the king, using his printer Henry Hills, to demonstrate the reasonableness of Catholicism and hence win over moderate Anglicans' (Scott, p. 61) by providing a plain and clear exposition of the doctrines of the Catholic church. Far from the intended outcome, however, leading members of the Anglican clergy, including the present authors, William Wake (1657–1737) and Simon Patrick (1626–1707), orchestrated a press and pulpit campaign to defend their version of true faith against James's efforts. Wake, chaplain to the English envoy in Paris and a future archbishop of Canterbury, and Patrick, Dean of Peterborough and later Bishop of Chichester, 'formed an agreement both to preach against the errors of the Roman Church and to publish "a great variety of small books, that were easily purchased and soon read" (Harris, p. 199).



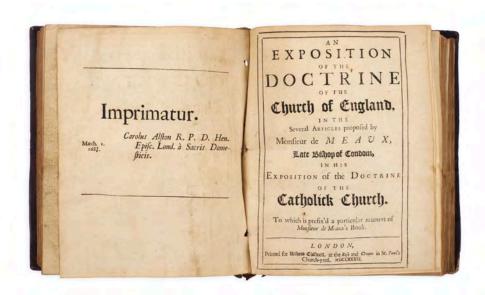


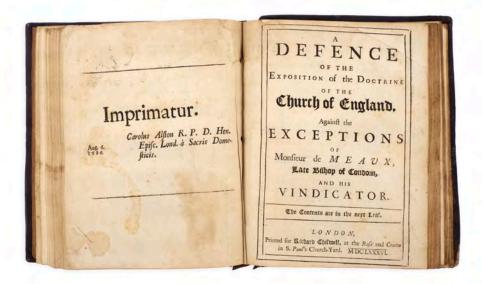


The latter three works in the collection are significant examples from the resultant print war which erupted in 1686 between the Anglican Wake and Benedictine Johnston, fuelled by the latter's translation of Bossuet. Wake's Exposition (iii) and Defence (iv) offer a stringent critique of Bossuet's writings on Catholic doctrine in matters such as invocation of saints, worship of images, purgatory, and the sacraments. This attack, in turn, elicited Johnston's Vindication (ii) defending Bossuet against the 'calumny' and 'the Sophistry of [Wake's] Arguments' (pp. 2,4). The Virgin Mary misrepresented by the Roman Church offers a further example of the fierce opposition to the Catholicism emanating from the royal court. Here, Patrick provides an account of the disputes within the Catholic church surrounding the immaculate conception of the Virgin Mary. Patrick's anti-Catholic campaign, along with his fellow London divines, drew censure from James himself. In 1685, Patrick wrote that 'the archbishop of Canterbury ... told me the king had made a complaint to him of the ministers of London, who preached too much against popery, and named me in particular, who he said was a good man, but leaned too much to the two deans [meaning those of St. Paul and Canterbury]' (Stillingfleet and Tillotson, Autobiography, p. 502). The works of both Patrick and Wake were republished in the third volume of Gibson's Preservative against Popery ... written and published by the most eminent divines of the Church of England (1738).

# The sammelband comprises:

- **I.** [PATRICK, Simon and John PATRICK.] The Virgin Mary misrepresented by the Roman Church: in the Traditions of that Church, concerning her Life and Glory, and in the Devotions paid to her, as the Mother of God ... Part I ... London, Printed for Richard Chiswell at the Rose and Crown in St Paul's Church-yard, 1688. 4to, pp. [8], 155, [5 (printer's advertisements)], with half-title. ESTC R19085; Wing P 736.
- **2.** [**JOHNSTON**, **Joseph**.] A Vindication of the Bishop of Condom's Exposition of the Doctrine of the Catholic Church. In Answer to a Book entituled, an Exposition of the Doctrine of the Church of England ... *London, Printed for Henry Hills, Printer to the King's Most Excellent Majesty, for hos Household and Chappel, 1686.* 4to, pp. [2], '222' [recte 122], [2 (contents, printer's advertisements)]. ESTC R2428 ('A variant has page 122 misnumbered 223'); Wing J 871.





