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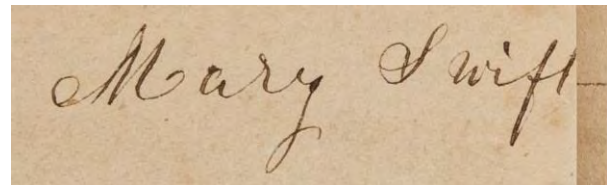
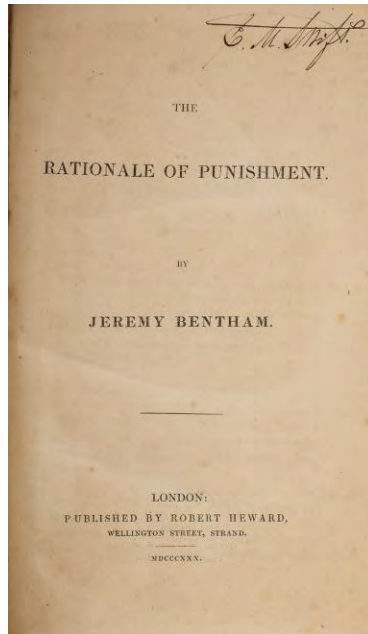
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**One of the Works that Gave Bentham an International Audience,
This Copy Owned by a NY District Attorney and, Later, His Daughter**

1. Bentham, Jeremy [1748-1832].

[Dumont, Pierre Étienne Louis (1759-1829), Editor].

The Rationale of Punishment. London: Published by Robert Heward, Wellington Street, Strand, 1830. 441, [3] pp. Octavo (8-1/2" x 4-3/4").

Recent quarter calf over marbled boards, lettering pieces, blind fillets and gilt dates to spine, endpapers renewed. Moderate toning to interior, light foxing and soiling in a few places, early owner signature (of Mary Swift, just affected by trimming at fore-edge) to front endleaf and struck-through early owner signature (of E.M. Swift) to title page. \$650.

* First edition in English (and the first separate edition of this title). Originally published in French as part of *Théorie des Peines et des Récompenses* (1811). Dumont, a Swiss writer and journalist, was introduced to Bentham through Lord Shelburne in 1788. The two struck up both a friendship and an enduring intellectual partnership. Dumont went on to translate and edit many of Bentham's works from the latter's unpublished manuscripts with the goal of clarifying Bentham's often complicated (and at times impenetrable) writing.

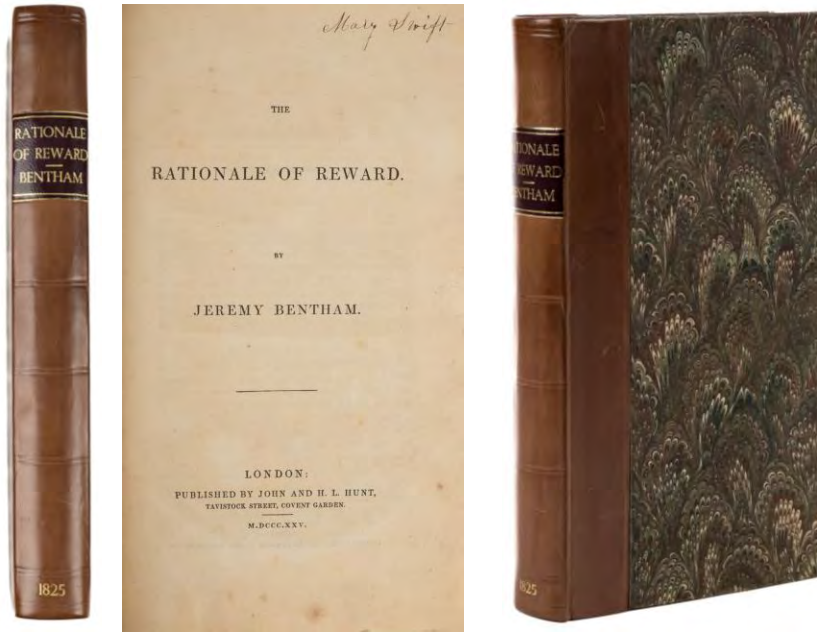
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Oxford Dictionary of National Biography (accessed online). Chou University Library, *A Bibliographical Catalogue of the Works of Jeremy Bentham* R4.1. Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* II:27.

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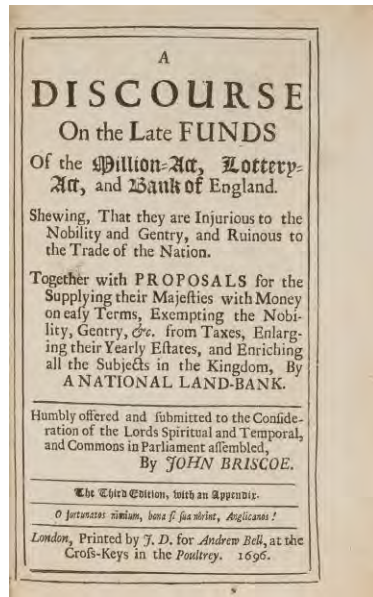
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"Enriching All the Subjects in the Kingdom"

3. Briscoe, John [d.1697].

A Discourse on the Late Funds of the Million-Act, Lottery-Act, And Bank of England. Shewing, That They are Injurious to the Nobility and Gentry, And Ruinous to the Trade of the Nation. Together with Proposals for the Supplying Their Majesties with Money on Easy Terms, Exempting the Nobility, Gentry, &c. From Taxes, Enlarging Their Yearly Estates, And Enriching All the Subjects in the Kingdom, By a National Land-Bank. Humbly Offered and Submitted to the Consideration of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, And Commons in Parliament Assembled. London: Printed by J.D. for Andrew Bell, 1696. iv, 187, [1] pp. With a folding table. Octavo (6-1/2" x 4-1/4").

Later quarter sheep over paper-covered boards, blind fillets and gilt title to spine, endleaves renewed, edges of text block speckled red. Light fading to boards, light rubbing to joints. Light toning to interior, trimming to top-edge of text block touching page numbers in places without loss to legibility, negligible light soiling to a few leaves, internally fresh. \$2,500.

* Third and final edition. First published in 1694, this work "criticized existing funds and set forth the details of his proposed land bank to be founded upon the subscriptions of land by copyholders and freeholders. [Briscoe] proposed the issuing of bills of credit 'being a new Species of Money, and to all Intents and Purposes as useful as Money.' Despite having his plans rejected by a Commons committee in 1695 Briscoe opened the books for subscription to the National Land Bank on 11 June 1695. With the initial target of £100,000 in land subscriptions met, a meeting was held on 10 September to establish a committee for the bank. Many failed to pay their initial installments, and consequently the bank did very little business in the early months...Subscription books were opened at the end of May 1696 but very little was subscribed, and on 11 June one contemporary observed that the 'land bank makes but little progress.' The failure of this scheme has been attributed not only to the shortage of coin in this year, and the financial climate more generally, but also to 'public opinion' which appeared 'to have been against the venture.' Both banks, however, continued separately, with Briscoe's holding meetings until at least July 1696" (ODNB, internal citations omitted).

Oxford Dictionary of National Biography (accessed online). *English Short-Title Catalogue* R213211. *Goldsmiths'-Kress Library of Economic Literature* 3254.

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Copy of Brisson's Law Dictionary That Belonged to a Notable Scottish Lawyer and Politician

4. Brisson, Barnabé [1531-1591].

Brederode, Pieter Cornelis van [d. 1593], Editor.

De Verborum Quae ad Ius Pertinent Significatione Libri XIX.... Paris: Apud Sebastianum Nivellium, 1596. [ii], 657 (i.e. 659), [1] ff. Folio (13-3/4" x 9").

Contemporary paneled calf, rebacked retaining most of existing spine with raised bands and recent gilt title and publication date, endpapers renewed. Moderate rubbing and a few scuffs and gouges to boards, heavier rubbing and some chips and gouges to board edges, corners worn, recent library bookplate (LA County Law Library), with location label, to front pastedown, library markings to following endleaf. Title page printed in red and black. Moderate toning to interior, crinkling and, in a few places, slight discoloration and minor tears to fore-edge of text block (from moisture), light foxing, dampstaining, light soiling, tiny inkspots and spark burns in places, some soiling, creases and edgewear to preliminaries and final few leaves, early owner inscription stating this book was owned and annotated by Sir Robert Spottiswood and later owner signatures of James (?) Mackenzie and John Spottiswood, dated 1844, to title page, annotations, attributed to Robert Spottiswood, to a few leaves. \$2,500.

* Seventh edition. Brisson was a renowned French jurist and philologist. Widely respected, he was appointed president of the Parliament of Paris in 1588. In 1591, however, he was hanged by The Sixteen, a group of insurgents who captured Paris in a bizarre coup. First published in 1559, Brisson's *Verborum* was the standard legal dictionary of its day and remained an authoritative source for hundreds of years. Its final edition was published in 1793, followed by a supplement volume in 1813.

Spottiswood [1596-1646], sometimes spelled Spottiswoode, Lord Newabbey of New Abbey and Dunipace, was a Scottish lawyer, Lord President of the Court of Session and member of the Scottish Privy Council, was a Scottish lawyer, Lord President of the Court of Session and member of the Scottish Privy Council to James VI (James I), later Lord President of the College of Justice and Secretary for Scotland, appointed by Charles I. A serious scholar as a young man, he continued his education after Oxford with studies of theology, religious history, non-Western languages and civil and canon law on the Continent. He may have acquired his copy of this dictionary during his time there.

OCLC locates 2 copies of this edition in North American law libraries (New York Appellate Division, UC-Berkeley). *Dictionary of National Biography* XVIII:824-825. Adams, *Catalogue of Books Printed on the Continent of Europe, 1501-1600* B2852. *Universal Short-Title Catalogue* 158438.

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A Rare Unrecorded Assizes Calendar with Entries Related to a Luddite Riot

5. [Broadside]. [Criminals].

The Leicester Sentences of Felon Prisoners, Who Have Taken Their Trials at the Lent Assizes, Commencing March 26, 1817, Before the Right Hon. Sir Vicary Gibbs, Knight, And the Hon. Sir Richard Richards, Knight. Clement Winstanley, Esq. High Sheriff. Nottingham: E. Hodson, Printer, [1817].

14" x 9-1/2" broadside mounted to later backing sheet, text in two columns below headline, signed in type by W[elborn]. Owston, Gaoler [of Borough Gaol, Leicester] and C[hristopher] Musson, Gaoler [of the County Goal, Leicester]. Moderate toning, light soiling and a few faint stains, horizontal fold line, small creases to margins, ink library stamp to verso of backing sheet. \$2,600.

