

COLONIAL AMERICA



**BOND SIGNED BY MAJOR JOHN WALLEY WHO
COMMANDED THE FIRST EXPEDITIONS OF THE
FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR INTO QUEBEC IN 1689
AND 1690**

**ALSO SIGNED BY EARLY MASS BAY JURIST PAUL
DUDLEY**

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JOHN WALLEY 1644 – 1712). Soldier. On February 12, 1689 he led the first expedition against the French and Indians in Canada and in August of 1690 he sailed from Boston with the fleet of Sir William Phips in a second expedition landing with 1,200 men under his command near Quebec. The bombardment of the city proved ineffective and Phip's fleet withdrew.

PAUL DUDLEY 1675 – 1751). Jurist. Both his father and grandfather served as governor of Mass Bay. He served as chief justice from 1745 until his death.

ADS. 2 page. Boston. October 14, 1706. 14 ¼" x 12". A bond in which "John Walley of Boston in the County of Suffolk in New England am held and firmly bound unto Andrew Stannoil of Boston aforesaid Merchant in the full inst. Sum of Eight hundred Seventy four pounds ten shillings current silver in money of New England...The Condition of this obligation is such that Saumel Lillio of Boston, Merchant for value received of the above bounden John Walley hath drawn a sett of four bills of Exchange dated with the presents upon Capt. John Hobby Commander of the Ship Samuel in London..." Fold split professional repaired. Fine. \$1,000 - up

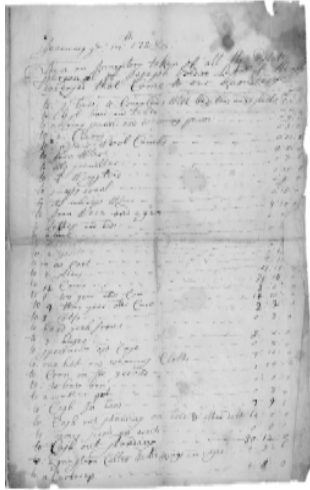


**A VERY SCARCE AUTOGRAPH OF SAMUEL
CRANSTON THE GOVERNOR OF
RHODE ISLAND COLONY**

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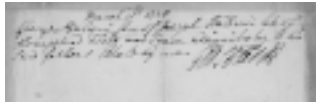
SAMUEL CRANSTON (1659-1727). Colonial Royal Governor. Governor of Rhode Island Colony for 30 years. It is in his honor the city of Cranston Rhode Island was named. Rhode Island. January 7, 1726/7. DS. 1 page. 7 ½" x 12 ¼". A manuscript bond in which Henry Holland a "...marriner am held & firmly bound unto William Wanton of Newport in said Colony Mercht. In the penal sum of Fifty three pounds lawful money of said colony..." Cranston has written a lengthy certification at the lower right corner nothing that "James Martin personally appeared before me and made oath that eh did see Henry Holland sign, seal & acknowledge the above written insturment as his act & deed..." Boldly signed at the conclusion by Cranston. A scarce, early American autograph. Some light glue residue at left. Fine. \$600 - up

A HARTFORD JURIST REQUESTS BOND BE SET AT 500 POUNDS FOR A COLONIAL COIN COUNTERFEITER



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[COLONIAL COUNTERFEITING]. 7 3/4" x 7 1/2". Alex Phelps, a Hartford Justice of the Peace orders 500 pounds bond be posted in order to release a counterfeiter. "To the keeper of the goal in Hartford in the County of Harford...Whereas Nathan Baxter on ye 22d. of Feb. 1763 was brot before me Alex Phelps, one of his Majesty's justices of ye peace...to answer to ye complaint of Israel Morey & Grandjurors of our Sovreign Lord & King ...they complain and say that the sd. Nathan Baxter is guilty of stamping or otherwise counterfeiting several sorts of coin mentioned in an act of Parliament made & passed in ye 6th year of Queen Ann entitled and act for ascertaining ye rates of foreign coins in her majesty's Plantations in America & for altering & putting of ye same knowing them to false & counterfeit...that the said Nathan should become bound to ye Treasr. Of sd. County with two good & swift suretys in a () oif 500 pounds..." Counterfeiting in Colonial America was widespread and organized gangs flourished. Penalties were harsh ranging from the cropping of ears to hanging depending on severity. Nice topical content for the numismatist. Folds. Very Fine. \$250 - up



1728 ROYAL GOVERNOR OF NEW YORK

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GEORGE CLARKE, Royal Governor of New York. Document Signed, as Governor, 4 integral pages in all, 8" x 13", no place (New York), March 11, 1728. Very Good: folds taped, somewhat browned, although the portion of the document signed by Clarke, as a docket, is not effected by any flaw. In part: "George Goldwin son of Joseph Goldwin late of Hampstead... was sworn administrator to his said father's estate..." An inventory carried on 1 1/4 pages lists goods, livestock, cash on hand and monies owed; it appears that the Goldwins, like ninety percent of the population, were engaged in farming.

Inheritance played a more important role in the economy during colonial times than in any other time in American history. The economy depended on the "family firm" or farm almost exclusively, and inheritance determined the distribution among family members. Because too wide a distribution of resources and control might jeopardize business operations, keeping a firm or farm intact was crucial. The administration of wills, then, was worthy of notice from On High. \$600 - up



OLDEST KNOWN TREE IN NEW ENGLAND

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[COLONIAL AMERICA] c. 1876. Relic from the "Old Boston Common Elm," A small 1" square, wooden cross attached to an old card with the following handwritten notation: "From Old Boston Elm formerly on Boston Common. Oldest known tree in New England, fully grown in 1722. Blown down in 1876." Most likely from an old museum display in Boston. Very Fine. \$250 - up



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[COLONIAL AMERICA]. 1743/44, ACCOUNT FOR A COLONIAL TOBACCO PURCHASE. 12.5" x 7.5", no place, Headed "James Bounds to John Dalton," this is a list of goods, including various kinds of yarn,

thread, knee buckles, etc., and the amount due for each item, all offsetting a purchase of tobacco. Signed by John Dalton. Fine. \$100 - up



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[COLONIAL AMERICA]. February 1746, THE GENTLEMAN'S MAGAZINE, London, England, 8" x 5", 2-column layout, pp. 59-112, disbound, nice bright and fresh-looking. "By Sylvanus Urabn [a rare spelling variant]/ Printed by E. Cave, Jr. "and sold by their Booksellers in Town and Country..." Nice and bright, with little age toning and no stains or foxing. Contains plenty of contemporary items of interest, including a "Descriptions of Newfoundland," "Causes and cure of the distemper among the horned cattle," "M. Outhier's voyage to Lapland," and "Poetry." Dispatches from Germany refer to 6,000 Hessian mercenaries: "...the troops are to be in British pay, and to be transported backwards and forwards at British expence; they are not to be sent on board the ships of

war, nor to the plantations..." The "plantations" refer to the American Colonies; years later, Hessian soldiers were sent to America to fight against the Colonists in the Revolutionary War! Choice Extremely Fine. \$90 - up



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[COLONIAL AMERICA] December 1740, THE GENTLEMAN'S MAGAZINE, London, England, 8" x 5", 2-column layout, pp. 577-628, disbound, and lacking covers, some minor chipping and off-printing, but not much. "By Sylvanus Urban / Printed by E. Cave, jun. at St. John's Gate, and Sold by their Booksellers in Town and Country..." Contains plenty of contemporary items of interest, including: "Proceedings in the Senate of Great Lilliput, continued," "Life of Sir Fran. Drake continued," "Poetry," etc. Lacks any plates or maps, but it does have an advertisement for Sir Isaac Newton's book: "Philosophy." Very interesting! Choice Very Fine. \$90 - up

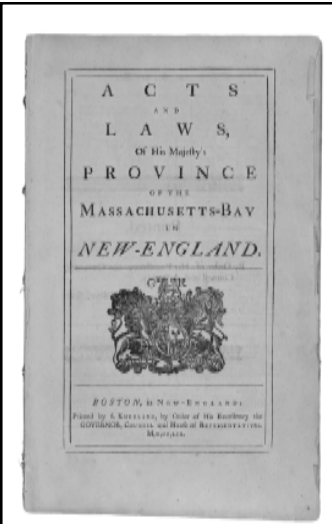
Greenwich. It includes the weather for the year, eclipses, tides, and other useful information. Age-toned with edge splits and watermarks. Sold as is and lacks back cover page. Text remains legible and bold. Fine.

