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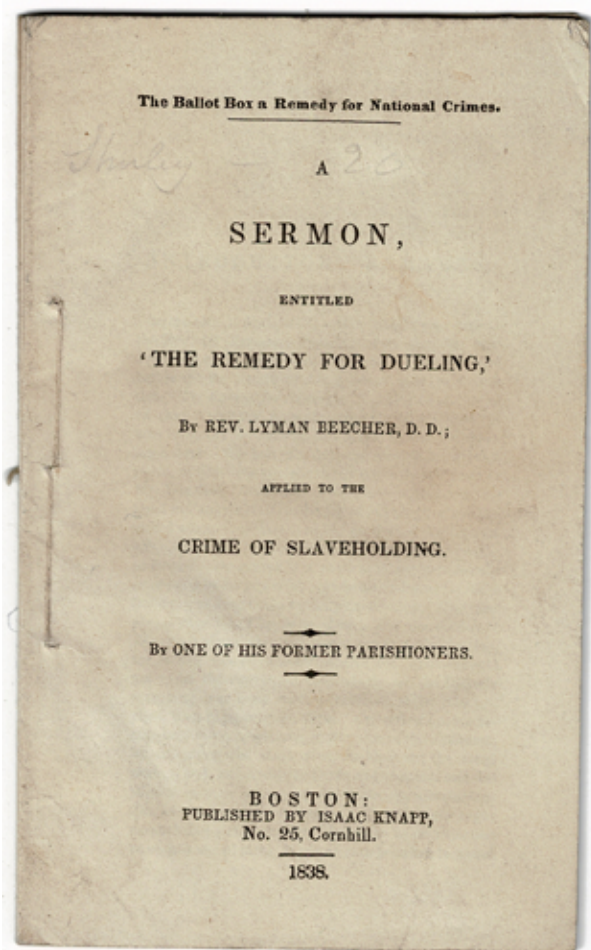


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1. [Abolition.] Beecher, Lyman. *The ballot box a remedy for national crimes. A sermon, entitled 'The Remedy for Dueling' ... applied to the crime of slaveholding. By one of his former parishioners.* Boston: Isaac Knapp, 1838. \$275

16mo, pp. 36; printed paper self-wrappers; near fine with minor soiling to title page.

According to the introduction, the original sermon was given in 1806. It argued that the people should withhold votes for any candidate who had been known to have dueled. The text of the sermon was modified slightly with terms replaced in brackets so that it now reads as a sermon against slaveholding.

American Imprints 49148; Sabin 4330.

1842.

Wednesday Oct. 5th

Having lately read a few works on the subject of Chemistry, and taken a great interest in the science, I have determined to commence the study of it;

For this purpose, I have taken a small room, with the intention of converting it into a Laboratory, and collected together a few articles, which I have bought from time to time, consisting of the following articles.

1 Pint Retort + Receiver, 1 quart Midwoods Retort, 12 Quart Tincture bottles, 6 2 oz. do. 12 1/2 pt Round Salt Mouth do. 9 Midwood evaporating dishes, Thermometer, Retort Stand + Lamp, Iron scales, Weights for do. from 1000 grs to 100. 4 Glass Funnel, 1 or graduated measure. Copper pan tinned inside, 4 Test tubes and stands. 12 glass rods. 12 olive oil flasks. Peltete knife, glass scale pan. 2 Match glasses. 3 Sand Crucibles. Trowsers Clean out of Chemistry, Crostacks do. Farraday's Chemical Manipulation. Ures Dictionary of the Arts &c. U.S. Dispensary. 1/2 lb filtering paper. Round file, 3 oblong do. and 1. Pliers, and small unknown quantities of the following articles, all of which are impure, as bought from the Druggists. Nitric Sulphuric Ether, Acetic Acid, Nitric do, Ammonia do, Sulphuric do, aqua Ammonia, Oil of Cloves, Carbonate of Soda, Cochineal, Alum, Cream of Tartar, Sal Ammoniac, Prussiate of Potash, Potash, Potasson, Carbouate of Ammonia and, Carbonate

New York Sept 11th 1844.

I have been engaged for two or three weeks in trying to prepare Blue Ink, without using oxalic acid, and having been successful now sum up my experiments from the notes taken at the time of each experiment.

I first made a Basic Blue from the following formula.

3 Eq	$\left. \begin{array}{l} K \\ K \\ K \\ K \end{array} \right\}$	357	Sulphuric Acid	303	$\left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \\ \end{array} \right\}$	3 Eq
3 Eq		203		203		Sulphate of
3 Eq		303		303		protoxide
3 Eq		0		0		of Iron
2 (K ² (FeO ₃) ²)	$\left. \begin{array}{l} FeO_3 \\ FeO_3 \\ FeO_3 \end{array} \right\}$	0		0	$\left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\}$	3 (FeO + SO ²)
212		Fe		Fe		138
424		Fe		Fe		414

1 Eq Ferricyanide of Potassium + Iron 350K + 2(FeO₃)

Of the 4 Eq Potassium contained in the yellow prussiate, 3 Eq. are replaced by 3 Eq. Iron in the formation of the white precipitate.

This exposed to the air absorbs oxygen and affords Ferricyanide of Potassium to water, and after all soluble salts are removed, is soluble in pure water, and also in Oxalic acid.

If Sulphuric acid is added to this Blue during oxidation, it oxidises much faster and better. I account for this as follows. If Sulphuric acid is not added the Sulphate of Potash (being slightly soluble in cold water) prevents

2. [American Chemistry Manuscript.] Kent, Edward N. Records of events commencing with the study of chemistry at 23 years of age. By Edward N. Kent, born at Portland, Maine, January 27th, 1819. New York: 1842-45. \$4,500

Manuscript journal recording 3 years of experiments and professional development by a self-taught Maine chemist and inventor. Small 4to, pp. [182] (approximately 45,000 words) written in a neat hand with the occasional manuscript text illustration of apparatuses; full reversed calf, lower gutter burned with some minor loss to text on first dozen pages (an experiment gone awry?), else very good.

Kent's progress as a professional scientist is recorded in detail. His first entry reads, "Having lately read a few works on the subject of chemistry, and taken a great interest in the science, I have determined to commence the study of it. For this purpose, I have taken a small room, with the intention of converting it into a laboratory, and collected together a few articles, which I have bought from time to time..." He then goes on to describe his various experiments and their outcomes. This includes attempts at the production of different colors of ink, with those inks used to write the entries about them. In addition to his inks he experimented with ether, nitrate, silver, and daguerreotype liquid, among other substances. Soon he was earning money for his work. By June of 1843 he is selling the ink he has produced, and in 1844 he appears

and suitable for making Blue Ink.

Tuesday Jan 17th

Redistilled the acid, made yesterday. It is very strong and fuming, and of golden yellow colour. The sp. gr. is 1.5131

Wednesday Jan 18th

Dissolved the Sulphate of Soda (Jan 13th) in cold water, neutralised the excess of acid with carbonate of Lime filtered part of it, and crystallized, then drained the crystals in a funnel.

As my preparation of Hydrochloric acid was rather unsatisfactory prepared Dec 21st, I have to day prepared to make some more. The arrangement is as follows, which being prepared,



ed, I put into the flask 32 oz NOL fine for table use. Then mixed together 32 oz $SO_2 + 100g HO$ and poured in slowly through the funnel.

Extraction of the gas HCl is quite free, and have consequently concluded to not apply heat till morning. I have lately had a Pneumatic trough made from copper, which cost, for the copper work \$9. Wood work \$5. Tappanizing .75 ct = \$14.75

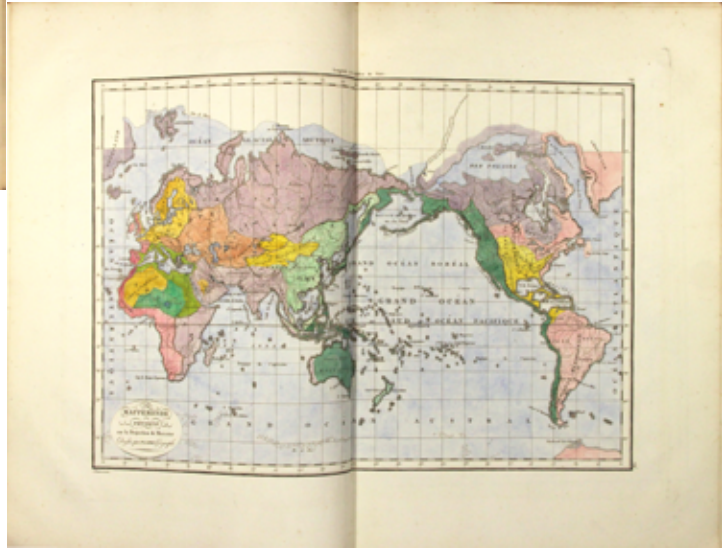
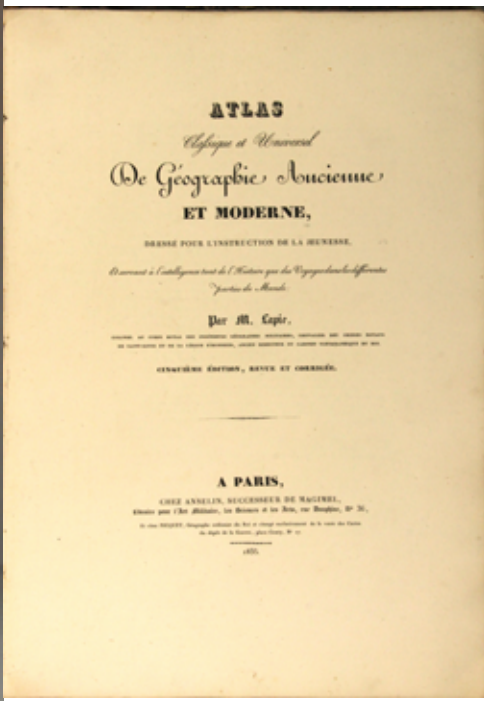
to be doing work on commission, referring to experiments done on behalf of others, such as reverse engineering a solution used to fill spots in leather. In 1843 he also makes connections with Dr. John Torrey at the University of the State of New York and is employed as an assistant.