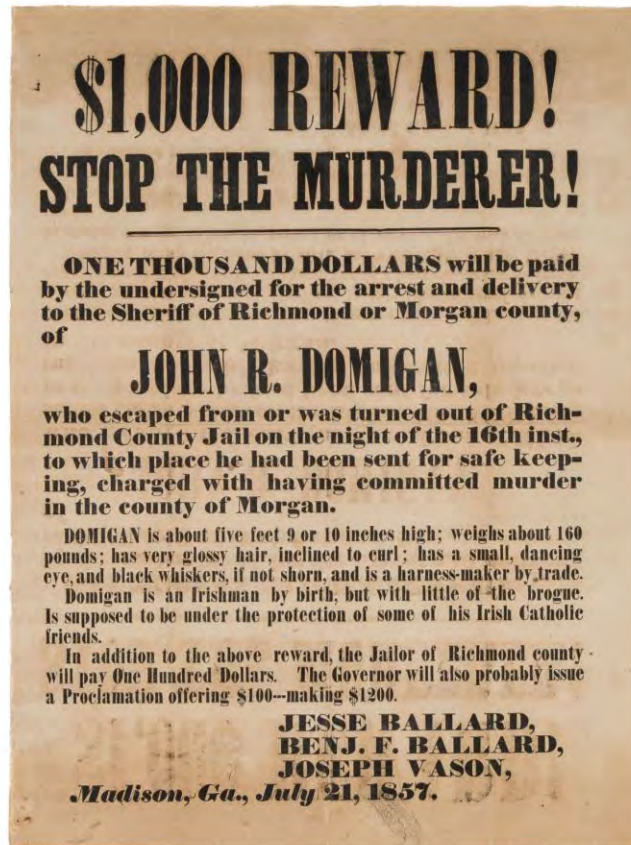
* This broadside records the fates of 85 prisoners tried at the Leicestershire assizes in March 1817. Most of the entries deal with theft, with sentences ranging from short prison terms or small fines to death. Six were transportation sentences, probably to New South Wales or Van Diemen's Land.

Five entries concern the aftermath of an attack on the Heathcoat & Boden textile factory by Luddites, one of the largest frame-breaking attacks to take place in the Midlands. Twelve men were charged with riotous assembly, demolishing the lace frames and shooting or abetting the shooting of three employees. Our broadside notes that two of the group, William Burton and John Blackburn, turned state's evidence in exchange for an acquittal. Most of the others were sentenced to death, with one transported for life. Burton and Blackburn later moved to Canada after facing harassment in their community.

This broadside is rare and appears to be unrecorded. No copies located on OCLC or Library Hub, or in the online catalogues of Harvard or the British Library.

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"An Irishman by Birth, But with Little of the Brogue," No Copies Listed on OCLC

6. [Broadside].

[Criminals].

Domigan, John R.

\$1,000 Reward! Stop the Murderer! One Thousand Dollars will be Paid by the Undersigned for the Arrest and Delivery to the Sheriff of Richmond or Morgan County, Of John R. Domigan.... Madison, GA: July 21, 1857.

12" x 9" broadside, text in single column below headline. Moderate toning, light soiling, faint horizontal and vertical fold lines. A well-preserved and rare item. \$3,000.

* Signed in type by Jesse Ballard, Benjamin F. Ballard and Joseph Vason, this wanted poster offers a reward of \$1,000 (plus \$100 from the Richmond County jailor and another \$100 that the governor would "probably" add) for the capture of John R. Domigan after his escape from jail. Domigan, a harness maker with "very glossy hair" and "a small, dancing eye," was "supposed to be under the protection of some of his Irish Catholic friends." Despite this broadside and advertisements placed in the *Weekly Chronicle & Sentinel* from July 31 to August 12, 1857, it is unclear whether Domigan was ever apprehended. We were unable to find any additional information about him or his crime.

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**A Rare Unrecorded Broadside
Documenting a Successful Prosecution for Child Rape**

7. [Broadside].

[Execution].

Proctor, David [1759-1795].

The Birth, Life Parentage, Trial, Condemnation, And Behaviour, Of David Proctor, Aged 36, Who was Executed Upon Nottingham Gallows, On Wednesday, March 25, 1795, For a Rape on Charlotte Waters His Daughter-in-Law, An Infant Under the Age of Ten Years. [Nottingham?: S.n., 1795].

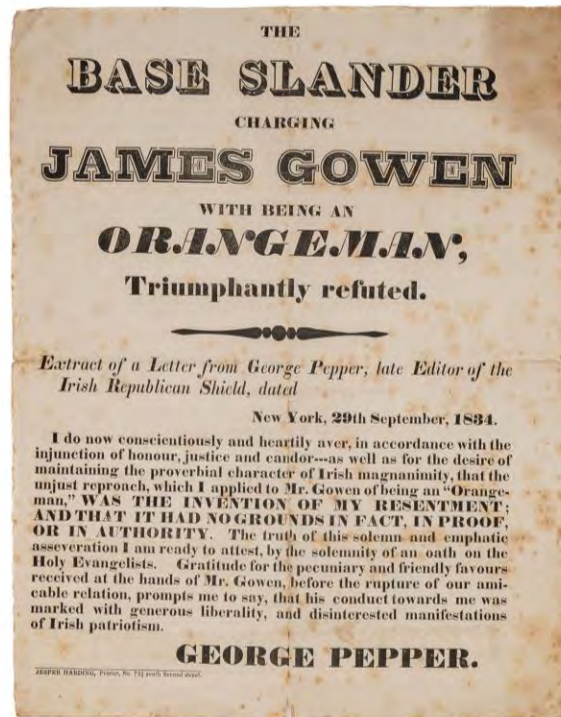
14-1/4" x 9-1/4" broadside mounted onto backing sheet, text in two columns separated by rule below headline with woodcut vignette of a man being led to the gallows. Moderate toning, tiny chip to left edge of broadside, ink library stamp to verso of backing sheet. \$3,000.

* David Proctor was accused of the rape of his young stepdaughter, Charlotte Waters. A newspaper article about Proctor's arrest gives her age as nine years and eleven months; after the victim reached the age of ten, consent could be used as a defense against charges of rape. The abuse was discovered when Charlotte contracted a venereal disease. Proctor was arrested in September of 1794, tried and executed, maintaining his innocence to the end.

Convictions for rape were difficult to secure in this period, particularly in the case of the rape of a child, and this broadside is notable as an example of a successful prosecution. Unlike many child victims, Charlotte was allowed to testify, and our broadside records portions of her exchange with the judge. It also illustrates the public perception of child rape in early modern England. Although treated as more heinous than other rapes, it "was seen in the context of general 'lasciviousness,' or indulgence of lust and sexual appetite, rather than as a particular sexual desire directed toward children" (Toulalan). Accordingly, this broadside takes a moral tone, encouraging "Libertines of every Country [to] rouse from your filthy embraces" and to "ask yourselves what degree of difference there is between [this case] and yours."

This broadside is rare and appears to be unrecorded. Not in the *English Short-Title Catalogue* (accessed via interim Print & Probability database). No copies of this broadside or any material about the Proctor case located on OCLC, LibraryHub, or the online catalogues of Harvard, the British Library or Oxford. Toulalan, "Is He a Licentious Lewd Sort of a Person?: Constructing the Child Rapist in Early Modern England." *Journal of the History of Sexuality* 23, No. 1 (2014): 30.

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"The Proverbial Character of Irish Magnanimity": Rare, No Copies Listed on OCLC

8. [Broadside].

Gowen, James.

Pepper, George [1792?-1837].

The Base Slander Charging James Gowen with Being an Orangeman, Triumphantly Refuted. [Philadelphia]: Jesper Harding, Printer, [1834?].

12-1/2" x 9-3/4" broadside, text in single column below headline. Moderate toning, light foxing and edgewear, horizontal and vertical fold lines, clean tears starting along them with no loss to text. Rare. \$1,750.

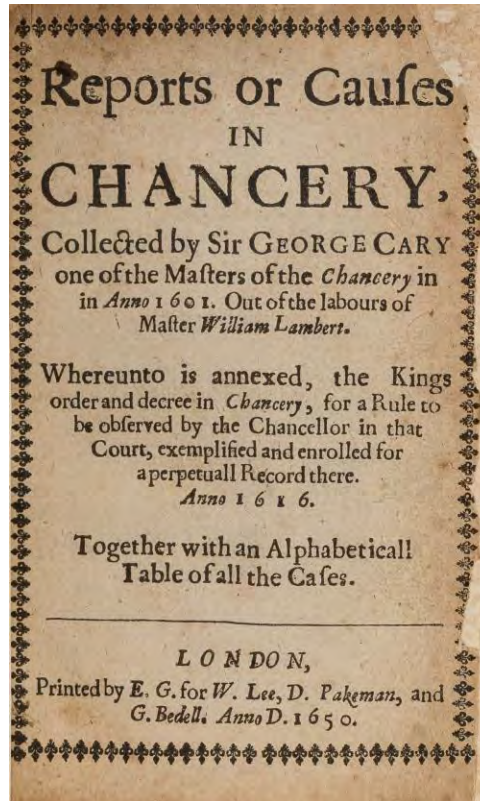
* This broadside records the end of a dispute between George Pepper, the editor of the Philadelphia newspaper *Irish Republican Shield and Literary Observer*, and James Gowen, whom Pepper had accused of being a member of the Orange Order. Published between 1827 and 1833, the paper was primarily a vehicle for Pepper's "partisan and vitriolic" support of Andrew Jackson, which appealed to the grievances of Irish-Catholic workers who emigrated to the city during the Industrial Revolution (Clark).

The broadside claims to excerpt a letter from Pepper stating that the accusation against Gowen "was the invention of my resentment." In fact, Gowen had conducted himself "with generous liberality, and disinterested manifestations of Irish patriotism." The date of the retraction, more than two years after the initial accusation was made and after the *Shield* had ceased publication, indicates the gravity of the charge and the severity of its impact on Gowen's life in Philadelphia's Irish community. After the *Shield* ceased publication, Pepper moved to Boston and became the editor of the *Literary and Catholic Sentinel*.

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A Notable Seventeenth-Century Collection of Equity Reports

9. Carew (Cary), Sir George [1612] [Lambarde, William (1536-1601)].

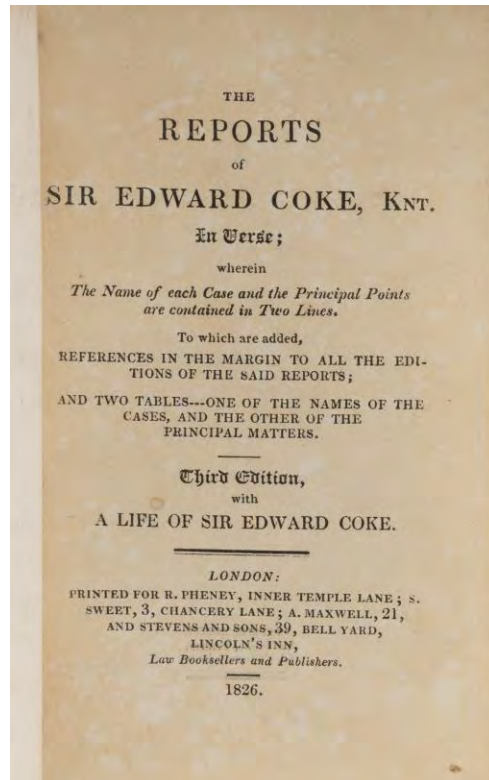
Reports or Causes in Chancery, Collected by Sir George Cary One of the Masters of the Chancery in in [sic] Anno 1601. Out of the Labours of Master William Lambert. Whereunto is Annexed, The Kings Order and Decree in Chancery, For a Rule to be Observed by the Chancellor in that Court, Exemplified and Enrolled for a Perpetuall Record There. Anno 1616. Together with an Alphabetical Table of All the Cases. London: Printed by E.G. for W. Lee, D. Pakeman, and G. Bedell, 1650. [xvi], 128, 113-116 [i.e. 119], [1] pp. Pagination irregular, text complete. Octavo (5-1/2" x 3-1/2").