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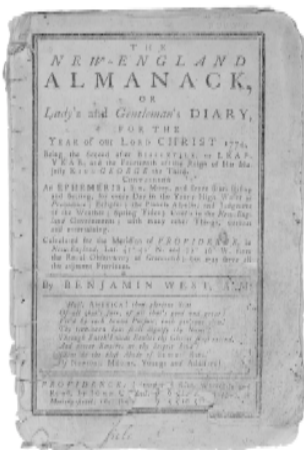
"EVIDENCE AGAINST MARY, QUEEN OF SCOTS"

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[COLONIAL AMERICA] October 1760, THE GENTLEMAN'S MAGAZINE, London, England, 8" x 5," 2-column layout, pp. 445-492. By Sylvanus Urban, "Printed by D. Henry at St. John's Gate." Disbound, lacking covers, one internal page is separated from binding, and missing a map. Containing "More in Quantity and greater Variety than any Book of the Kind and Price." A good mixture of topics can be found: a "remark" on Handle's compositions; a "critical enquiry into the evidence produced against Mary, Queen of Scots"; a Description of the town of Montreal; observations on the "electricity of the human body"; the taking of Montreal, and much more. Choice Very Fine. \$90 - up



EARLY LAWS AND ACTS OF MASSACHUSETTS

* 11
[COLONIAL AMERICA].1759, "Acts and Laws of His Majesty's Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England," Printed and Sold by Samuel Kneeland, Boston, Choice 12.5" x 7.5", 350 pages. "Acts and Laws, Passed by the Great and General Court or Assembly of the Province of the Massachusetts-Bay in New England: Begun and held at Boston the eight day of June 1692. and continued by Adjournment unto the twelfth Day of October following." This complete compilation of legislation enacted from 1692 to 1751 provides unparalleled insights into the colony's attitude towards Indians, "Free Negroes," piracy, buggery, bestiality, incest, "Jesuits and Popish priests," the killing of bastard children by their mothers, "mispending money in taverns," "keeping the Lord's day," adultery, polygamy and many other social and political topics. Normally this section of the book is bound with the Massachusetts Charter. General age toning throughout and some stains, however text is in Very Fine condition. Disbound from a larger volume with remnants of the binding still intact. A great item for anyone wishing to know more about the early colonization of New England. Very Fine. \$1,000 - up



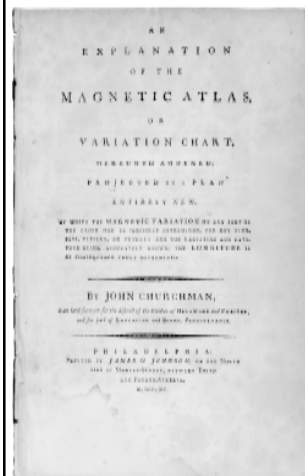
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[COLONIAL AMERICA] 1774 The New-England Almanack, or Lady's and Gentleman's Diary, 7" x 4.5", 16 pages. The Almanack was written by Benjamin West and was intended for the Providence of



CONFERENCES OF MOHAWKS AND OTHER INDIAN NATIONS PRINTED BY B. FRANKLIN!

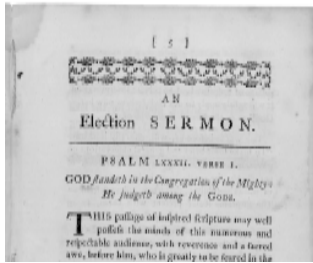
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[COLONIAL AMERICA]. Benjamin Franklin Imprint: February 15, 1759, THE PENNSYLVANIA GAZETTE, Philadelphia, PA, Fine. Number 1573, 3-column layout, 4 pages, 15.25" x 10", "Printed by B. Franklin, Post-Master, and D. Hall." Front page has a large, dark woodcut in masthead. Woodcuts also on page 3 and 4. Page 1 with battle news from Amsterdam and Prussia; letters from ships around the world, including Antigua. Interior pages with good assortment of letters and messages from Petersburg, Russia, London, France, Portsmouth, New Hampshire, Boston, Newport, Annapolis, and Philadelphia. Pages 3 and 4 with interesting advertisements, but of particular note is the page 3 listing: "Minutes of Conferences, held at Easton, in October, 1758, with Chief Sachems and Warriors of the Mohawks, Oneidoes, Onondagoes, Cayugas, Senecas, Tuscaroras, Tuteloes... who now make one nation..." General Amherst advertises on page 4 also. Toned paper with minor staining; left edge has been repaired and reinforced. Tape stain in masthead. Brown-inked signature on front page of previous owner, not affecting text. \$600 - up

"AN EXPLANATION OF THE MAGNETIC ATLAS, OR VARIATION CHART"



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[COLONIAL AMERICA] 1790, "AN EXPLANATION OF THE MAGNETIC ATLAS, OR VARIATION CHART," John Churchman, Printed by James & Johnson, Philadelphia, PA, Booklet Disbound, no covers, 8.25" x 5.25", 46 pages plus Appendix, and featuring two copper-engraved folding plates of two charts. Foxed pages, appendix partly separated. According to Evans, the chart (not found in this copy) was also issued separately. Evans 22406. Choice Very Fine.

\$300 - up



*** 14**
[COLONIAL AMERICA] 1789 Imprint, "Mr. Bridge's Election Sermon" by Josiah Bridge, Very Fine. 7.75" x 4.75", 54 pages, published at Boston, MA by Adams & Nourse. This sermon was preached before THE John Hancock and the Massachusetts Congress on May 27, 1789, "being the day of General Election." This text includes portions of the sermon that were omitted for the sake of brevity when it was delivered publicly! Disbound, missing the covers, with scattered light foxing on most of the pages, otherwise, in generally nice condition. \$200 - up



"BLOODY BUTCHERY"
BROADSIDE CENTENNIAL REPRINT

*** 15**
[COLONIAL AMERICA] c. 1875 Reprint of the "Bloody Butchery" Broadside from the Revolutionary War Battle at Lexington-Concord, Fine. 21" x 16," heavy, dark waterstain along the left side. This was a reprint done on the 100th anniversary of the April 19, 1775 battles at Lexington and Concord, in which American forces routed British regulars, effectively beginning the Revolutionary War. Printed on an earlier style of paper to mimic the real thing. Forty plain black coffins form the masthead; black borders of mourning surround contemporary accounts of the battles. Rare — the next best thing to owning a real one, which would be prohibitively expensive! \$750 - up

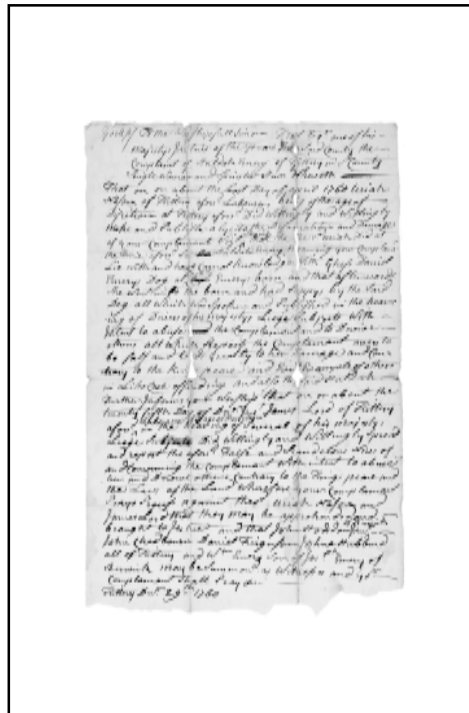


COLONIAL SILVER SPOON BY JOSEPH RICHARDSON

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[AMERICAN REVOLUTION] c. 1780, Colonial Silver Spoon by Joseph Richardson. 7.25" long, monogrammed "M.C." and stamped twice on the back with the familiar "JR" hallmark. In numismatic circles, Richardson is best known for his work on the hand-engraved George Washington Indian Peace Medals. Used, but in good condition, nice and bright, with a faint patina. Extremely rare and desirable, directly connected to one of America's greatest silversmiths. Joseph, Jr. came from a long line of silversmiths. His father, Joseph, Sr. inherited his father's silversmith shop in 1829 and became one of the leading silversmiths of Philadelphia. Joseph, Sr. set an example that his son was later to follow by helping organize in 1756 the Friendly Americans for Regaining and Preserving Peace with Indians and he presented jewelry to Indian leaders. Junior continued the tradition and was responsible for some of the 1793 and all of the 1795 Washington Indian Peace Medals - later, he became Assayer at the United States Mint. This circumstantial evidence indicates a close association with George Washington and David Rittenhouse, first Director of the U.S. Mint. Extremely Fine. \$1,200 - up

1760 DEFAMATION COMPLAINT AGAINST A MAN WHO STATED THAT A WOMAN GAVE BIRTH TO LITTER OF PUPPIES!

"...complain't lie with and have carnal knowledge with Gness Daniel Emery's dog at Zach Emery's barn and that afterwards she went into the barn and had puppies by the said dog.."