Kent appears to have moved from strength to strength. OCLC records show him as the author of a catalog of chemical apparatus which went through many editions and he developed a patent for the refinement of gold aimed at California prospectors. He also wrote a monograph on the processes for testing, melting and assaying gold, presciently published in 1848. At the time of the publication of his patent in 1855, he had found employment at the US assay office as its melter and refiner.



3. [American Fiction.] **Robb, John S.** *Streaks of squatter life, and far-west scenes. A series of humorous sketches descriptive of incidents and character and the Wild West ... By Solitaire.* Philadelphia: Carey & Hart, 1847. \$250

First edition, 12mo, pp. x, 11-187, [1]; 8 wood-engraved plates by Felix O. C. Darley, including the illustrated title page; text block only, lacks wrappers. The plates are on paper which has browned. Howes R-335 ('aa' and calling for 9 plates); Wright I, 2126; Hamilton 594 (calling for 8). OCLC records also note 8 plates.

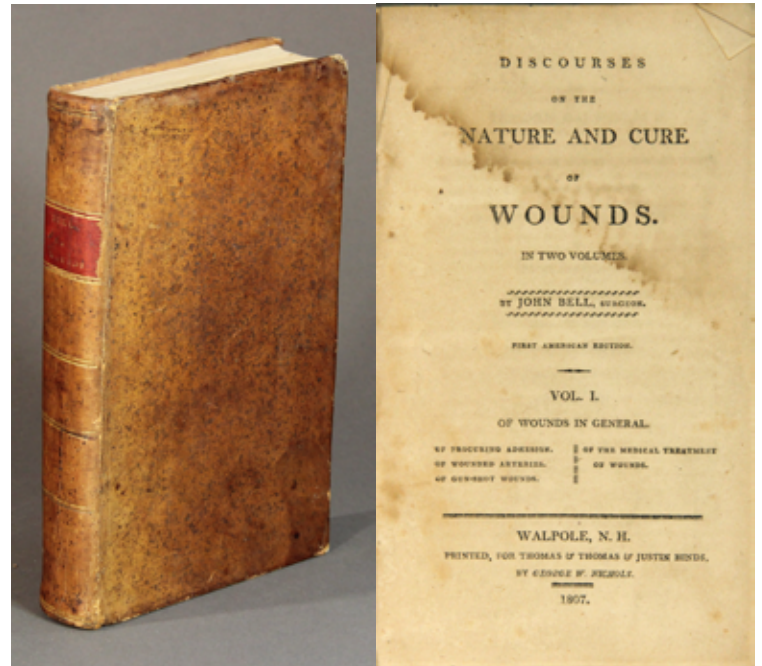


4. [Atlas.] Lapie, M. *Atlas classique et universel de géographie ancienne et moderne, dressé pour l'instruction de la jeunesse, et servant à l'intelligence de l'histoire que des voyages dans les différentes parties du monde.* Paris: chez Anselin, successeur de Magimel, libraire pour l'art militaire, les sciences et les arts ... et chez Picquet, géographe ordinaire du roi et chargé exclusivement de la vente des cartes du dépôt de la Guerre, 1835. \$950

Fifth edition, revised and corrected; folio, pp. [8] plus 41 maps (8 double page, all hand-colored in outline, the map of the physical features of the world fully hand-colored) plus a plate of the armillary sphere uncolored; original roan-backed marbled paper-covered boards, yellow printed paper label on the upper cover; extremities worn, marbled paper peeling along the fore-edge of the upper cover, front hinge cracked, the binding a little shaken; the printed cover label touts this as the fourth edition, revised and corrected; complete and unrestored in the original binding. Many editions of this atlas appeared under various imprints and slightly different titles. No match for this exactly in OCLC, but another 1835 edition published by Anselin, but with a slightly different title, is at the Newberry.

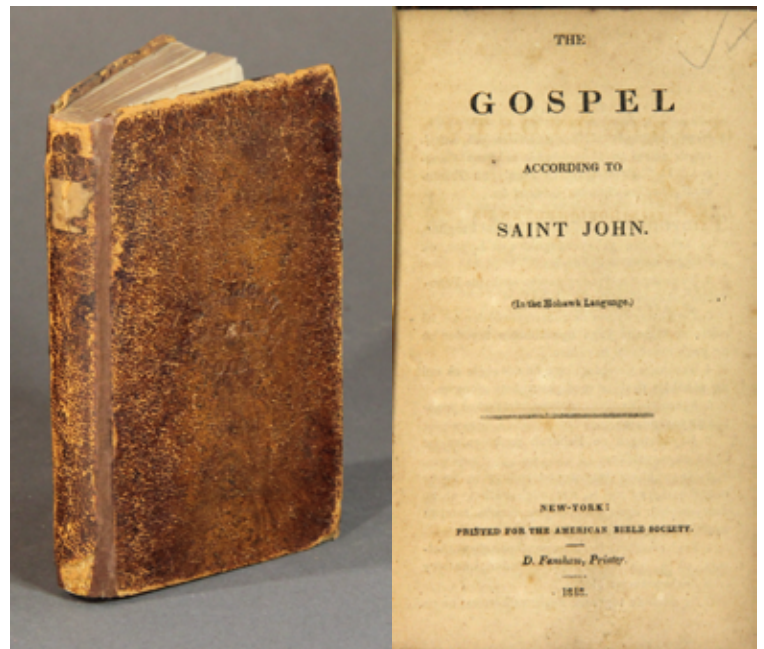
5. **Bell, John, surgeon.** *Discourses on the nature and cure of wounds. In two volumes.* Walpole, N.H.: printed for Thomas & Thomas & Justin Hinds, by George W. Nichols, 1807. \$350

First American edition, 2 volumes in 1, 8vo, pp. vi, [1], 8-192; 180 [i.e. 170]; 2 engraved plates by Amos Doolittle, 2 illustrations in the text; full contemporary calf, red leather label on spine; dampstain to front flyleaves and title page, light to moderate foxing, early ownership signature of Benjamin Spooner; good and sound, or better. *American Imprints* 12101; Austin 192.



6. **[Bible in Mohawk, N.T., Gospels, John.] [Norton, John, translator.]** *The Gospel according to Saint John. (In the Mohawk language.)* New York: printed for the American Bible Society. D. Fanshaw, printer, 1818. \$900

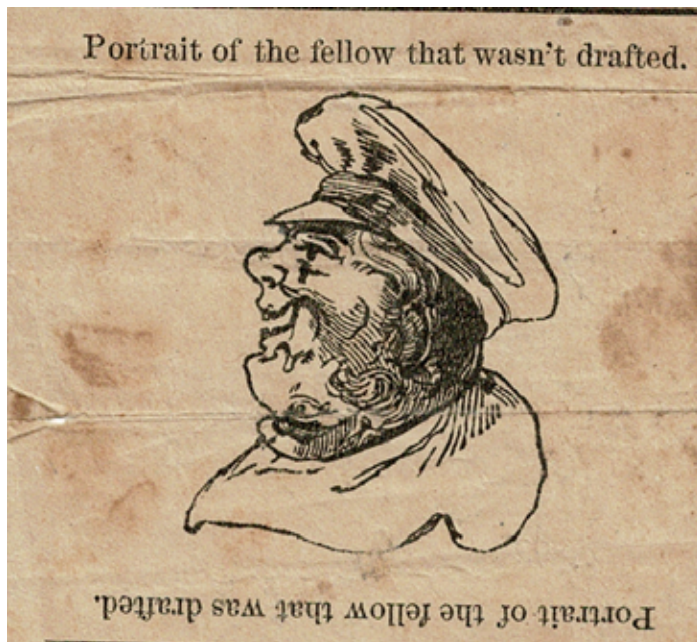
First American edition (first published in London 1805), 16mo, pp. [2], 115, [1]; parallel text in English and Mohawk; original full sheep, front cover with central blindstamp "American *Bible* Society"; extremities rubbed, joints repaired; without the Mohawk title-page; engraved Mercantile Library Association bookplate noting this was a gift from the American Bible Society, with accession number 1087 on the plate; a good, sound copy.



Pilling, *Iroquois*, p. 130: "A reprint so accurate that it copies all the typographic errors of the first edition and reproduces the page of errata at the end." Darlow & Moule 6797; Pilling, *Proof-sheets*, 2770; Sabin 49846.

7. [Broadside - Civil War.] *Southbridge Journal Extra ... The draft.* Southbridge: May 17, 1864. \$300


Small broadside approx. 9½" x 3", tromp d'oeil vignette "Portrait of the Fellow that Was / Wasn't Drafted" (1 image depicting 2 "fellows," one the inverse of the other), followed by a paragraph seeking "to supply the deficiency" of draftees from the towns of Southbridge, Sturbridge, Dudley and Charlton, and the full names of the current draftees, 15, 12, 19, and 4 names per town respectively. Some tears in the margin and the paper spotted; good. Not found in OCLC.



Southbridge Journal,
EXTRA.

SOUTHBRIDGE, MAY 17, 1864.

Portrait of the fellow that was drafted.



Portrait of the fellow that wasn't drafted.

THE DRAFT.

Drafting to supply the deficiency for the towns of Southbridge, Sturbridge, Dudley and Charlton, commenced at the Provost's Marshal's office in Worcester at 10½ o'clock, and finished at 2½, with the following result:

SOUTHBRIDGE—15 Names.

Wm. C. Barnes,	John B. Plimpton,
Charles W. Wells,	Lyman Chamberlain,
Austin Stevens,	William D. Morse,
Merrick Amnidown,	Theodore Reynolds,
John L. Bacon,	George S. Nelson,
Michael Riley,	George W. Sabin,
Abijah Vinton,	Franklin A. Nichols,
George W. Hare.	

DUDLEY—12 Names.

Holmes Reynolds,	Luther Hawkins,
Frank D. Hall,	Lloyd W. Wilder,
Lucian M. Barnes,	Rev. Moses E. Wright,
John Brain,	Edward W. Williams,
Henry H. Stevens,	Edward Carpenter,
Wm. Hagar,	Frank Keith.

STURBRIDGE—19 Names.

Samuel Thompson,	Michael Fox,
John F. Cooper,	Gardner G. Carney,
Loren W. Johnson,	John Putney,
Walter Larned,	Samuel L. Thompson,
Myron Rawson, (col'd)	Samuel A. Shumway,
Oliver J. Plimpton,	Arthur Walker,
Erastus P. James,	Henry A. Eastman,
Wm. H. Stone,	John P. Haynes,
Hiram S. Haskins,	Albert Back.
Jarus M. Hobbs,	

CHARLTON—4 Names.