- **3.** [WAKE, William.] An Exposition of the Doctrine of the Church of England: in the several Articles proposed by Monsieur de Meaux, late Bishop of Condom, in his Exposition of the Doctrine of the Catholick Church ... London, Printed for Richard Chiswell at the Rose and Crown in St Paul's Church-yard, 1686. 4to, pp. [4], xxxvi, 86, lacking Q1 and Q4. ESTC R25162 ('In this edition first word in line 18 of text on A3r is "body" with a lower case "b" and there are errata on F1v. Another edition of the same year has "Body" with a capital "B" and no errata on F1v'); Wing W 243.
- 4. [—.] A Defence of the Exposition of the Doctrine of the Church of England: Against the Exceptions of Monsieur de Meaux, late Bishop of Condom, and his vindicator. *London, Richard Chiswell, 1686.* 4to, pp. [6], xxiv, [2], 104, [2 (contents)], 107-166 (appendix), [2 (errata)], contents and appendix bound before second work. ESTC R524; Wing W 236.

See Harris, *Revolution: The Great Crisis of the British Monarchy, 1685–1720* (2006); Scott, 'A Benedictine Conspirator: Henry Joseph Johnston (c. 1656–1723)' in *British Catholic History* 20 (1990), pp. 58-75; Taylor ed., 'The Autobiography of Symon Patrick' in *The Works of Symon Patrick*, 9 (1858), pp. 407-569.

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### MALOUIN MATHEMATICS

**QUERRET, Jean-Joseph.** Élémens d'arithmétique, à l'usage des écoles primaires ... Seconde édition. *Saint-Malo, L. Hovius, 1826*.

12mo, pp. x, 102; occasional small stains, some creasing to half-title and last leaf, two words rubbed on last page; a good copy in contemporary vellum-backed green paste paper boards; some wear to extremities and rubbing to covers; contemporary ownership inscription 'Dutailly, née Querret' to title-page verso, half-title signed 'Julie Bossinot'.

Very rare second edition (first 1822) of an elementary work on arithmetic by the Malouin mathematician Querret (1783–1839), our copy previously in the possession of the author's sister.

Querret served as head of Saint-Malo's college from 1812, later holding chairs of mathematics and physics at Montpellier, Nantes, and Rennes. He was highly regarded as a mathematician, and was acquainted with the likes of Cauchy, Ampère, and Arago. As well as writing on arithmetic, he authored works on algebra, hydrography, mechanics, and astronomy.

Here Querret tackles basic numerical operations, prime numbers, fractions, conversion of weights and measures, proportion, the rule of three, interest, and accounting. His examples are both practical and accessible to his young charges, featuring carpenters, masons, cobblers, bakers, weavers, cloth merchants, pavers, grocers, and, of course, sailors, and referencing the local towns of Dinan and Saint-Brieuc.

*Provenance:* With the ownership inscription of Jeanne Perrine Querret Dutailly (d. 1860), the author's elder sister.

No copies traced in the UK or US. OCLC and CCfr record only one copy, in the BnF, which is also the only library recorded as holding the first edition.

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### RULES FOR READERS

**26.** [**SACHS**, **John**.] Eleven part-printed request slips for the British Museum Library. [*London*, *c*. 1878–1885.]

Eleven oblong slips (83 x 215 mm approx.), part-printed and completed in manuscript, with printed rules ('Readers are *particularly* required') verso; punched hole in each slip, torn where detached from a block; dust-stained and creased, two slips defective, other slips with varying tears (in two cases with minor loss of printed matter, not affecting sense). £95 + VAT in the UK

An interesting group of reader's request slips, belonging to the antiquarian illustrator and occasional writer John Sachs, with printed rules and instructions for readers.

John Sachs (fl. 1858-1899, d. 1905) was a commercial wood-engraver, working particularly for antiquarian publications and, seemingly, also engaged in archaeology, publishing an account of excavations at Chancery Lane in the *Transactions of the London and Middlesex Archaeological Society* (1905). His request slips record his interests not only in archaeology but also in heraldry, cartography, poetry, and herpetology.

