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THE
MILITARY CODE
Bar Assn.
of the
STATE OF ALABAMA.

WITH
AN APPENDIX,

CONTAINING THE OATH AGAINST BELLING, THE RULES AND ARTICLES OF WAR, PRESCRIBED
FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE MILITA OF THE UNITED STATES; THE SEVERAL ACTS OF
CONFERENCE RELATIVE TO THE MILITA OF THE STATE; REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE
PRESIDENT PROSCRIBING THE UNIFORM OF THE FEDERAL ARMY; A PORTION
OF
PART IV. OF COOPER'S TACTICS AND FORMS FOR MUTINIES OF THE STRENGTH
AND CONDITION OF RESCUE AND RECRUITS.

PREPARED AND ARRANGED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF AN ACT, ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO REVISE THE

BY GENERALS G. W. CRABB
AND
J. T. BRADFORD.

[ALABAMA]  
GEORGE W. CRABB  
J.T. BRADFORD

The Military Code of the State of Alabama, with an
Appendix....

Tuscaloosa: Ferguson & Eaton, 1838. 136pp. Modern half morocco and
marbled boards, spine gilt with leather label. Ownership inscription on
titlepage. Light foxing and soiling.

Military code of Alabama in 1838.

(#29110)
[ANIMAL HUSBANDRY]

Minutes, founded on experience, as to the means of hus-banding the vigor of the ram, and best enabling him abundantly to propagate his species [caption title].


A pamphlet printing of an essay on sheep breeding.

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CLAUDE CHARLES LEROY BACQUEVILLE DE LA POTHERIE

_Histoire de l’Amerique Septentrionale._


Rare first edition of an important illustrated contemporary history of the Indian nations in Canada and their relations with the French, including among the earliest printed views in Canada.

(#37856) $10,000.
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The first part of Binney's essential reference manual on conchology, dealing with North American conchology (the second part dealt with European books).

(#39579) $ 250.
JAMES FENIMORE COOPER

[The Complete Works].


A complete set of works by James Fenimore Cooper with provenance to the famous American philanthropist, Paul Mellon.

(#39496) $ 5,000.
MATTHEW DRIPPS, publisher

_map of New York City south of 46th. St._

New York: M. Dripps, 1876. Folding lithographic map (39 3/4 x 26 3/4 inches), hand-coloured in outline. (Small clean tears to folds, small section at foot of title excised by the publisher, replaced with identical paper and with some manuscript work added). 1p. letterpress 'Catalogue of M. Dripps' Maps' tipped onto front paste-down of cover. (Small clean tears to folds.) Unbound, as issued, within original dark brown cloth boards, blocked in blind, with title 'Dripps' Large Map of N.Y. City' blocked in gilt on upper cover.

A fine example of this pocket map, with a fully-coloured inset of a copy of Thomas Kitchin's map of 'New York Island' (originally published in the London Magazine in 1778) and interesting lists of Police Stations and sub-Post Offices, a street directory, and a key to rail road routes.

(#14153) $ 2,000.
AN ESSAY
TOWARDS AN
INDIAN BIBLIOGRAPHY.
BEING A
CATALOGUE OF BOOKS,
RELATING TO THE
HISTORY, ANTIQUITIES, LANGUAGES, CUSTOMS, RELIGION,
WARS, LITERATURE, AND ORIGIN OF THE
AMERICAN INDIANS,
IN THE LIBRARY OF
THOMAS W. FIELD.
WITH BIBLIOGRAPHICAL AND HISTORICAL NOTES, AND
SYNOPTES OF THE CONTENTS OF SOME OF
THE WORKS LEAST KNOWN.

INTRODUCTION BY WILLIAM S. REESE.

NEW HAVEN:
WILLIAM REESE COMPANY
1991

THOMAS W. FIELD

An Essay Towards an Indian Bibliography: Being a Cat-
logue of Books Relating to the History, Antiquities,
Languages, Customs, Religion, Wars, Literature, and
Origin of the American Indians, in the Library of Tho-
mas W. Field, with Bibliographical and Historical Notes,
and Synopses of the Contents of Some of the Works Least
Known.

New Haven: William Reese Company, 1991. 8vo (8 7/8 x 6 inches). x,
430pp. Publisher's red cloth.

Reprint of this essential Americana reference work.

(#39578) $25.
WILLIAM GORDON

The History of the Rise, Progress, and Establishment, of the Independence of the United States of America: including an Account of the Late War; and of the Thirteen Colonies, from their origin to that period.

London: Printed for the Author, 1788. 4 volumes, 8vo (8 x 4 7/8 inches). 9 engraved folding maps and plates. (Minor foxing to the plates). Contemporary tree calf, expertly rebacked to style retaining the original morocco lettering pieces.

A lovely set of the first edition of the "first full-scale history of this war by an American; to its preparation Jefferson contributed some aid" (Howes).  

(#30569) $10,000.
Army Memories.

