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THE HOUSE QUEEN CAROLINE

BUILT.

AN EFFUSION.

BY A WILD IRISHWOMAN.

London :

PRINTED FOR THE AUTHOR, AND MAY BE HAD OF ALL RESPECTABLE BOOKSELLERS.

1820.

THE SECOND KNOWN COPY

1) **A WILD IRISHWOMAN.** The house queen caroline built. An effusion. *London. Printed for the Author, 1820. First edition.*

8vo. 13pp, [3]. With a half-title. Uncut and unstitched, as issued. A trifle creased and dusty.

The second known copy of the sole recorded edition of an anonymous satire - in verse and much in the manner of William Hone's more popular *The Queen's Matrimonial Ladder* (London, 1820) - of the situation of Queen Caroline (1768-1821), consort of George IV, particularly concerning her refusal to divorce the king following his ascension to the throne in 1820, and the subsequent public trial on fabricated charges of adultery:

'Let the Queen have trial that is open and just; / Her conscience is clear, and in Heaven's her trust; / She dares them to proof - they already decline; / Her name in church-service is now what they whine.'

There are records of one further pamphlet attributed to 'A Wild Irishwoman'; *The Magic Lantern; or, Green Bag Plot Laid Open [by the] author of "The House that Queen Caroline Built," and other Jugitive pieces.* (London, S. W. Fores, 1820), another defence of Caroline in verse (with engravings by George Cruikshank).

COPAC records a single copy (BL); OCLC adds no further.

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from the Munchator, REPORT

ON THE STATE OF

PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

IN

PRUSSIA;

ADDRESSED TO

THE COUNT DE MONTALIVET,

PEER OF FRANCE, MINISTER OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION AND ECCLESIASTICAL AFFAIRS;

BY

M. .VICTOR COUSIN,

PEER OF FRANCE, COUNCILLOR OF STATE, PROFESSOR OF FHILOSOFHY, MEMBER OF THE INSTITUTE, AND OF THE ROYAL COUNCIL OF FUELIC INSTRUCTION.

WITH PLANS OF SCHOOL-HOUSES.

TRANSLATED BY

SARAH AUSTIN.

LONDON; EFFINGHAM WILSON, ROYAL EXCHANGE

> THE LIBRARY, ' DNIVERSHAY COLLEGE, READING.

PRESENTATION COPY

2) AUSTIN, Sarah [trans]. COUSIN, Victor. Report on the state of public instruction in prussia....

London. Effingham Wilson, 1834. First edition in English.

8vo. xxxviii, 333, [1], 35pp, [3]. With five engraved folding plans, two folding tables, and a terminal publisher's advertisement catalogue. Original publisher's green cloth, printed paper lettering-piece. Lightly rubbed and marked, library shelf-marks stamped in gilt and blind to spine, upper board held by single cord only. bookplates, shelf-marks, and withdrawal stamps of Reading University to front endpapers, blind-stamp of same to title page, very occasional spotting. Presentation copy, inked inscription to head of title: 'From the Translator'.

The first edition in English, translated from the French by Sarah Austin (1793-1867), of philosopher Victor Cousin's (1792-1867) survey of the Prussian system of national education. His study of the revolutionary educational methods employed in the country, led to Cousin, as director of the École Normale, drafting a bill that brought about landmark reforms in French primary education. Austin provides a lengthy preface conveying her great admiration for the work. Her translation was frequently reprinted in the United States.

£, 375



AN ADVENTURER'S WRITINGS

3) BOURIGNON, Antonia. The light Risen in darkness. In four parts. Being a collection of letters Written to several Persons, upon great and Important subjects... *London. Printed for S. Manship, 1703. First edition in English.*

8vo. [28], 98, [2], 114, [4], 166; [2], 214pp. Each part has separate pagination, and the fourth part has separate register. Contemporary panelled calf, title in manuscript to spine. Rubbed, chipping to head of spine. Hinges exposed, later shelf-marks and inked ownership inscription to FEP, early inked ownership inscription of 'Sir Archibald Grant of Monymusk' to head of title.

The first edition in English of adventurer, mystic and religious enthusiast Antoinette Bourignon's (1616-1680) collected writings.

Bourignon was convinced that she was illuminated by God to reform both temporal and spiritual life. Accordingly, she attacked every form of religious organisation. She attracted many followers throughout Europe, especially in Scotland. After her death, her devoted disciple Pierre Poiret released her as-yet-unpublished letters. Thanks to Poiret's publicity campaign, Scottish theologian **George Garden (1649-1733)** became interested in Bourignon's writings, ultimately preparing the present translation, with the result that in the late-seventeenth and early eighteenth centuries a series of English publications appeared which took a critical stance against what was then termed 'Bourignonism'. In Scotland, her doctrines, and indeed Gardon's translation, were posthumously denounced by the Presbyterian general assemblies of 1701, 1709, and 1710.

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SOMEWHERE IN SILENCE

BY PATRICK BRAND

GEOFFREY BLES TWO MANCHESTER SQUARE LONDON For initial de Countours H and Albergorn: Christmar 1936: -

PRESENTATION COPY

4) **BRAND, Patrick.** Somewhere in silence. London. Geoffrey Bliss, [1936]. First edition.

8vo. 351pp, [1]. Original publisher's green cloth, lettered in white. Without dustwrapper. Rubbed and marked, spine sunned and cracked. Foxed. Presentation copy, inked inscription to recto of FFEP: 'For Edith de Coundouroff / and Margaret: / Christmas 1936: / From Pat.'

The sole edition of a remarkably scarce novel, dedicated to the memory of novelist Winifred Holtby (1898-1935); the second and final published work of Patrick Brand, of whom little is known beyond his occasional correspondence with Holtby (now a part of the archive held by the Hull History Centre).

Edith de Coundouroff (1888-1956), sister-in-law of Winifred Holtby, whose biographer, Vera Brittain (a mutual friend), wrote of Edith: 'Efficient, reliable, intelligent, but comfortable unafflicted by the restless urge of ambition, Edith neither pretended nor desired to be "highbrow". But her tolerant acquaintance with many tempestuous intellectuals was to give her an affectionate sympathy – enhanced rather than diminished by freedom from competition – with their problems and preoccupations. To a recorder of Winifred's life the value of her accurate memories and honest impressions is beyond all gratitude' (*Testament of Friendship: the story of Winifred Holtby*. London, 1940). Edith's daughter, Margaret, took a role in the film version of Holtby's highly regarded novel South Riding.

OCLC records copies at five locations (Arizona, BL, LoC, NLS, and Oxford); COPAC adds one further (London Library).

EDITED BY HIS WIDOW

 CADDICK, Rev. R[ichard]. Sermons, on different public occasions. London. Hatchard...Bowderoy and Kirby..and W. W. Lucy, 1827. First edition.

8vo. xv, [3], 169pp, [1]. With a list of subscribers. Uncut in original publisher's two-tone paper boards, printed paper lettering-piece. A trifle marked and bumped. Internally clean and crisp.

A fine copy, in original boards, of only the third known copy of the sole edition of five sermons (four of which previously unpublished) by Hebrew scholar Richard Caddick (bap. 1741, d. 1819), edited by his widow: 'Surrounded by heart-corroding cares, - with the attention occupied by domestic misery, it is scarcely possible that the mind can, under such strong excitations of feeling, do justice to itself; she is therefore sensible, that even the little, which as Editor only, she has to perform, will require that indulgence which the generous and liberal-minded is ever ready to bestow'.

OCLC records copies at two locations (Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz Library and National Library of Wales).



JOURNAL

A TOUR IN FRANCE,

IN THE YEARS 1816 AND 1817.

BY FRANCES JANE CAREY.

LONDON: PRINTED FOR TAYLOR AND HESSEY, 93, FLEET-STREET, AND 13, WATERLOO-PLACE, PALL-MALL.

1823.

6) CAREY, Frances Jane. Journal of a tour in france, in the years 1816 and 1817. London. Printed for Taylor and Hessey, 1823. First edition.

8vo. [5], viii-xvi, 502pp. Without half-title. Contemporary dark green morocco, ruled and lettered in gilt, A.E.G. Lightly rubbed and sunned. Marbled endpapers, internally clean and crisp.

The first edition of Frances Jane Carey's (c.1754-1860) highly literate travelogue, recording her experiences touring post-Napoleonic France with her husband and young son.

Carey, according to the publisher's advertisement, directs her attention 'chiefly to the habits, appearance, customs, dress, and conditions of her own sex'. She includes informative and entertaining observations on female education, governesses, dress for ladies, the extreme distress of the poor, and French booksellers who 'express no admiration for Mrs. Radcliffe's romances, and seem to wonder that we should find amusement in what excites the very unpleasurable sensation of fear'.