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- 1. Not to ask for more than one work on the same ticket.
- 2. To transcribe from the Catalogues all the particulars necessary for the identification of the Work wanted.
- 3. To write in a plain, clear hand, in order to avoid delay and mistakes.
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  8. To replace on the shelves of the Reading-Room, as soon as done with, such Books of Reference as they may have had occasion to remove for the purpose of consultation.
- N.B.—Readers are not, under any circumstances, to take a Book, MS., or Mapout of the Reading-Room.

### 'Per Ludo Lernu Esperanton'

**SLAVENBURG, Jan Leendert.** Esperanto card game 'Kvartetludo'. *Apeldoorn, Onklo Vilhelmo Junkorulo (i.e. the author), c. 1930.* 

50 lithographed playing cards (49 playing cards and 1 instruction card, 60 x 100 mm) with green borders, blank versos; some wear to extremities; very good, in the original green card slipcase with the *Komenckarto* ('starting card') pasted on; some rubbing and wear, twentieth-century ownership inscription to, partly rubbed and obscured.

A complete set of the very rare *Kvartetludo*, a card game similar to Happy Families or Go Fish devised by Dutch Esperantist Jan Leendert Slavenburg and designed to teach Esperanto suffixes through play.

The deck has twelve sets of four cards, each representing a different suffix. Each card within a set has a unique illustration in black, alongside a list of four examples and rules for the use of the suffix in question. The list is the same on every card in a set, and the players use these examples to ask for specific cards from others, the primary objective being to collect as many complete sets of nouns as possible. Among the nouns depicted are professions (gardener, carpenter, violinist), places (church, bakery), weapons and tools (penknife, revolver, cannon), and household objects (book, inkwell, thimble).

Designed by ophthalmologist Ludovic Zamenhof (1859–1917) in the late nineteenth century and intended as a tool for peaceful international cooperation, Esperanto is a constructed international auxiliary language with its roots in Romance, Germanic, and Slavic tongues. The inventor of the present card game, Jan Leendert Slavenburg (1865–1936; or Onklo Vilhelmo, as he was pseudonymously known among his fellow Esperantists), was a journalist, teacher, and member of the Dutch and Flemish Federation of Worker Esperantists.



His obituary in the Nieuwe Apeldoornsche courant, to which he contributed a column in Esperanto for several years, remembers him as an enthusiastic teacher who corresponded regularly with asbiring Esberantists from as far as Japan and South America, and whose drawings and 'wellknown Kvartet game found their way far beyond [Dutch] borders' (trans.).

4. Trancilo

1. Plugilo

2. Segilo

3. Pesilo

4. Trancilo

La sufikso il formas nomojn

The Kvartetludo was advertised in several Esperanto publications in the 1930s, including the British Esperantist (1931), Sennaciulo (1934), and the Laborista Esperantisto (1937); we have, however, been unable to locate another set. Not on OCLC or Library Hub.

I. Pafilego

2. Ungego

4. Pordego

1. Pafilego

La sufikso eg' signifas

1. Lernejo

2. Preĝejo

1. Razisto

3. Violonisto

1. Pafilego

2. Ungego

3. Librego

1. Lernejo

2 Preĝejo



4. Pordego

1. Pafilego

2. Ungego



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12mo in 8s and 4s, pp. 240, with engraved frontispiece; some foxing to half-title and last page, a few spots, projecting fore-edge of frontispiece folded over; a very good copy in contemporary mottled sheep sewn on three sunken cords laced in, spine gilt in compartments with gilt red morocco lettering-piece, edges stained yellow, marbled endpapers, blue ribbon place-marker; headcap and headband lost, joints split but holding, a little worn, corners lightly bumped; prize inscription dated 1807 to front free endpaper (*see below*).

Rare collection of moral tales largely translated and adapted from *Flora, or, The deserted child* (London, 1800) by the Scottish writer and teacher Elizabeth Somerville (*née* Helme, 1774–1840).

