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"A PLACE TO FORGET MEN"

1. [Alaska.] Collection of 24 letters written by Pauline Shelley Talmage, from Kake, Alaska to her daughter Rosalie in Seattle, Washington. Kake, Alaska: September 1925 - April 1926..

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24 multi-page letters, 132 manuscript pages, 14 typescript pages; about 20,000 words. In September 1925 the recently-divorced Pauline Shelley Talmage, seeking a "place to forget men," left Seattle to take a teaching position at an Indian school in Kake, Alaska.

According to US Census information, she was 44 years old at the time; her daughter, Rosalie, was 22. Pauline wrote Rosalie every few days, in serial fashion, and sent each multi-paged missive whenever the mail boat departed. In these letters she gives a close description of life in this small village (population about 380 in 1925), of goings-on at the U.S. Public School where she taught, and in her small social circle in town. She lodges at the boarding house of a Mr. and Mrs. Gross, and she gives concise and amusing portraits of her fellow boarders - particularly the most handsome or obnoxious men. She speaks of learning how to take photographs, of having to haul water by rowboat from a mile away, of an outbreak of chicken pox from which several native children died, and other local news.

She loves her young students, aged 5 - 11 years, "so many that are just part Indian and look nearly white" and they reciprocate. At times she complains that they won't leave her alone. She also rhapsodizes about the charm and beauty of individual children, including Robert, a young boy who has somehow been left by his mother in her care. Or, in the care of Pauline and her male partner, referred to in these letters only as "114." It seems to be a loose and comfortable relationship for, though 114 is present throughout the letters, Pauline goes into considerable detail about the men in her world - which ones are desirable and which ones are not, the qualities that make them so, and flirtatious adventures in which she engages in with them. Her music teacher's wife forbids him from giving

Pauline any more lessons because they appear to be having too much fun together; a ship captain hits on her and is rebuffed; the town Marshall and local doctor ply her with small gifts - it's strictly girl-talk between Pauline and her grown daughter (to whom she often refers as "Bud," or "Buddy," and sometimes it's fairly salty - "I am so very glad you had such a pleasant time with Lew. My Sheiks had better be nice to you. I train them that way - See?"

Pauline makes clothing for her daughter, and requests clothing items she left back in Seattle. Mother and daughter also keep a running account of their finances. We gain something of a physical picture of Pauline from these exchanges. She weighs 128 pounds, down a few pounds, but she still has a tummy. And she's concerned about her thinning hair. Rosalie sends her bottles of "tonic" to prevent hair loss. Pauline readily admits to not being a trained teacher, "I don't know a thing about teaching but I just use common horse sense." She is a great hit with parents and students alike. "They even go so far as to mourn the loss of me next year." In her letter of April 3, 1926 she tells her daughter they'll discuss their finances "when I get home."

One interesting final note is that this intelligent and independent woman was still subject to the stigma of divorce. She is advised by Mr Gross to identify herself as a widow whose husband was "killed in a terrible accident." This gives her cover for not having to discuss her marital status, and apparently the ruse worked well enough for her in Kake, Alsaka.











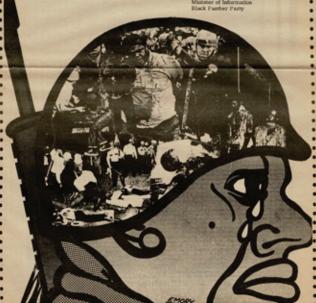
2. **[Bible in Thai, N.T., Gospels.]** [St Matthew's Gospel in Thai.]. Bangkok: [American Bible Society], 1880. \$375

8vo, 93, [1], [2] (blank); **bound with**: [St. Mark's Gospel in Thai]. Bangkok, 1880, pp. [3], 94-153, [1]; **bound with**: [St. Luke's Gospel in Thai], Bangkok, 1881. pp. [3] 155-254, [1]; **bound with**: [St. John's Gospel in Thai], Bangkok, 1881, pp. [3], 256-331, [1]; contemporary marbled boards backed in quarter gilt-ruled goat; boards rubbed, pages a little toned, very good. A revision by N. A. McDonald and J. W. Van Dyke, of the American Presbyterian Board. Darlow and Moule 8206-8209. One copy of Matthew and John each in OCLC.