*** 17**
[COLONIAL AMERICA] December 29, 1760, Legal Document regarding a Defamation Suit brought by a Woman Accusing of Fornicating with a Dog and Delivering a Litter of Puppies. As outrageous a claim as anyone could make up and we wouldn't have believed it if we hadn't read it ourselves! 12" x 7.75", small paper loss at folds, ragged edge at bottom. In this complaint, Hildah Emery of Kittery "in said county singlewoman and spinster herein sweareth that on or about the last day of April 1760 Uriah Nason of Kittery afors'd labourer being the age of discretion at Kittery afors'd Did wittingly and willingly make and publish a lye to the defamation and damage of your complainant viz saying that he the sd Uriah did at the time aform'd see Hildah Emery meaning your complain't lie with and have carnal knowledge with Gness Daniel Emery's dog at Zach Emery's barn and that afterwards she went into the barn and had puppies by the said dog.." Very Good. Extremely unusual content. \$600 - up



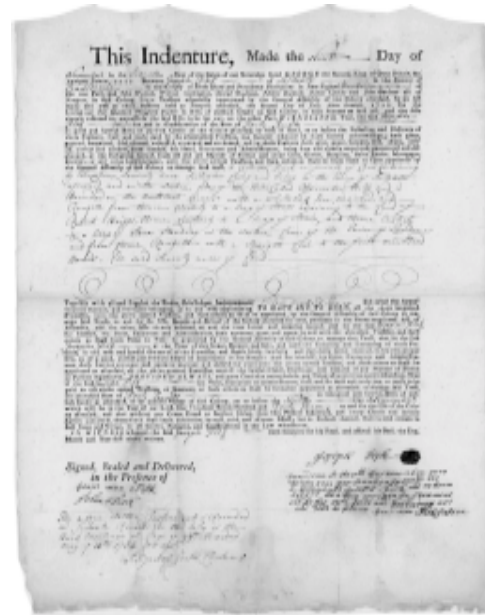
**PROVINCE OF MASSACHUSETTS BAY BOND
SIGNED BY SAMUEL ADAMS**

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1773, Massachusetts Bay. Bond for Thirty-nine hundred & twenty-five pounds bearing interest at 5%. Ornate engraved border design; embossed royal seal. Payable on June 20, 1775 "in Spanish milled dollars at six Shillings each, or in the several species of coined silver and gold enumerated in an act made and passed in the 23d year of his late Majesty King George the Second, Intituled An Act for ascertaining the rates at which coin'd silver and gold, English Halfpence and Farthings, may pass within this government, and according to the rates therein mentioned, with Interest annually at five per cent." Signed by SAMUEL ADAMS (1722 - 1803); Revolutionary statesman. Signed by Adams while serving on the Committee of Correspondence. Adams became the leading spokesman for American Independence serving on numerous committees toward that cause. He vehemently opposed the Stamp Act, the Sugar Act and British colonial policy. His constant criticism of the British helped bring on the Boston Massacre of 1770. "Temperament and circumstances combined to give Samuel Adams but one occupation - the public business; in which he demonstrated a passionate and unquestioned faith in the virtue of the cause he served. This is perhaps the principle key to the quality and the success of all his labors." (DAB)

This is truly an historic pre-revolution bond signed by one of America's most important patriots at the time he was stirring up great dissent for the British. This bond is quite scarce and would be an important addition to any collection. Folds and Very Fine. \$10,000 - up

**SIGNERS OF
THE DECLARATION**

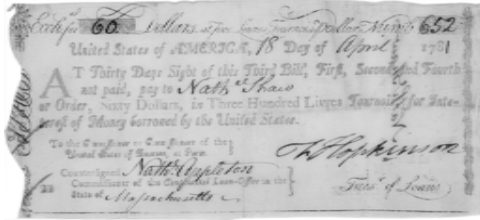


A RARE EARLY COLONY OF RHODE ISLAND DOCUMENT SIGNED BY STEPHEN HOPKINS

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STEPHEN HOPKINS (1707-1785). Signer of the Declaration of Independence from Rhode Island; Governor of Rhode Island. Hopkins served in the Rhode Island Legislature, becoming chief justice of the Superior Court of Rhode Island in 1751. He was first elected Governor in 1755. He headed the major committee opposing British measures and was selected a delegate to the Continental Congress in 1774 and 1775. Following his signing of the Declaration of Independence, Hopkins work on the Articles of Confederation were his last on the national stage due to a declining state of health.

DS. 1 page. 12 3/4" x 16".1 page. November 9, 1733. Partly printed document in which the Trustees of the Colony "impowered by the General Assembly...by an Act made and past at their sessions held at Newport aforesaid, the second Day of July, Anno Domini, 1733 for the letting ou One Hundred Thousand Pounds in Bills of Public Credit on said Colony..." Joseph Fish conveys a mortgage on a certain tract of land to the Colony "for and in Consideration of the Sum of Forty Pounds in good and lawful Bills of Publick Credit..." The money to be repaid on or before the ninth day of November 1743. In order to facilitqte an emmission, the Colony has given Fish Bills of Credit in exchange for a mortgage on his property thus insuring an orderly currency backed by the public confidence. Signed as Town Clerk by Hopkins at the conclusion of a paragraph certifying the document was recorded. Additionally, the manuscript text of the document is accomplished in his hand. A rare example of early American finance displaying the development of the monetary system of the colonies signed by one of America's most important patriots. Overll, Very Fine. \$1,000 - up



CHOICE REVOLUTIONARY WAR BILL OF EXCHANGE SIGNED BY FRANCIS HOPKINSON

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FRANCIS HOPKINSON (1737 - 1791). Hopkinson represented New Jersey in the Continental Congress and signed the Declaration of Independence. He served in his capacity as treasurer of loans from July 1778 to July 1781, a particularly difficult period of financing for the newly formed nation. DS. 1 page. April 18, 1781. A Massachusetts bill of Exchange. Anderson US 94, 5A. United States signed draft signed as Treasurer of Loans by Hopkinson and countersigned by Nathaniel Appleton. "These bills of exchange were issued in uncut sheets of four and were redeemable in Paris. They were watermarked United States 1, 2, 3 or 4 corresponding to the number on the bill. If the first bill was lost or captured at sea (ship captains had standing orders to weight bills of exchange and throw them overboard if stopped by a British ship of war), the holder would then send the second bill, and so on." (Anderson) Few tiny pinholes. A superb association of these two very important early American figures. Very Fine. \$600 - up



PAY ORDER ISSUED TO SIGNER OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE SAMUEL HUNTINGTON

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[SAMUEL HUNTINGTON]. 8 1/2" x 6 1/2". December 2, 1783. John

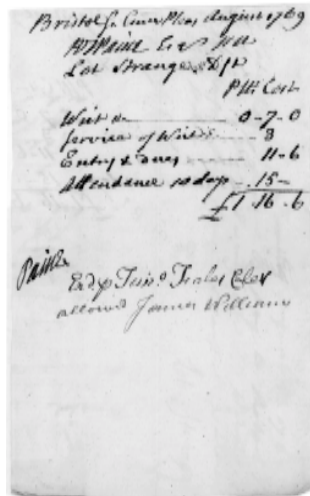
Lawrence, the treasurer of Connecticut is ordered to "Pay the Honble Samuel Huntington, Esq. Thirty pounds out of the monies appropriated for the payment of the Civil List and charge the state" **SAMUEL HUNTINGTON** (1731-1796). Signer of the Declaration of Independence from Connecticut. Active in the judicial and legislative affairs of Connecticut prior to the revolution, Huntington served in the Continental Congress 1775-84 and was its president 1779-81. During the revolution, he also served on numerous state committees, such as the Council of Safety, and served as Connecticut governor 1786-96. Not signed. In excellent condition. \$150 - up



JAMES WILSON

* 21

(1742-1798) Signer of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution, which he helped to frame, also a member of the Continental Congress. Partly printed DS "Wilson" 1 p. Cumberland Co., Oct 24, 1773, an order that the sheriff seize a debtor's possessions, signed on the verso. Slit along one fold toned. Very good. \$250 - up



ROBERT TREAT PAINE

* 22

(1731-1841) American jurist, member of the Continental Congress, signer of the Declaration of Independence and first Attorney General of Massachusetts. ADS 1 p. Bristol 1770, a list of his charges for various legal services rendered signed "Paine Atty." at bottom. Fine. \$250 - up

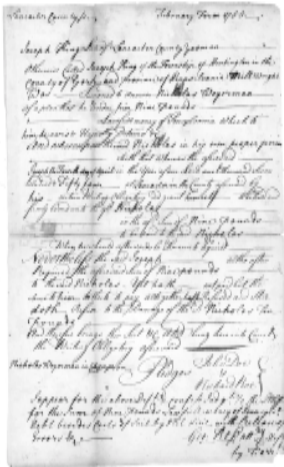


A LOVELY JOHN HANCOCK SIGNATURE CUT FROM A DOCUMENT AND TASTEFULLY FRAMED

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JOHN HANCOCK (1737-1793). First Signer of the Declaration of Independence (Massachusetts); Revolutionary leader; Massachusetts Governor. DS. 1 page.