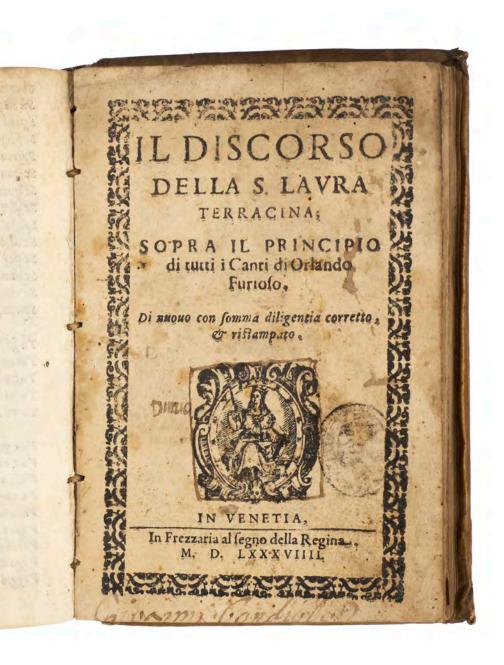
After an introduction in which the anonymous male translator discusses the long-term nefarious effects of bad education on young girls comes the tale of Flora, from her adoption as a three-year-old by Mrs Friendly into her adolescence and final reunion with her birth parents, her ups and downs as she grows intended to serve as moral exempla to the young reader.

Three further stories are added thereafter: 'La pyramide égyptienne', about three young brothers with a passion for killing flies; 'Théodore, ou le petit gourmand', on a gluttonous but repentant five-year-old; and 'La bonne-foi récompensée', in which a boy wrongly accused of breaking a statue is saved by the penitent culprit.

The remarkable frontispiece shows a mother and four girls looking in a mirror held by Athena and the multi-breasted Artemis of Ephesus, with a temple to Virtue in the background. The inscription facing the half-title states that this copy was presented by Sophie Débré to the young Josephine Eugenie Desprez as a prize for grammar in 1807.

No copies traced in the UK. OCLC records copies at the Bibliothèque nationale de France and Université de Montréal only.





### Unrecorded

**TERRACINA**, Laura. Il Discorso ... sopra il Principio di tutti i Canti di Orlando Furioso. Di nuovo con somma diligentia corretto, & ristampato. *Venice, 'In Frezzaria [sic] al segno della Regina' [i.e. Pietro de' Franceschi?]*, 1589.

8vo, ff. 88; title within typographic border, woodcut device with an allegory of Virtue to title-page, woodcut initials, 46 woodcut illustrations in the text; title-page slightly soiled and stained, variable toning and spotting, tear to lower corner of I3 with loss (affecting 3 words), earlier marginal repairs to final 3 ff., the last leaf torn and backed with loss of a few words to outer margin recto; contemporary juvenile drawing of a horse to title-page verso, with occasional markings, geometric doodles, and imitation of text (in the same hand?), early ownership inscription of Giovanni ?Candiolo to title, early oval stamp (faded); bound with five other works (*see below*), good copies in eighteenth-century Italian vellum over boards, title lettered to spine in manuscript; spine chipped at head and tail, front hinge split, corners bumped.

A rich Venetian sammelband including the works of Pietro Bembo, Jacopo Sannazaro, and Laura Terracina, three of the most celebrated Italian poets of the sixteenth century, with an apparently unrecorded edition of Terracina's commentary on the *Orlando Furioso* illustrated with forty-six woodcuts.

Neapolitan noblewoman Laura Terracina (1519– c. 1577), thought to be the 'most published poet of the century', produced several volumes of *Rime* under her own name as well as the *Discorso*, an intertextual extended poem in which the final line of each stanza is taken from Ariosto's *Orlando Furioso* and in which each canto opens with dedications to contemporary writers and nobles; indeed, most of Terracina's *Rime* themselves are addressed to notable figures in an act of socio-cultural ratification of her poetic authority (see Cox, p. 101). In a sonnet characterised by what is perhaps a feigned sense of modesty, Terracina writes that she 'yearns... to become Dante, Bembo, or Sannazaro' in her verse, aiming to make herself understood 'in the best style', her comparison of her fellow Neapolitan poet Jacopo Sannazaro (1458–1530) and celebrated humanist and cardinal Pietro Bembo (1470–1547) to Dante solidifying their importance within sixteenth-century poetic circles (*Rime*, f. 24<sup>r</sup>, *trans*.).