Recent period-style quarter calf over marbled boards, raised bands, gilt fillets and lettering piece to spine, endpapers renewed. Negligible light rubbing to extremities, gilding mostly rubbed away from lettering piece. Title printed within typographical border. Moderate toning to interior, heavier toning to margins, light foxing, minor stains and recent marks in pencil to margins in a few places, moderate edgewear and a few chips to preliminaries and final two leaves of text, fore-edge of title page mended some loss to border. \$500.

* First edition. In 1650, notes Holdsworth, "there was published by George Carew a collection of cases which he had gathered 'out of the labours of master [William] Lambard [or Lambert].' These are known as Cary's *Reports*, as his name is so spelt on the title page. They are short notes of points decided between 1557 and 1604, and, as Monro says, 'they are very often mere verbal transcripts from the registrar's books.'" A second edition was published in 1665. It was reprinted twice, in 1820 and 1872.

History of English Law V:277. *English Short-Title Catalogue* R22868.

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Coke's Reports in Verse

**10. Coke, Sir Edward [1552-1634].
[Worrall, John (d.1771), Editor].**

The Reports of Sir Edward Coke, Knt. In Verse; Wherein the Name of Each Case and the Principal Points are Contained in Two Lines. To Which are Added, References in the Margin to All the Editions of the Said Reports; And Two Tables--One of the Names of the Cases, And the Other of the Principal Matters. With a Life of Sir Edward Coke. London: Printed for R. Phenevy, Inner Temple Lane [et al.], 1826. xxxiii, [96] pp. This copy has the stipple-engraved portrait frontispiece and added title page issued with some copies. 12mo. (5-1/2" x 3-1/4").

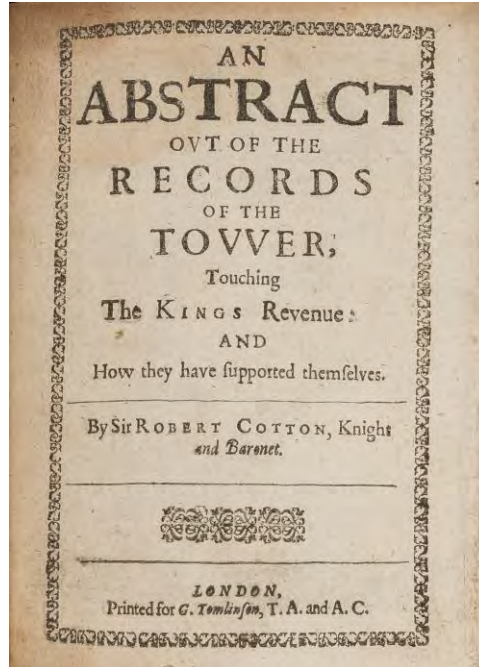
Contemporary three-quarter calf over marbled boards, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, marbled endpapers and edges. Moderate rubbing to boards, somewhat heavier rubbing to extremities with some wear to spine ends and corners, hinges cracked, early bookplate (of Richard Brown) to front pastedown. Moderate toning to interior, faint dampspotting to frontispiece and title pages. \$350.

* Third and final edition. First published in 1742, this was edited from an anonymous manuscript by John Worrall. In the introduction to a later reprint of this book, J. Wesley Miller said this was "the most conspicuous early volume of English legal poetry.... [I]t cast the holdings of the first eleven Parts of Coke's *Reports*...into heroic couplets and thereby forged a link between law and poetry which would culminate in John Anstey's *The Pleader's Guide* (1796) and John Crisp's *The Conveyancer's Guide* (1821)."

The issue with the portrait frontispiece and added title page is overlooked in the standard bibliographies. See, for example, Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 1:297. Miller, "Introduction," *The Reports of Sir Edward Coke, Knt. in Verse* (1999 reprint) iii-iv.

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Sources of Revenue That Belong to Charles I

11. Cotton, Sir Robert [1571-1631].

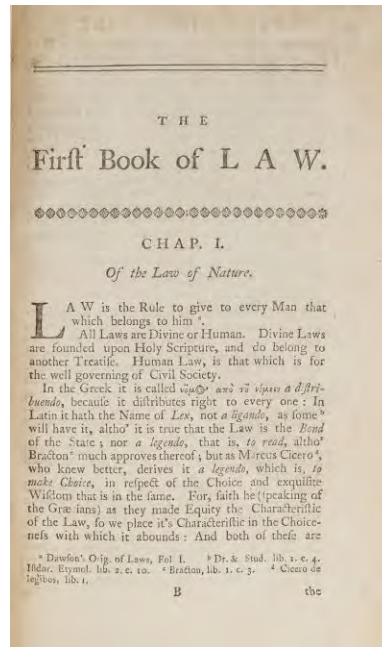
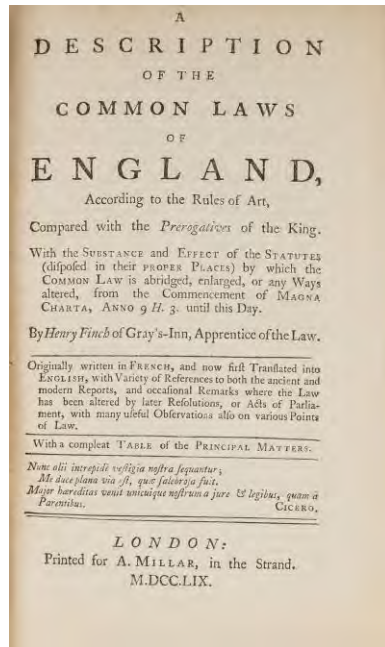
An Abstract Out of the Records of the Tower, Touching the Kings Revenue: And How They Have Supported Themselves. London: Printed for G. Tomlinson, T.A. and A.C., [1642]. [iii], 27, [1] pp. Quarto (7-1/4" x 5-1/").

Stab-stitched pamphlet bound into recent quarter calf over marbled boards, gilt title to spine, edges of text untrimmed. Negligible light rubbing to spine ends, moderate toning to interior, light soiling to title page. \$500.

* Only edition. Cotton was a Member of Parliament and an important scholar of early English legal and political records. (His vast collection of manuscripts is now the British Museum's Cotton Library.) This pamphlet was published at the time Charles I was pressing Parliament for funds to fight the Bishop's War in Scotland, one of the events that led to the First English Civil War. It describes sources of revenue that belong the king and his household and, by implication, because they are not listed, those that are not.

English Short-Title Catalogue R22041.

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A Scarce English-Language Edition of "The Best Elementary Book" Written Before Blackstone's Commentaries

12. Finch, Sir Henry [1558-1625].

A Description of the Common Laws of England, According to the Rules of Art, Compared with the Prerogatives of the King.... London: Printed for A. Millar, In the Strand, 1759. [iv], viii, [4], 463, [1] pp. Octavo (8-1/4" x 5").

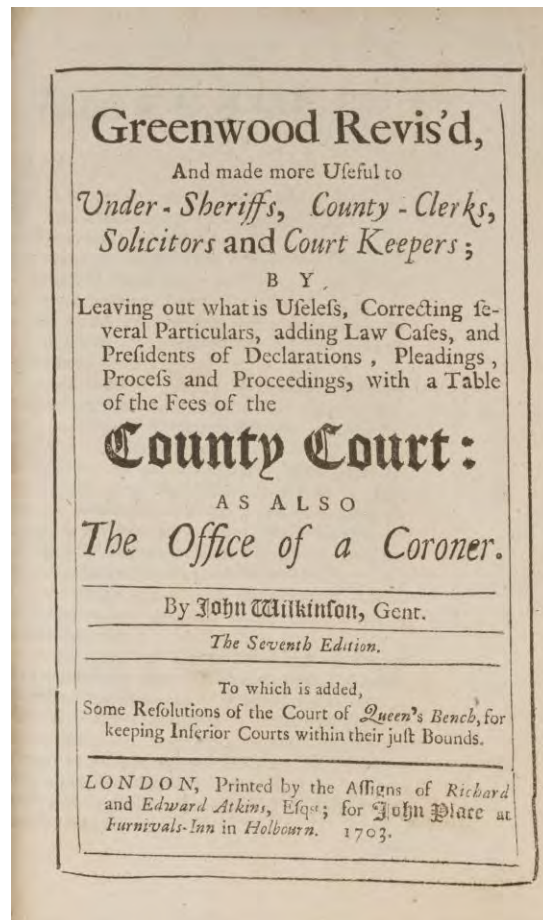
Contemporary calf, blind rules to boards, blind tooling along joints, raised bands and faint hand-lettered title in early hand to spine, blind tooling to board edges. Light rubbing and a few shallow scuffs to boards, chipping to spine ends, front board beginning to separate but secure, corners bumped and somewhat worn, rear hinge starting. Light toning to interior, offsetting to margins of endleaves. \$1,500.

* Only edition of this translation, the best version of this work. Originally published in Law-French in 1613 as *Nomotechnia: Un Description del Common Leyes D'Angleterre*, "Finch's Law, till the publication of Blackstone's *Commentaries*, was regarded as the best elementary book to be placed in the hands of the law students. It is one of the few attempts that have been made to reduce the common law into system... [Finch's] definitions were exact, his style concise and nervous, and his illustrations clear and authentic. Most of the valuable parts of Finch are incorporated in Blackstone's *Commentaries*" (Sweet & Maxwell).

The statement "Now First Translated into English" in the title of our edition is misleading. The first translation, by the author, was published in 1627 with the title *Law, Or, A Discourse Thereof*. It went through several editions, the last one, issued by Henry Lintot, in 1759. Our edition was the work of an anonymous translator. It is superior because it is a fresh translation that includes material omitted in the author's translation. It says also that it restores the arrangement of the original text.

This is a scarce title, much more so than the other 1759 edition. OCLC locates 15 in North America, 9 in law libraries (Georgetown, Library of Congress, LA County, Stanford, Trial Court Law Library, Worcester [MA], UC-Berkeley, University of Cincinnati, University of Iowa, Yale). Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 1:238. *English Short Title Catalogue* T94550.