The document measures 5" x 9" and is framed to an overall dimension of 15.75" x 20.5". April 16, 1784. Countersigned by Commonwealth secretary John Avery. An extraordinary large and bold Hancock example. \$2,500 - up



GEORGE ROSS SIGNS A LEGAL DOCUMENT

*** 25**
GEORGE ROSS (1730-1779). A Signer of the Declaration of Independence from Delaware, Ross served as a king's attorney before switching to the revolutionary side. He did not join the Continental Congress by the date of the July 4, 1776 vote on independence, but signed the document in early August with the other Congressmen. He resigned due to poor health in 1777 and became a judge of admiralty. DS. 1 page. 7 1/2" x 12 1/2". Lancaster County. February Term 1755. A detailed legal brief concerning an outstanding debt of nine pounds. Ross has penned a paragraph and signed at its conclusion; "I appear for the above Deft. & confer Judgt. To the Pltiff for the sum of nine pounds lawfull money of Pennsylvania Debt besides costs...Geo. Ross, Atty. Deft.". Fold splits repaired on verso with archival tape. Fine. \$400 - up

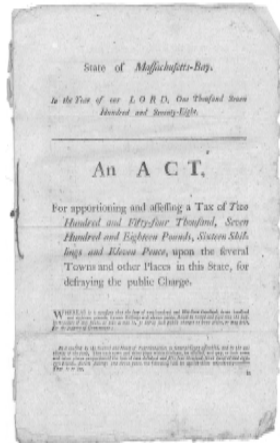


CONNECTICUT NOTE PAYABLE TO JONATHAN TRUMBULL

*** 26**
[AMERICAN REVOLUTION] (JONATHAN TRUMBULL), Aide to General Washington. Printed Document, a pay order to "Col. Jonathan Trumbull" for two pounds, signed by "Ralph Pomeroy," comptroller, fine laid paper, December 2, 1789, Hartford, CT, 4" x 6.25". Choice Printed by "Hudson and Goodwin,"

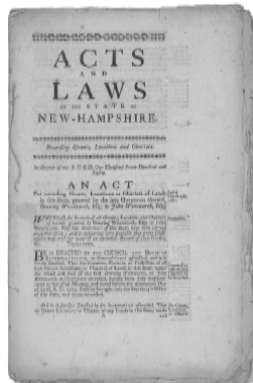
document has been trimmed somewhat unevenly, although very little of the printed border is affected. Punch cancelled and Excellent.

\$110 - up



STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS -BAY TAX ACT

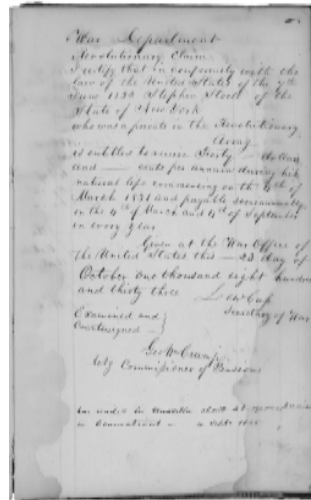
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[AMERICAN REVOLUTION]. 1778, Massachusetts. Act. 9 pp. 8 3/4" x 14 1/4". 10 pages. "An ACT for apportioning and assessing a Tax of Five Hundred and Fifty-four Thousand, Seven Hundred and Eighteen Pounds, Sixteen Shillings and Eleven pence, upon the several Towns and other Places in this State, for defraying the public Charge....." Several folds, with one separation at the last page. A nice act listing the tax burden of each town in the state during the Revolution. \$275 - up



REVOLUTIONARY WAR "ACTS AND LAWS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE"

*** 28**
[AMERICAN REVOLUTION]. March 1780, "ACTS AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW-HAMPSHIRE". 13.5" x 8.75", 27-page document recording the "Grants, Locations and Charters" within the state of New Hampshire. Age-toned with

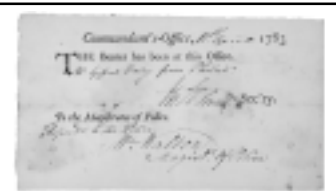
creases around the border, binding partially intact, with missing back pages. Acts include but are not limited to: building improvements, taxes and the selection of Generals in the Continental Army. An act was passed to tax each county to pay necessary taxes to the state. Each town has been given specific amounts of money to pay, and are listed in this document. The vast majority of this document is devoted to passing laws for more taxes, depicting the amount of money required to gain independence. Fine. \$300 - up



NEW YORK LEDGER BOOK WITH REVOLUTIONARY WAR CLAIMS

*** 29**
[AMERICAN REVOLUTION] Early 1800s Ledger Book from Upstate New York. 12.5" x 7.5" hardbound ledger of a New York firm, "Noble & Hayes," with missing front cover and worn spine, approximately 200 written pages. Warped, worn and damp stained pages, with brown-inked ledger statements from 1801 to the 1830s. Pages are watermarked with a figure with a crown holding a sprig with a shield and spear. The entries are all in a nice hand with flowing headings; covering data from Albany, Catskill, and elsewhere in New York. Of special interest are what appear to be copies of Revolutionary War claims signed by John Calhoun, John Robb, and some 18 others. For example, near the end of the ledger is a page titled: "War Department / Revolutionary Claim / I certify that in conformity with the lay of the United States of the 7th June 1832 John Deming of the state of New York who was a private in the Revolutionary Army is entitled to receive Thirty Six Dollars and sixty six cents ... per Annum during his natural life com

mencing on the 4th of March 1831 and payable semiannually..." The page is signed by John Robb, Acting Secretary of War. Other pages are signed by Lew Cass, Secretary of War, and various commissioners of pensions. Some dampstaining \$750 - up



REVOLUTIONARY WAR VISIT TO THE "POLICE" OFFICE

*** 30**
[AMERICAN REVOLUTION] April 11, 1783, Commandant's Office Receipt. 4.75" x 8," an unusual document signed by William Walton, the Magistrate of Police recording the visit of "Mr. Gifford Daly from Philadelphia." Co-signed by the Secretary of the Commandant's-Office. We're not sure why Daly visited the police office (was it to report a crime?), but it was certainly important enough to record the visit. Scattered foxing; two small holes mended on the back with tape. An extremely rare format — we've seen no other like it. Very Fine.

\$350 - up

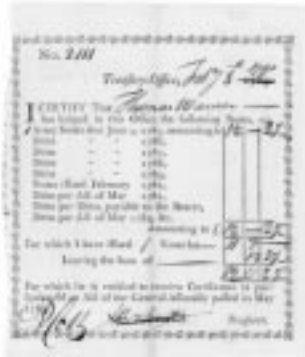


GROUP OF TWO JEREMIAH WADSWORTH RELATED DOCUMENTS

*** 31**
 1776, NP. Group of two war dated documents in which Wadsworth has delivered goods. These are, in all likelihood, for the army. 7 3/4" x 2 3/4" and 4" x 2 1/2". **JEREMIAH WADSWORTH**, (1743-1804). Army officer; Member of the U.S. House of Representatives; Business executive. A successful merchant, Wadsworth was appointed to a number of commissary-general posts beginning in 1775. He served as the commissary-general of the Continental Army, 1778-79, during which time Washington wrote that, thanks to Wadsworth, "supplies had been good

and ample." At the request of Rochambeau, Wadsworth served as commissary-general for the French troops until the close of the war. After the war, Wadsworth helped found, or was a director of, organizations such as the Bank of North America in Philadelphia, the United States Bank, and the Bank of New York. Fine. An interesting pair.

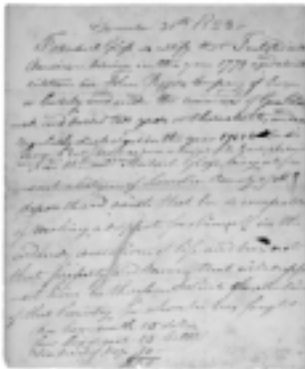
\$100 - up



**REVOLUTIONARY WAR
GENERAL JEDIDIAH
HUNTINGTON**

*** 32**
JEDIDIAH HUNTINGTON (1743 - 1818); Brigadier-General during the Revolutionary War and by PETER COLT. 6 1/2" x 7 1/2". DS. 1 page. February 8, 1790. Connecticut. Anderson CT 27. Treasury office transfer certificate certifying the transfer of old notes for new issues. Issued under an act of the General Assembly passed in May 1789. Huntington's signature has been cancelled. Excellent.