# DI M. REMIGIO FIORENTINO:

Non piu si cinga a capei molli intorno
Le caune o l'alga; il bel Sebeto & chiaro,
Ma mostri al suon del uago stile & raro
Di rose & lauri il sacro capo adorno,
Ne fermi l'onde allbor che s'apre il giorno
De mesti augelli al sospirar amaro
Il gran Tiren, ma il dolce canto & caro
Oltraggio faccia a lor lamenti & scorno.
Felici noi, cui si bell'aura spira
Sopra le riue & l'acque, & queste & quelle
l'insora et muone, et u'è mai sempre appresso,
Beatisma lei, ch'al nome sitesso
Alzate l'ali, & là le spiega & gira

IL FINE.

V fen'gir per altrui mille altre belle .







We find no other copies of the 1589 edition of Terracina's *Discorso*. The printers Domenico and Pietro de' Franceschi, who had published Terracina's 1572, 1579, 1581, and 1582 editions of the same work 'in Frezzeria at the sign of the Queen,' had a clear preference for epics in verse, printing Ariosto's *Orlando furioso* and later, his poetic works in their entirety, a decision 'to some extent enhanced by the appearance of Terracina's *Discorso* [...], which would suggest a very coherent "Ariostesque" project encompassing the work of the Ferrarese Ariosto and commentaries on his work' (Lastraioli, *trans.*).

### We find no copies on Library Hub, ICCU, or OCLC.

Not in BM STC Italian, EDIT16, USTC, Adams, Brunet, Graesse, or Ferri (citing the 1579 'Frezzeria' edition only).

## The sammelband also comprises:

**BEMBO**, **Pietro**. Rime di Monsignor P. Bembo. *Venice, Comin da Trino, 1554*. 8vo, ff. 56; woodcut palm device to title-page; tear to lower corner of A8 not touching text, light dampstaining and toning throughout, title creased and soiled; early ownership inscription (partly cancelled) to title. **Scarce outside Italy: OCLC finds three copies only (one in the US, at University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, and none in the UK). EDIT 16 5048; USTC 813428;** *Index Aureliensis* **III, p. 516; not in Graesse.** 

SANNAZARO, Jacopo. Sonetti, e' canzoni del Sannazaro. *Venice, 'Heredi d'Aldo Romano, & Andrea socero', July 1534.* 8vo, ff. 48, [4 (index)]; woodcut Aldine device to title-page and final leaf verso; some dampstaining throughout, sporadic light foxing. BM STC Italian, p. 605; EDIT 16 27225; USTC 854666; Adams S-338; Ahmanson-Murphy 273; *Aldine Press Books* 250; Graesse VI, p. 266; Renouard 112:6.

**TERRACINA, Laura.** Rime della S. Laura Terracina. Di nuovo corrette et ristampate. *Venice, Domenico Farri, 1560.* 8vo, ff. 56, woodcut printer's device with allegory of Charity to title, woodcut initials to first two poems; woodcut portrait of Terracina in profile to A3<sup>v</sup>. EDIT16 37711; USTC 858874; not in BM STC.

- —. Quarte Rime della Signora Laura Terracina detta Phebea nell'Academia de gl'Incogniti. *Venice, Domenico Farri, 1560.* 8vo, ff. 75, [1 (blank)]; woodcut printer's device with allegory of Charity to title, woodcut portrait of Terracina in profile to f. 6°, woodcut initials; occasional light foxing. BM STC Italian, p. 666; EDIT 16 37714; USTC 858872.
- —. Rime quinte della Signora Laura Terracina, detta Phebea nell'Academia de gl'Incgniti [sic]. Venice, Domenico Farri, 1560. 8vo, ff. 69, [3 (index)]; woodcut printer's device with allegory of Charity to title, woodcut portrait of Terracina in profile to f. 4<sup>v</sup>, woodcut initials; light marginal dampstaining to quire D. EDIT 16 37718; Ferri, Biblioteca femminile italiana, p. 365.

On Terracina, see Cox, *Women's Writing in Italy* (2008); Lastraioli, 'Choix éditoriaux et curiosités littéraires *al segno de la Regina*' (2012); Papworth, 'Laura Terracina' (2017).