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Final Edition of a Classic Handbook for Lay Justices

**13. Greenwood, William.
Wilkinson, John, Editor.**

Greenwood Revis'd, And Made More Useful to Under-Sheriffs, County-Clerks, Solicitors and Court Keepers... London: Printed by the Assigns of Richard and Edward Atkins, Esqs.; for John Place at Furnivals-Inn in Holbourn, 1703. [vii], 513, [25] pp. 1 pp. publisher advertisement preceding title page, another advertisement to verso of final leaf. Octavo (7" x 4-1/4").

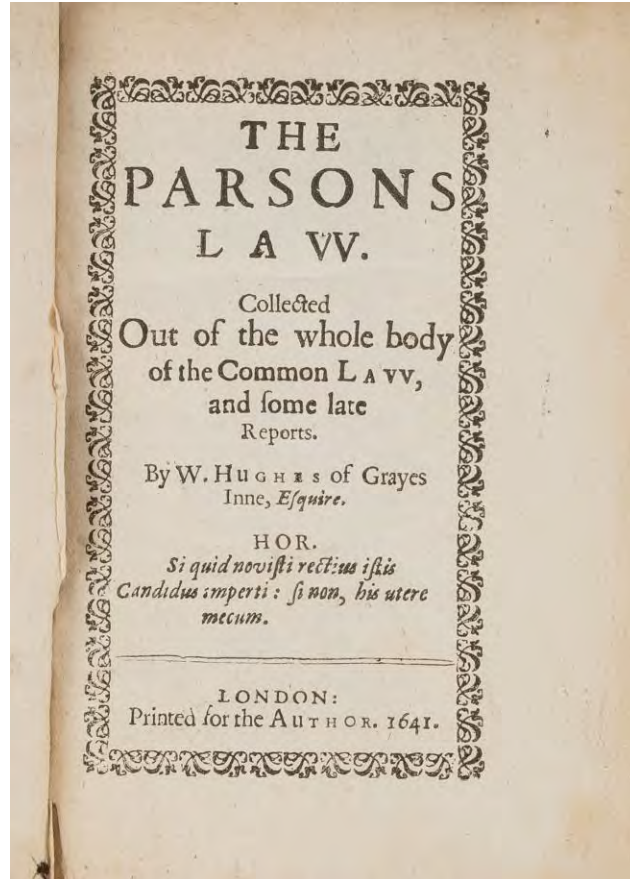
Contemporary calf, blind rules to boards, blind tooling along joints, raised bands to spine, gilt tooling to board edges. Light rubbing and a few minor scuffs to boards, chip to upper inside corner of front board and head of spine, chipping to foot of spine, some rubbing to extremities, corners bumped and lightly worn, shelf number in early hand to front pastedown, small worm track to rear pastedown and rear endleaves, then a single wormhole through head of text block. Light toning to text, foxing to final quarter of text. An appealing copy. \$650.

* Seventh and final edition. First published in 1659, the year before the Restoration, As *BOULEUTERION. Or a Practical Demonstration of County Judicatures*, Greenwood's handbook is a useful source of information about the work of sheriffs and other lay officers during the Commonwealth period. Later editions appeared in 1664, 1668, 1675, 1680 and 1685. A revised edition appeared in 1703.

English Short-Title Catalogue R209680.

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First Edition of a Scarce Treatise on the Law of Advowson

14. Hughes, W[illiam] [1587 or 1588-1663].

The Parsons Law. Collected Out of the Whole Body of the Common Law, And Some Late Reports. London: Printed for the Author, 1641. [ii], 108, 141, [3], [viii] pp. Table of contents misbound after p.[3]. Octavo (6-1/2" x 4-1/2").

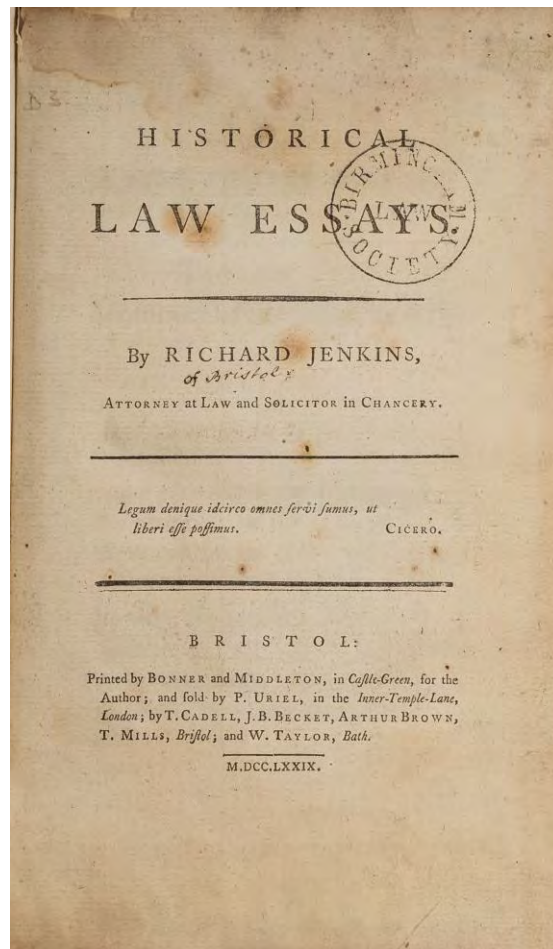
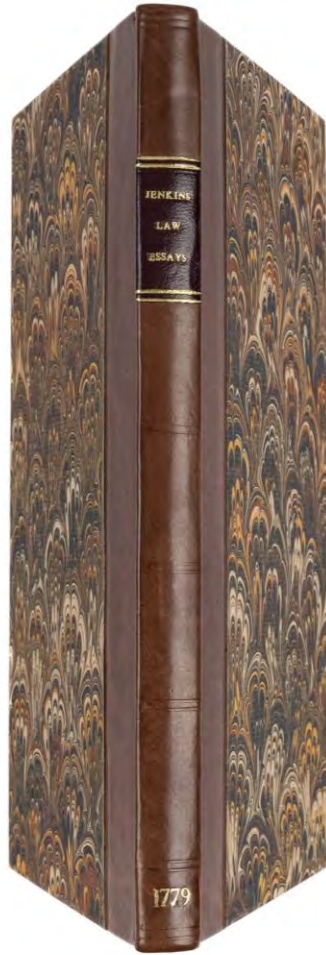
Contemporary sheep, blind rules to boards, blind fillets to spine. A few shallow scuffs and minor stains to boards, moderate rubbing to extremities, spine ends worn, joints starting, corners bumped, pastedowns and front endleaves partially detached and moderately edgeworn, rear endleaves lacking, "P.B" in early hand and later bookplate, of "Keasbey," to verso of front board, two signatures near center of text block partially detached but secure. Light toning to interior, light soiling to title page. \$450.

* First edition. Hughes, a barrister of Gray's Inn, was the author of an important abridgment, an edition of Horne's *Mirror of Justices* and the editor of an interesting collection of mooted cases. *Parsons Law* concerns laws governing advowson, a patron's right in English law to present a candidate to fill a vacant ecclesiastical benefice to a bishop (or other church official). According to the preface, Hughes says he wrote this book in response to "the earnest request of some eminent men of the Clergy" [iii].

This book may have belonged to Anthony Quinton Keasbey [1824-1895], the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey, legal historian and poet.

English Short-Title Catalogue R25549.

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A Rare Volume of Essays, One Copy Located In North America

15. Jenkins, Richard.

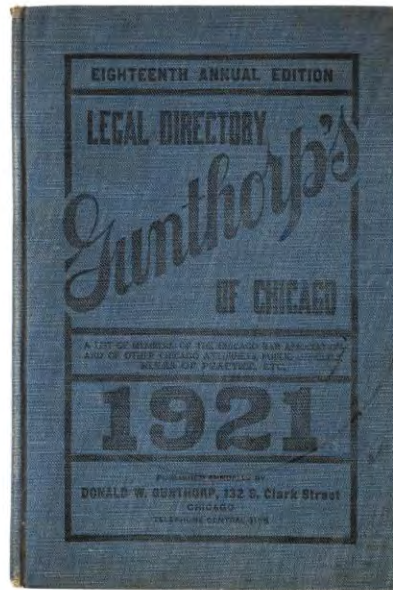
Historical Law Essays. Bristol: Printed by Bonner and Middleton, In Castle-Green, For the Author [et al.], 1779. xii, 104 pp. Octavo (8-1/4" x 5").

Recent quarter calf over marbled boards, blind fillets and lettering piece to spine, endpapers renewed. Moderate toning to interior, light foxing in a few places, faint dampstaining to top-edge of first and final few leaves, partial crack in text block between pp. iv-v, all leaves secure, tiny tears to top-edges of first two leaves, brief annotation, "of Bristol," and library stamp to title page, another stamp to p. 99. \$750.

* Only edition. This group of five essays on "the rudiments of the English laws" discusses political theory and the origins of the state, liberty, property law, civil injuries and penology (iv). Jenkins, a solicitor in chancery, dedicated the volume to "the Law Society," probably the Bristol branch of England's first law society, the Society of Gentleman Practisers in the Courts of Law and Equity.

OCLC, the *English Short-Title Catalogue* and Library Hub locate 2 copies (British Library, Free Library of Philadelphia). *English Short-Title Catalogue* T61420.

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With an Entry for Darrow's Law Firm

16. [Legal Directory].

[Darrow, Clarence (1857-1938)].

Gunthorp's Legal Directory of Chicago, 1921. Accurately Revised to December 15, 1920. Containing a List of Members of the Chicago Bar Association, And Other Chicago Attorneys, Judges, Masters in Chancery, City and County Magistrates and Justices, County Officials, Common Council, And Other Officials, Also Complete Information Concerning the Federal, State, County and Municipal Courts, With Rules of Practice in Same. Chicago: The Gunthorp-Warren Printing Company, [1920?]. 2-239 pp. [endpapers counted in pagination].

Publisher's black-stamped blue cloth. Light rubbing and fading to exterior, a few small stains to rear board, light rubbing to extremities, spine ends and corners bumped and lightly worn. Moderate toning, very light foxing to a few leaves, tiny recurring stain to foot of gutter. \$250.

* This legal directory includes an entry for Darrow, Sissman, Popham & Carlin, the law firm of famed American attorney Clarence Darrow. Darrow began his partnership with Peter Sissman in 1913 upon his return to Chicago after being tried for bribery in Los Angeles. George Popham and William Carlin were later additions to the firm.

Gunthorp directories are scarce. OCLC locates copies in 9 libraries, 1 outside Illinois (LA County Law Library).

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A Rare Seventeenth-Century Study of Fire and Arson, No Copies Located in North America

17. Lubler, Johannes.

Tractatus de Incendio Antehac Nunquam Editus in Quo Omnia ac Singula ad Hanc Materiam Pertinentia Dilucidè Proponuntur ac Succinctè Deciduntur. Omnibus Tam in Theoria Quàm Praxi Versantibus Utilissimus. Cologne: Apud Conradum Butgenium, 1608. [xvi], 288, [28] pp. Octavo (6" x 3-3/4").