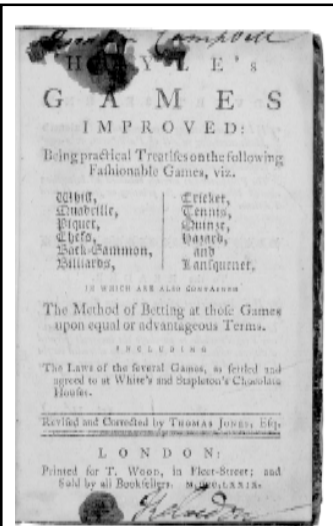
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**A REVOLUTIONARY WAR
SOLDIER FALLS ON HARD
TIMES**

*** 33**
[AMERICAN REVOLUTION] Manuscript declaration by Michael Glass, former Revolutionary War soldier, who seeks a pension, Decem-

ber 30, 1823, Lincoln Circuit Court [Mass.]. Glass states that he served in the American army in the Revolutionary War, and was regularly discharged, but now is "incapable of making a support for himself in the ordinary avocations of life," and requests aid "of that Country for whome he has fought." Some foxing and soiling, but still quite good. A fascinating and poignant declaration by a war veteran who has fallen on hard times: "I Michael Glass do certify that I enlisted into American service in the year 1779 aged about eighteen in John Rogers Company of horse or Cavalry and under the command of Gen. [George Rogers] Clark and served two years or thereabouts, and was regularly discharged in the year 1781." Fine. \$225 - up



**1779 "HOYLE'S GAMES
IMPROVED"**

*** 34**
[AMERICAN REVOLUTION] Book: "Hoyle's Games Improved". Printed for T. Wood, Fleet-Street, London: 1779. This pocket-sized book measuring 5.5" x 3.5" x .75", gives a step by step guide to playing some of the common games of the time. Some of the games included are Backgammon, Chess, Whist, Quadrille, Piquet, Billiards, Cricket, Tennis and Hazard. This book with teach you "The Method of Betting at those Games upon equal or advantageous Terms". Age-toned with front cover not attached, former owner's smudged ink signature at head of title; the pages are still attached and in wonderful condition. \$150 - up

**HISTORICAL AUTOGRAPHS &
DOCUMENTS**



**A CHECK SIGNED BY
CAROLINE AND WILLIAM
ASTOR**

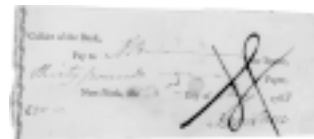
*** 35**
**CAROLINE & WILLIAM
ASTOR. ADS.** 1pp. 8" x 2 3/4". New York. March 14, 1871. A check signed "Caroline W. Astor" and completely engrossed by her. The "Chemical National Bank" check paid "Mr. Wm. Astor One hundred & Sixty Four Dollars and one cent". It is endorsed on the verso "Wm Astor". There is a cut cancellation that does not affect either signature and a thin ink line through Caroline's signature, but her autograph is still fully readable. \$100 - up



**LEGAL STATEMENT OF
ACTION IN WHICH PAST
CONTINENTAL CONGRESS
PRESIDENT ELIAS
BOUDINOT SUES A
DEBTOR AND DECLARA-
TION SIGNER RICHARD
STOCKTON SERVES AS HIS
ATTORNEY**

*** 37**
[ELIAS BOUDINOT]. Manuscript Document Unsigned. 8" x 12 3/4". Monmouth (New Jersey) Common Pleas, January Term 1788. A statement of an unpaid debt along with legal costs details amounts for which Boudinot sues David Knott. It is interesting to note that Richard Stockton, signer of the Declaration of Independence and prominent New Jersey lawyer is noted Boudinot's attorney. Scattered foxing. Fine.

\$200 - up



**CHECK SIGNED BY AARON
BURR**

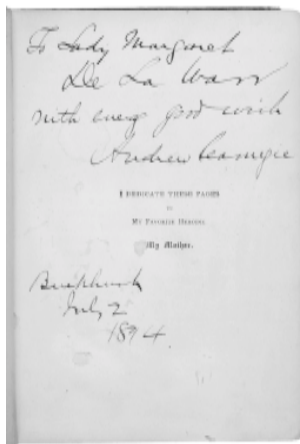
*** 36**
AARON BURR (1756-1836). Vice-President of the United States; Lawyer; Best known for having killed Alexander Hamilton in a duel in 1804. DS. 1 page. May 2, 1788. Partly-printed bank check drawn on the Bank of North America payable to "A.B. or bearer thirty pounds paper..." Signed at lower right by Burr as maker. Pen cancelled at signature. Light round brown spot at center. Fine. \$400 - up



*** 38**
ADMIRAL RICHARD E. BYRD. (1888-1957). One of the greatest of all American explorers. Cut signature mounted to a larger autograph leaf. Some staining that does not affect the signature. 5 1/2" x 3 1/2". \$100-up

A LENGTHY ALS BY WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN

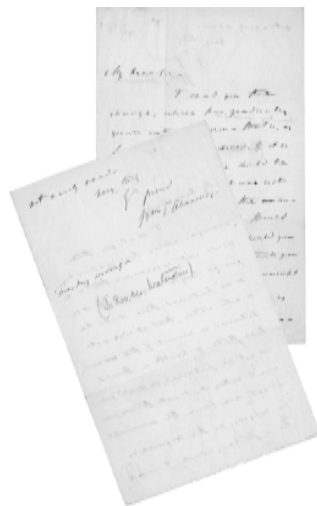
*** 39**
(1860-1925). American reformist lawyer, orator and statesman nominated by the Democratic party three times as presidential candidate, later serving as secretary of state under Wilson. (1913-15). ALS, 14pp, 8" X 9 1/4", Hot Springs, AK, Nov. 26, 1919. On Majestic Hotel letterhead responding to Mr. Berger about the children's' budgetary expenditures and need for economy which Bryan goes into some detail to explain. In small part, "...We have a mutual interest in them. The amount of their income as you estimate it does seem large but some deductions have to be made. 1st, the 2500 I advanced to them was sent him more than a year ago used to pay accumulated deficits You will remember that his salary...did not begin until last July and that for some eight months (a year & a half ago) he was on a sick leave without salary...I do not know of any extravagance of which they have been guilty except that Wm. smokes. I am sorry that he does so but most of the young men use tobacco and by using a pipe he spends less than if he bought cigars..." More similar content, concluding, "Mrs. Bryan continues to improve. She walks as much as a quarter of a mile a day... We are planning to leave her on the 12th or 13th for Florida, stopping for a few days in Asheville..." Boldly penned and signed. \$250 - up



ANDREW CARNEGIE INSCRIBES HIS BOOK TO A PEACE ACTIVIST

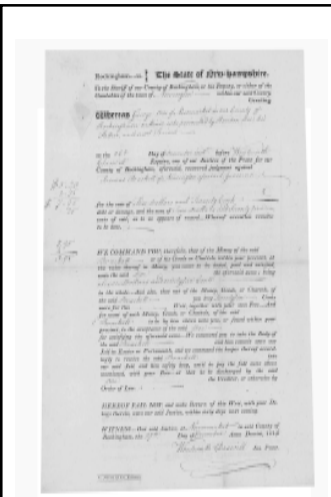
*** 40**
ANDREW CARNEGIE, American Businessman and Philanthropist. Book Signed, "Andrew Carnegie" on the dedication page of his book, "An

American Four-In-Hand In Britain," published by Charles Scribner's Sons, New York, 1891, hardbound cloth, 338 pages, 7.5" x 5.5", Choice Fine. Full inscription reads: "To Lady Margaret De La Warr, with every good wish, Andrew Carnegie, July 2, 1894." The book has its original red cloth intact, with a gilt and black stamped vignette of a horseshoe around a horse's head on the front cover. Rubber stamp in red of a circled tea kettle on the front free endpaper. Originally published in 1883, this 1891 copy is a presentation copy. Spine leaning and a bit sunned, ends and corners lightly bumped, mild rubbing, and few small stains, otherwise in excellent condition. \$800 - up



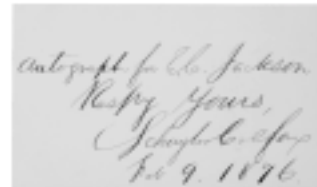
WILLIAM E. CHANNING FORWARDS A SERMON TO A COLLEAGUE

*** 41**
WILLIAM E. CHANNING (1780 - 1842). Unitarian minister, reformer. ALS. No date. 5" x 8". 1 1/4 pages. Both sides of a single sheet. A pencil notation indicates the letter was written to a Rev. Mr. Waterstow; "I send you the change which has gradually grown into a sermon that is, as far as length is concerned. It it is to be published, there should be a note stating that it was not delivered on account of the author's state of health. Should it not be published, & should you wish to retain it I will thank you to let me have the manuscript for copying as the original, is in a state which I cannot easily read...Wm. E. Channing." \$75 - up



AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN PATRIOT - WENTWORTH CHESWELL - THE "PAUL REVERE" OF NEWMARKET, NEW HAMPSHIRE

*** 42**
WENTWORTH CHESWELL. (1746-1807). African -American New Hampshire official who as a member of the town committee of safety made an all-night ride from Boston to warn his townsmen of the British foray out of Boston the night of April 18, 1775. Newmarket. December 27, 1814. Scarce partly-printed D.S. 1page. 7 1/2" x 12 3/4". An order to attach goods and chattels to satisfy a debt. Very fine. \$250 - up

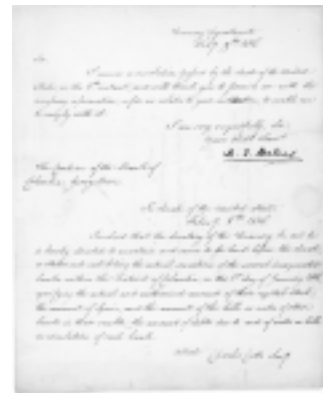


INScribed AUTOGRAPH OF THE 17TH VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES UNDER ULYSSES S. GRANT.