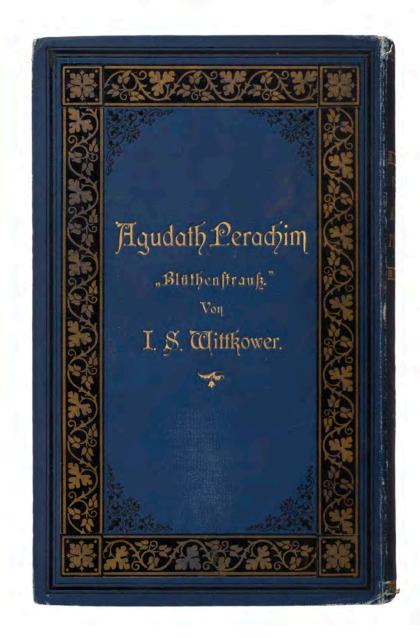
### SHAKESPEARE AND SCHILLER IN HEBREW

30. **WITTKOWER, Jochanan.** אגדת פרחים. Agudath Perachim. 'Blüthenstrauß'. Anthologie deutscher und hebräischer Gedichte für Geist und Herz ... *Altona, the Bonn Brothers for the author, 1880.* 

8vo, pp. xl, 256, [4], 257-340; facing title-pages in German and Hebrew (the latter printed to verso of half-title), facing text in German and Hebrew; front free endpaper reattached and chipped at margins, pp. 309-10 loose, otherwise clean and fresh; bound in the original publisher's blue cloth, title gilt to front cover within decorative frame, repeated in blind to rear; hinges cracked, some wear to spine; bookplate of Lt. Colonel V.S.M. de Guinzbourg to front pastedown.

First and only edition of this anthology of moral poems and satirical and edifying epigrams translated from German into Hebrew, as well as transcriptions and translations of epitaphs from the Jewish community of Altona, now a district of Hamburg.

Agudath Perachim was self-published by the translator, Jochanan Wittkower (1830–1889), in Altona, home to a flourishing Jewish community, including the Warburgs (on p. 259 appears the Hebrew epitaph of Jacob Warburg (1847–1870), killed in the Franco-Prussian war aged twenty-three, as well as a German verse by P[ius?] Warburg). He also draws attention to the locations of headstones of several important rabbis and scholars from Altona, and provides poems sourced from the local Jewish community over the course of several decades, including a celebratory poem for the sixteenth anniversary of Hamagid, the first Hebrew-language weekly newspaper, and the bar mitzvah of a community member. Wittkower also provides space for readers to record significant events within their own lives: preceding the final appendix of epigrams are a Gedächtnistafel, with blank spaces in which to record birthdays, bar mitzvah dates, and wedding anniversaries, and on the verso an Erimerungstafel for noting the anniversary of the death of loved ones and the location of their headstones.



The book was very well received at the time, noted especially for the accuracy of the translation, as seen in Wittkower's note of thanks to the rabbis and headmasters who had introduced his work into school curricula, as well as the numerous letters of praise and positive reviews published at the beginning of the book. Among these, one is from Rabbi Hermann Adler, Chief Rabbi of the British Empire from 1891 to 1911, thanking Wittkower for the proof sheets and subscribing for a copy of the volume, while apologising for the delay in replying due to his consecration of a new synagogue in Glasgow.

*Provnenance:* Victor de Guinzbourg (1906–1976), a former governor of the National Counter Intelligence Corps Association and a long-serving attaché to the United Nations. A passionate proverb-enthusiast, Guinzbourg was a founder and Permanent Secretary of the Pareomiological Society and his only published work, *Wit and Wisdom of the United Nations* (1961), is a collection of 'proverbs and apothegms on diplomacy'.

# OCLC and Library Hub find three copies in the UK (BL, Manchester, Warburg).

BM STC Hebrew, p. 247; Zeitlin, Bibliotheca hebraica post-Mendelssohniana II, p. 422. See Zürn, Die Altonaer jüdische Gemeinde (1611–1873): Ritus und soziale Institutionen des Todes im Wandel (2001), p. 278.

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