Peter C. Robbins,	Nelson Brown,
Stephen McIntire,	Albert Stevens.

8. [Broadside - Telescope.] *Observatory. Lundy's Lane Battle Ground. c. 1855.* \$175

Broadside, 10 x 4.25"; woodcut vignette of the observatory; old folds and shallow edge tears, ink blot obscuring text but light enough that meaning can be ascertained, good.

The Lundy's Lane Battle Ground was the site of a succession of five observatory towers, starting with a wooden log and lattice tower in 1845. This tower collapsed in about a year, and the second was built in 1846 by Donald McKenzie. The new tower was given a stone foundation and a telescope was installed, which the broadside cites. In 1851 this tower burned down in a possible case of arson. The third tower, erected by Adam Fralik, managed to stand for a number of years and outlasted the fourth tower before collapsing sometime after 1870.

This broadside is undated but the date 1855 is added in manuscript. It is likely an advertisement for the third, Fralik, tower, as it announces the installation of a new telescope and a similar but likely later broadside at the Library of Toronto names Fralik as the proprietor. Coincidentally the woodcut on both broadsides does not appear to accurately show a tower upon a two-story building, suggesting that the image of a prior tower was recycled for this advertisement.

We know of three printings of this broadside, each with the same title but significantly different text, known in one copy each.

OBSERVATORY

1855



Lundy's Lane Battle Ground

The above Observatory has been erected at a great expense, and is now open for visitors, from the top of which can be seen one of the best SCENERIES on the Western Continent, viz: Lakes Erie and Ontario—Grand, Navy, Buckhorn, and Gout or Iris Islands—Brock's Monument, Beaver Dam, Short Hills, the Spires of the Churches in Buffalo, the Rapids above the Falls, and a vast country lying on both sides of the Niagara river. This Observatory is much the highest one in the vicinity and is attended by Mr. ADAM STULL, who fought in the battle on the memorable 25th of June, 1814, of which abundant certificates are in his possession to substantiate the same.

Mr. STULL will take pleasure in pointing out and explain to visitors all the objects connected with that engagement.

A NEW FEATURE

Has recently been added to the Observatory, making a decided improvement—one of the finest

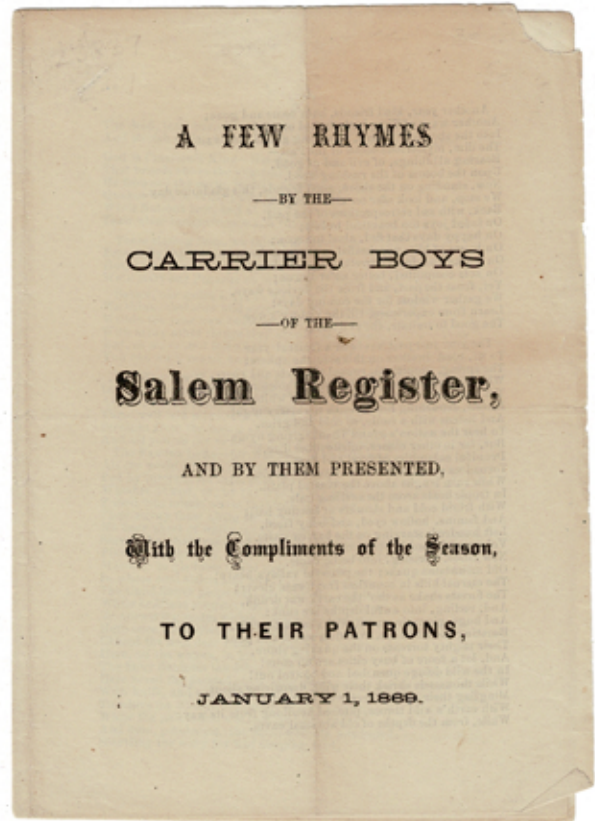
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can be seen that was ever exhibited in America.

9. [Carrier Verse.] *A few rhymes by the carrier boys of the Salem Register, and by them presented, with the compliments of the season.* [Salem]: January 1, 1869.

\$225

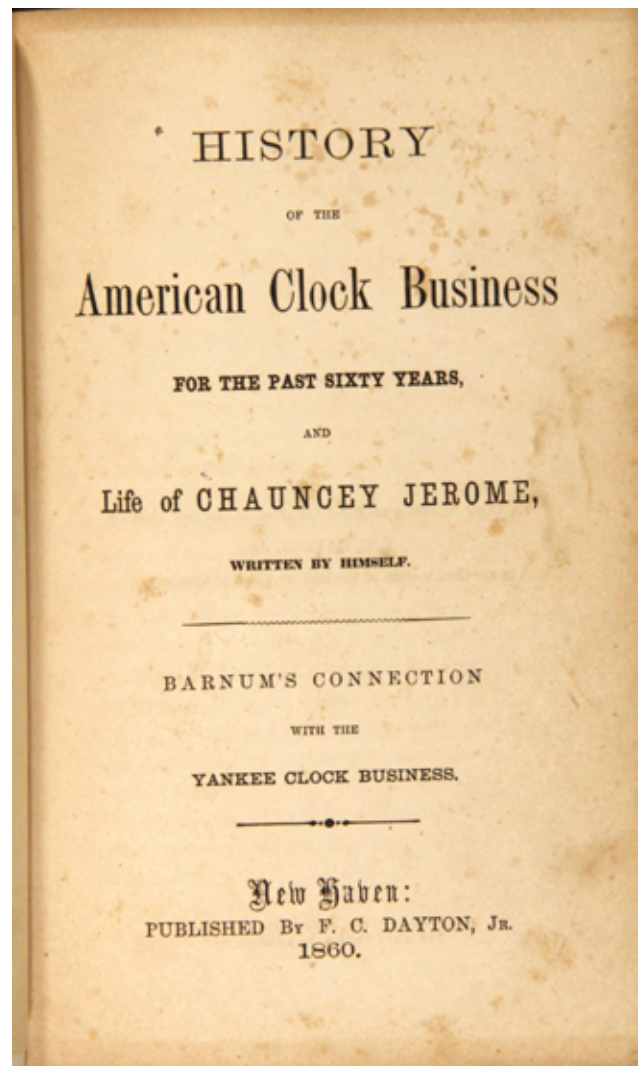
8vo, (16.5 x 11.5 cm), pp. [1], 1-7; unbound; small tear in the top corner of the title page; very good. Brown and Salem State only in OCLC, the former in a smaller format, and the latter with unnumbered pages. Verse on local Essex County topics mixed with national and presidential matters.



10. [Clockmaking.] Jerome, Chauncey. *History of the American clock business for the past sixty years, and life of Chauncey Jerome, written by himself ... Barnum's connection with the Yankee clock business.* New Haven: F. C. Dayton, Jr., 1860. \$250

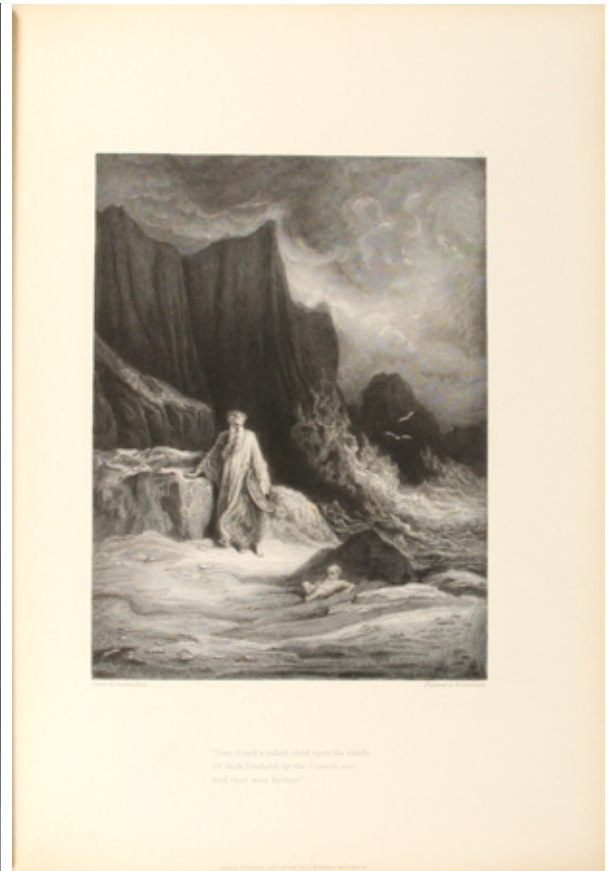
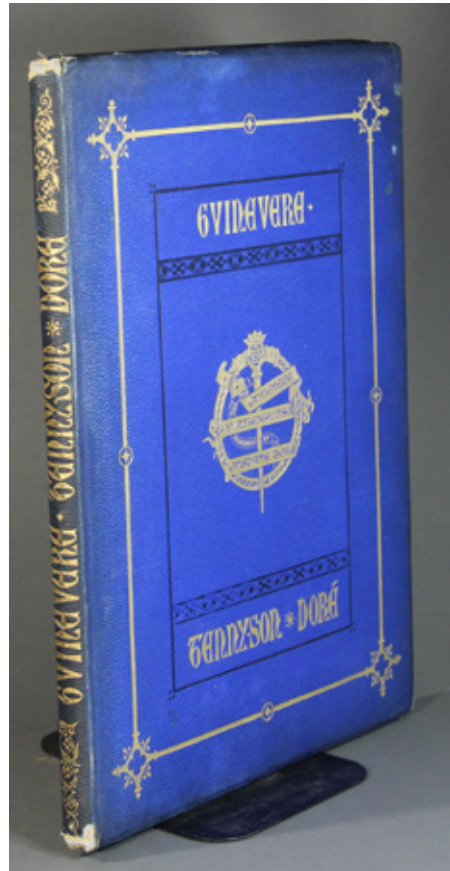
First edition, 12mo, pp. 8, [1], 12-144; lithograph frontispiece portrait; covers a little soiled and spotted, but still a good, sound copy in original brown cloth, gilt-lettered on upper cover.

Between 1827 and 1837 Jerome produced more clocks than any other American company (see DAB), and he survived the Panic of 1837 by virtue of his invention of a one-day brass clock movement which was superior to the wooden ones then in use. Jerome fell on hard times after 1850 and died nearly penniless in 1868; he attributed his financial ruin to a business arrangement with P. T. Barnum. Howes J-104; Sabin 36063.