Contemporary limp vellum with yapp-style fore-edges and remnants of thong ties, hand-lettered title to spine. Light soiling to exterior, faint creasing and light wear to extremities, front pastedown loose, rear pastedown loosening, brief early annotation ("Tract. de incendio") and small hole to front free endpaper. Moderate toning to interior, light foxing in a few places, early owner signatures, one struck-through, to title page, ink underlining to a few leaves. A very good copy. \$2,500.

* First edition. In this treatise Lubler discusses the legal aspects of four causes of fire--accident, arson, negligence and unknown--and their consequences in urban and rural settings. Though little is known about Lubler's life, this book was considered an important contribution to the subject and was cited frequently by seventeenth century jurists. A second edition was published in Liège in 1701 and a third edition in Nancy in 1733. The three prefatory poems in the first edition do not appear in later editions.

All editions are rare. OCLC locates 3 copies of the first edition outside continental Europe (Cambridge, National Library of Scotland, Biblioteca Nacional Mexico). *Das Verzeichniss der im Deutschen Sprachraum Erschienenen Drucke des 17. Jahrhunderts* 3:604050V.

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Nineteenth-Century Maine Attorney's Daybook

18. [Manuscript].

Hill, Stetson Lobdell [1820-1909].

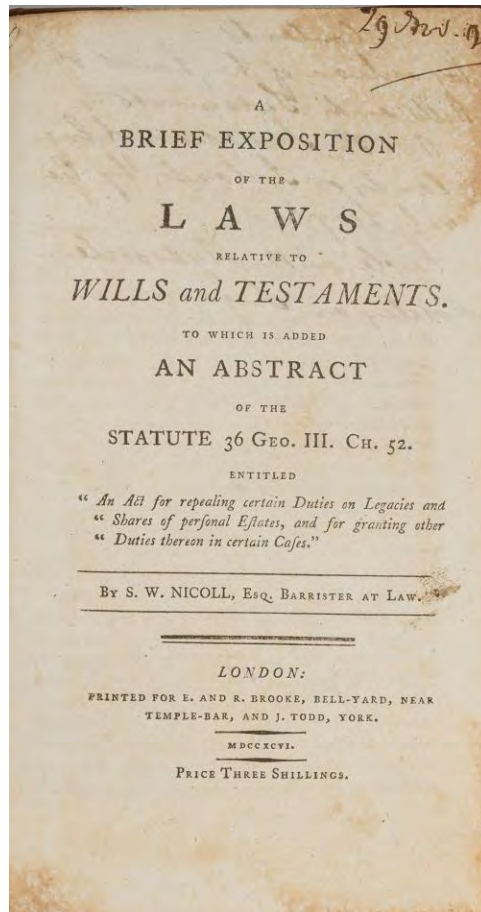
[Daybook]. Webster, Maine, 1845-1881. [117, 23 blank, 6] pp. Folio (11-3/4" x 7").

Contemporary quarter sheep over marbled boards. Moderate rubbing, somewhat heavier to extremities, front joint starting at head, chipping to head of spine, some wear to board edges, corners bumped, minor worming to hinges, front hinge cracked, faint offsetting to endleaves. Text in ink and pencil in single hand. Moderate toning to interior, occasional faint dampstaining to bottom edge of text block, light foxing, finger smudges and faint stains to a few leaves. \$650.

* Hill, a graduate of Bowdoin College, studied law in his father's office and went on to practice with him. He held a number of public positions in Androscoggin County, including register of probate, postmaster, selectman and justice of the peace, and served in the Maine House of Representatives in 1853. Most of the brief entries in this daybook appear to concern his private legal practice. They record sums paid for writing deeds and wills, as well as legal services in cases of divorce and assistance with taxes and fees. The last six pages list weddings he performed as justice of the peace. All in all, the entries provide an interesting look into an eminent local's legal practice over a considerable time period.

Merrill, *History of Androscoggin County, Maine* 255.

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A Rare 1796 Guide to Wills and Testaments for Laymen and "Country Practitioners"

19. Nicoll, S[amuel] W[illiam].

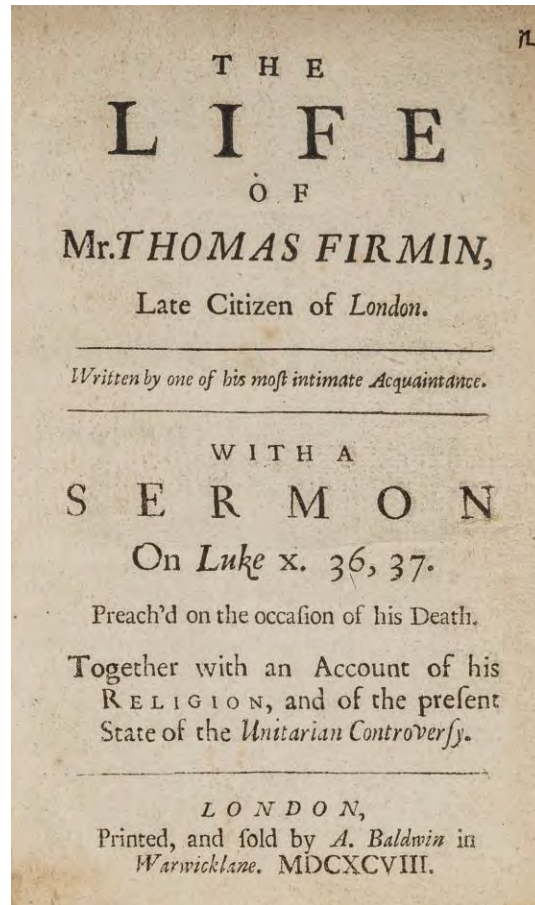
A Brief Exposition of the Laws Relative to Wills and Testaments. To Which is Added an Abstract of the Statute 36 Geo. III. Ch. 52. Entitled "An Act for Repealing Certain Duties on Legacies and Shares of Personal Estates, And for Granting Other Duties Thereon in Certain Cases." London: Printed for E. and R. Brooke, Bell-Yard, Near Temple-Bar, and J. Todd, York, 1796. [ii], [iv], 132, [8] pp. Octavo (7-3/4" x 4-1/2").

Stab-stitched pamphlet bound into recent three-quarter calf over marbled boards, gilt title and fillets to spine, endpapers renewed. Light toning to interior, foxing to title page, "10" and "29 Nov. 2" to head of title page, manuscript table of contents, which show this pamphlet was removed from a sammelband, to verso. \$750.

* Only edition, second and final issue, enlarged. Nicoll intended this "convenient Pocket-Companion" for individuals who "through obstinacy will not" or "in emergent cases cannot" hire the services of a lawyer and "Country Practitioners, who are often called to a distance from home to make the Wills of persons labouring under dangerous complaints, and to whom a more bulky Book might be troublesome." Preface [i].

Both issues of this pamphlet are rare. OCLC locates 3 copies of our issue, 2 in Great Britain, 1 in North America (Library of Congress). No additional copies listed on LibraryHub. *English Short-Title Catalogue* N15453.

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A Biography of a Controversial Philanthropist

20. [Nye, Stephen (1648?-1719)].

[Firmin, Thomas (1632-1697)].

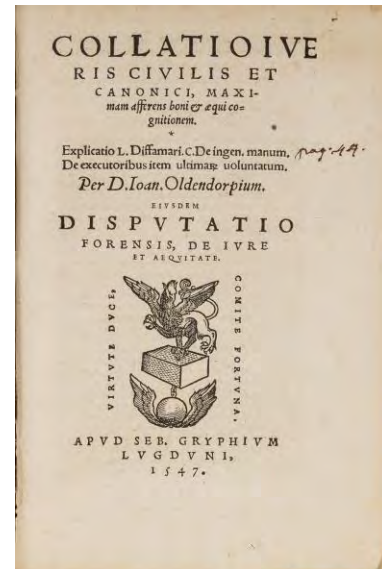
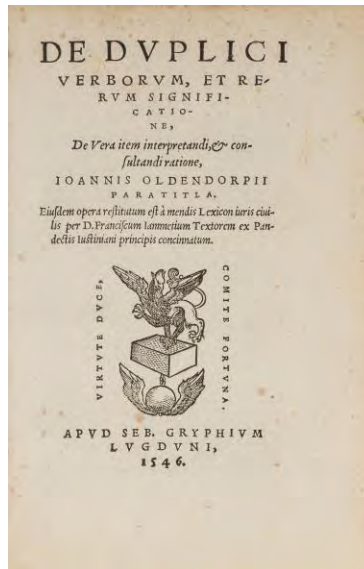
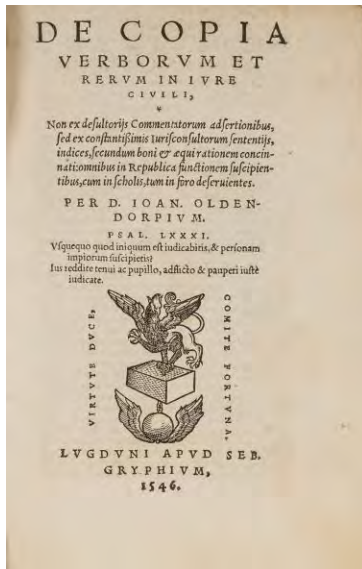
The Life of Mr. Thomas Firmin, Late Citizen of London. Written by One of His Most Intimate Acquaintance. With a Sermon on Luke X. 36, 37. Preach'd on the Occasion of His Death. Together with an Account of His Religion, And of the Present State of the Unitarian Controversy. London: Printed, and sold by A. Baldwin, 1698. [2]-118, [2], 83, [1] pp. First leaf, a blank, lacking. Octavo (6-1/2" x 4").

Later three-quarter morocco over marbled boards, blind rules to morocco edges, raised bands, blind fillets, gilt title and gilt ornaments to spine, edges rouged, endpapers renewed. Light rubbing to extremities, lower corners bumped, faint offsetting to endpapers, front hinge starting. Light toning to interior, light foxing and soiling to a few leaves. \$350.

* First edition, one of two from the same year. Firmin, a businessman, philanthropist and associate of John Locke with a particular interest in poor relief, was also known for the anti-Trinitarian beliefs and strong support of religious freedom that put him in the middle of the Socinian controversy of the late seventeenth century. This biography by friend and fellow Unitarian theologian Stephen Nye recaps his work and describes the "present state of the Unitarian Controversy," which was winding down by this period.

English Short-Title Catalogue R4561.

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Three Scarce Treatises on Civil Law by a Notable Sixteenth-Century Protestant Jurist

21. Oldendorp, Johann [1486-1567].

De Copia Verborum et Rerum in Iure Civili. Lyon: Apud Seb. Gryphium, 1546. 431, [17] pp. Irregular pagination, text complete. Last two leaves blank.

[Bound with]

Oldendorp, Johann.

De Duplici Verborum, Et Rerum Significatione. Lyon: Apud Seb. Gryphium, 1546. 240 pp.