RARE NOVEL BY A LITHUANIAN AUTHOR

7) [CHOISEUL-GOUFIER, Sophie de

Tisenhaus de]. Barbe radziwil, roman historique. Paris. Le Normant, 1820. First edition.

12mo. In two volumes. [4], 179, [1]; [4], 166pp. With an engraved portrait frontispiece to each volume. Original publisher's paper boards. Rubbed, chipping to spines. Paper label with pencilled ownership inscription, tipped-in at gutter of p.1, Vol. I.

The first edition of a rare historical novel commonly attributed to Lithuanian novelist Sophie de Tisenhaus de Choiseul-Gouffier (1790-1878).

The plot revolves around **Barbara Radziwiłł** (1520/23-1551), Queen of Poland and Grand Duchess of Lithuania as consort of Sigismund II Augustus of the Jagiellon dynasty. The alliance of the pair caused a scandal; and was vehemently opposed by the Polish nobility. Though generally viewed in a negative light by her contemporaries, who accused her of promiscuity and witchcraft, Radziwill's life came to be romanticised, and, due to her death only a few months after her marriage, she was often an inspiration for many nineteenth-century tragedies, as here.

Rare outside of continental Europe; we could not locate any copies in British or American institutions.





PRESENTATION COPY

8) CORELLI, Marie. The devil's motor: a fantasy. [London]. Hodder & Stoughton, [1910]. First edition.

Quarto. [44]p. Printed on rectos only. With six tipped-in colour illustrations by Arthur Severn. Original publisher's decorated red cloth, gilt title set within elaborate border of bat-winged motor car wheels. A trifle rubbed, light scoring to lower board. Some staining to final gathering (not touching text). With a loosely inserted printed flyer from the publisher presenting this copy for review. 'Presentation Copy' embossed to head of title.



Messes. HODDER & STOUGHTON base pleasure in sending for review the accompanying Work, and will be glad to receive a copy of the notice on its appearance. Warwick Sauare, E.C.

THE DEVIL'S MOTOR Price 6/-N°T Date of Publication 3 OCT 1910 The first edition of novelist Mary Mackary's [pseud. Marie Corelli] (1855-1924) impassioned indictment of the motor car, produced in collaboration with artist Arthur Severn, with whom she formed an unrequited romantic attachment. A unique publication, the leaves having been impregnated with a simulated smell of oil and the margins smoke darkened to emulate the pollution of automobiles.



9) [D'AULNOY, Marie-Catherine, Madame]. Memoirs of the Present State of the Court and Councils of spain. In Two Parts. With the true Reasons why this Vast Monarchy, which in the last Century made so considerable a Figure in the World, is in this so Feeble and Paralytick. Done into English by T. Brown.

London. Printed for D. Brown et al., 1701. First edition in English.

8vo. [8], 192, 187pp, [5]. With two final advertisement leaves. Contemporary speckled calf, tooled in gilt and blind, contrasting red morocco lettering-piece. Rubbed, chipping to lettering-piece. Armorial bookplate of Mary Hamilton Nisbet Ferguson to FEP, leaves toned/spotted, marginal ink-stain to p.13.

The first edition in English of Marie-Catherine, Madame d'Aulnoy's (1650 or 1651-1705) *Memoires de la cour d'Espagne* (1690). Known primarily as an author of fairy tales, indeed she originated the term, d'Aulnoy also produced a series of pseudo-memoirs centred around the courts of England, France, and as here, Spain.

The translator, **Thomas Brown of Shifnal (bap. 1663, d. 1704)**, was a playwright, poet, and satirist, known for his friendship and literary collaborations with English Restoration writer **Aphra Behn (1640?-1689)**.



From the library of Mary Hamilton Nisbet (1778-1855), only child of William Hamilton Nisbet, of Dirleton, and heir to a large fortune. In 1799 Nisbet married diplomat Thomas Bruce, seventh Earl of Elgin (1766-1841) shortly before his appointment as ambassador to the Ottoman Empire, together they had two sons and three daughters. Bruce divorced her for adultery by legal actions in 1807 and 1808 in the English and Scottish courts, which caused much public scandal. Nisbet later married Robert Ferguson of Raith (1768-1840) who had been cited in the divorce.

ESTC N12956.

 [D'AULNOY, Marie-Catherine, Madame]. Memoirs of the court of France, and city of Paris... London. Printed for Iacob Tonson...Richard Wellington, [1702].

8vo. In two parts. [2], 152, 288pp, [16]. Pp.161-164 of part II are repeated; register and text are continuous. Contemporary panelled calf, contrasting red morocco lettering-piece, spine richly gilt. Rubbed, loss to head of spine, slight splitting to joints, lettering-piece a trifle chipped. Leaves browned, later armorial bookplate (1755) to FEP, recent bookplate of Robert J. Hayhurst to recto of FFEP, contemporary armorial bookplate of Robert Lord Viscount Tamworth to verso of title page.

The first translation into English of Marie Catherine d'Aulnoy's (1650/51-1705) *Memoires des avantures singulieres de la cour de France* (1692). Known primarily as an author of fairy tales, indeed she originated the term, d'Aulnoy also produced a series of pseudo-memoirs centred around the courts of England, Spain, and, as here, France.

Robert Shirley, Viscount Tamworth (1692-1714), politician, heir apparent to his grandfather, courtier Robert Shirley, Lord Ferrers of Chartley (1650-1717), a sometime member of Queen Anne's privy council.

There are four editions recorded for 1702. No priority has been established. All are scarce, with this edition printed for Jacob Tonson and Richard Wellington being no exception; ESTC records copies at three locations in the British Isles (BL, Cambridge, and Thomas Plume), and a single copy in North America (Missouri).

ESTC T114787.



DISCOURSE

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UPON

JUSTIFICATION:

SHEWING

The Matter, Manner, Time and Effects of it.

To which are added

Three POEMS:

I. On the Special Work || Grace, for the Chief of the Spirit in the Hearts of the Elect. II. On Salvation in CHRIST, by Free-

of Sinners. III. On a Believer's Safety and Duty.

LONDON:

Printed by J. HART, in Poppings-Coart, Fleet-Street : And Sold by J. LEWIS, in Bartholemero-Clofe, near West-Smithfield; and E. GARDNER, at Milton's-Head, in Gracechurch-Striet, MDCCXLIII. (Price Bound One Shilling and Six-pence.)

11) [DUTTON, Anne]. A discourse upon Justification: shewing The Matter, Manner, Time and Effects of it... London. Printed by J Hart, 1743. Second edition.

12mo. 196pp. Contemporary sheep, contrasting red morocco lettering-piece, gilt. Extremities rubbed, marked, and bumped. Later inked ownership inscriptions to FEP, without FFEP, closed tears to leaves G4 and G5 (touching text, without loss), scattered foxing,

The second edition (printed three years after the first) of poet and Calvinist Baptist writer on religion Anne Dutton's (1692-1765) treatise emphasising the centrality to the Christian faith of the doctrine of justification, that is, the act by which God moves a willing person from the state of sin (injustice) to the state of grace (justice). A third edition, printed at Glasgow, with an altered title, appeared in 1778.

All editions are scarce, with this second being no exception; ESTC records copies at three locations in North America (Emory, Harvard, and Yale), and none elsewhere.

ESTC N32682.

£,250



12) EDGEWORTH, Maria. Belinda.

Dublin. Printed for H. Colbert, and J. Stockdale, 1801. First Irish edition.

12mo. In two volumes. 4, 333; 335pp, [1]. Contemporary sheep, contrasting green morocco lettering-pieces. Extremities worn and marked, joints split, surface loss, several minute worm-holes. Without Vol. I FFEP, early inked ownership inscriptions to titles, very occasional chipping to corners.

The first Dublin edition of Anglo-Irish novelist and educational writer Maria Edgeworth's (1768-1849) second published work, a courtship novel with allusions to Gothic romance. Initially issued in three volumes by Joseph Johnson of London, the book met with immediate controversy for its depiction of an interracial marriage (an event removed entirely from the third edition). Literary critic George Saintsbury argued that Jane Austen's naturalistic female characters owed a debt to this society novel's spirited heroine. Certainly, when Austen was updating her early novel-draft 'Susan', which eventually appeared in print as Northanger Abbey, she added a reference to Belinda: 'Oh, it is only a novel...It is only Cecilia or Camilla, or Belinda; or, in short, only some work in which the greatest powers of the mind are displayed'.