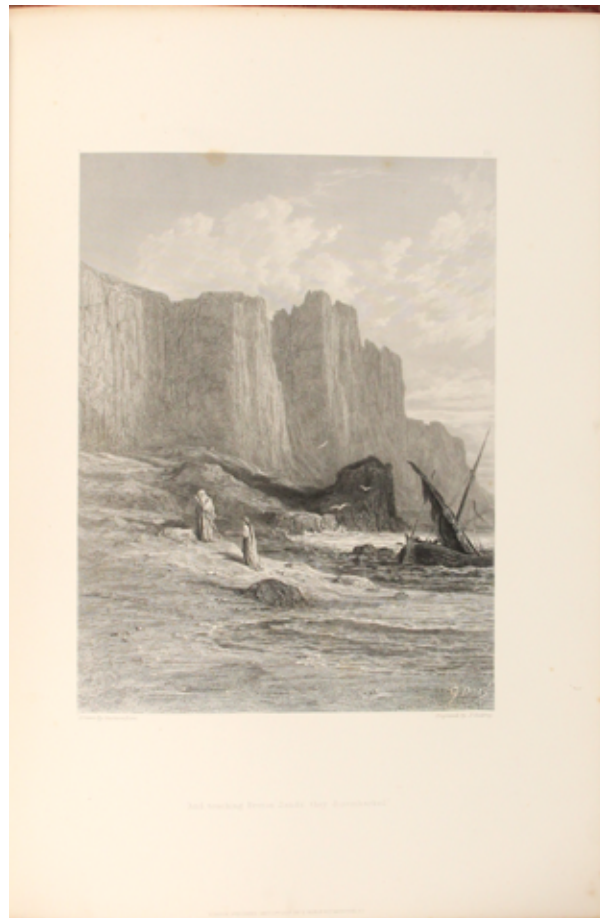
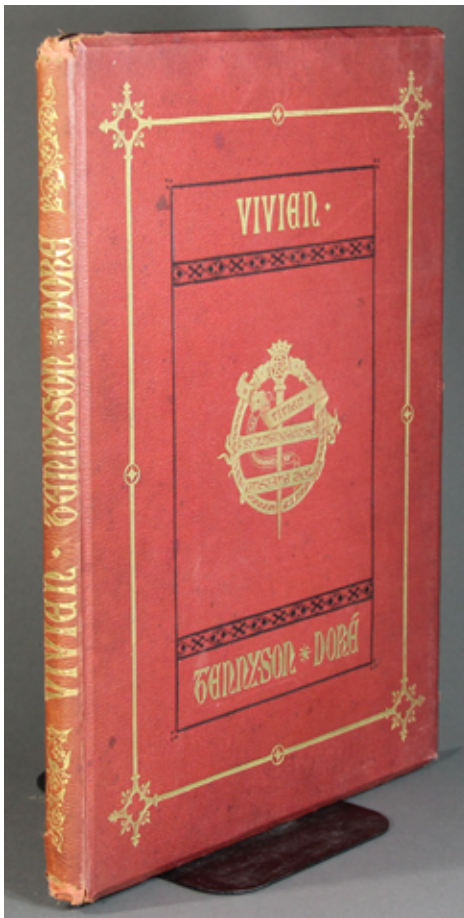
11. [Doré, Gustav.] Tennyson, Alfred, Lord. *Guinevere ... Illustrated by Gustav Doré.* London: Edward Moxon, 1867. \$350

First Doré edition, folio, pp. [6], 41, [1]; 9 steel engravings after the designs of Gustav Doré; original blue cloth stamped in gilt and black on the upper cover and in gilt only on the spine; spine ends chipped; a very good, bright copy. Malan, p. 303.



12. [Doré, Gustav.] Tennyson, Alfred, Lord. *Vivian ... Illustrated by Gustav Doré.* London: Edward Moxon, 1867. \$300

First Doré edition, folio, pp. [6], 49, [1]; 9 steel engravings after the designs of Gustav Doré; original red cloth stamped in gilt and black on the upper cover and in gilt only on the spine; spine ends chipped, front hinge starting, light wear at the extremities; all else very good and bright. Malan, p. 303.

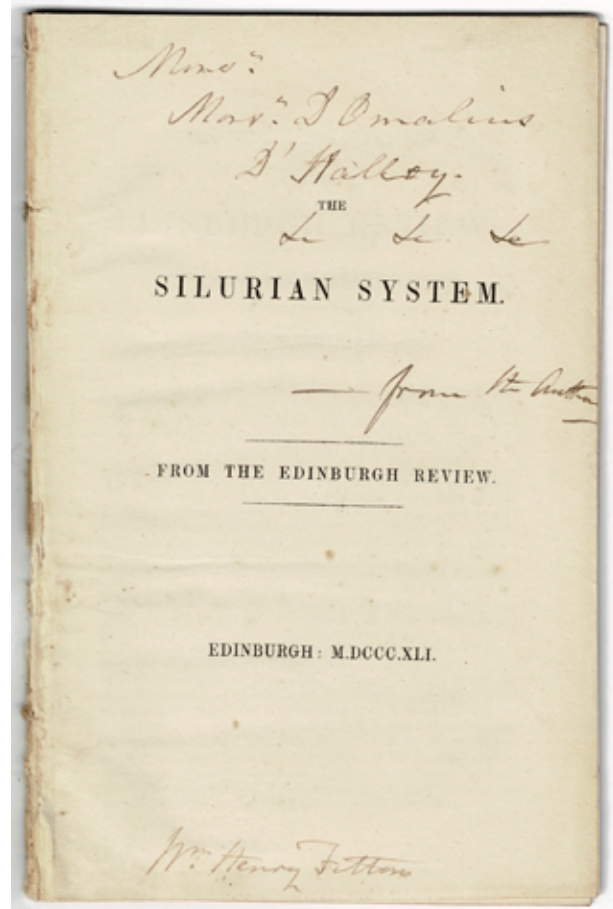


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13. [Fitton, William Henry.]. *The Silurian System. From the Edinburgh Review.* Edinburgh: 1841. \$150

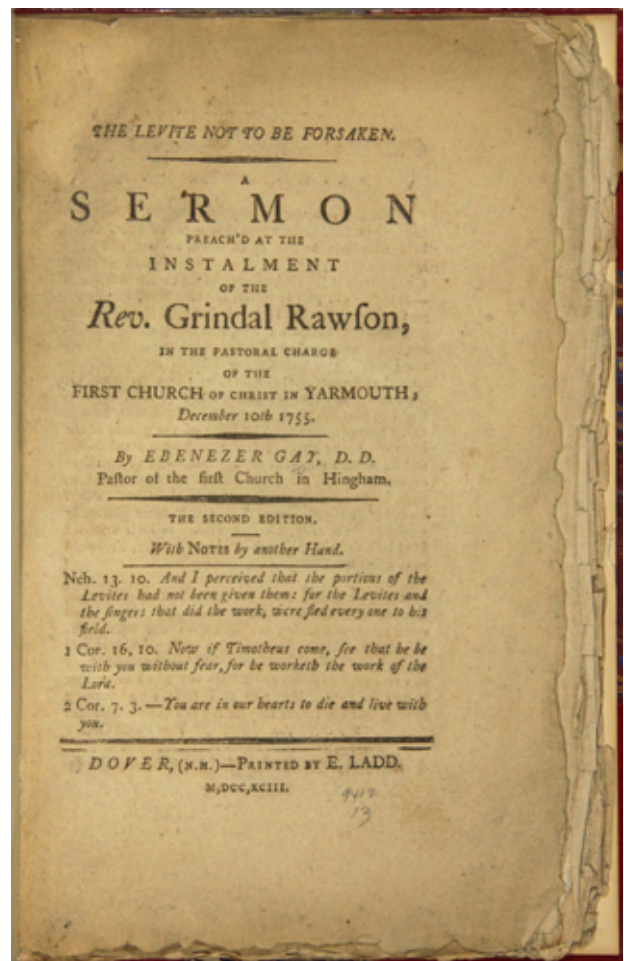
8vo, pp. [2], 41, [1]; folding plate and text illustrations, gatherings loose in contemporary half blue morocco over pebbled cloth, good. Inscribed by the author to Jean Baptiste Julien d'Omalius d'Halloy, a pioneering Belgian geologist, and with quite a few authorial redactions and amendments in the text.

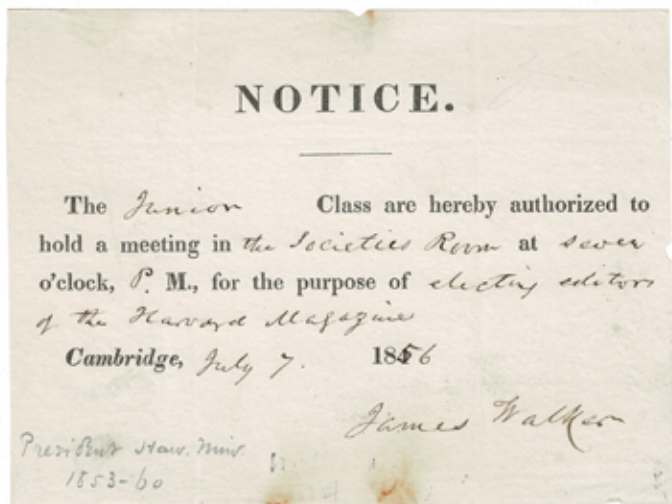
Fitton was primarily a physician, but was active in amateur geology. He published extensively and was President of the Geological Society of London for two years. The monograph which Fitton reviews here, *The Silurian System* (1839), is by Roderick Impey Murchison.



14. **Gay, Ebenezer.** *The Levite not to be forsaken. A sermon preach'd at the instalment [sic] of the Rev. Grindal Rawson, in the pastoral charge of the First Church of Christ in Yarmouth; December 10th 1755 ... The second edition. With notes by another hand.* Dover, (N. H.): printed by E. Ladd, 1793. \$125

8vo, pp. 31, [1]; uncut; later 3/4 red morocco over marbled boards, gilt title on spine; light edge wear, very good. Title verso has a notice of Gay's death, which occurred 6 years prior to this printing in 1787. Evans 25529.