New York: Koch, Sons, & Co, 1887. Folio. Mounted on guards throughout. 12 mounted tinted (2) or chromolithographed (10) plates, the first plate with an integral title on a plain card mount, the 11 others with card mounts decorated with tinted lithographic vignettes, all 12 of the mounts with paper labels with captions laid onto the verso, each label printed in blue with the plate number, title, and sub-title or related text. All twelve plates signed by Harlow in pencil on the mount. Expertly bound to style in dark red half morocco over original dark green cloth-covered boards, the upper cover titled in gilt, spine in six compartments with raised bands, lettered in the second compartment, the others with repeat decoration in gilt, marbled end-papers.

Very rare: the deluxe issue of one of the great American chromolithographically illustrated works and a wonderful graphic representation of the Civil War.

(#26200) $ 6,500.
A WINTER IN THE WEST.

BY A NEW-YORKER.

Where can I journey to your secret springs,
Eternal Nature! Onward still I press,
Follow thy windings still, yet sigh for more.

G O E T H E.

IN TWO VOLUMES.

VOL. I.


First edition.

(#38202) $500.
ALFRED M. HOFFY, publisher
WILLIAM DRAPER BRINCKLÉ, editor


Philadelphia: Prepared and published by A. Hoffy, 1860. "Book no.1" (all published) quarto (10 1/2 x 7 3/4 inches). Lithographic portrait frontispiece of Brincklé by Hoffy, 36 hand-coloured lithographed plates, heightened and finished with gum arabic, all by Hoffy. Publisher's purple cloth, upper cover stamped in gilt.

A fine copy of this beautifully-illustrated and "very rare" (Bennett) work.

(#38977) $4,250.
EDWIN JAMES

Account of an Expedition from Pittsburgh to the Rocky Mountains, performed in the years 1819, 1820 ... under the command of Maj. S.H. Long, of the U.S. Top. Engineers. Compiled from the notes of Major Long, Mr. T. Say, and other gentlemen of the party, by Edwin Thomas, botanist and geologist to the expedition.

London: Longman, Hurst, Rees, Orme & Brown, 1823. Octavo, 3 volumes. vii, [1], 344; vii, [1], 356; vii, [1], 347pp. Folding engraved map, folding engraved plate with geological profiles, and eight other plates (three hand-colored aquatint plates and five uncoloured plates, by I. Clark after S. Seymour. Half titles in second and third volumes. Uniform half tan calf over marbled paper boards, spines with raised bands in six compartments, tooled in gilt, red and green lettering pieces in the second and third compartment, marbled endpapers.

The first London edition of this cornerstone of Western Americana.

(#39409) $6,000.

One of the most important books on the War of 1812 in the South and West, describing the campaign around the Battle of New Orleans.

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With an interesting map of revolutionary America.

(#23734) $ 2,000.

CHRISTIAN LEISTE

_Beschreibung des Brittischen Amerika zur Ersparung der Englischen Karten._


With an interesting map of revolutionary America.

(#23734) $ 2,000.
EDWIN HALE LINCOLN

*Orchids of the North Eastern United States, Photographed from Nature.*

Pittsfield, Massachusetts: published by the author, 1931. 2 volumes, folio. Both volumes with printed title (copyright notice on verso); 1p. foreword (verso blank), 1p. list of genera (verso blank), 2pp. list of scientific and common names (rectos of 2 leaves, versos blank). 84 very fine platinum print photographs (each approximately 9 1/2 x 7 1/2 inches), each mounted on white handmade paper (approximately 10 1/2 x 8 1/4 inches), each mount in turn mounted on stiff gray card with calligraphic manuscript numbering and captions. Loose in original wrappers. Housed in black morocco box.

The rarest published work on the Orchids of the United States, and a very beautiful photo-book: a masterpiece which includes "One life-size print on platinum paper of every orchid known to grow in the United States east of the Mississippi river and north of the parallel of Washington" (Foreword).

(#39042) $ 28,000.
The charter, constitution and by-laws, of the Cincinnati horticultural society, with a report of its transactions for 1843, '44, and '45, list of members, &c.


The charter and by-laws for the Cincinnati Horticultural Society, with reports and transactions from its meeting during the first three years of its existence.

(#33512)  $1,250.

The Holster Atlas: one of the most important atlases of the American Revolution designed for use in the field. The Holster Atlas was issued at the suggestion of Governor George Pownall and included the "maps that the British high command regarded as providing essential topographical information in the most convenient form" (Schwartz & Ehrenberg).
SOUTH AMERICA
WILLIAM M. HUNTER, 1st Lieutenant

[A series of watercolour views in Brazil and Chile, accomplished by an American naval officer, including two views of Rio de Janeiro, a two-sheet view of Valparaiso and two unidentified views of the South American coast].

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[ADAM FOREPAUGH]

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[New York: 1889]. Folio. 4pp. on a folded sheet.

A charming promotional for this dramatic Wild West show, featuring acts derived from some of the most infamous and romantic western events and people, under the management of Adam Forepaugh.

(#28082) $1,250.