£. 375



UNRECORDED DORSET BROADSIDE

13) [EXECUTION]. [Caption title:] A particular account of Thomas Smith. Who was to have been Executed at Dorchester, 19 March, 1804, for the wilful Murder of Ann Clark of Briant's Piddle, in the county of Dorset. Dorchester. E. Lockett, [1804].

Dimension 180 x 240 mm. Single leaf broadside. Edges uncut. A trifle creased.

An entirely unrecorded broadside recording the details of a brutal murder committed on the outskirts of Dorchester. Thomas Smith, following a disagreement over the bill for his lodgings, bound, stabbed, and strangled his hosteller, Ann Clark.

Smith was duly arrested, tried, and sentenced to death. He hanged himself the night before his planned execution; nevertheless 'on being found his body was hung up to the drop, that the sentence of the law might be executed'.

£, 850

A PARTICULAR ACCOUNT OF THOMAS SMITH,

Who was to have been Executed at Dorchefter, 19 March, 1804, for the wilfil Murder of ANN CLARK of Briant's Piddle, in the county of Dorset, THOMAS SMITH was a native of Briant's Piddle, but had not refi-A ded there for many years, till about fix months before the horrid event took place, for which he has juffly forfeited his life; it was proved on his trial as likewife by his own confession, that on the evening preceding the murder, a diffute a ofe between the deceafed and himfelf concerning a trilling error in his bill, (as he lodged and boardedin the houfe) in confequence of this disagreement he formed the horrible refolution of murdering her; as foon as her hutbaudleft the houle, which he knew was to be early in the morning, he provided himfelf with about 30 yards of firong cord intending to bind her taft to the bed as the lay asleep ; after planing in his mind the way in which he fhould accomplish his bloody purpose, he waited in his room without taking off his clothes, till Clark went out, which has pened about 3 o'clock in the morning, he then went to the chamber and bound her fast with the cords (before mentioned) without its awakening her. it's painful to reflect on what must have been the sufferings of the unfortunate Woman as the' he flabbed her in several places to severe as to cause a great effusion of blood yet the opinion of the surgeons was that the wounds alone would not have caused her death, which was occasioned by his firangling her with part of the, cord, when he found the wounds did not dispatch her, the was upwards of half an hour dying by his own confession, the dreadful deed accomplished he took from a box by the bedside about 701, in notes & cash, and made off immediately, lea-ving the bloody knife on the table below man, when got a self or two from the book, he took off in bloody gaments and hid them in a besige, (where they were found the text day) and put on a suit It is bloody generation and bid them in a keep, (where they are reason the next day and part on a vali-be had taken with him, preceding across the excepts by keav overtaken by the Bach Van, in which was a period who had seen one of the bills that had been expeditionally printed at (brechester in the morning; on Smith's estimation primer), it struck the pieron the description given of the countersance of the marketer atlined excelly, squaring eyes, a down malicious book, and about yo or appeards, on flopping at the Tipling Philosopher in hillinere Port, he was apprehended & carried of Dorichetter in a Chain, where he was committed to the Caulty, smith the excentions of the populate.

The Judge on parsing sentence told him to prepare for death as he could give him to hopes of mercy. His behaviour during his confinement was sallen and reserved, not expressing any contributor

His behaviour during his configuration was tailen and reserved, not expressing any constitution his dreadful offence till after condemnation from that time he was low and dejetted. This missible servels whose target he was to an expression of the server and dejetted. Substantiation of the savida work and fastering it round his neck, hung him. Travethe had goined the window, can being and with and fastering it round his neck, hung him. Travethe had goined the window, can being and his hady was honey up to the denor, that the senuterest the have ngifts be executed, and at the law midd worken and was incorrected. The senuterest of the law might the window, can being and delivered to the Surgeman for disactions. Thus we nee that this many degravity and worken one but not incorrection, sen notwithstanding the sav-th law mint of the regular astendance of the Clergyman, he fill perivised in his wicks.

edness to the laff.

We fhall seldom hear of a murder so barbarous, fo deliberate, fo unprovoked as this in guestion. Little, furely, need be faid to deter any of our readers from the flighteft idea of bring guilty of a crime of so atrocions a nature. Suffice it to say that there is a just God who judgeth the earth, and that all our most fecret actions are open to his light.

S. Lockett, Printer, Darchefter.

FEMINIANA, OR Moets' Beauties. Th BEING APPROVED SELECTIONS FROM BRITISH AUTHORS, ANCIENT AND MODERN. Descriptibe of Wlomen. Lot disclosed in all her smilling pomp, Where Beauty onward moving claims the verse Her charms inspires the freely-flowing verse In thy immortal praise, O form divine, Smooths her mellifuent stream. ARENSIDE. THIRD EDITION. EDINBURGH: BELL & BRADFUTE, BANK STREET.

1835.

14) [FEMINIANA]. Feminiana, or The Poet's Beauties. Being approved selections from british authors, ancient and modern, Descriptive of Women. *Edinburgh. Bell & Bradfute, 1835. Third edition.*

8vo. xv, [1], 215pp, [1]. With a half-title. Contemporary brown cloth. Extremities rubbed and stained. Occasional spotting, short closed tear to foot of penultimate leaf.

The third edition, printed in the same year as the first, of an anthology of poetry celebrating the beauty and character of the female sex, including selections from the works of Byron, Coleridge, Wordsworth, and Scott.

All editions a remarkably scarce, with this third being no exception; OCLC records two copies in North America (Saint Francis Xavier and Stanford), and none elsewhere; COPAC adds no further.



15) [FLEETWOOD, William]. The life and miracles of St. wenefrede, Together with her litanies; with some Historical Observations made thereon. *London. Printed for Sam. Buckley, 1713. First edition.*

8vo. 128pp. Contemporary panelled calf, ruled in gilt, paper lettering-piece, with title in manuscript, to spine. Rubbed, joints starting. Armorial bookplate of Thomas Gaisford to FEP, early inked annotation and spotting to title, scattered foxing.

The first edition of Anglican clergyman and **William Fleetwood's (1656-1723)** reworking of *The Life and Miracles of St Wenefride, Virgin, Martyr and Abbess, Patroness of Wales* (1712), edited by **Philip Leigh (1650/51-1717)**, originally translated by the Jesuit priest John Falconer and printed by the press of the English College at St Omer in 1635. A Welsh virgin martyr of the seventh-century, the legends surrounding St. Winifred flourished in twelfth-century England. The most common declares her to have been murdered by Caradog of Hawarden, after refusing his advances. He beheaded her, and from the spot where her head hit the ground a spring emerged, to this day venerated as site of pilgrimage.

ESTC T28394.



EARLY FEMALE OWNERSHIP

16) GENLIS, [Stéphanie Félicité], Madame de. le siege de la rochelle, ou le malheur et la conscience.

Paris, réimprimé a Londres, pour H. Colburn, 1808.

12mo. In two volumes. xi, [1], 190; [4], 251pp, [1]. Contemporary marbled calf, contrasting black morocco lettering-pieces, gilt. Extremities rubbed. Contemporary inked ownership inscription of Anna Wigley to front blank fly-leaf of Vol. I, occasional spotting.

The first London edition, reprinted from the first French edition of the year prior, of Stéphanie Félicité, Comtesse de Genlis' (1746-1830) historical novel set during the French Wars of Religion. The work is dedicated to Pauline Brady, an avid admirer who had withdrawn to on estate on the outskirts of Orléans to devote herself to the education of her children according to the author's methods.

£ 200



LE SIÈGE

DE

LA ROCHELLE,

LE MALHEUR ET LA CONSCIENCE,

PAR MAD" DE GENLIS.

TOME PREMIER.

A PARIS, BÉIMPRIMÉ A LONDRES, POUR H. COLBURN, CONDUIT-STREET, NEW BOND-STREET. ALPHONSINE,

LA TENDRESSE

O U

MATERNELLE.

PAR MME DE GENLIS.

TOME PREMIER.

A PARIS,

Chez H. NICOLLE et COMPAGNIE, Libraires, rue des Petits-Augustins, nº 15.

1806.

RETURNED BY JANE AUSTEN

17) GENLIS, [Stéphanie Félicité], Madame de. Alphonsine, ou la tendresse maternelle. *Paris. Chez H. Nicolle et Compagnie, 1806.*

12mo. In three volumes. [3], vi-xxviii, 355, [1]; [2], 325, [1]; [2], 351pp, [1]. Without half-titles. Contemporary gilt-tooled red half-morocco, plain powder blue boards. Lightly rubbed and marked, spines dulled. Marbled endpapers, scattered foxing, very occasional chipping to margins.