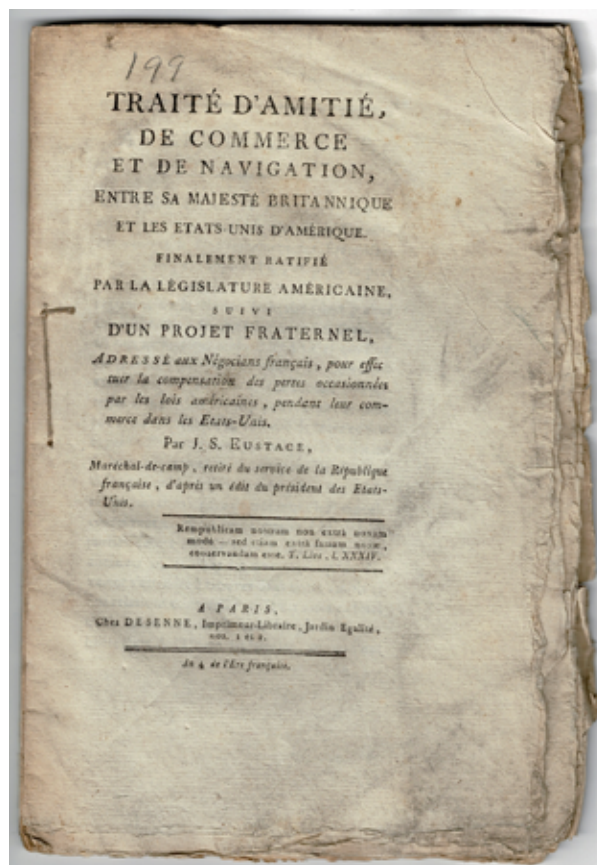
15. [Harvard University.] Walker, James. Notice. The junior class are hereby authorized to hold a meeting. Cambridge: 1856. \$125

Broadside, 4¾" x 6¼"; printed pro-forma document completed in manuscript; previous folds; very good.

"The [Junior] Class are hereby authorized to hold a meeting in [The Societies Room] at [seven] o'clock, [P.] M., for the purpose of [electing editors of the Harvard Magazine]." Signed in full, "James Walker."

James Walker was president of Harvard between 1853 and 1860, and graduated in the class of 1814. He returned to study at Harvard Divinity School, graduating in 1817. He served as the Unitarian Minister of Harvard Church and then as Professor of Natural Religion, Moral Philosophy, and Civil Polity before being elected president.

Five periodicals were known to have used the title *Harvard Magazine*. This notice probably refers to the initial general interest literary journal issued from 1854 to 1864 which included essays and poetry.



16. [Jay Treaty.] Eustace, J. S. *Traité d'amitié, de commerce, et de navigation entre Sa Majesté britannique et les États-Unis d'Amérique. Finalement ratifié par la législature américaine, suivi d'un projet fraternel, adressé aux négocians français, pour effectuer la compensation des pertes occasionnées par les lois américaines, pendant leur commerce dans les États-Unis.* Paris: chez Desenne, An 4 [i.e. 1796]. \$600

First French edition, 8vo, pp. [5], 6-68; self-wrappers, uncut and unopened, stitched, as issued; title a little dusty, else very good. Not found in Sabin or Howes.

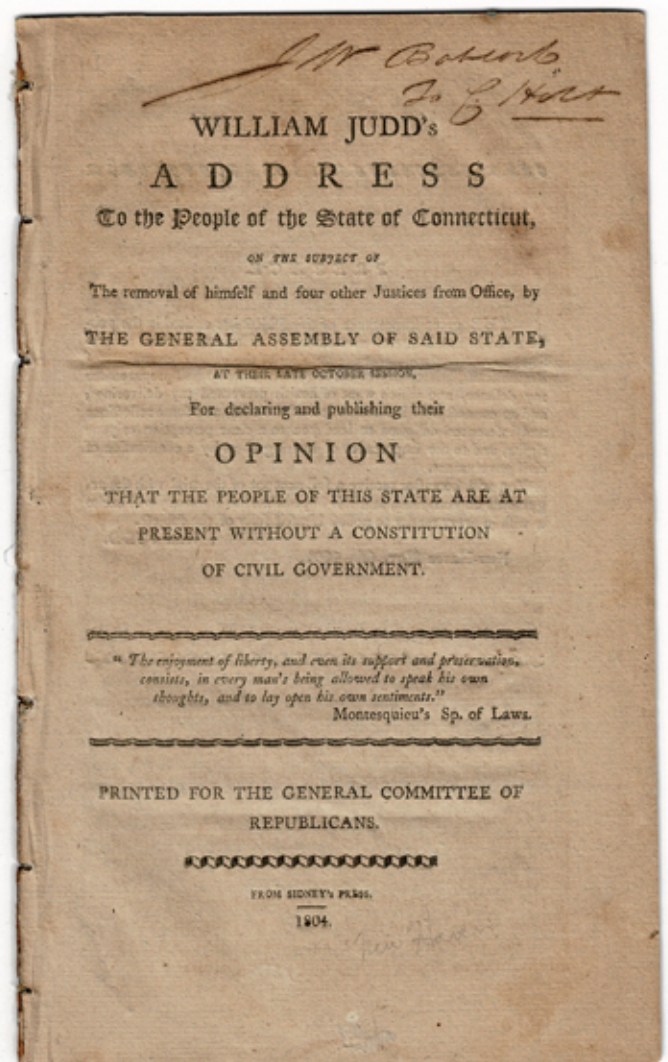
Contains the full text of the *Treaty of Amity, Commerce, and Navigation*, between his Britannic Majesty and the United States of America [i.e., the Jay Treaty] which was conditionally

ratified by the U.S. Senate June 24, 1795. The Jay Treaty adjusted a number of thorny matters which grew out of the Peace Treaty of 1783, including several on America's northern frontier, especially boundary gaps and the failure to evacuate frontier forts. In the treaty Great Britain agreed to evacuate the frontier forts by 1796 and two mixed boundary commissions were set up. The Jay Treaty thus helped avert another war with Great Britain, and perhaps more significantly, established the principle of international arbitration.

17. **Judd, William.** *William Judd's address to the people of the state of Connecticut, on the subject of the removal of himself and four other justices from office, by the General Assembly of said state, at their late October session, for declaring and publishing their opinion that the people of this state are at present without a constitution of civil government.* [New Haven]: printed for the General Committee of Republicans. From Sidney's Press, 1804. \$150

First edition, 8vo, pp. 23, [1]; removed from binding, wrappers perished; occasional light dampstain, very good.

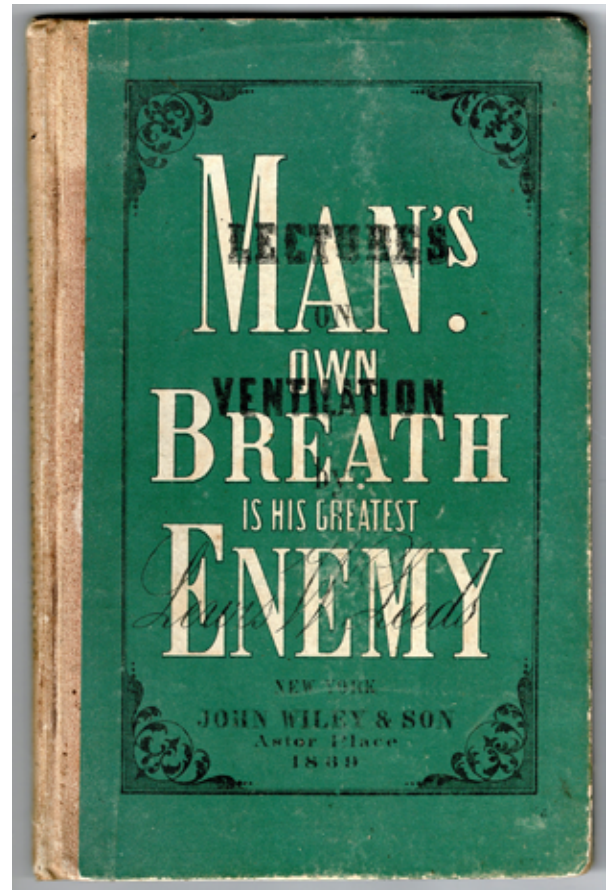
Judd's argument rested on a distinction between the government and the constitution, but as a Republican in Federalist Connecticut he suffered the political consequences and was removed from office. The verso of the last leaf contains an obituary for Judd who died on Nov. 13, 1804. Also attributed to Abraham Bishop. *American Imprints* 6576; Sabin 36846: "A Jeffersonian campaign document."



18. **Leeds, Lewis.** *Lectures on ventilation: being a course delivered in the Franklin Institute, of Philadelphia, during the winter of 1866-67.* New York: John Wiley & Son, 1869. \$225

8vo, pp. [4], 60; 2 color plates; cloth-backed green printed paper boards with an interesting layered text design; edges rubbed, spine sunned, textblock split in a couple places, but binding still sound, very good. Three lectures on the use of ventilation to improve sanitation and health.

Among the first published guidelines on building ventilation strategies. Leeds developed his lectures as a response to the poor air quality in East Coast cities. (Passe and Battaglia, *Designing Spaces for Natural Ventilation*).