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> Minister of Information Black Panther Party



[Black Panthers.] Cleaver, Eldridge, Minister of Information, Black Panther Party. The Black Man's Stake in Vietnam. n.p., n.d. [New York: Black Panther Party, 1970.] \$150

Folio bifolium, 4 unnumbered pages; some toning, previous fold, otherwise fine. Unfolded, this is designed as a poster with an article by Cleaver, "To my Black Brothers in Viet Nam," surrounded by photos of prominent Black Panthers in U.S. military uniforms.



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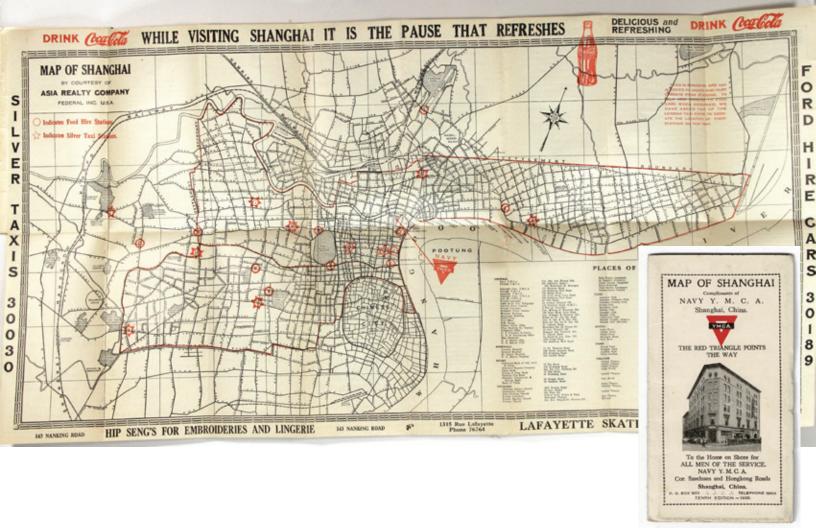
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4. [China - Comets.] Williams, John. Observations of comets, from B.C. 611 to A.D. 1640. Extracted from the Chinese Annals. London: printed for the author by Strangeways and Walden, \$500

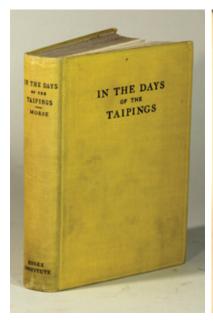
First edition, 4to, pp. xxxii, 124; 23 black & white plates at the back; original blind-stamped brown cloth with gilt lettering to spine, light wear to extremities, more so to spine ends, staining to lower corner of first few pages, foxing to last six plates at rear, still a good copy. This copy inscribed by the author.

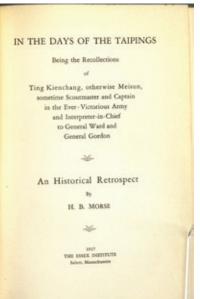
"Translated, with introductory remarks, and an appendix, comprising the tables necessary for reducing Chinese time to European reckoning and a Chinese celestial atlas." The author presents 372 Chinese comet observations between B.C. 611 & A.D. 1640, using the encyclopedia of Ma Duanlin and the great historical Shiji as major references. Williams provides useful context in his introductory remarks, mentioning the tests by which the accuracy of the Chinese records can be verified. He also includes chronological tables and a Chinese celestial atlas, enabling comparison between the Chinese and Western systems for dates and stars respectively" (as described by the Cambridge Library Collection). Decorative bookplate of Arthur Cowper Ranyard, the English astrophysicist who was instrumental in creating a new association which ultimately developed into the present London Mathematical Society. With his marginal pencil notations indicating comets listed from BC 240 to AD 1607 as Halley's comet.



5. **[China - Shanghai.]** *Map of Shanghai. Compliments of Navy Y.M.C.A. Shanghai, China.* Shanghai: Navy YMCA, 1938. \$600

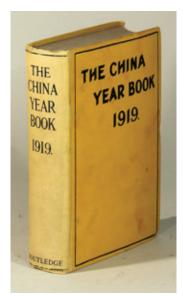
Pocket map, 13" x 25", red and black map folds into a printed card cover (6¾" x 3½"); light wear to card cover, else fine. Text in lower corner of map lists various places of interest including bands, hospitals, churches, clubs, hotels, parks, theaters, skating rinks, swimming pools, advertisers and more. Text on verso includes business advertisements, general information on Shanghai, time difference between Shanghai and other ports, postal, telegraph and cable rates, amusements, church services, the Navy Y.M.C.A. and more. Inside rear cover lists American Personnel in Shanghai. Red key marks on map indicate points throughout Shanghai for Ford Hire and Silver Taxi Stations. Text inside front cover identifies the stations with starred notations indicating which stations are temporarily closed due to hostilities. Stated "Tenth Edition - 1938", but an uncommon map of Shanghai with points of interest; no copies listed in OCLC.