An attractive set of an early French edition (printed in the year after the first) of one of **Stéphanie Félicité, Comtesse de Genlis' (1746-1830)** lesserknown romance novels.

The work does not appear to have been as popular as some of her earlier efforts, indeed, Jane Austen returned her copy of an early English edition to the Lending Library, claiming it 'did not do. We were disgusted in twenty pages, as, independent of a bad translation, it has indelicacies which disgrace a pen hitherto so pure'.



MADEMOISELLE DE CLERMONT.

L'APOSTASIE, OU LA DÉVOTE.

LE CHÂTEAU DE KOLMÉRAS.

LE JOURNALISTE,

Par MAD. DE GENLIS.

1802.

Se trouve à Londres, chez DEBOFFE, Libraire, No. 7, Gerrard Street, Soho; A. DULAU & Co. Soho-Square; & PROSPER & Co. No. 1, Wardour-Street. 18) GENLIS, [Stéphanie Félicité], Madame de. Mademoiselle de clermont. L'Apostasie, ou la dévote. Le château de kolméras. Le journaliste. Londres [i.e. London]. Chez Deboffe, 1802.

8vo. [2], 275pp, [1]. Contemporary marbled calf, contrasting red morocco lettering-piece, gilt. Lightly rubbed. Foxed.

An early London printing (appearing in the same year as the first Parisian edition) of Stéphanie Félicité, Comtesse de Genlis' (1746-1830) fictionalised account of the final days of Marie-Anne de Bourbon-Conde mademoiselle de Clermont (1697-1741), Surintendante de la Maison de la Reine to Marie Leszczyńska, wife of Louis XV; together with three of her other less well-known short stories. In the same year, publisher Deboffe re-issued the present book as the first of six volumes of stories by Genlis under the general title Nouveaux romans.



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[GOMELDON, Elizabeth]. [Drop-head title:] The case of Elizabeth 19) Gomeldon, Widow. [London]. [s.n.], [1720].

Folio. 2pp. Docket title to verso. Stab-stitch holes to gutter margin, lightly toned.

A rare survival of an early example of parliamentary lobbying literature relating the petition of Elizabeth Gomeldon (with reference to the bill to enable her to enter her claim before the Commissioners and trustees for forfeited estates) to regain control of property that were felt to have been unduly bequeathed to Thomas Stanley (1684-1749), a distant relative of William Stanley (d.1495), an ally of pretender Perkin Warbeck, and thus attainted by High Treason.

ESTC records copies at three locations in the British Isles (BL, Guildhall, and NLS), and one further location in North America (Huntington).

ESTC T18225.

£.250

T H E 0 Elizabeth Gomeldon, Widow.

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HAT the full Elizabeth being Married to William Gomeldon, Edge was prevailed upon by Themas Gomeldon, the Father of the faid William as from as Sho show the state of the faid

was prevailed upon by Termas Gomeldon, the Father of the full time, as focus as the came of Age to convey all He Lands of Inheritance in the Counties of Kest, Middlefer and Nating-kam, and in London, of about the yearly Value of Seven Hun-derd Pounds to the full Thomas, and his Heirs; in Confideration whereof, the full Thomas, by Indenture dated the 17th of Ta-tionary 1750, did grant to Her three fevent Rent-Charges of Three Handred Pounds, Two Hundred Pounds and One Hundred Pounds for her founds as the trace in Medica, and all Thomas, Polines, Selling, Stanford, and Lower in Kest. Provided, the full Thomas Gomeldon thould pay Two Thoufand Founds as the traces of the faid Annuity of Two Hundred Pounds, the fame Annuity of Two Hundred Pounds for her

THAT by Indenture dated the 23d Day of May, 1702, one George Peck, in whom the Relidue of a Term of Five Hundred Years of certain Lands of the faid whole the Kahnde of a ferm of Five Hundred Years of certain Lands of the fail Thomas Gomuldon in Keik, wis velted, aligned over the faile, by Direction of the fail Thomas Gomeliku, to Melista, one of the Duughters of the fail Thomas, and to Henry Sisseyer of the Inner-Timple, Eq. in Truth, for the better Scuring the Pay-ment of the fail Two Annuities of Two Hundred Pounds, and One Hundred Pounds to the fail Elizabeth ; and for railing One Thoufand Four Hundred Pounds, and Six Hundred Pounds, to mike good all Artents thereof.

THAT in or about the Year 1702, the faid Thomas Gomeldon died, teized of a very confidencie Effate; and on the 6th of February, 1709, the faid Einscheiß's Hushand died, and all the faid Effate of the faid Thomas, Gomeldon, was limited to Redserd, another of the Sons of the faid Thomas, and to his Sons facceflively in Tale-Male, with a Remainder to the faid Meliora for her Life.

THAT the better to proted the faid *Elizabeth's* Jointure from Greditors. She got a Mortgine of Two Hondred Pounds made in the Year 1677, for to be Afigned, in Confideration of Two Hundred and Seventeen Pounds Ter Shillings, to a Perfor, In Truit, and for the faid Elimabeth's Benchite

ORIGINAL PRINTED BOARDS

20) GUNNING, Elizabeth [trans.] FONTENELLE, Bernard de. Conversations on the Plurality of Worlds... London. Albion Press: printed for James Cundee, 1808.

12mo. xvi, 198pp, xvii-xviii. Partially misbound. With an engraved portrait frontispiece. Uncut in original publisher's printed drab paper boards. Extremities marked and worn, surface loss to spine and lower board, corners bumped. Early inked ownership inscription of John Dovaston toe recto of FFEP.

An unsophisticated copy of an early nineteenth-century edition in English, translated by Elizabeth Gunning (1769-1823), of Fontenelle's remarkably popular cosmographical discourse, an early and significant Enlightenment work, and the first example in French of a learned work directed at an educated but non-specialised public.

First published in 1686, the book was promptly translated to numerous languages with the first English edition appearing in 1687. Gunning published nine novels, a collection of fairy tales for children, and two plays (not staged). She translated five works from French, all from obscure authors except for the present publication (first printed in 1803), which had also been translated by Aphra Behn.





21) GUYON, [Jeanne Marie]. The life of lady guion, Written by herself in French, Now abridged And translated into english... *Bristol. Printed by S. Farley, 1772. First edition.*

8vo. In two volumes. [2], xxi, [1], 268; 381pp, [3]. Vol. II has a half-title but no title page, as issued. Contemporary gilt-ruled calf, morocco lettering-pieces. Heavily rubbed, surface loss to spines and board edges, lightly marked. Later inked ownership inscriptions of Mary Steevens to FFEPs, FFEP of Vol. I detached, scattered foxing.

The first edition of Madame Guyon's (1648-1717) memoirs, a classic of quietist mysticism seized upon by British and Irish non-conformist groups, including the Quakers and Methodists, during the eighteenth-century. Though Guyon did not identify as a Quietist, she was most certainly an advocate of extreme passivity and indifference towards the soul. Her writings, in particular the most important of her publications *Moyen court et très facile de faire oraison* (1695), led to the Roman Catholic Church labelling her a heretic. In 1695, she was imprisoned. She remained confined in various gaols, including the Bastille, until 1703.

A second, Dublin-printed, edition was published by subscription in 1775; both precede and surely influenced John Wesley's smaller *An extract of the Life of Madam Guion* (Bristol, 1776).

ESTC T127496.



MINERVA PRESS NOVEL, IN FRENCH

22) [JACSON, Frances Margaretta]. La femme de bons sens, ou la prisonniere de boheme.

Paris. Chez Maradin, 1798. First edition in French.

12mo. In four volumes. With a half-title and an engraved frontispiece to each volume. Attractively bound in contemporary gilt-tooled red straight-grain morocco. A trifle rubbed. Marbled endpapers, internally clean and crisp.

The first edition in French of Frances Margaretta Jacson's (1754-1842) first novel, published by the Minerva Press in 1795 as *Plain sense*. Published anonymously, the novel found a degree of commercial popularity and some critical acclaim: 'A story more interesting and affecting, or better told, than this, has seldom come under our examination. Austere as critics are imagined to be, they are not insensible to the charms of such a heroine as Ellen Mordaunt...we will not diminish the painfully pleasing suspence [sic] in which this novel must hold its readers...The character of Ellen is actually distinguished, not so much by plain sense, as by highly cultivated judgement, exquisite feeling, and invincible integrity.' (*The British Critic*, p.673, Vol. VIII). The publisher Maradan also produced a three-volume edition of this translation in the same year.