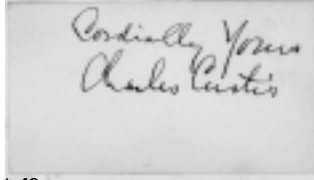
SCHUYLER COLFAX, Vice President under Grant 1869-73, Representative from Indiana, Speaker of the House 1863-69, Whig activist and founder of Indiana's Republican Party. Autograph Card Signed and Inscribed, in full: "Autograph for E.C. Jackson, Respy. Yours, Schuyler Colfax, Feb. 9, 1876", in black ink, on a 2" x 3.25" card, Choice Mint. Crisp and bold, a fine example. \$150 - up



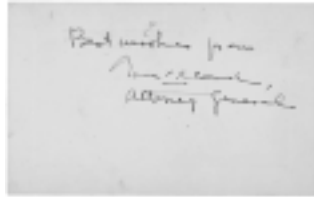
*** 44**
GRACE COOLIDGE, First Lady. Courtesy Autograph, "Grace Coolidge" on a small piece of paper, June 24, 1946, no place, 3.5" x 5.25," Extremely Fine or better. A nice, 3.5" long signature from this popular First Lady. \$75 - up



*** 45**
ALEXANDER J. DALLAS (1759 - 1817). Secretary of the Treasury under James Madison. Statesman. Dallas reorganized the nearly bankrupt treasury department as a result of the War of 1812. DS. 1 page. 8" x 10". Treasury Department. February 1, 1816. To William Whann, Esq., Cashier of the Bank of Columbia. Dallas annexes "a resolution passed by the Senate of the United States, on the 8th instant, and with thank you to furnish me with the necessary information, so far as it relates to you institution, to enable me to comply with it." Dallas signs at the conclusion of the paragraph which is then followed below by a statement of the resolution directing the Secretary of the Treasury "...to ascertain...before the Senate a statement exhibiting the actual condition of the several incorporated banks within the District of Columbia...specifying the actual and authorized amount of their capital stock...and of notes or bills in circulation of each bank." Attached free franked address leaf; thus two Dallas signatures. Fine. \$250 - up



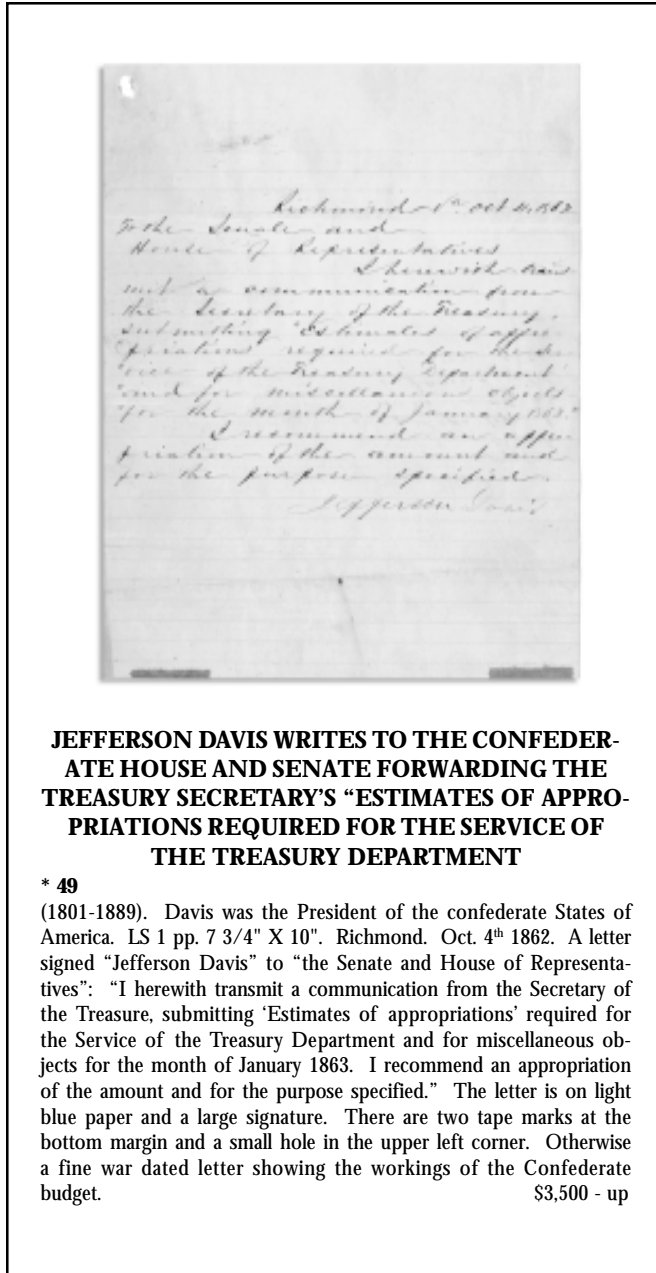
*** 46**
CHARLES CURTIS. (1860-1936). American public official, who was the 31st Vice President of the United States. Cut signature with closing sentiment mounted to paper. "Cordially Yours Charles Curtis". 4 1/2" x 3". Fine. \$40-up



*** 47**
THOMAS C. CLARK, U.S. Attorney General under Truman; Former Supreme Court Justice. Card Inscribed and Signed, "Best wishes from Tom C. Clark, Attorney General" on the back of a Democratic Committee dinner ticket, 3.5" x 5.5," Very Fine. Light handling marks. Clark supported President Truman in desegregating the armed forces, and served on the U.S. Supreme Court from 1949-67. Fine. \$50 - up

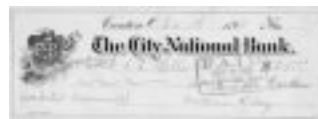


*** 48**
JAMES H. DOOLITTLE. Visiting Card Signed, "J.H. Doolittle" on the back of calling card, no date or place, 2" x 3.5". An impression and some light rust from a paper clip appears at upper left. Although Doolittle was only employed by Curtiss Wright for four months in 1930 - demonstrating planes in Europe - his association with the then best and biggest American aircraft corporation is storied. He set records and won trophies flying Curtiss aircraft, and did the same, and more, in ships with Wright engines. The B-25 in which he led his name-bearing Raid over Tokyo in World War II was powered, in fact, two big radial Wright R-2600 Cyclone engines. \$75 - up



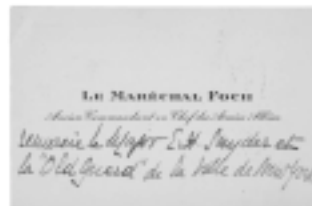
JEFFERSON DAVIS WRITES TO THE CONFEDERATE HOUSE AND SENATE FORWARDING THE TREASURY SECRETARY'S "ESTIMATES OF APPROPRIATIONS REQUIRED FOR THE SERVICE OF THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT"

*** 49**
 (1801-1889). Davis was the President of the confederate States of America. LS 1 pp. 7 3/4" X 10". Richmond. Oct. 4th 1862. A letter signed "Jefferson Davis" to "the Senate and House of Representatives": "I herewith transmit a communication from the Secretary of the Treasure, submitting 'Estimates of appropriations' required for the Service of the Treasury Department and for miscellaneous objects for the month of January 1863. I recommend an appropriation of the amount and for the purpose specified." The letter is on light blue paper and a large signature. There are two tape marks at the bottom margin and a small hole in the upper left corner. Otherwise a fine war dated letter showing the workings of the Confederate budget. \$3,500 - up



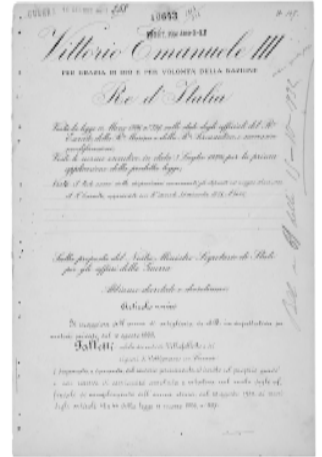
SUPREME COURT JUSTICE WILLIAM DAY

*** 50**
 DS. Canton, Ohio. 1/8" x 3". November 10, 1892. Partly-printed bank check drawn on the City National Bank, payable to L.L. Miller in the amount of \$25.00. Accomplished in Day's hand and signed by him as maker. Vignette of Bank's logo at left. Stamp cancellation not affecting Day's signature. Excellent. \$80 - up



*** 51**
FERDINAND FOCH, Commander of French Forces in World War I. Autograph Note (unsigned), New York, January 13, [N.Y.], 3.75" x 2.5", Choice, Extremely Fine. An inscription on his personal calling card in French to Major E.H. Snyder and the