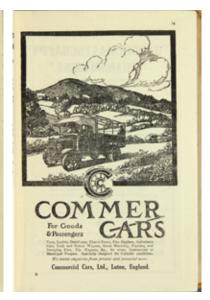


6. [China - Taiping Rebellion.] Morse, H. B. In the days of the Taipings, being the recollections of Tien Kienchang... Captain in the ever-victorious army and interpreter-in-chief to General Ward and General Gordon. Salem, MA: Essex Institute, 1927. \$150

8vo, pp. [2], xii, [2], 434; frontispiece, black & white plates; original yellow cloth, very good. Fictional "recollections" which are true to events in the stormy days of China's mid-century wars against colonialist powers. Morse was the author of books on the currency, trade and international relations of China.

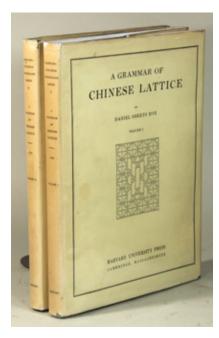


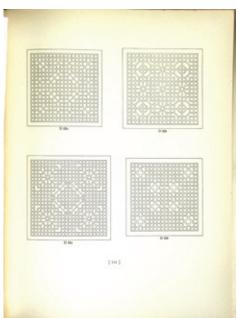




7. **[China.] Bell, H.T. Montague, & H.G.W. Woodhead.** *The China year book 1919-20. With a map of Mongolia.* London: George Routledge & Sons, [1919]. \$500

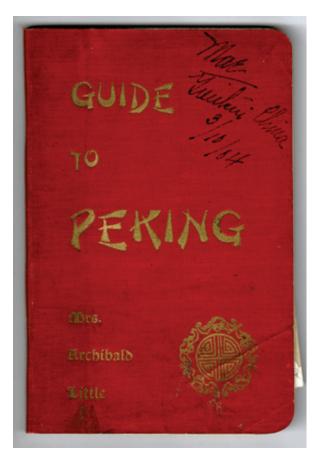
8vo, pp. xx, 762, [2]; original yellow cloth lettered in black on upper cover and spine; fresh and clean but the spine quite sunned, else fine. History and description, particulars of trade, manufacturing, communication, government, finance, defense, shipping, religions, public health, politics and treaties, then into the important stuff - who's who, foreigners, and other cultural aspects. A scarce title. OCLC shows four libraries holding copies, only one of them in the US.





8. **[China.] Dye, Daniel Sheets.** *A grammar of Chinese lattice.* Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 1937. \$750

First edition, 4to, 2 volumes, pp. 469 (continuous pagination); black and white plates and illustrations throughout; a fine set in the rarely seen dust jackets. An influential text; nearly 2500 patterns of lattice from ancient Chinese windows, including the history of development and classification of designs.

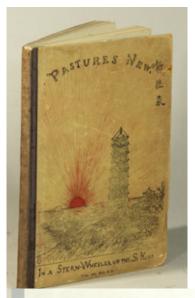


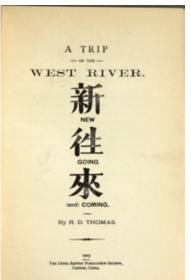
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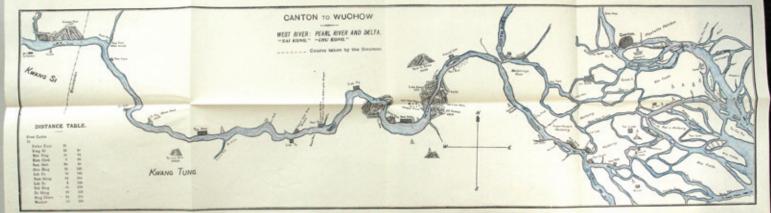
12. **[China.] Little, Alicia (Mrs. Archibald).** *A guide to Peking.* Tientsin: Tientsin Press, 1904. \$1,250

First edition, small 8vo, 3 p.l., pp. iii, [1], 91; 2 black & white folding maps: a fold-out 'Plan of Peking' with index to map, and a fold-out 'Map of the Country Around Peking'; business adverts in front and rear, black & white photo of steamer captain laid in; previous owner's name & date in year of publication written on front cover; publisher's flexible red cloth with gilt lettering and design to front cover, light general wear; a very good copy.