The translator, **Basile-Joseph Ducos (1767-1836)**, was additionally responsible, in the same year, for putting into French Mary Wollstonecraft's *The wrongs of woman or, Maria* (London, 1798).

cf. Garside, Raven and Schowerling 1795:26.



SHADOWS OF THE PAST.

BY

SARAH LOUISA JEFFERIES.

LEAN NOT ON EARTH ; 'TWILL PIERCE THEE TO THE HEART ; ROKEN REED AT BEST; BUT OFT A SPEAR : ON ITS SHARP POINT PEACE BLEEDS AND HOPE EXPIRES. Vana

Fifth Edition, REVISED AND CORRECTED.

LONDON: VIRTUE BROTHERS, AND CO. 26 IVY LANE.

PRESENTATION COPY

23) **JEFFERIES, Sarah Louisa.** Shadows of the past. London. Virtue Brothers, and Co., [s.d., c. 1873]. Fifth edition.

12mo. [2], v, [2], 8-130pp. With a half-title. Original publisher's blind-stamped brown cloth, lettered in gilt. A trifle rubbed, spine dulled. Scattered foxing. Presentation copy, inked inscription to recto of FFEP: 'Miss Steevens / With the writer's very / kind regards / S. L. Jefferies / May 6th. 1873'.

A revised edition of five evangelical tales intended for a juvenile readership, two of which on missionary themes, by Sarah Louisa Jefferies, of whom little is known. Remarkably, neither this nor any other edition of the book is recorded - indeed there are no extant records for any work by Jefferies. The only reference to Jefferies that we have uncovered is an advertisement in The Evangelical Almanac (1876) for her Nil Desperandum (published by Morgan & Chase), in which she is described as 'the author of "Shadows of the Past", "God knows best what to do with me", "A Picture with Two sides," etc.'

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24) JODRELL, Mrs. Henry. A letter to the editor of the "times" newspaper from mrs. henry jodrell...In Reply to an Attack upon her Father's Conduct of the Baltic Fleet, inserted in that Journal of the 23d January 1862. Edinburgh. Printed for Private Circulation, 1862. First edition.

8vo. 11pp, [1]. Original publisher's navy cloth, printed paper lettering-piece to upper board. Lightly rubbed and marked. Contemporary paper shelf-label of Bayfield Hall (seat of the Jodrell family) and recent bookplate of R. C. Fiske to FEP, foxed.

A family copy of the first, privately printed edition, of an impassioned defence by Frances Jodrell of her father, Admiral Sir Charles Napier (1786-1860), occasioned by accusations levelled by an article in *The Times* against his character and conduct, particularly his command of the Baltic Fleet during the Crimean War. A staunch guardian of her father's memory, Frances lived to criticise the entry in the Dictionary of National Biography and caused a second account to be written.

OCLC records copies at only two locations (BL and NLS); COPAC adds one further (Bristol).



25) KEMBLE, Mrs. C. Smiles and Tears; or, the widow's stratagem: a comedy, in five acts... London. Printed for John Miller, 1815. First edition.

8vo. 88pp, [2]. Disbound. Light spotting to foot of title.

The first edition of actress Maria Theresa Kemble's [née De Camp] (1774-1838) five-act comedy, based in part on Amelia Opie's (1769-1853) moral tale of the seduction and abandonment of a naïve young woman by an aristocratic rake, *The father and daughter* (1801), and partly upon French playwright Alexandrine-Sophie de Bawr's (1773-1860) comic piece in one act, *La suite d'un bal masque* (1813). The play debuted at Covent Garden on 12th December, 1815 with both Maria and her husband Charles Kemble (1775-1854) in starring roles.



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ADDRESSING AMERICAN IMITATORS

26) LAMBERT, Miss. The hand-book of needlework, Decorative and Ornamental... *London. John Murray, 1846. Fifth edition.*

8vo. [5], viii-xv, [1], 494pp. Without half-title. Numerous engraved illustrations in the text. Contemporary gilt-tooled navy half-calf, marbled boards, contrasting red morocco letteringpiece. Lightly rubbed. Contemporary inked gift inscription to front blank fly-leaf: 'This humble gift, which can impart / the mysteries of a pleasing art, / and with amusement knowledge teach, / bespeaks my love for M.C.H. / H.H. Jr. / 4th Jany. 1847'.

A revised edition of a remarkably popular needlework primer for young women; comprising a succinct history of the craft and instruction on a variety of techniques, including embroidery, netting, crochet, and knitting. First printed in 1842, the immense commercial success of the book led to an unauthorised American reprint, noted by the author in the preface to the fourth edition (and reprinted here): 'Without alluding to numerous petty piracies, the writer cannot refrain from noticing the reprint of this treatise in America as an original work, "dedicated to the ladies of the United States:" - a circumstance she is fain to accept as a compliment, as there is no redress for the substantial wrong. To imitators at home, it may be as well to hint, that all the designs in this volume are copyright'.

This humble gift, which can impart The mysteries of a pleasing art. And with amusement knowledge leach Bespeaks my love for M.C.H. A A. Jr. 4th Jan? 1844.

[LESCONVEL, Pierre de]. Histoire de pantagruel. Amsterdam. Chez Guillaume Blacu [i.e. Blaeu], 1695.

12mo. [2], 95pp, [1]. Handsomely bound in contemporary gilt-tooled red morocco, A.E.G. (a pencilled note to front blank fly-leaf cautiously credits the binding to Derome). Marbled endpapers, recent bookplate of Robert J. Hayhurst to FEP, bookplate of French bibliophile Adolphe Audenet to verso of FFEP, paper repairs to verso of title page, loss, tearing and paper repairs to final four leaves, touching text in places (without loss of sense), final leaf laid-down, light damp-staining to foot of text-block.

A rare edition, with the variant title and in an attractive binding, of the amorous intrigues of Françoise de Foix, Comtesse de Châteaubriant (c. 1490-1537), mistress of Francis I. Attributed to Breton historian Pierre de Lesconvel (1650?-1722), this historical novel was first published as Intrigues amoureuses de François premier, ou Histoire tragique de Mme la Comtesse de Château-Briand in the same year as the present edition. It was also published under the title La comtesse de Château-Briant.

Adolphe Audenet (1800-1872), French bibliophile, whose collection of rare books was sold in 1839-40. The catalogue of his sale was the first in France to illustrate the bindings of several precious works.





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28) [MANUSCRIPT POETRY]. [Two manuscript poetical commonplaces]. [*s.l*]. [*s.n.*], [*c.* 1807].

Quarto. Two volumes. 59ff; 60ff. Uniformly bound in contemporary half-calf, marbled boards, gilt. Extremities worn and bumped. Hinges exposed, occasional spotting. Inked ownership inscription of Miriam D'Aguilar to FEP of first volume, and inscription of Rachel D'Aguilar (dated 1807) to FEP of second.

Two early nineteenth-century volumes of manuscript copies of contemporary poetry, each respectively in a single uniform, legible, female hand.

Little is known of the compilers, Rachel and Miriam D'Aguilar - no doubt they were related, perhaps sisters?

Miriam's volume is comprised almost exclusively of excerpts from Southey's epic poems *Joan of Arr* (1795) and *Madoc* (1805), as well as two apparently unpublished romantic poems, 'The Madman' and 'Not Mad', attributed to 'W.A.A.' It would appear that this amateur poet was a correspondent, and likely a suitor, of Miriam's as she precedes a four-line verse with the note: 'The following lines were sent to me on the first of April 1807 by W.A.A.' The subsequent doggerel refers to her by name:

"This merry morn, the fair, the wise, the witty / Bend though reluctant to one general rule? / Miriam escapes! smiles with conceited pity / Till evening comes and Miriam's a fool'.

Rachel's volume is less concerned with romantic sentiment, and is certainly more impersonal; indeed, she appears somewhat preoccupied with death, including as she does an elegy on Admiral Lord Nelson 'from a newspaper', Mrs. Opie's 'The Mourner' and 'From a Felon to his Child on the Morning of his Execution', Cowper's 'The Comparison', and Samuel Pratt's 'Despair'. An exception to this bleak fare, though still a tad dour, are extracts from Southey's *Botany Bay Eclogues* (1794), his series of four poems exposing the injustices of the English legal system.

THE ENCHANTED PLANTS, AND

FESTIVAL OF THE ROSE,

WITH OTHER POEMS.

By Mrs. MONTOLIEU.

LON DON : PRINTED BY THOMAS BENSLEY, BOLT COURT, FLEET STREET.