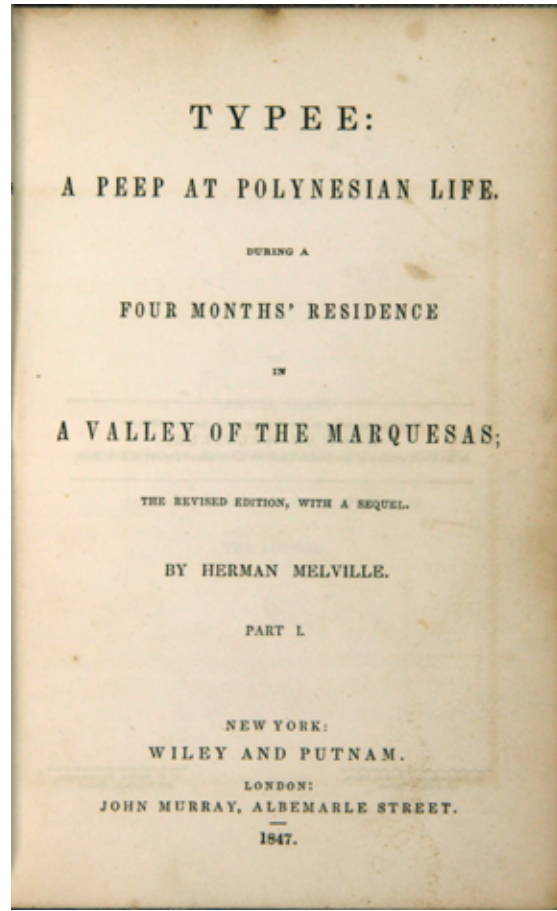
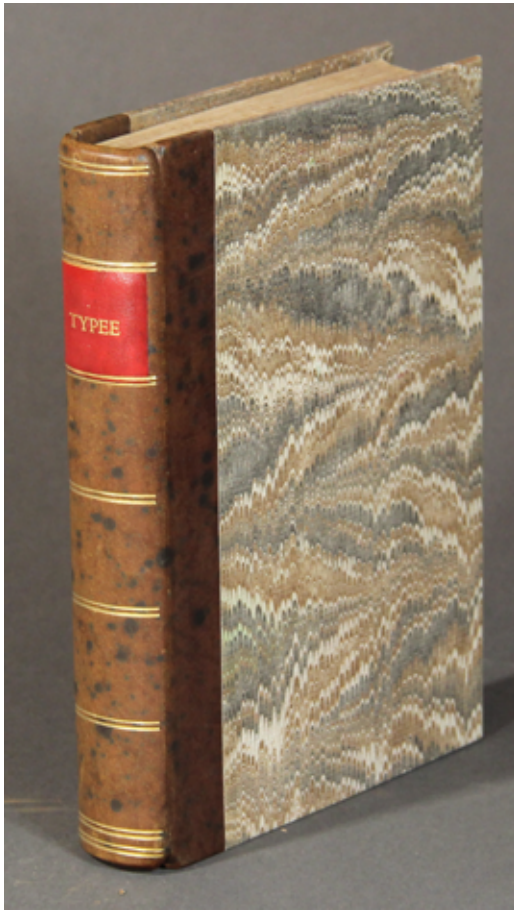


19. [**Lincoln, Abraham.**] [**Williamson, David Brainerd.**] *Illustrated life, services, martyrdom, and funeral of Abraham Lincoln...* Philadelphia: T. B. Peterson, n.d., [1865]. \$100

8vo, pp. [2], 15-299, [1]; 11 wood-engraved plates; original brown pebble-grain cloth, gilt lettering on spine; spine a bit dull, text lightly toned, otherwise a very good, sound copy.

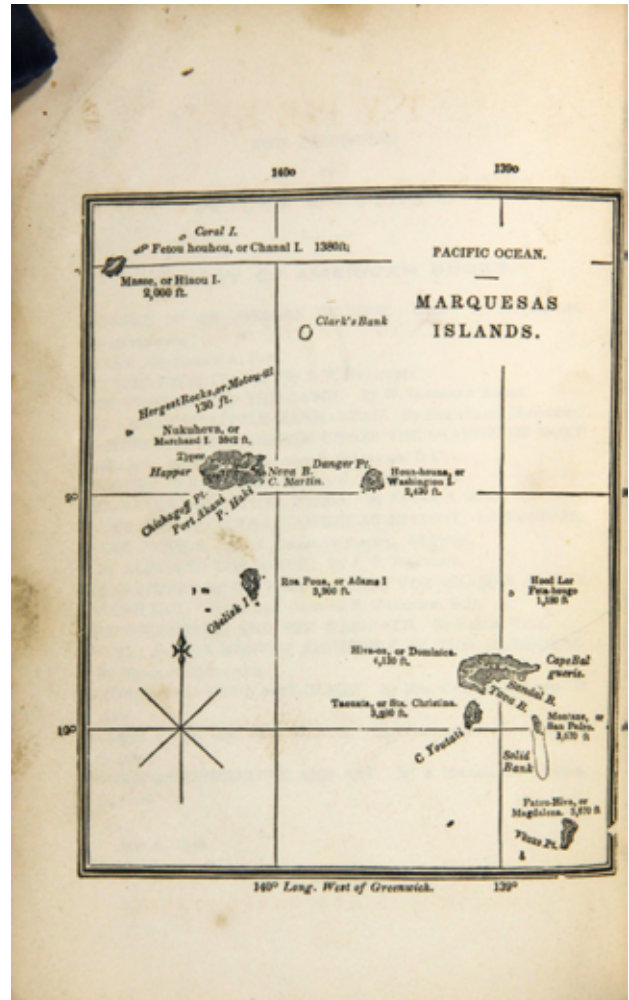
Reissue, with additions, of *Life and Public Services of Abraham Lincoln*, Philadelphia, 1864. Monaghan 368, and noting three variants with differing pagination.

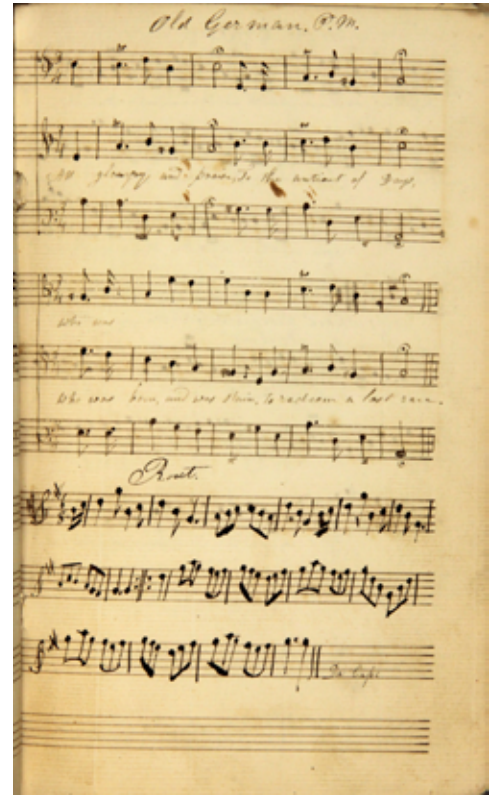
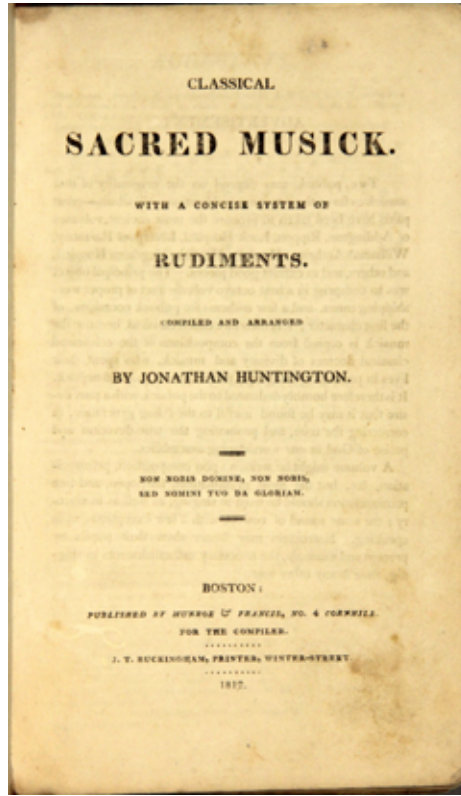




20. **Melville, Herman.** *Typee: a peep at Polynesian life. During a four month's residence in a valley of the Marquesas. The revised edition, with a sequel.* New York: Wiley & Putnam; London: John Murray, 1847. \$425

First edition, fourth printing of the revised edition of the author's first book, 2 vols. in 1, as issued, 8vo, pp. xiv, 149, [5], [151]-307, [1], plus 9 pages of ads paged [xv]-xxiii; integral frontispiece map; recent quarter calf-backed marbled boards, gilt-ruled spine in 6 compartments, red morocco label in one; endpapers foxed, very good; BAL 13654; Wright 1, 1869.





WITH 16 PAGES OF MUSICAL MANUSCRIPT
 21. [Music.] **Huntington, Jonathan.**
Classical sacred musick with a concise system of rudiments. Boston: Munroe & Francis, 1812. \$425

First edition, 8vo, pp. 4, 75, [1], with [16] pp. of manuscript music bound in at the back (including "Mary's Dream," "Lang Syne," "Washington's March," "Dear, What Can the Matter Be?," and "Mozart's Favorite Waltz"); printed music with words throughout; contem-

porary sheep-backed paper-covered boards; wear to corners and edges, some loss to back endpaper, good and sound. Ownership signature of Charles Heath on front free endpaper.

Huntington published two compilations of music, the first from American sources and this title primarily from European sources.