[And]

Oldendorp, Johann.

Collatio Iuris Civilis et Canonici. Lyon: Apud Seb. Gryphium, 1547. 147, [9] pp.

Octavo (7" x 4-1/4"). Contemporary limp vellum with yapp-style fore-edges, faint early hand-lettered titles to front cover and spine. Binding detached from text block. Light soiling and a few small faint stains to exterior, spine somewhat darkened, light rubbing to extremities, pastedowns loose exposing manuscript waste, later owner stamp to recto of front pastedown, endleaves loosening slightly but secure. Moderate toning to interior, light foxing in a few places, a few partial cracks to text block, all leaves secure, brief annotation ("pag. 44?") to title page of third work. \$4,500.

* Later editions. Oldendorp, a state official and law professor, was a notable Protestant jurist. He published a number of works on legal philosophy, political and social theory and legal history, which were popular due to their practical nature and straightforward language. His Protestant viewpoint also enhanced the value of his work in areas of Europe that embraced the Reformation.

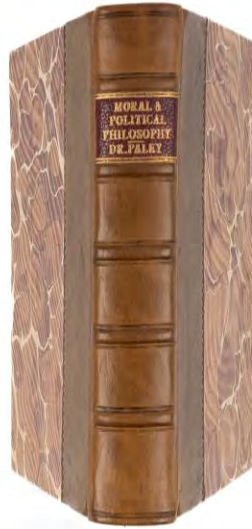
This volume collects three of his treatises on the civil law. All discuss, at least in part, the vocabulary of the civil law, anticipating his highly regarded *Lexicon Iuris Civilis* (1st ed. 1548).

All three items are scarce. Of the first work, OCLC locates 5 copies in North America, 3 in law libraries (Library of Congress, Harvard, Columbia). Of the second, OCLC locates 3 copies in North America, all in law libraries (Harvard, Columbia, University of Michigan). Of the third, OCLC locates 2 copies in North America, 1 in a law library (University of Michigan).

Baudrier, *Bibliographie Lyonnaise* 8: (pp.) 202, 212. *Universal Short-Title Catalogue* 149546, 149551, 149711.

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**A Rare Provincial Digest of Paley's Writings
Enriched With "Apposite Extracts" from Blackstone. Not in Eller or Laeuchli**

22. Paley, William [1743-1805].

[Sir William Blackstone (1723-1780)].

[Fell, William (1758-1847), Editor].

A System of Moral and Political Philosophy; Consisting of the Most Important Chapters from the Writings of the Late Dr. Paley; With Some Apposite Extracts from Blackstone's Commentaries: To Which Are Affixed, An Account of the Rise and Progress of the National Debt, And an Explanation of the Different Public Securities. Systematically Arranged, And Designed for the Improvement of Young Persons. [Salford: Printed by W. Cowdroy, Junr. 27, Bury Street, 1808]. xii, 357, [1] pp. 12mo. (6-1/2" x 4").

Recent period-style quarter calf over marbled boards, raised bands, blind fillets and lettering piece to spine, endpapers renewed. Negligible light rubbing to corners, light fading to spine, recent owner bookplate (J.N.B. Collins) to front pastedown. Moderate toning to interior, clean tear to foot of leaf B3 (pp. 185-186), publisher imprint, on title page, and name of editor, at end of preface, p. vii, (inexplicably) erased. Offsetting to endleaves, light soiling and several signatures (of William Robinson, one dated 1809) to title page, brief annotations to head of preface and rear endleaf. A rare provincial title in an attractive binding. \$1,500.

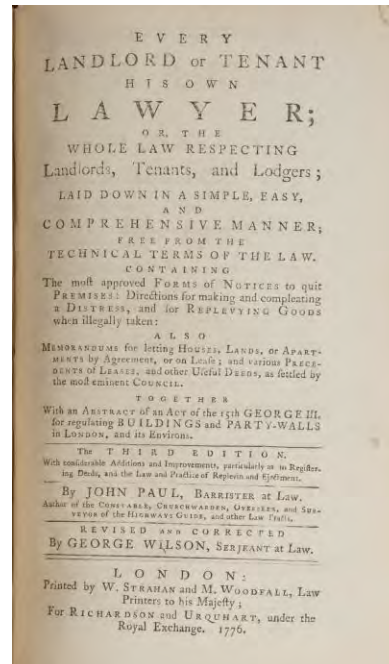
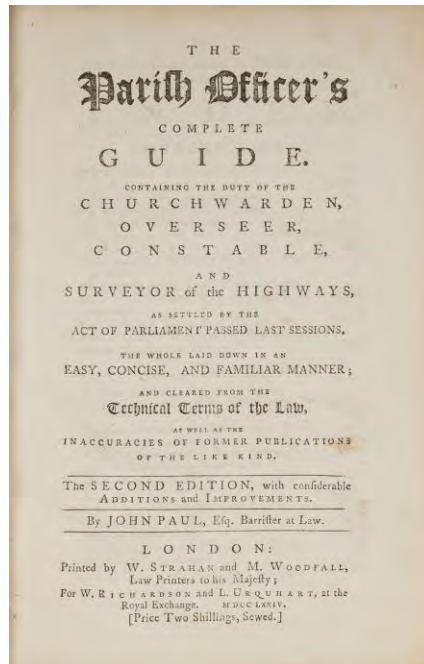
* Only edition. "The moral and political philosophy of Dr. Paley abounds with the most valuable maxims for the regulation of human life.... The extracts from Blackstone's Commentaries, explaining the power and jurisdiction of Parliament, the nature of legislation, the business of the Officers of State, and the different Courts of Law, appeared as proper subjects to follow Paley's description of the British Constitution, and are, accordingly, inserted immediately after it" (vi-vii).

Paley, Archdeacon of Carlisle, was an influential divine and prolific author on moral, religious and political subjects. His works went through several issues and editions. Most of *System* is drawn from Paley's *Principles of Moral and Political Philosophy* (1785).

OCLC locates 2 copies (Library of Congress, University of Guelph). Library Hub adds 2 more (British Library, University of Oxford).

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"Cleared from the Technical Terms of the Law"

23. Paul, John [1707-1787].

The Parish Officer's Complete Guide. Containing the Duty of the Churchwarden, Overseer, Constable, And Surveyor of the Highways.... London: Printed by W. Strahan and M. Woodfall, Law Printers to his Majesty; For W. Richardson and L. Urquhart, 1774. [xvii], 152 pp. With a half-title and folding table (bound at end).

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Paul, John.

Wilson, George, Editor.

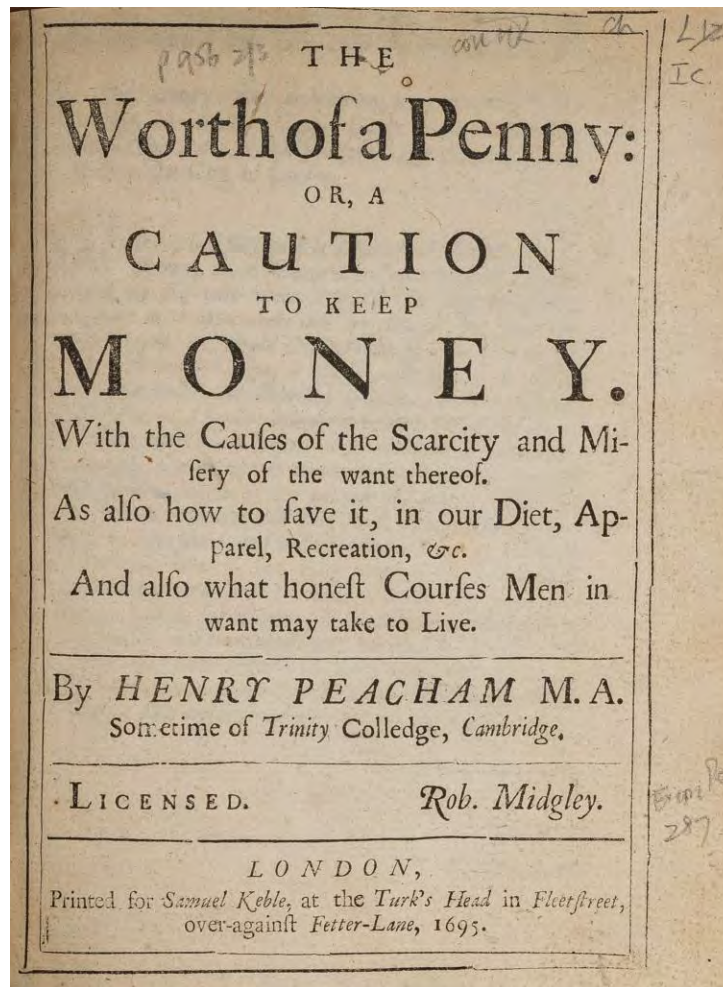
Every Landlord or Tenant His Own Lawyer; Or, The Whole Law Respecting Landlords, Tenants, And Lodgers.... London: Printed by W. Strahan and M. Woodfall, Law Printers to his Majesty; For Richardson and Urquhart, 1776. [iv], 180 pp.

Octavo (8" x 5"). Contemporary calf, blind rules to boards, raised bands and gilt fillets to spine, edges rouged. Light rubbing and a few shallow nicks and scratches to boards, which are lightly varnished, moderate rubbing to extremities, front joint just starting at head, chipping to spine ends, corners bumped and lightly worn, front pastedown loosening, front hinge cracked. Light toning, light foxing and soiling in a few places, creasing to folding table, which has a large clean tear to its left edge affecting one word of text without loss to legibility. \$500.

* Second edition; third edition. Paul was a prolific writer of legal manuals for lay audiences. Both popular and well-received works, *The Parish Officer's Complete Guide* reached 7 editions by 1810 and *Every Landlord or Tenant His Own Lawyer* reached eleven editions by 1821.

Despite the popularity of Paul's work, both titles are scarce. OCLC locates 4 copies of the second edition of *The Parish Officer's Complete Guide*, 1 in North America (University of Cincinnati), and 9 copies of the third edition of *Every Landlord or Tenant His Own Lawyer*, 5 in North America (Florida State University Law School, University of Georgia Law School, University of Minnesota Law School, Rutgers University, Wisconsin State Law Library). *English Short-Title Catalogue* T19078, T68089.

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"What Honest Courses Men in Want May Take to Live"

24. Peacham, Henry [1576?-1643?].

The Worth of a Penny: Or, A Caution to Keep Money. With the Causes of the Scarcity and Misery of the Want Thereof. As Also How to Save It, In Our Diet, Apparel, Recreation &c. And Also What Honest Courses Men in Want May Take to Live. London: Printed for Samuel Keble, 1695. [iv], 28 pp. Quarto (7-1/4" x 5-3/4").

Stab-stitched pamphlet bound in recent three-quarter calf over marbled boards, gilt title to spine. Light toning to interior, trimming to top-edge just touching headline and page numbers in places without loss to legibility, brief early annotation to p. 21 (affected by trimming). A nice copy. \$750.