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FLORID FLORA FABLES

29) MONTOLIEU, Mrs. The enchanted plants, and festival of the rose, with other poems. *London. Printed by Thomas Bensley, 1812. Third edition.*

8vo. [5]-viii,168pp. Contemporary calf, tooled in gilt and blind, contrasting calf lettering-piece. Rubbed, joints split. Marbled endpapers, early inked ownership inscription of Mary Cobb to recto of front blank fly-leaf.

The only published original work of Maria Henrietta Montolieu, first issued in 1800 as *The enchanted plants, fables in verse*. The twenty-two 'fables' each concern an emotion or state of being (ambition, prejudice, sensibility etc.) expressed through, often overwrought, comparison to, or encounters with, flowers or other botanical specimens. Little is known of the author, two other publications bear hear name; a translation of Jacques DeLille's celebrated pastoral poem *Les jardins, ou l'art d'embellir les paysages* (London, 1789), and an abridgement of Friedrich Gottlieb Klopstock's *Gethsemane* (London, 1823).

Jackson p.357

SACRED DRAMAS:

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TO WHICH IS ADDED,

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TWENTY-FOURTH EDITION,

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LONDON: PRINTED FOR T. CADELL, STRAND.

1829.

30) MORE, Hannah. Sacred dramas: chiefly intended for young persons. The subjects taken from the bible... *London. Printed for T. Cadell, 1829. Twenty-fourth edition.*

8vo. vii, [3], 178pp. Contemporary navy calf, tooled in gilt and blind, contrasting morocco lettering-piece, A.E.G. A trifle rubbed. Near contemporary inked ownership inscription to recto of FFEP, very occasional spotting.

A later edition of **Hannah More's (1745-1833)** remarkably popular poetic, pedagogical, adaptation of Old Testament tales for a juvenile readership, including 'Moses in the Bulrushes', 'David and Goliath', and 'Daniel'. First published in 1782, the work contributed to Samuel Johnson dubbing the author the most 'powerful versificatrix in the English language'.



GEORGIAN MARRIAGE COUNSELLING

31) [MORE, Hannah?]. The wife reformed. London. John Marshall, [s.d, 1797?] First edition.

12mo. 16pp. Disbound. Housed in recent custom folding cloth case. Foxed.

A rare survival of the first edition of an anonymous Cheap Repository chapbook commonly attributed to Hannah More (1745-1833). The protagonist, Sarah Smaithwaite, is a 'model' wife until she falls in with the neighbourhood gossip: 'from being one of the best, she became one of the worst of wives and mothers'. Her hitherto gentle and thrifty husband is driven to drink. Marital discord reigns until the local parson intervenes, providing counsel and engineering reconciliation. Smaithwaite is duly reformed and returns to the 'duties of her station'.

ESTC records a single copy in the British Isles (BL, and one further in North America (Kansas).

ESTC T52495.


Romance of the Foreft:

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INTERSPERSED WITH

SOME PIECES OF POETRY.

" Ere the bat hath flown "His cloifter'd flight; ere to black Hecate's fummons, "The fhard-born beetle, with his drowfy hums, "Hath rung night's yawning peal, there fhall be done "A deed of dreadful note."

MACBETH.

IN THREE VOLUMES. vol. 1. THE THIRD EDITION.

BY ANN RADCLIFFE, AUTHOR OF " A SICILIAN ROMANCE," &c.

LONDON: PRINTED FOR T. HOOKHAM AND J. CARPENTER, NEW AND OLD EOND STREET, M,DCC,ACH, **32) RADCLIFFE, Ann.** The Romance of the Forest: interspersed with some pieces of poetry. London. Printed for T. Hookbam and J. Carpenter, 1792. Third edition.

12mo. In three volumes. v, [1], 276; [2], 286; [2], 346pp. Contemporary gilt-ruled green paper boards, contrasting red paper lettering-pieces, gilt initials 'G.W.' to upper boards. Rubbed, paper shelf-labels to spine. Armorial bookplates of Graf von Wintzingeroda to FEPs, (cancelled) ink library stamps to titles.

The third edition, printed in the year after the first, of the third of only five novels Ann Radcliffe (1764-1823) published in her lifetime. Her first two efforts, *The Castles of Athlin and Dunbayne* (1789) and *A Sicilian Romance* (1790), had met with little critical or commercial attention, *The Romance of the Forest*, would make her name. The work contains many nascence themes and tropes that would come to characterise the Gothic tradition that Radcliffe did so much to establish. After the success of the first two editions, she broke the anonymity that was still customary for novelists by appending her name to this third edition.

ESTC T169437, cf. Garside, Raven and Schowerling 1791:58.



A SURVEY OF MODERNIST POETRY

BY LAURA RIDING AND ROBERT GRAVES



LONDON WILLIAM HEINEMANN LTD. 1927

INSCRIBED BY ROBERT GRAVES

33) RIDING, Laura. GRAVES, Robert. A survey of modernist poetry. *London. William Heinemann Itd., 1927. First edition.*

8vo. 295pp, [1]. Original publisher's black cloth-backed decorated boards, lettered in gilt. Without (the rarely seen) dustwrapper. A trifle rubbed. Bookseller's ticket of Blackwells of Oxford to FEP, early inked ownership inscription to recto of FFEP. Presentation copy, flat signed by Graves to half-title.

The first edition of a ground-breaking critical analysis of modern poetry, from Byron to Cummings, Eliot to Tate, by Robert Graves (1895-1985) in collaboration with his lover, the American poet and novelist Laura Riding (1901-1991). The work notably influenced literary critic Sir William Empson (1906-1984) to write his equally influential *Seven Types of Ambiguity* (1930), a key foundation text in the formation of the New Criticism school.

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MARY ROBINSON

POÉSIES

Traduites de l'Anglais

TAMES DARMESTETER



PÀRIS ALPHONSE LEMERRE, ÈDITEUR 27-31, passage choiseul, 27-31 **PRESENTATION COPY**

34) ROBINSON, Mary. Poésies.

Paris. Alphonse Lemerre, 1888.

8vo. [4], x, [2], 142pp, [2]. Contemporary gilt-tooled vellum, morocco lettering-piece, T.E.G., original publisher's printed yellow wrappers bound in. Rubbed, lightly marked, spine dulled. Marbled endpapers, scattered foxing. Presentation copy, inked inscription to head of half-title: 'Mr Fisher Unwin / with the translator's / compliments / JD'; likely the publisher **Thomas Fisher Unwin (1848-1935)**.

The first edition in French of a miscellaneous collection of Agnes Mary Frances Robinson's (1857-1944) verse, translated by French orientalist and antiquarian James Darmesteter (1849-1894), and published in the first year that the pair were married.

An immensely prolific poet, Robinson is perhaps today most widely recognised as the author of the first biography of Emily Bronte. She was the elder sister of novelist **Frances Mabel Robinson (1858-1954)**, more commonly known by her pseudonym W.S. Gregg.

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Charlotte, Countess Spencer:

A Memoir.

PRESENTATION COPY

35) [SEYMOUR, Frederick]. Charlotte, Countess Spencer: A Memoir. Northampton. William Mark, 1907. First edition.

Quarto. [6], 96pp. Contemporary gilt-tooled half-vellum, blue cloth boards, gilt supralibros to upper board, A.E.G. A trifle marked and discoloured. Marbled endpapers, occasional spotting. Inked inscription to recto of front blank fly-leaf: 'To Blanche Hoggarth / from Spencer 1907 / I send this little memoir of my dearest / wife by her brother Frederick Seymour'.

The sole edition of Frederick Seymour's succinct biography of his sister **Charlotte Frances Frederica Seymour, Countess Spencer (1835-1903)**, an active philanthropist, notable for her involvement with the Ladies Diocesan Association, an exclusive aristocratic organisation devoted to assisting the poverty-stricken residents of London, and the Parochial Mission-Women Association focused on providing resources to parishes located in the East End. The present copy is inscribed by Lady Spencer's husband John Poyntz Spencer, fifth Earl **Spencer (1835-1910)**, Liberal politician, friend of Prime Minster Gladstone, and twice Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

COPAC records copies at four locations (BL, Manchester, NT, and Oxford); OCLC ones one further copy (Michigan).

To Blanche Haygarth I send from Junch 1907 His little memori of my dearah this little memori of my dearah ife 5 La brika Frederick Segmen,

36) [SHELLEY, Mary]. REYNOLDS, Frederic Mansel [editor]. The keepsake for MDCCCXXXIII.

London. Published by Longman, Rees, Orme, Brown, Green, and Longman, [1833].