Alicia Little or Mrs. Archibald Little was a writer and a British campaigner for women's rights and later against foot binding in China. Her guide book "...should prove of the greatest value to foreigners generally. Not only does she describe the capital, the Forbidden City, the various temples and other public buildings, but she also takes the reader away to the Mong Tombs, the Summer Palace, the Great Wall, the Western Tombs, Peitaiho, Ching-wantao, and Shankaikwan. There is a good deal of additional information with regard to official and military departments..." - Japan Weekly Mail.







INSCRIBED IN BOTH CHINESE AND ENGLISH

13. **[China.] Thomas, R. D.** . A trip on the West River: new going (and) coming. Canton: China Baptist Publication Society, 1903. \$750

First edition, 8vo, pp. 70, [8] (adverts); black & white illustrations, folding map in color; advertisements on endpapers; original quarter brown cloth over pictorial boards; light, general wear, a very good copy of an uncommon title.

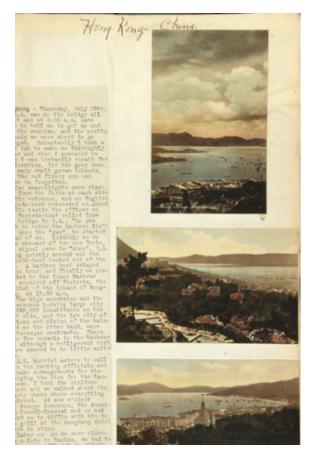
A travel diary by the author of his journey on the Sai Kong, the third largest river in the Chinese Empire, kept strictly closed to foreign traffic by the Chinese Government until 1897. Signed by the author in English & Chinese and dated "23/4/06". The large folding color map in the rear pocket is titled "Canton to Wuchow..." It shows the course taken by the sternwheel river steamer on the author's journey "Going (and) Coming."











A woman's Journal Kept in Hong Kong and Canton 14. [China, Philippines, Guam, et al.] Henderson, Mrs. Robert. Scrapbook including a 1915 tour of Hong Kong and Canton. n.p.: 1915-1920s. \$4,500

Folio, pp. 85; with typescript and manuscript text, photos, clippings, and ephemeral items tipped in; bound in a worn folio leather album with a stationer's stamp from "The Japan Gazette Press. No. 10, Yokohama Printers, Publishers, Lithographers, Bookbinders, &c."

The *USS Supply* was a schooner-rigged iron steamer built by Cramp of Philadelphia in 1873. She was overhauled at Puget Sound in 1912 and went into service as a supply ship for the Asiatic Fleet. In 1915, owning to a disastrous fire and flood in Canton, the *Supply* was ordered to deliver 300 tons of food and medicine to that city. Lt. Robert Henderson was commanding officer of the ship and, on this mission of mercy, his wife and children accompanied him.

While Henderson saw to official duties, his wife explored the area and kept a journal of their tour through Hong Kong and Canton, and later the Philippines and Guam. She typed a narrative of their daily adventures, then pasted the typewritten sheets into a large format scrapbook, and illustrated it with photographs, postcards, ephemeral items, and clippings. Her text for the Chinese part of the tour is 4000-5000 words in length and is rich in detail, speaking of such things as "the dead and dying in the streets" as a result of flood

and famine, as well as specific details - the 100 Chinese executed the day before her entry for revolutionary activities, or the number of automobiles in Hong Kong "63 - quite enough in these crowded streets." Her narrative is lively – as are the photographs, which she took and annotated herself.

In all there are 17 folio sheets devoted to her adventures in Canton and Hong Kong. These are illustrated with 11 postcards, 34 photographs, 6 ephemeral items and 15 illustrations from magazines. They are followed by 14 sheets similarly annotated and illustrated with scenes from the Philippines and Guam, and then with 54 sheets of family photographs and material pertaining to their life in Seattle, as well as to Henderson's Irish ancestors and his tour at the Naval War College in Newport, RI in the 1920s.



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HENRY COLBURN AND RICHARD BENTLEY, NEW BURLINGTON STREET, 1830.