* Later edition. First published in 1641, this tract takes a moral view of economic issues and attempts to teach the reader principles of thrift. It provides an interesting view of social attitudes towards poverty in early modern England. One of Peacham's most popular works, it went through numerous editions, the last in 1725.

Despite the work's popularity, all editions are scarce. OCLC and the *English Short-Title Catalogue* locate 4 copies of this edition in North America (Harvard, Massachusetts Historical Society, Folger Shakespeare, Free Library of Philadelphia). *English Short-Title Catalogue* R28781.

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A Comprehensive, "Clear and Scientific" Treatment of Canon Law

25. Reiffenstuel, Johann Georg (Anaklet) [1641-1703].

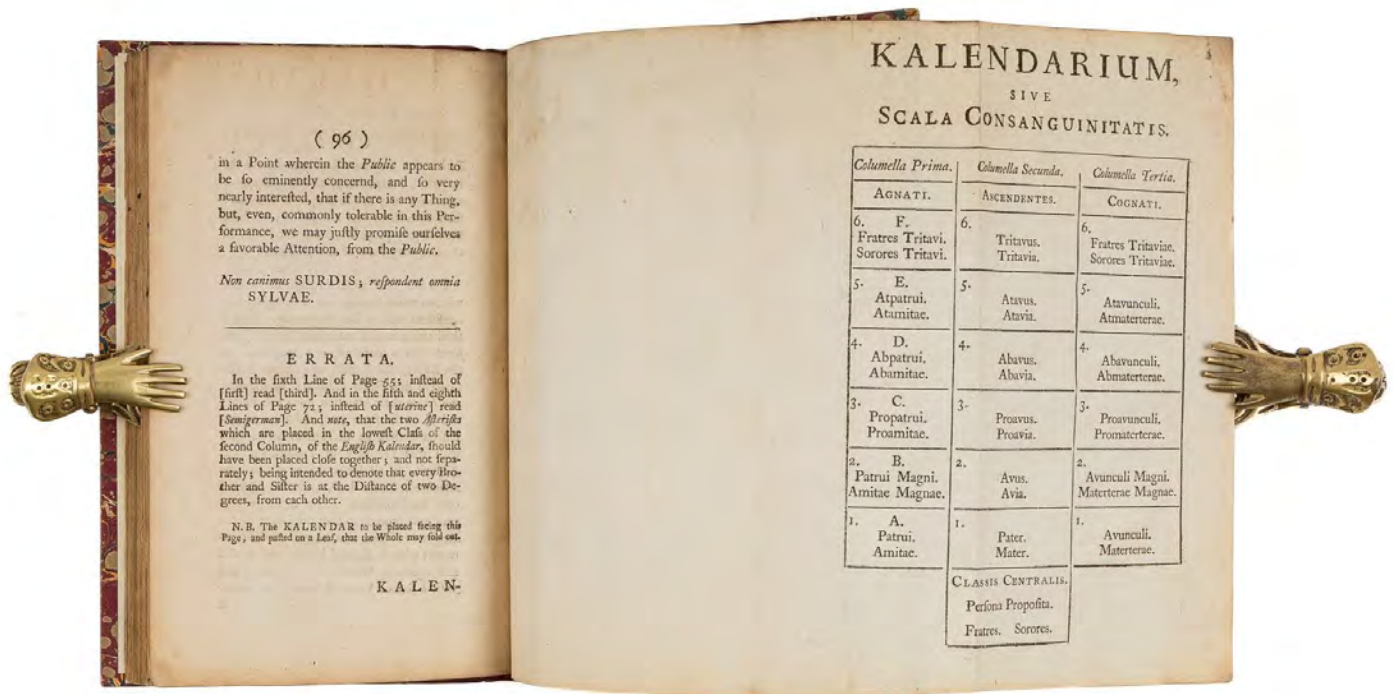
Jus Canonicum Universum, Clara Methodo Iuxta Titulos Quinque Librorum Decretalium in Quaestiones Distributum, Solidisque Responſionibus, & Objectionum Solutionibus Dilucidatum. Munich: Sumptibus Viduae & Haeredum Joannis Hermanni à Gelder, Typis Mariae Magdalenae Rauchin, Viduae, 1702-1714. Five books in three volumes. Folding table in Book IV. Leaves Dd2 and Dd3 of Book V bound out of order; text complete. Folio (12" x 7-1/2").

Contemporary blind-paneled pigskin over wooden boards, raised bands, blind fillets and lettering pieces to spines, clasps to fore-edges (1 clasp broken, 1 catch lacking). Light soiling and minor worming to exteriors, boards slightly bowed, light rubbing to extremities, rust to clasps, minor worming to pastedowns and endleaves, later (nineteenth-century?) manuscript shelfmarks to versos of free endpapers. Light toning to interiors, more moderate in some places, faint marginal dampstaining and very light foxing in a few places, minor worming to first six leaves of Book I affecting text without loss to legibility, early annotation (owner signature?) affected by trimming to p. 413 of Book II, small clean tears to edges of 3 leaves in third volume, one just touching text without loss, all mended, early owner inscriptions of convents dated 1726 (struck-through) and 1738 to title pages. \$2,000.

* Reiffenstuel, a member of the Franciscan Order, was an important Bavarian canonist and theologian. First published in 1700, *Jus Canonicum Universum*, "following the basic divisions of the Decretals of Gregory IX, provides a clear and scientific explanation of the law...In a series of questions, the *Ius Canonicum* treats the entire field of Canon Law, embracing the decrees of the Council of Trent, the papal constitutions issued after the Council, and the practice of the Roman Curia. Its principal merit besides its completeness and extent is its excellence, which made it a standard work of reference for later canonists. This work along accords Reiffenstuel a high place among canonists and scholars" (*New Catholic Encyclopedia*). The work went through many editions into the nineteenth century.

New Catholic Encyclopedia 12:212. *Das Verzeichnis Deutscher Drucke des 18. Jahrhunderts* 12334510.

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**Inheritance and Succession
"Laid Down in a Method Intirely New"**

26. Robinson, Robert.

A Discourse Concerning the Law of Inheritances in Fee Simple; Laid Down in a Method Intirely New; With a Kalendar of the Persons Inheritable. [London]: In the Savoy: Printed by Henry Lintot, Law-Printer to the King's most Excellent Majesty; and sold by W. Wyatt [et al.], 1755. [ii], xxii, 96 pp. With two folding tables. Octavo (8" x 5").

Later quarter calf over marbled boards, raised bands, lettering piece and paper shelf label to spine, endleaves renewed. Light rubbing to extremities, small abrasion to lettering piece, blind-embossed library stamp, Downing College, Cambridge, to contemporary front endleaf, which is lightly edgeworn. Moderate toning to interior, light foxing to a few leaves, trimming to top-edge of second folding table just touching caption without loss to legibility, later Downing ownership annotation in ink and pencil shelf mark to title page. \$650.

* Third edition, "new and improved." First published in 1736 as *A Discourse Concerning the Law of Inheritances in Fee*, the primary aim of this work is to introduce a new kind of table of consanguinity "for the more commodious Conveyance and better Tradition of this abstruse and knotty science" (Preface). Marvin notes that the work was viewed as "ingeniously written" but that the complexity of the author's innovation "involves his subject...in still greater perplexity." A fourth and final edition was published in 1758.

Downing is a college of the University of Cambridge. Founded in 1800, it was the only college added to Cambridge between 1596 and 1869 and is thus considered the oldest of the university's new colleges.

The third edition is scarce. OCLC locates 4 copies in North America (Yale University, Yale Law School, Library of Congress, Newberry Library). Marvin, *Legal Bibliography* 616. *English Short-Title Catalogue* T31932.

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A Long-Lived Handbook for English Sheriffs

27. [Sheriffs]. [Great Britain].

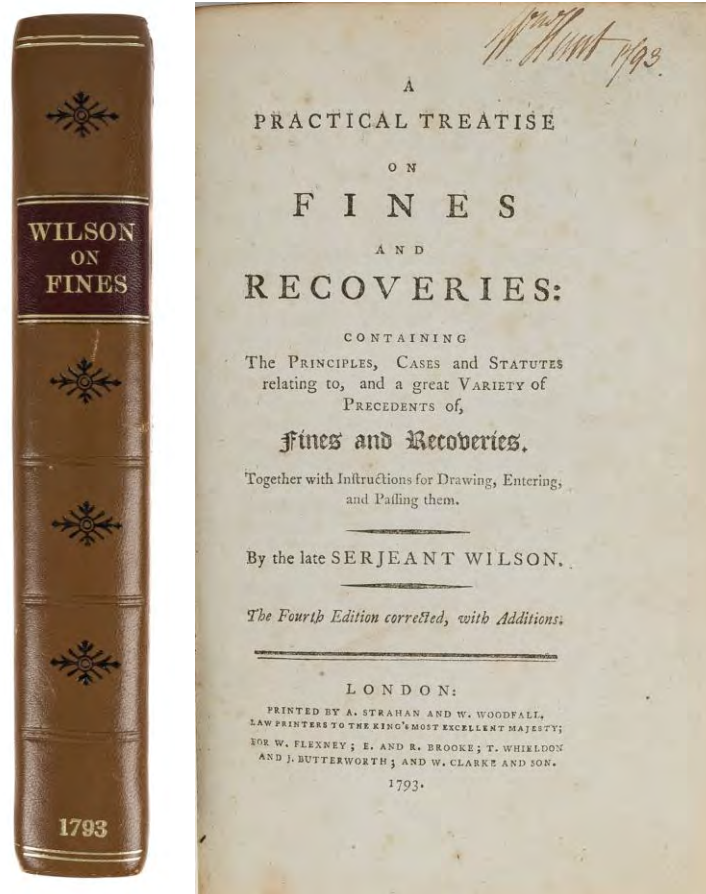
The Compleat Sheriff: Wherein is Set Forth, His Office and Authority; With Directions, How and in What Manner to Execute the Same, According to the Common and Statute Laws of This Kingdom, Which are Now in Force and Use: And the Judgments and Resolutions of the Judges in Divers Late Cases in the Several Courts of Westminster, Relating Thereunto. Likewise of Under-Sheriffs and Their Deputies; And Where the High-Sheriff Shall be Answerable for Their Defaults, And Where Not, &c. Together with the Learning of Bail-Bonds; With an Explication of Stat. 23 H. 6. Cap. 10. And Pleadings Thereon. Returns of Writs, Remedies Against Non Return and Faux Return, Habeas Corpus, Venire's, Challenges and Enquiry of Damages. Prisoners and Prisons. Execution by Fieri Fac', Elegit, &c. Escapes, Actions and Pleadings Therein. Fresh Pursuit, And Other Pleas. ... [London]: Printed by E. and R. Nutt, And R. Gosling, (Assigns of Edward Sayer, Esq;) for John Walthoe in the Middle Temple Cloysters, 1727. [xxiii], 505, [22] pp. Title page preceded by publisher advertisement. Octavo (7-3/4" x 4-1/2").