8vo. 308pp. With an engraved presentation plate, an engraved frontispiece, an additional engraved title page, and a further 14 engraved plates. Contemporary richly gilt-tooled red morocco, A.E.G. Minor shelf-wear. Internally clean and crisp.

An attractively bound anthology of prose and verse, including contributions by Agnes Strickland, Letitia Landon, and, most notably, two short stories by Mary Shelley, billed as 'the Author of Frankenstein; 'The Brother and Sister, an Italian Tale' and 'The Invisible Girl, a Tale'. The former, set in Siena, is an adaptation of Romeo and Juliet; indeed the opening lines reference the Bard directly: 'It is well known that the hatred borne by one family against another, and the strife of parties, which often led to bloodshed in the Italian cities during the middle ages, so vividly described by Shakespeare in Romeo and Juliet, was not confined to the Montecchi and Ciapelletti of Verona, but existed with equal animosity in almost every other town of that beautiful peninsula'. The latter is the first appearance of a tragic tale set on the coasts of Wales, that interweaves motifs characteristic of Gothic fiction, including a tyrannical guardian, a persecuted heroine, and a supernatural apparition.

Faxon 1494.





37) SHERWOOD, Mrs. Little Henry and his bearer. London. T. Nelson and Sons, 1862.

12mo. 62pp. With an engraved frontispiece. Original publisher's purple cloth, stamped in gilt and blind. Lightly rubbed and marked, spine sunned. Near contemporary inked gift inscription to verso of FFEP: 'John Williams / Gift of Friend's first day school / 5 mo. 25th. 1863'.

A charming edition of **Mary Martha Sherwood's (1775-1851)** remarkably popular imperialistic tale, set in colonial India, in which Henry, the orphan son of an East India Company officer, strives to convert Boosy his Hindu 'bearer' to Christianity. The boy is taken ill and dies before his task is complete.



REPORT ... JUDGMENT

DELIVERED ON THE 25TH JULY, 1854,

BY THE RIGHT HON. SIR JOHN DODSON, KNIGHT, D.C.L.,

JUDGE OF THE PREROGATIVE COURT OF THE ARCHEISHOP OF CANTELEURY, IN THE SUIT OF

UPTON AND OTHERS BY THEIR GUARDIAN v. ABBOT,

RELATING TO THE

VALIDITY OF THE WILL

MRS. FLORENCE SMYTH,

OF ASHTON COURT, IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, DECEASED.

WITH APPENDIX AND NOTES.

CLIFTON : PRINTED FOR THE PROPRIETOR, CHRONICLE OFFICE.

1854.

VICTORIAN INHERITANCE TRIAL, PROVINCIALLY PRINTED

38) [SMYTH, Florence]. Report of a judgment...relating to the validity of the will of mrs. florence smyth, of ashton court, in the county of somerset, deceased. With appendix and notes.

Clifton. Printed for the proprietor, 1854. First edition.

8vo. iv, [5], 6-34pp. Later morocco-backed marbled paper boards, lettered in gilt. Original publisher's plain green wrappers bound in. Lightly rubbed. Bookseller's ticket of William George's Sons of Bristol and recent bookplate of F. W. Morris to FEP, amorial bookplate of Francis Frederick Fox to front blank fly-leaf, scattered foxing.

The second known copy of the sole edition of a record of the proceedings of a trial relating to the rights of inheritance to the fortune of Florence Smyth of Ashton Court, Somerset. Smyth died in 1852, 'at the age of about 83 years', leaving property valued at $\pounds 30,300$, the majority of which to be left to Charles Hardcastle Abbott, the executor. This was contested by Mrs. Upton, mother to Smyth's three grandchildren, to whom little provision was made. The court found in favour of Abbott, concluding that Upton's allegations of nefarious conduct employed to extract an inheritance from Smyth were unfounded.

OCLC records a single copy (Yale).





PRESENTATION COPY

39) SOMERVILLE, Mary. On the connexion of the physical sciences. *London. John Murray, 1835. Second edition.*

8vo. xvi, 493pp, [1]. With a frontispiece, a further four plates, numerous engraved illustrations in the text, and a final page of publisher's advertisements. Original publisher's green cloth, lettered in gilt. Extremities lightly rubbed and marked. Upper hinge holding by a single cord only (between title and frontispiece), upper corner of title page torn away, scattered foxing. Presentation copy, inked inscription to title page: 'Signor Giacomo Almansi / Mary Somerville'.

A rarely-found inscribed copy of the first significant original publication of Mary Somerville (1780-1872), Scottish mathematician and scientist, presented to Doctor Giacomo Almansi, Florentine physician.

On the connexion of the physical sciences was well received both critically and commercially, and proved John Murray's most successful scientific publication until the appearance of Darwin's On the origin of species. This second edition includes the addition of 'copious notes, and diagrams, illustrative of the text' as well as 'new matter...in order to keep pace with the rapid progress of the physical sciences'.

AN HOMAGE TO ITALY

40) STAËL-HOLSTEIN, Madame de. Corinne ou l'italie. A Londres [i.e. London]. Chez M. Peltier, 1808.

8vo. In three volumes. [4], 383, [1]; [4], 421, [1]; [4], 442pp, [2]. With half-titles. Uncut in original publisher's powder blue wrappers, printed paper lettering-pieces. Housed in recent custom cloth case. A trifle marked, chipping/tearing to spines, cloth case sunned. Armorial bookplates of Maxwells of Kirkconnall, New Abbey, to versos of upper wrappers, very occasional light spotting.

The first London edition (appearing in the year after the initial Parisian printing) of Swiss-born French woman of letters and salonnière Anne Louise Germaine de Stael-Holstein's (1766-1817) triple-decker novel, an an homage to the landscape, literature and art of Italy, interwoven with discreet French Revolutionary political allusion and allegory. The work is notable for being the first non-German aesthetic romance.





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41) SWARBRECK, Samuel Dukinfield, Mrs. Valencia: a tragedy, In Five Acts; and who could believe it? a comedy, In Five Acts. *Richmond, Yorkshire. Printed for the author, by M. bell, 1830. First edition.*

8vo. xx, 156pp. With a list of subscribers. Original publisher's red silk cloth, lettered in gilt to upper board, A.E.G. Lightly rubbed and marked, slight chipping to head and foot of spine, corners bumped. Scattered foxing. From the recently dispersed library of Spetchley Park, Worcestershire (without any indication of such), once the seat of **Robert Berkeley** (1764-1845), a subscriber to the present work. With a loosely inserted printed subscription notice, with details of how one may obtain a copy provided in manuscript.

The first edition of the only published work of Delia Caroline Swarbreck; two rather overwritten five-act plays, one a laborious tragedy in verse and other purporting to be comedy. Frustratingly little is known of the author besides her marriage to London-based landscape painter and lithographer Samual Dukinfield Swarbreck (fl. 1830-1865). A review in *The Family Magazine* said of the plays: 'whilst the former contains some spirited and beautifully imagined passages - amidst, by the by, many crude conceptions and much high-flown imagery - the latter is far superior, in my opinion, as a dramatic production...Valencia is not so well calculated for dramatic representation: I think too many people are killed in it: it concludes horribly'.

Jackson, Romantic Poetry by Women, p. 321.

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42) [THEATRE ROYAL, ENGLISH OPERA HOUSE]. Last night but five of the season...Theatre Royal, English Opera House, Strand. This Evening, wednesday, September 26th, 1827, Will be presented, (Seventh Time this Season) the Comick Piece, with additional Songs, called monsieur tonson...After which, (Thirty-eighth Time) the last new Comick Operetta, called lying made easy!...With mozart's celebrated overture to cosi fan tutte.... [London]. S. G. Fairbrother, [1827].

Dimensions 215 x 350 mm. Single leaf broadside. All edges uncut. Some spotting, very short tear to one margin.

An apparently unrecorded playbill advertising a staging at the English Opera House of William Moncrieff's (1794-1857) popular *Monsieur Tonson*, a two-act farce first performed in 1821, with Mary Anne Goward in the lead female role (1805-1899). In 1829, Goward married actor Robert Keeley (1793-1869), who also appears on the present bill as part of a 'new musical farce' *Before Breakfast!* Two further comic pieces were a part of the night's proceedings, the performances interspersed with the overtures to Mozart's *Cosi Fan Tutte* and *Figaro*.

SOLD FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE ORPHAN ASYLUM?

43) [TRELAWNY, Anne]. Scenes and sketches in Cornwall. Taristock. W. Brendon. 1844. First edition.