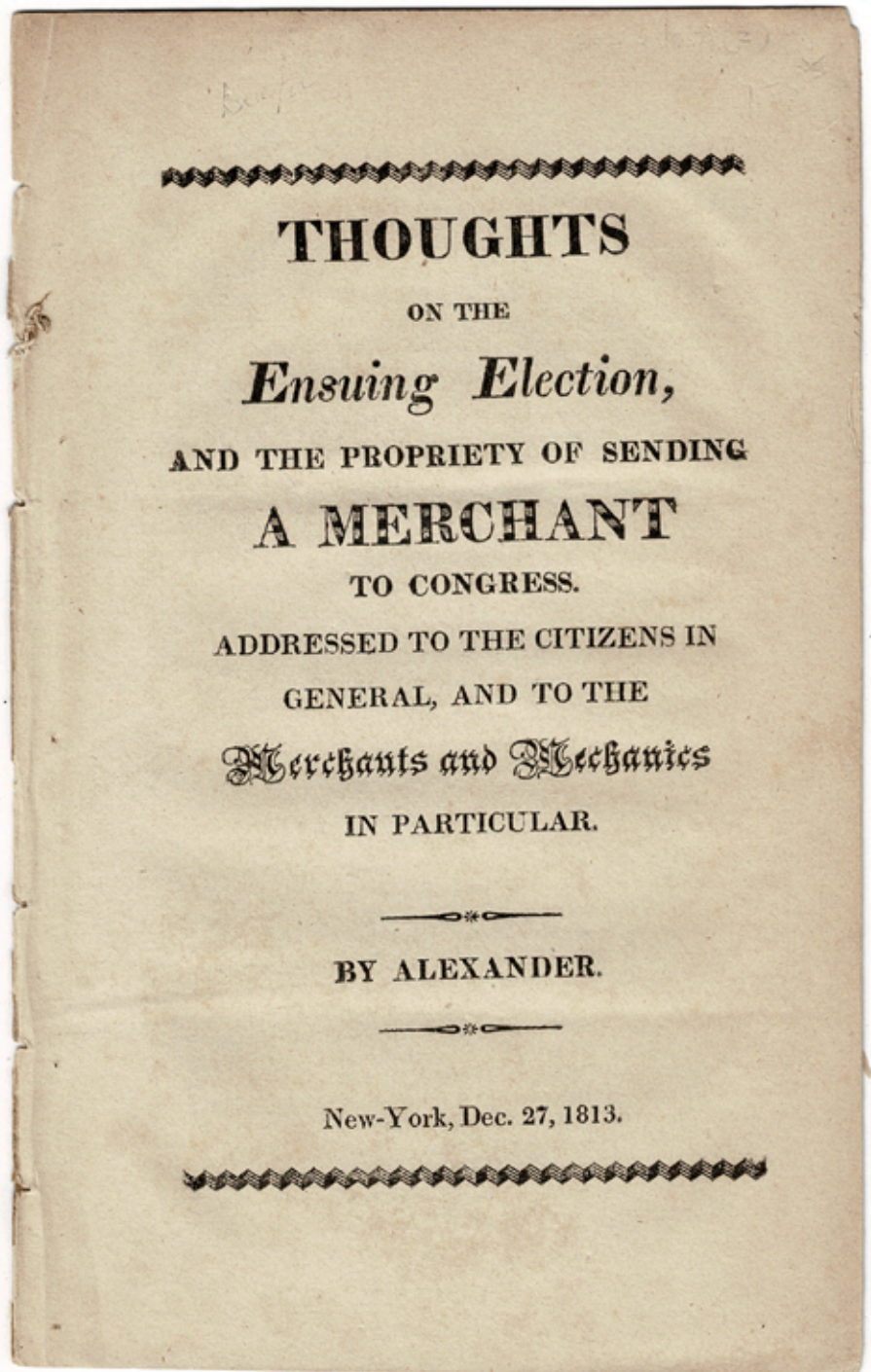
Metcalf, *American Writers and Compilers of Sacred Music*, pp. 148-9. *American Imprints* 25703.

WASHINGTON IRVING'S BROTHER
RUNS FOR CONGRESS

22. [New York Elections.] Irving, William. *Thoughts on the ensuing election, and the propriety of sending a merchant to Congress. Addressed to the citizens in general, and to the merchants and mechanics in particular.* By Alexander. New York: Dec. 27, 1813. \$300

8vo, pp. 16; removed from binding, wrappers perished; all else very good.

Supporting the candidacy of William Irving, a Republican, and brother of Washington Irving, for Congress, and opposing Peter A. Jay, a Federalist lawyer. The advocacy was successful: Irving served three consecutive terms, beginning in 1814. Includes a letter dated Dec. 9, 1813, from President James Madison proposing an embargo against Britain during the War of 1812. *American Imprints* 29950; *Sabin* 95702. AAS, NY Historical, and the BL only in OCLC.



23. [New York Land Fraud.] Van Rensselaar, Henry R. Four-page deposition on land fraud perpetrated through the use of soldier's bounties. Claverack, Columbia County: June 20, 1790. \$450

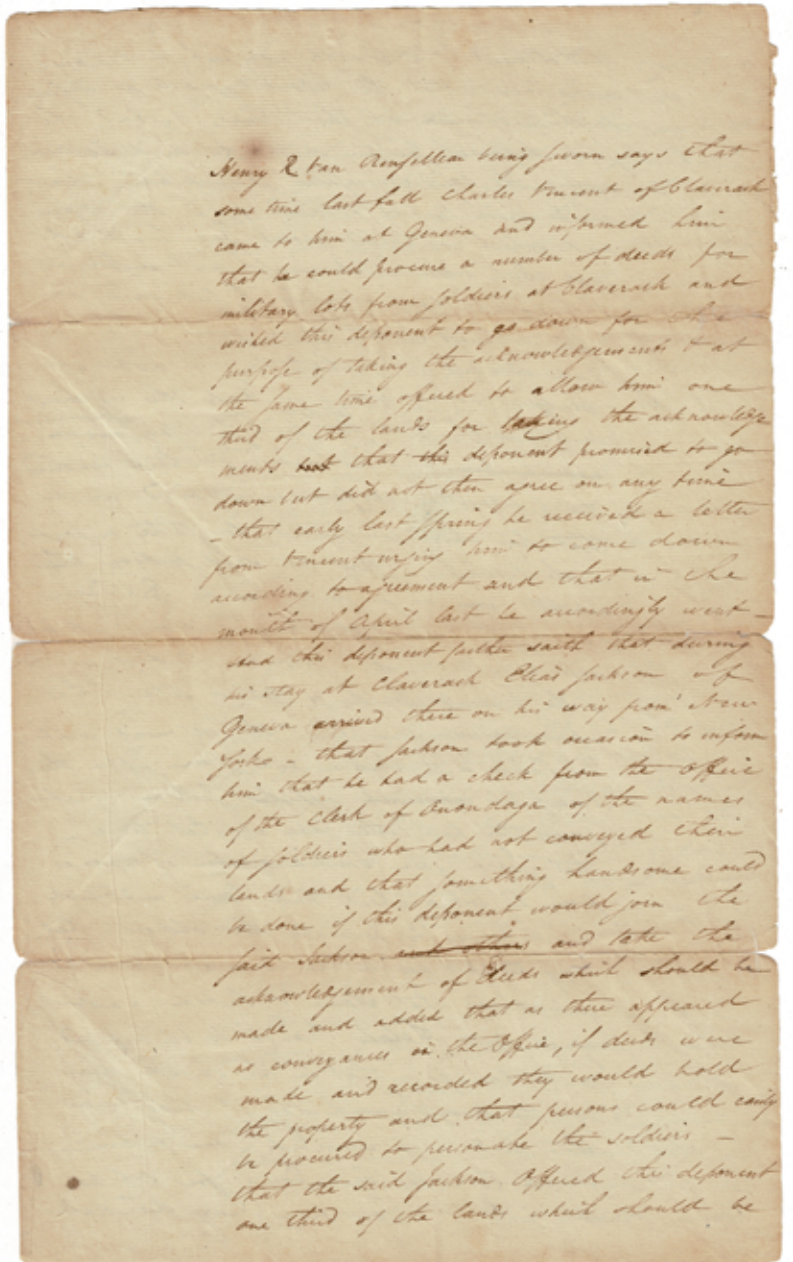
Small folio, 13" x 8"; pp. [4]; previous folds, splits neatly repaired with some minor loss to text, overall legible and clean. Legal papers filed by Henry Van Rensselaar regarding a land fraud scheme in which soldiers were impersonated, their rights to lots of property deeded to nefarious accomplices, and the resulting property to be split among the conspirators.

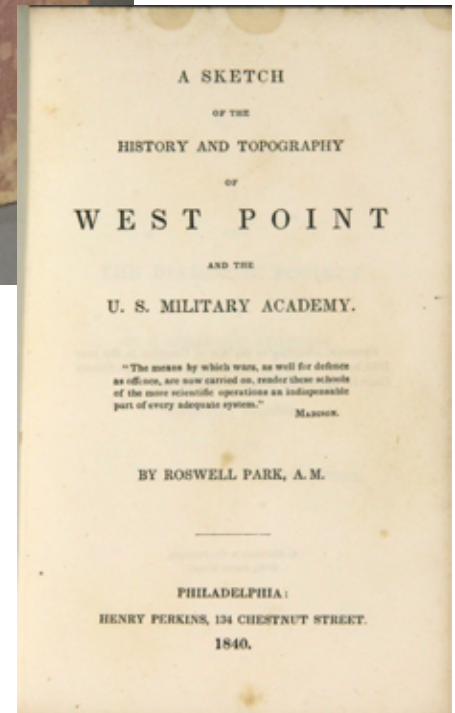
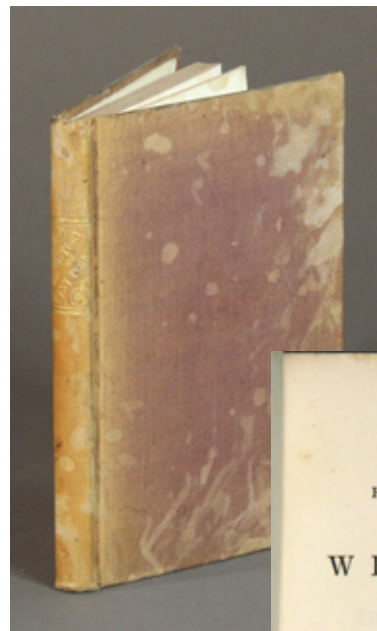
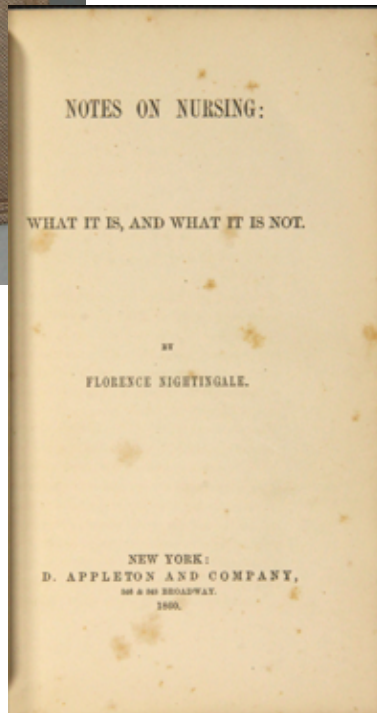
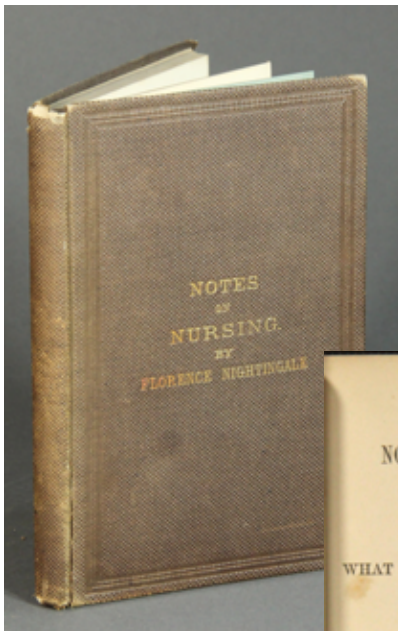
Land bounty warrants were used by New York as a way of enticing men into service. In 1781 bounties were offered to raise two regiments of troops for three years' service, and the next year bounties were offered to any person or militia "class" providing a soldier to serve in any of the five New York Regiments.