Contemporary calf, rebaked retaining existing spine with raised bands and recent period-style lettering piece, blind rules to boards, blind fillets along joints, gilt tooling to board edges. Light rubbing, shallow scuffing to boards, front hinge cracked, front free endpaper detached, rear hinge starting. Light toning to interior, light browning to a few leaves, offsetting and faint dampspotting to endleaves. \$350.

* Third edition. One of the most thorough books of its kind, the aptly-titled *Compleat Sheriff* is notably descriptive. It also includes citations of legal cases, bibliographical references, chapters on juries and habeas corpus and a detailed discussion of the law of escapes. A useful and long-lived work, it had six editions, the last in 1778. All are scarce.

English Short-Title Catalogue N4926.

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Fines and Recoveries in Conveyancing

28. [Wilson, George (d.1778)].

A Practical Treatise on Fines and Recoveries: Containing the Principles, Cases and Statutes Relating to, And a Great Variety of Precedents of Fines and Recoveries. Together with Instructions for Drawing, Entering, And Passing Them. Corrected, With Additions. London: Printed by A. Strahan and W. Woodfall, Law Printers to the King's Most Excellent Majesty [et al.], 1793. [iv], 434, [36] pp. Octavo (8-1/4" x 5").

Near-contemporary calf, rebaked in period style, Greek-key fillets to boards, blind and gilt fillets, lettering piece, black-stamped ornaments and gilt publication date to spine, endpapers renewed. Light rubbing and a few minor nicks and scuffs to boards, moderate rubbing to board edges, corners bumped, leaf Hh (pp. [32-33]) partially detached but secure, crack in text block between Hh2 and Hh3 (pp. [34-35]). Light toning to interior, light foxing in a few places, light soiling and corner folds to a few leaves, early owner signature ("Wm Hunt 1793") to head of title page. \$300.

* Fourth and final edition. "The following compendious Treatise... contains not only the Law brought down to the present Time, but also a well-chosen Collection of the choicest Precedents of this Manner of conveyancing Titles to Estates....: Advertisement [iii]. The first three editions of this well-received treatise were published in 1753, 1773 and 1780. (A Dublin reissue of the third edition, designated fourth edition, was published in Dublin in 1792.)

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Rare Edition, The by Brooke, With "A List of the Principal Scotch Law Books, And Some Relating to Ireland"

**29. Worrall, John [d. 1771], Compiler.
[Brooke, Edward, Editor].**

Bibliotheca Legum: Or, A Catalogue of the Common and Statute Law Books of this Realm, And Some Others Relating Thereto, From Their First Publication, To Michaelmas Term, 1775, Giving an Account of Their Several Editions, Ancient Printers, Dates, And Prices, And Wherein They Differ. Corrected and Improved: To Which is Added, A List of the Principal Scotch Law Books, And Some Relating to Ireland. London: Printed for Edward Brooke (Successor to J. Worrall and B. Tovey) at the Dove, In Bell-Yard, Near Temple-Bar, 1776. [xv], 150, [2] pp. Publisher advertisements before title page. p.[ii] and after p.150. 12mo. (5-7/8" x 3-1/4").

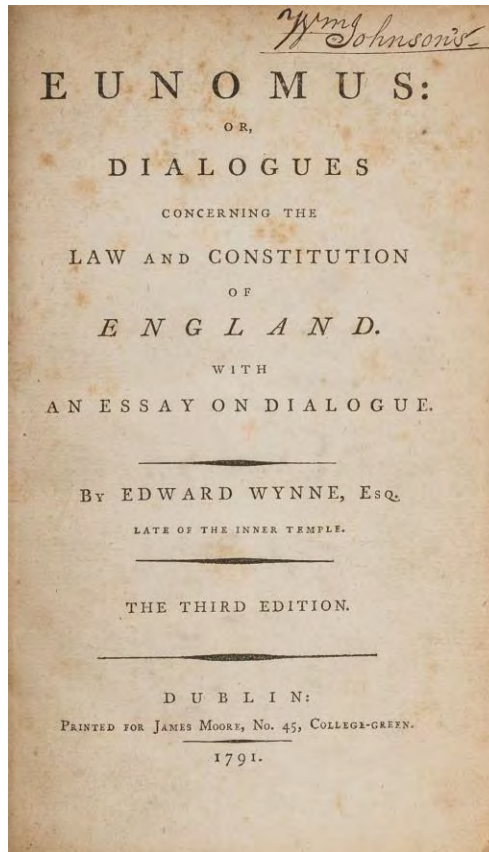
Contemporary calf, blind rules to boards, blind tooling along joints, raised bands and lettering piece to spine, blind tooling to board edges. Moderate rubbing to boards and extremities, light chipping to spine, front joint cracked, rear joint starting, corners bumped and somewhat worn. Light toning to interior, offsetting to margins of preliminaries and rear endleaves. \$500.

* First edition by Brooke and the first with lists of Scotch and Irish titles. The first English annotated legal bibliography, Worrall's remains an important reference due to its excellent annotations, many gathered from leading authorities of the time, and comparative bibliographical information.

The first edition was published in 1731. It was followed by several later editions by Worrall through 1768. The 1788 edition is in two books, the second entirely by Brooke. It was followed by supplementary volumes by Brooke, John Rider and John Clarke through 1808.

This is a rare edition. OCLC locates 2 copies (Lancaster History, University of Illinois). Library Hub adds two more (Manchester Public Library, Bodleian Library, University of Oxford). Friend, *Anglo-American Legal Bibliographies* 138. This edition not in the *English Short-Title Catalogue*. Sweet & Maxwell, *A Legal Bibliography of the British Commonwealth* 1:5.

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"A Most Attractive and Instructive Book"

30. Wynne, Edward [1734-1784].

Eunomus: Or, Dialogues Concerning the Law and Constitution of England. With an Essay on Dialogue. Dublin : Printed for James Moore, No. 45, College-Green, 1791. xli, [3], 444, [8] pp. Octavo (7-3/4" x 4-3/4").

Recent paper-covered boards, printed paper title label and black-stamped publication date to spine, endpapers renewed. Light soiling, joints just starting at head, moderate rubbing to spine ends. Moderate toning to interior, light foxing in places, leaf of unrelated notes in contemporary hand tipped-in to renewed endleaf, nineteenth-century owner inscription, "Wm. Johnson's," to head of title page. \$350.

* "Third" edition, a reprint of the second London edition, 1785. First published in 1768, this well-regarded textbook for aspiring lawyers went through five editions, the last in 1822 (reissued in 1828). Marvin notes: "Elegance of diction, appropriateness of illustration, and novelty of method combine to make *Eunomus* a most attractive and instructive book. The origin and spirit of legal principles, the practice of the Courts, and information of general professional interest, are carefully examined and soundly explained."

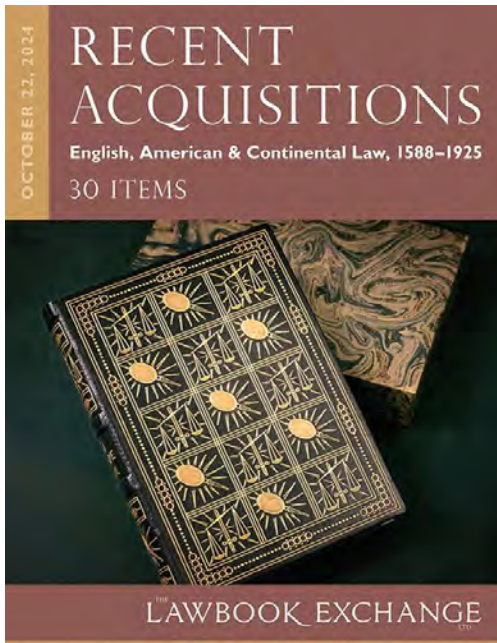
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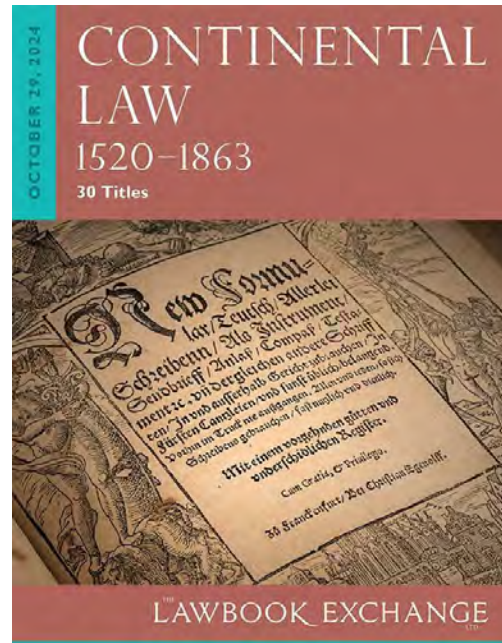
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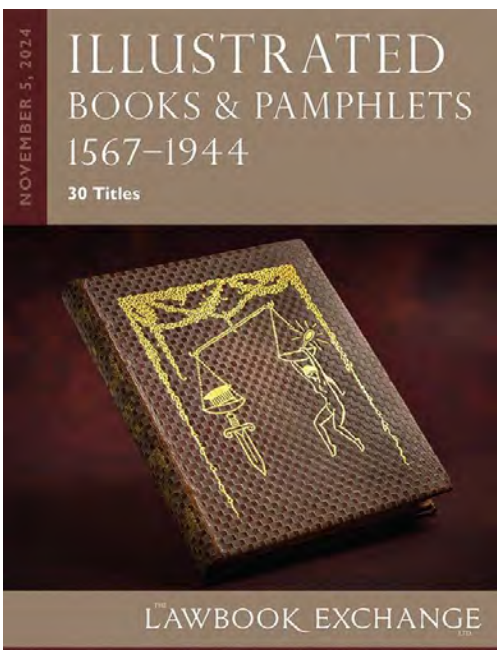
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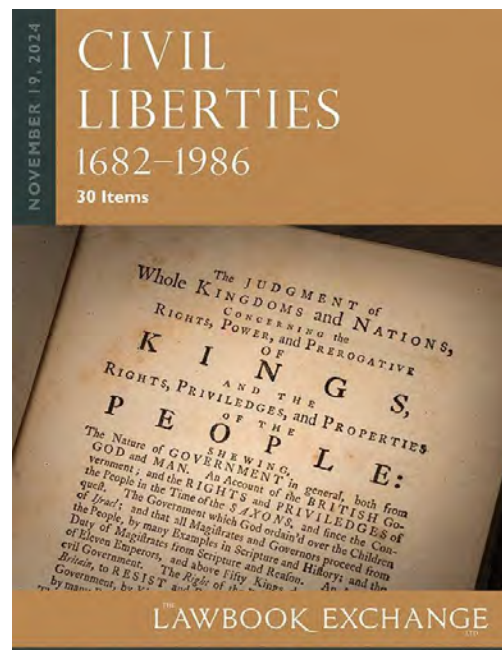
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