"Old Guard" of the City of New York. Inscription continues on verso, but the front would make a terrific display piece. \$125 - up



*** 52**
VICTOR EMMANUEL III, Last King of Italy. Document Signed "Vittorio Emanuele," Rome, 1932, 14.5" x 9.5," Very Fine. An official government document taken from a bound volume. Some pencil notations, otherwise quite clean. Contains the usual official stamps and markings. A nice, 5.5" long signature. Surprisingly, Victor Emmanuel's signature alone is rarer than when combined with that of Mussolini! Fine. \$150 - up



ON PHELPS DODGE LETTERHEAD

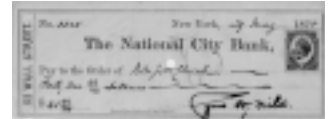
*** 53**
WILLIAM EARL DODGE 1805-1833. Merchant and philanthropist. An organizer of the YMCA in America. ALS 1870. ALS. 1 page. June 14, 1870. "En find letter to the Pres? I thought better to ask him to submit it to Atty Genl rather than write to him direct about the same story" Fine. Scarce on this letterhead. \$100 - up



**LARGE COLORFUL PRINT OF THE ENOLA GAY
SIGNED BY THREE OF THE CREW - ATOMIC
WARFARE IS BORN**

* 54
[ENOLA GAY]. 24" x 18". A large colorful print of artist's depiction of the Enola Gay in flight after dropping the atomic bomb over Hiroshima. A large mushroom cloud rises behind the plane. Signed by PAUL W. TIBBETS, pilot and commander; THOMAS FEREBEE, bombardier; and THEODORE JOHN KIRK, navigator. Great for framing. In excellent condition. \$200 - up

forward arc, a thought flashed through my mind: 'It's too late now. There are no strings or cables attached. We can't get it back, whether it works or not. But if it works, it just might end the war.' \$175 - up



**CHECK SIGNED BY CYRUS
FIELD**

**SCULPTOR JOHN BLY'S
STATUE FOR GENERAL
SHEPARD'S SON**

* 57
JOHN BLY, Early American Sculptor. Autograph Letter Signed, "John Bly" in brown ink on fine laid paper, January 8, 1799, West Springfield, PA, 12" x 7", Extremely Fine. Bly writes to the Congressman General William Shepard regarding the request to create a statue in honor of Shepard's son. With the proper amount of stone, he needs the "proper instructions" in order to create the perfect statue. Wax remnants from original seal, minor ghosting; overall excellent condition with precise, bold script. A stunning document of an artist at work. \$150 - up

* 58
1878, New York. Party-printed check drawn on National City Bank payable to "J.H. Clinch" in the amount of Forty-One 42/100-Dollars. Signed as maker by CYRUS FIELD (1819-1892). Telegraphy pioneer. Field was the driving force behind the first telegraph cable across the Atlantic Ocean. After unsuccessful attempts in 1857-58, Field succeeded in laying a working cable between Ireland and Newfoundland in August 1858, only to have it fail four weeks later. Field finally succeeded in laying a working cable in 1866. Field then went on to help establish elevated railroads in New York City, and to collaborate with Jay Gould in various railroad projects. A nice, boldly signed example of Field's autograph. Punch cancellation not affecting signature. \$225 - up



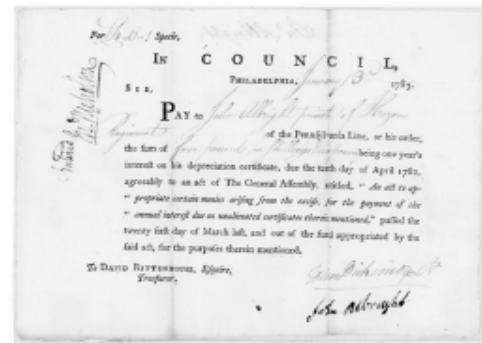
**CO-PILOT WHO DROPPED
THE ATOMIC BOMB ON
NAGASAKI**

* 55
[ENOLA GAY]. Fred J. Olivi, Co-Pilot on the B-29 "Bockscar." Document Signed, "Fred J. Olivi" on a Limited Edition (6 of 12) presentation piece, July 2001, no place, Choice Mint condition. From the Genchi collection. This document recounts some of Olivi's experience as the co-pilot of the B-29 "Bockscar" that dropped the "Fat Man" atomic bomb on Nagasaki, Japan on August 9, 1945: "...we were about seven miles from 'ground zero' and headed directly away from the target, yet the light blinded me for an instant. I had never experienced such an intense bluish light, maybe three or four times brighter than the sun shining above us." \$175 - up



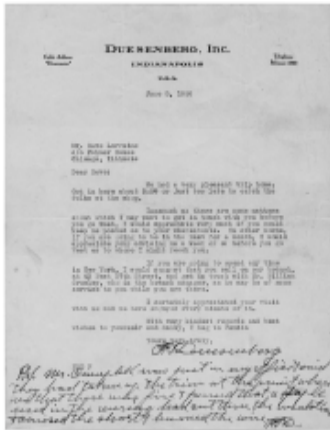
**PILOT OF THE PLANE
THAT ESCORTED THE
ENOLA GAY OVER
HIROSHIMA**

* 56
[ENOLA GAY]. Charles Sweeney. Document Signed, "Charles Sweeney" on the bottom of a Presentation piece (5 of 12) from the Genchi collection, June 2001, no place, 11" x 8.5," Choice Mint condition. Sweeney piloted the escort plane that accompanied the "Enola Gay" - the bomber that dropped the first atomic bomb (Little Boy) on Hiroshima, Japan, on August 6, 1945. On August 9, 1945, Sweeney was the commander of "Bock's Car," the B-29 bomber that dropped the second atomic bomb, this time on Nagasaki, Japan. This document recounts some of Sweeney's experience, "As I watched the bomb falling free on its



JOHN DICKINSON

* 59
JOHN DICKINSON (1732 - 1808) while serving as President of the Supreme Executive Council of Pennsylvania. Dickinson, while a member of Continental Congress believed in conciliation with England and, as such was the only congressman not to sign the Declaration of Independence. Countersigned by JOHN NICHOLSON (d. Dec. 5, 1800), Comptroller general of Pennsylvania; with Robert Morris formed numerous land companies. DS. 1 page. 8 1/2" x 6". Philadelphia. January 3, 1783, Partly printed Council certificate in which David Rittenhouse is directed to pay "John Albright, private of Hazens regiment, of the Pennsylvania Line,...one year's interest on his depreciation certificate." These certificates were issued to pay the interest on depreciation certificates that had been previously issued to compensate soldiers on unpaid back pay and make up losses suffered by the troops from having been paid in depreciated currency. An interesting document displaying some of the financial chaos which was prevalent during and after the war. Extremely Fine. \$400 - up



VERY SCARCE DUESENBERG LETTER WITH A FINE FIVE LINE INITIALLED AUTOGRAPH POSTSCRIPT

*** 60**
FRED S. DUESENBERG (1876 - 1932). Automotive engineer and manufacturer. Since the turn of the century, Fred Duesenberg had been well known as a designer of fast, powerful, reliable gasoline engines which came to be widely used in the marine, automotive and aviation industries. From 1903-1913 Duesenberg was the chief engineer of the Mason Motor Car Company. In 1913, Fred and his brother August established the Duesenberg Motor Company to manufacture gasoline engines of their own design. Success was immediate, with Mulford and Rickenbacker consistently driving Duesenberg-powered racers to commanding victories. In 1920 the brothers began to build their first production car, the Model A. While the car created a sensation at its debut, it was a mere shadow of the massive and extraordinarily expensive Model J (and later SJ and SSI) which was introduced in 1928. Of the Duesenberg marque it has been said, "If but one of all the automobiles ever built in America had to be singled out as the most glorious achievement in this country's automotive history, that car would have to be the Duesenberg. It transcended the ordinary in full measure, created legends in its wake which will live forever, and became a literal metaphor — 'It's a Duesy' — for anything unrelentingly superlative."

TLS. Indianapolis, June 5, 1930. 1 page. 8 1/2" x 11". On Duesenberg, Inc. letterhead, the great automaker writes to his friend, Dave Lorraine; *"Inasmuch as there are some matters about which I may want to get in touch with you before you go West, I would appreciate very much if you could keep me posted as to your whereabouts. In other words, if you are going to be in the East for a month, I would appreciate your advising me a week or so before you go West as to where I might reach you. If you are going to spend any time in New York, I would suggest that you call on our branch, at 43 West 57th Street, and get in touch with Mr. William Crowley, who is the branch manager, as he may be of some service to you while you are there..."* Duesenberg ends with a nice five line postscript; *"P.S. Mrs. Campbell was just in my office & said they had taken up the trim at the paint where () that there was fire & found that a staple used in the wiring had cut thru the insulation & caused the short & burned the wire. F.S.D."*

A fine, displayable and very scarce letter signed by one of America's most famous automakers. Folds. Fine. \$2,000 - up



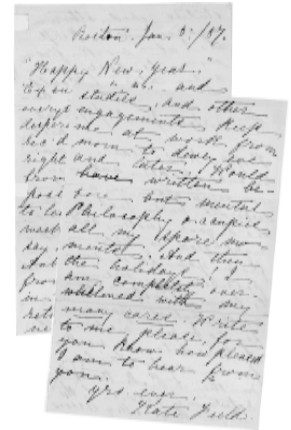
"Are our communications, after all, as 'free' as we like to think?"