Van Rensselaer recounts that he was approached by Charles Vincent and offered one third of the bounties he had procured if he would go down and "take the acknowledgements." After some hesitation Henry agrees and meets Elias Jackson, Selah Francis and James Goodrich, Charles' co-conspirators. His conclusion is the following: "That when the deponent came to take the acknowledgement of the deeds on the last day ... he discovered that the person was withdrawn as to one of the deeds and a different person presented – and, this deponent farther saith that James Francis and Goodrich gave Jackson a conveyance for two thirds of the lots contained in the respective conveyances and that Jackson would not have his name inserted in the first deeds because he remarked it might lead to a discovery or suspicion – that it was agreed by Jackson

Goodrich and Francis that Taine should go on with the deeds to the clerks office and get them recorded as soon as possible and immediately thereafter withdraw from the office. And this deponent farther saith that he understood at the time the deeds were executed from the whole of these ... that the grantors were not in reality the soldiers who drew that lots but were persons that they had procured for the purpose of impersonating them."

The Van Rensselaar family was one of the most wealthy of early America and were prominent in New York politics and business. Herman Melville was a descendent.



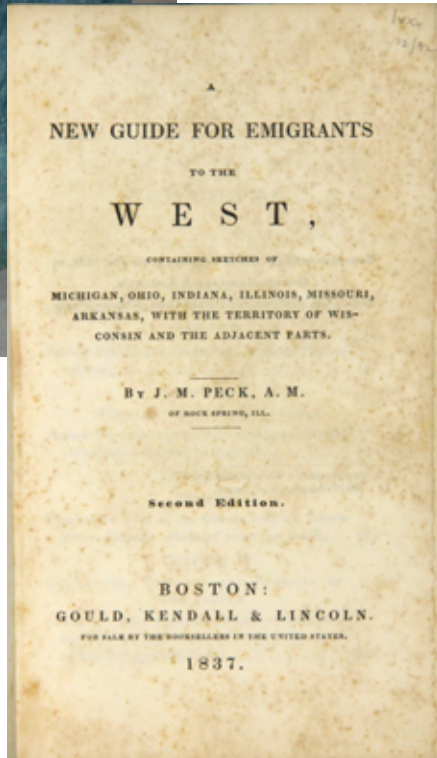


24. **Nightingale, Florence.** *Notes on Nursing: what it is and what it is not.* New York: D. Appleton & Co., 1860. \$575

First American edition, 8vo, pp. 140, [4] (ads); slight fraying at ends of spine, small split on upper joint, mild spotting in text, very good in original brown cloth, gilt lettering on upper cover. *Heirs of Hippocrates* 1885.

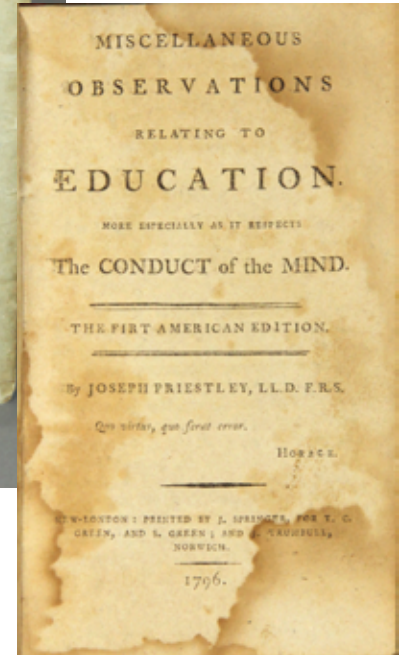
25. **Park, Roswell.** *A sketch of the history and topography of West Point and the U. S. Military Academy.* Philadelphia: Henry Perkins, 1840. \$375

First edition, 16mo, pp. 140; original brown cloth, covers sunned and spotted, textblock clean and sound, very good. Without the map, as usual. Sabin 58634.



26. **Peck, J. M.** *A new guide for emigrants, containing sketches of Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Arkansas, with the territory of Wisconsin and the adjacent parts ... Second edition.* Boston: Gould, Kendall & Lincoln, 1837. \$250

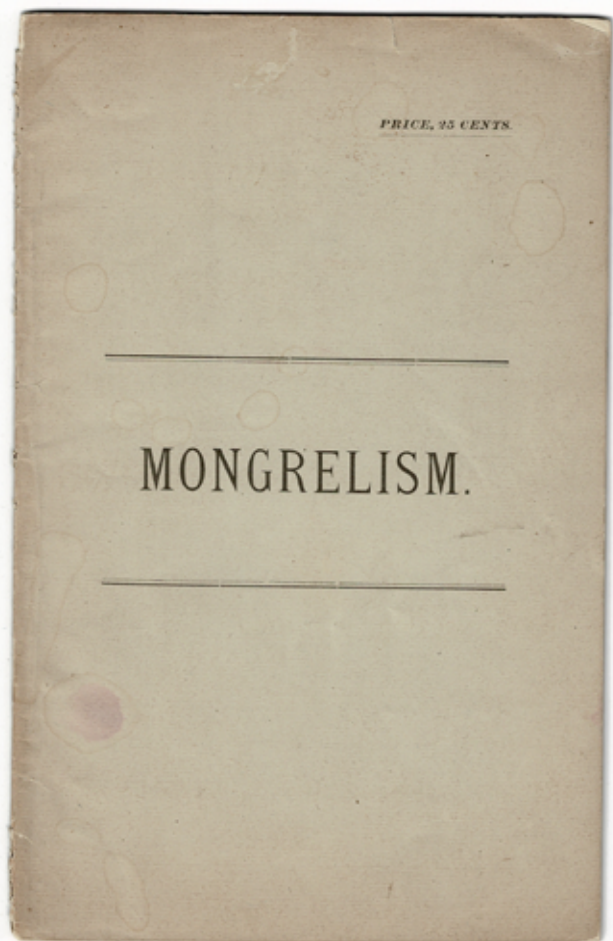
12mo, pp. xii, [3], 16-381, [1]; original blind-stamped blue-green cloth, gilt-lettered spine; very good. First-hand observations of the Midwest, but secondary material on the South. *American Imprints* 46153; Clark III, 86; Howes P-171.



27. **Priestley, Joseph.** *Miscellaneous observations relating to education. More especially as it respects the conduct of the mind.* New-London [CT]: printed by J. Springer for C. T. Green, and S. Green; and J. Trumbull, Norwich, 1796. \$275

First American edition, 12mo, pp. x, 102, [2]; contemporary green paper-covered boards backed in calf; waterstains on boards and first and last few leaves, corners rubbed, signature of Gamaliel Manning on front endpaper, library bookplate on pastedown, textblock very good and sound.

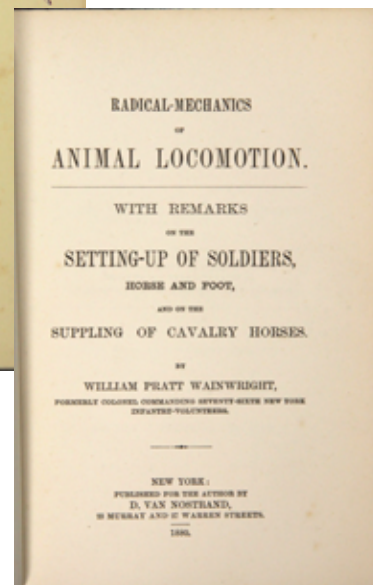
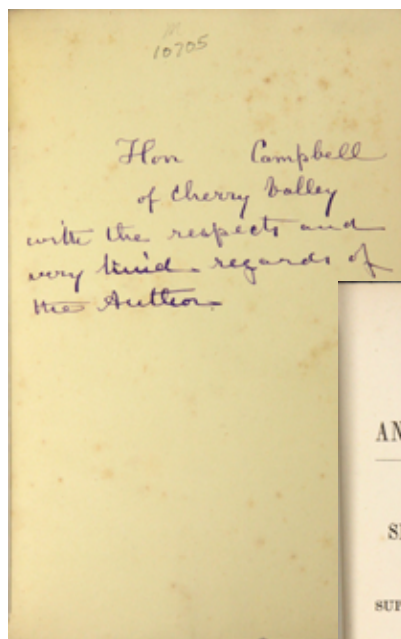
Joseph Priestley was a polymath and known best for his achievements in science, including the discovery of oxygen, but he also committed great effort to the improvement of pedagogy. He emphasized the study of history above that of classical language, and encouraged the education of women as a means of imparting moral fiber. His liberal approach to education and his criticism of state-run education was well received in the US.



28. [Racism.] Quinby, Watson F. *Mongrelism*. Wilmington: James & Webb, printers, 1876. \$325

First edition, 8vo, pp. 28; original gray printed wrappers; spine starting to split, light chipping to edges, very good.

Reconstruction-era racism absorbed certain aspects of Darwinism to develop theories in which mankind was divided into distinct breeds, and argued against the mixing of those breeds. The argument in this pamphlet is typical of this position. It attributes the colonization of Asia to mongrelism, and repeats a popular racist theory that the antiquities of the Americas were built by ancient white people who subsequently intermarried with red people and disappeared, leading to a collapse of society. The author also warns that Armageddon is scheduled for 1881.



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29. Wainwright, William Pratt. *Radical-mechanics of animal locomotion. With remarks on the setting-up of soldiers, horse and foot, and the supplying of cavalry horses*. New York: D. Van Nostrand, 1880. \$275

8vo, pp. xviii, [1], 14-294, [2], viii; original purple cloth, gilt title on spine; spine sunned, text clean and tight. Inscribed by the author to "Hon [William] Campbell of Cherry Valley," the New York historian and politician.

A book dealing particularly with human locomotion and posture, deriving principles from the movement of snakes. Wainwright makes a case for ambidexterity and calls "the excessive use of one hand" "the cause of a general deformity among civilized men."