15. **Dobell, Peter.** *Travels in Kamchatka and Siberia; with a narrative of a residence in China.* London: Henry Colburn and Richard Bentley, 1830. \$2,250

First edition, 2 volumes, small 8vo, pp. ix, [1], 351; x, 341, [3]; hand-colored aquatint frontispiece in each volume; contemporary half calf over marbled boards, with gilt lettering and decoration on spines; some rubbing and wear to extremities; early ownership labels of "Miles Staveley, Old Slenningford Hall" and stamps "TKS" in each volume; all else near fine.

An Irish-born adventurer in the Russian service, Peter Dobell embarked in 1812 on a long journey from Kamchatka across Siberia to Tomsk. It contains a detailed and idiosyncratic account of his journey, painting an affectionate picture of the region and its people. The narrative includes ethnographic observations, descriptions of nights spent with local families, notes on the wildlife encountered, and discussion of the problems caused by the weather.

Dobell also lived in China for many years and his remarks on the experience are incorporated into the work. He gives opinionated observations on topics such as Chinese society, traditions, trade and medicine, and the narrative reflects Dobell's instinctive curiosity and enthusiasm. Volume II covers the concluding part of Dobell's Siberian travels, from Yakutsk to Tomsk, and all of the chapters on China.

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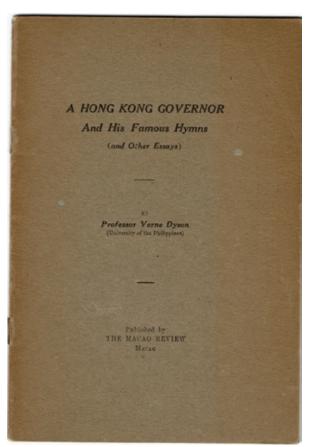
BASEBALL IN HAWAII

16. **[Hawaii.]** Two scrapbooks documenting the life of Ululani Franklin Lemon. Honolulu, et al., first half of the 20th century. \$4,500

Two folio albums, $16\frac{1}{2}$ " x $14\frac{1}{2}$ " and $14\frac{1}{2}$ " x $12\frac{1}{4}$ ", about 200 pp. total, containing ephemera, news clippings, and photographs.

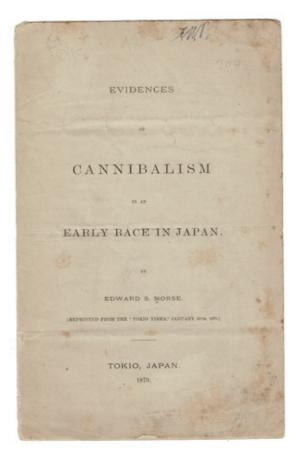
Ululani Franklin Lemon - "Uncle Nani" - was born in Honolulu in 1881 to a naturalized Canadian father and a Hawaiian mother. He lived his entire life in Honolulu and died there in 1950. In 1902 he graduated Kamehameha School for Boys as a scholarship student. He had flourished during his school years, establishing himself as a star athlete in gymnastics, track and field and, especially, baseball. There is considerable material in the first scrapbook documenting his career as a pitcher and outfielder at school, and later as a member of the Honolulus and Hawaiian All Star team. Upon his graduation in 1902 he went to work for Albert Baldwin & Co., and stayed with them until his retirement in 1947.

The first scrapbook documents his life, friends, travels, and work experience, from ancestry and early years to his death in 1950. Highlights from this album include photographs of early sports teams, baseball ephemera, a letter to his mother written on the inside of a shirt collar, and a manuscript essay on the history of baseball in Hawaii by Lemon. This scrapbook contains 187 b/w photographs ranging in size from 1½" x 1½" to 9" x 14". The second scrapbook is devoted to his travels both as a young man and later with his wife and family. It contains a good deal of interesting travel ephemera from such places as California, Mexico, Canada, Fiji, Australia, New Zealand, Java, Thailand, Hong Kong, China, New Guinea, Cuba, and the Philippines. It contains 76 photographs. Some of the pages in both albums are brittle and chipped; a few are loose in the binding. However all the material within is in very good condition.