8vo. 54pp, [2]. With an engraved frontispiece and a tipped-in errata slip. Original publisher's pictorial wrappers, later naively rebacked in calf. Some staining to extremities. Title lightly dust-soiled, closed tear to gutter, occasional spotting.



A remarkably rare survival of the sole recorded edition of a provincially published collection of poems inspired by the landscape and monuments of Cornwall, attributed to Cornish native Anne Trelawny, later Gibbons, author of a further five (equally scarce) books, including a translation of Schiller's tragedy Maria Stuart (1838), three further volumes of poetry, An Easter Offering (1845), The Tale of Trecarrel; or, Legend of Launceston Church (1849), and Spiritual Songs, a Whitsun Gift (1861), and a single non-fiction work, An Itinerary of Launceston, Cornwall. Containing some account of its antiquities, etc. (1865). The Bibliotheca Cornubiensis (Vol. I, 1874) suggests that the present work was sold 'for the benefit of the Orphan Asylum and The Falmouth Polytechnic, at their annual bazaar'.

COPAC records single copy (BL); OCLC adds no further.

FINELY BOUND CHIVALRIC ADAPTATION

TRESSAN, [Louis-Elisabeth de la Vergne], comte de. Le prince gerard, comte de nevers, et la belle euriant, sa mie. *Paris. [s.n.], 1780.*

12mo. 171pp, [1]. With four engraved plates. Handsomely bound in contemporary gilt-tooled red morocco, T.E.G. A trifle rubbed. Blue silk endpapers, recent bookplate of Robert J. Hayhurst to verso of FFEP, very occasional light spotting.

A sumptuously bound, early edition (printed in the same year as the first) of French polymath Louis-Elisabeth de la Vergne, comte de Tressan's (1705-1783) adaptation of the 1526 printing of the perennially popular medieval chivalric romance *Gerard de Nevers*.

The finely executed plates, after designs by renowned draughtsman and illustrator **Jean-Michel Moreau le Jeune (1741-1814)**, were engraved by J. B. Simmonet, E. de Gendt, Malbette, and Dupriel.





CHANGING THE AUTHOR'S MIND ON THE WORKHOUSE

45) TROLLOPE, Mrs. Jessie phillips. A tale of the present day.

London. Henry Colburn, 1843. First edition.

8vo. In three volumes. [4], 326; [2], 311, [1]; [2], 325pp. With an engraved frontispiece to each volume, and a further nine engraved plates by John Leech. Contemporary gilt-tooled green crushed half-morocco, green cloth boards, contrasting brown morocco lettering-pieces, marbled edges. Very minor shelf-wear. Marbled endpapers, bookseller's tickets of S. & T. Gilbert of London to all FEPs, scattered spotting, plates foxed and browned.

The first edition of Fanny Trollope's (1779-1863) sixteenth novel - a melodramatic tale of poverty, betrayal, and infanticide; initially serialised in monthly parts December 1842 to November 1843. The work attacks (much as Dickens had done in *Oliver Twist*) the application of the 1834 Poor Law Amendment Act. The titular heroine, a strikingly beautiful seamstress, is artfully seduced by the son of a squire, to whom she bears a child. Due to the bastardy clause of the Act, he cannot be made responsible for the child, and when her mother suddenly dies, Jessie is forced into a horrific workhouse. Suspected of infanticide, she is befriended by a resourceful middle-class saviour, Mrs. Maxwell, who entraps her dastardly seducer, discovering it was in fact him who killed the child. Jessie is pronounced innocent, but dies before hearing of the verdict.

The novel caused something of a stir, not only for its fierce propaganda, but for Trollope's vagaries during the course of the serial publication. As she later candidly admitted, evidence provided to her regarding the 1834 Act caused her to change her mind on the iniquities of the new law, halfway through the story.

 VIGÉE-LE BRUN, Madame. Souvenirs of Madame Vigée Le Brun.

London. Richard Bentley and Son, 1879. First edition in English.

8vo. In two volumes. viii, 320; vii, [1], 308pp. Bound by Riviere & Son in contemporary brown half-morocco, tan cloth boards, ruled and lettered in gilt, T.E.G. Minor shelf-wear. Marbled endpapers, later inked ownership inscription of Conservative politician **Sir Mervyn** Lloyd Peel (1856-1929) to versos of both FFEPs, scattered foxing.

A handsome copy of the first edition in English of the memoirs of Élisabeth Louise Vigée-Lebrun (1755-1842), French Neoclassical portrait painter. Vigée Le Brun's journey to fame and success was rapid. Having received some training from her portraitist father, she was encouraged to continue her artistic studies - although, being a woman, she did not have access to formal training. By the age of 15 she had already developed a modest clientele for her work. By 19, her portraits had gained so much attention that her painting materials were seized as she'd been operating as a professional artist without guild or academy membership. She swiftly joined the Académie de St Luc, at a time when very few women were admitted, and by the age of 20, she was established at court. Her fame skyrocketed in the late eighteenth-century, when she was patronised by Queen Marie-Antoinette; whom she painted some 30 portraits of. It was royal intervention that led to her admittance to the Académie Royale in 1783, having been previously rejected. Following the Revolution, she was forced into exile, travelling widely throughout Europe making a living from commissions from wealthy patrons.





EARLY FEMALE OWNERSHIP

47) WILSON, Mary. Poems.

Manchester. Thomas Powlson, 1844. First edition.

8vo. [4], 60pp. Original publisher's green cloth, stamped in gilt and blind. A trifle rubbed and bumped. Inked gift inscription to recto of FFEP: 'Miss Peacock / from a sincere friend, / Ivy Cottage 3rd. May 1847', contemporary advertisement leaf tipped-in to verso of FFEP, foxed.

The sole edition of a collection of evangelical and pastoral verse by Mary Wilson, of whom little is known. *The Christian Mother's Magazine* reviewed the book favourably: "The author of these Poems, - "an enthusiastic", and surely a favoured, "votary of the muses," has here presented the public with a volume of poetry of much genuine beauty...we must content ourselves with recommending this elegant volume to the attention of every lover of pure and simple poetry'.

OCLC records copies at five locations (BL, Cornell, Liverpool, Manchester, and Strathclyde); COPAC adds no further.

48) [WOMAN'S WORK]. Woman's work; or, how she can help the sick...

London. Griffith and Farran, 1860. Second thousand.

12mo. iv, 66pp, [2]. With a final leaf of publisher's advertisements. Original publisher's printed salmon wrappers. Lightly rubbed and marked, chipping to spine. Near contemporary inked gift inscription to verso of upper panel.

The first edition of a medical chapbook, from the unidentified author of *A woman's secret; or, how to make home happy*, providing instruction for women in home nursing. The concise work, presented in the form of a dialogue, imparts advice, *inter alia*, on the moving of the sick, the dressing of burns, and the putting on of leeches. An appendix provides prescriptions for minor ailments as well as recipes for breast milk substitutes.

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49) WOOLF, Virginia. The common reader. London. Published by Leonard & Virginia Woolf at the Hogarth Press, 1925. First edition.

8vo. 305pp, [1]. Original publisher's cloth-backed pictorial paper bards. Extremities marked and dulled, lightly rubbed. Scattered foxing, contemporary inked gift inscription and bookplate of Constance Miles to FEP - likely the noted diarist **Constance Miles [née Nicoll] (1881-1962).**

The first edition of Woolf's collected essays treating on a wide variety of literary topics; from medieval England to tsarist Russia, Elizabethan playwrights, and eighteenth- and nineteenth-century novelists including Jane Austen, George Eliot, and Joseph Conrad.

Constance Miles [née Nicoll] (1881-1962), bibliophile and diarist, who lived for much of her life in Shere, Surrey, where she wrote her war journals, published as *Mrs Miles's Diary: the Wartime Journal of a Housewife on the Home Front* (2013). She was the eldest daughter of Sir William Robertson Nicoll, founder of two successful periodicals, the nonconformist The British Weekly, and The Bookman; and sometime literary advisor to Hodder and Stoughton. He knew many of their authors personally, amongst them Winston Churchill and J. M. Barrie; the latter Constance knew as a young girl. In her diaries she credited her passion for books and writing for getting her through the war. In 1940, she grieved the loss of the works of the publishing houses of Paternoster Row destroyed by fire: 'Five to six million books have perished. Oh, the brave, bright paper jackets, the lovely purple colours, the crisp, unopened pages, the quips and crank, the love scenes and the thoughtful essays, the learned remarks, the verses and the valuable photographs, the pure new bindings in red and yellow, blue and mauve and olive green, the messages and signals to the human race that were embraced by the horrible flames!'

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