17. **[Hong Kong.] Dyson, Verne, Professor.** A Hong Kong governor and his famous hymns (and other essays). Macao: Macao Review, n.d. [c.1930]. \$200

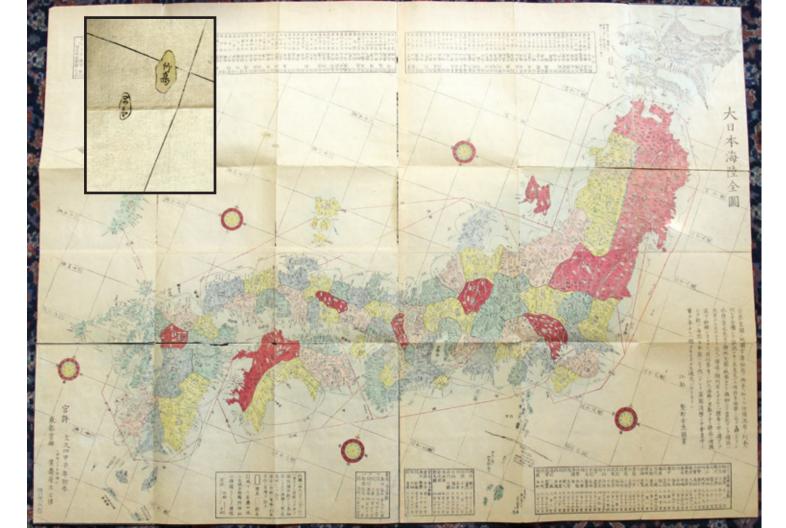
12mo, pp. 20; frontispiece, original printed tan wrappers, very good. Essays on Governor John Bowring, early Christian envoys, and China and books - originally published in the *Macao Review*. This is their first appearance in book form. This copy inscribed to Howard F. Bowker, a numismatist and philatelist, collecting and specializing in Chinese coins, stamps and banknotes.



18. **[Japan - Cannibalism.] Morse, Edward S.** *Evidences of cannibalism in an early race in Japan.* Tokio: Tokio Times, 1879. \$250

8vo, pp. 7, [1]; publisher's printed wrappers; old fold marks else very good. Abstract of remarks made before the Biological Society of the Tokio Dai Gaku, January 5, 1879. Morse was an American zoologist and orientalist. In 1877 he first visited Japan and, while looking out of a window on a train between Yokohama and Tokyo, discovered the Mori shell mound, the excavation of which opened the study in archaeology and anthropology in Japan and shed much light on the material culture of prehistoric Japan.

"One of the most interesting discoveries connected with the Omori mounds is the evidence of cannibalism which it affords, this being the first indication of a race of anthropophagi in Japan. The human bones were found mixed with bones of the wild boar, deer and other animals." Following his Japanese sojourn Morse served as director of what was to become the Peabody Essex Museum. Reprinted from the *Tokyo Times*, January 18th, 1879.

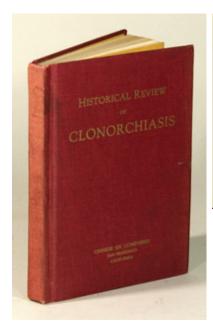




its inclusion of the disputed Dokdo/Takeshima islands.

19. **[Japan.] Seiken Gengyo.** 大日本海陸全圖 [= Complete naval map of Japan]. Touto, Tokyo: Ebisuya Shoushichi, 1864 (Bunkyuu 4). \$200

Large folding map; 28.25" x 38.5"; hand-colored woodblock print; cities, districts, and castle towns, waterways, and distances from port to port; original stiff paper boards, title label on covers; the paper is clean but extremely brittle, resulting in significant tears along the folds, paper slip cover (fukuro) opened at the fold but present. A revision of a map by Nagakubo Sekisui (the first Japanese cartographer to employ lines of longitude and latitude), and notable for





20. [Medical.] Fong, Wong Yu. Historical review of clonorchiasis. San Francisco and Berkeley: Published for Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association (Chinese Six Companies) by Chinese World and Fred Borland, [1927]. \$1,500

First edition, 8vo, pagination varies; original red cloth with gilt lettering in English and Chinese on the upper cover; slight fading to spine; light wear; else a near fine copy of a scarce, fascinating and revealing work on US regulations used to exclude Chinese immigrants.

In 1917 the U.S. Public Health Service classified clonorchiasis (liver fluke) a dangerous and incurable disease, and immigrants, primarily Chinese, were excluded

from entry into the U.S. When the rule forbidding entry was first enacted it practically suspended commerce at the port of San Francisco. Starting in 1921, the Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association (Chinese Six Companies) agreed to stand bond for any infected Chinese person to enter treatment and engaged attorney John L. McNab in the effort to fight the liver fluke regulation. Success in proving to public health officials that clonorchiasis was not contagious in the U.S. finally came in 1927, when the regulation was amended. OCLC shows only four libraries holding copies.