EISENHOWER WRITES TO COMMERCE SECRETARY LEWIS L. STRAUSS

*** 61**
DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (1890-11969). Thirty-fourth President and Supreme Allied Commander of European forces World War II. TLS. 1 page. 6 3/4" x 9". On imprinted White House letterhead. To Secretary of Commerce Lewis L. Strauss. Dear Lewis: I am appalled by the contents of your letter of March thirteenth. Are our communications after all, as "free" as we like to think?" Initialed at the conclusion of the letter. "D.E." An interesting letter raising questions concerning privacy issues within the government during the 1950's. One center fold. Excellent. \$500 - up

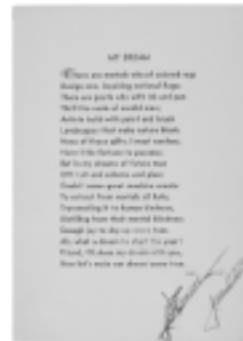
Ah, what a dream to start the year!" Slightly worn cardstock, otherwise very nice.

\$75 - up



WRITER KATE FIELD PENS A LETTER

*** 63**
 Kate Field. ALS. 2pp. 4" x 6". Boston. Jan. 5, 1857. An autograph letter signed by Kate Field: "...right glad to hear from you. It is impossible for me to leave Boston this week, but if you say so I can visit Duburndale a week from next Friday in the 5 P.M. train returning before the next day. My lesson studies and other engagements keep me at work form morn to dewey eve and later. Would have written before but mental Philosophy occupies all my spare moments..." The letter is in very fine condition overall. \$100 - up



*** 62**
J.T. EMME, Poet. Printed Poem Signed, "J.T. Emme," January 1, 1932, 7.5" x 5.25," 4-page integral sheet, Choice Extremely Fine. Titled "My Dream," Emme writes a New Year's ode to kindness and joy, in part: "There are mortals who of colored rags / Design new, inspiring flags; ...Oft I sit and scheme and plan: Could I some great machine create / To extract from mortals all hate ..."



JEAN PAUL GETTY SIGNED TAX DOCUMENT

*** 64**
J. PAUL GETTY. (1892-1976). Oil magnate; Art collector. A fabled oil executive, J. Paul Getty brought the Getty Oil Company to the status of an "eighth sister" among the giants in the petroleum business. TLS 1 page. January, 1952. 8 1/2" x 11". Power of Attorney-Individual Tax Return signed by J. Paul Getty in dark bold ink. \$200 - up

OLIVER ELLSWORTH.

*** 65**
ELLSWORTH, OLIVER (1745-1807). Revolutionary patriot; Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court. Autograph Document Signed, "Oliv. Ellsworth" in brown ink on fine-laid paper, September 28, 1775, Hartford, CT, 6" x 8", Choice Extremely Fine. Being a Selectmen pay order, to pay the "Selectmen of Hartford Nine pounds, Eighteen Shillings, money in Bills for Service & Expense of Capt. Abraham Ledwick & Company..." Also signed by "Thos. Seymour, Ebz. Williams, and Jno. Lawrence, Treasurer." Crisp, clean document, with normal folds, and bright signatures. \$225 - up



CHRISTMAS CARD SIGNED BY MARY LORD HARRISON

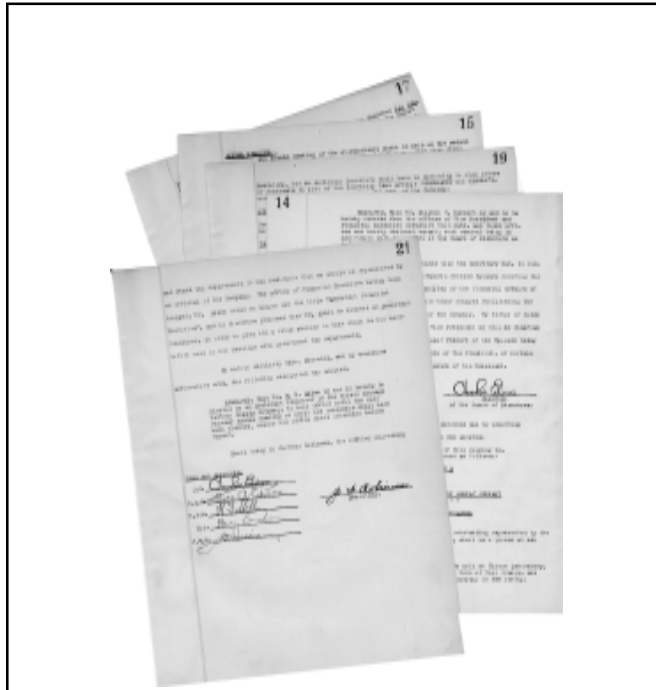
*** 66**
MARY LORD HARRISON. Second wife of President Benjamin Harrison, was actually the niece of Harrison's first wife, Caroline. First lady. A pretty Christmas Card inscribed and signed during Christmas, 1944. Excellent. \$75 - up



*** 67**
MARY LORD HARRISON, First Lady; 2nd Wife of Benjamin Harrison. Envelope Free-Franked, "Mary Lord Harrison," at upper right, postmarked January 30, 1940, New York, NY, 3.9" x 7.5", Very Fine. Nice, large signature, nearly 5" long. Addressed to Miss Cida Bickering, Director of the Conservatory of Music, Indiana. Envelope with minor wear. \$110 - up

HORACE GREELY

*** 68**
 (1811-1872) American journalist and founder of the New York Tribune which advocated abolition, and universal amnesty and suffrage. Greeley also posted bail for Jefferson Davis.



THOMAS EDISON WITH HIS SON CHARLES EDISON, SET THE BY LAWS OF THE EDISON STORAGE BATTERY COMPANY

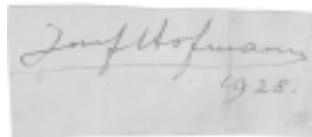
*** 69**
THOMAS EDISON. An important 9 page 8" x 10" DS, West Orange NJ, February 9, 1924, being the minutes of a crucial meeting of the Board of Directors of the Edison Storage Battery Company, in which the company's by-laws were laid out and adopted. The specific powers and responsibilities of each of the chief positions within the organization were laid out and defined, as well as their specific terms of office. Rules for attending to tasks such as annual and special meetings of the shareholders were also defined. In essence, in this meeting, the organization defined the terms of its own existence. Because of the listing of the by-laws of the corporation, these minutes, signed as usual by **Thomas Edison, Charles Edison,** and the rest of the Board, are of far greater importance than those of more commonplace meetings, and estimated accordingly. An important piece of Edison corporate history. \$1200 - up

A.N.S. on the verso of a letter of merchant John Stafford, 1p 4to. New York, May 19, 1869 in which Stafford recommends a friend who has served: "...as an opponent of bogus Democracy..." On the verso Greeley addresses his note to "Gen. Jones", noting "...The within letter is from a very good man...I wish you would enable me to say so..." Very good. \$100 - up

EDWARD EVERETT AMERICAN ORATOR AND STATESMAN

*** 70**
EDWARD EVERETT, American Orator and Statesman. Autograph Letter Signed, "Edward Everett" as Secretary of State, in

brown ink on woven paper, December 6, 1852, Department of State, 6" x 3.75", Fine. This letter was written to Hon. E. Stanley asking him to stop by the Department so they may speak for a few moments. The paper has a "Paris" raised paper stamp in the upper left hand corner. Age-toned with creases. \$125 - up



*** 71**
JOSEF HOFFMANN. (1876-1957). Pianist. A child prodigy, Hofmann toured at a young age and was later

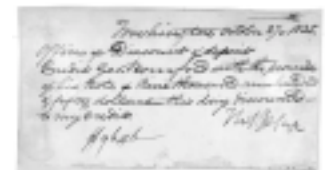
placed under the tutelage of Anton Rubinstein. Hofmann's polymath abilities led him to compose, invent patented parts for the automobile and design mechanisms for the piano. Cut signature with date mounted to a larger autograph leaf. 5 1/2" x 3 1/2". \$40-up



JAMES HAMILTON

*** 72**
 1752, Pennsylvania. 12 1/2" x 7 3/4". Partly-printed document signed by James Hamilton (c.1710-1783), while serving as lieutenant governor of Pennsylvania. "Whereas David MaGaw of the County of Cumberland hat requested that we would grant him to take up fifty Acres of Land an addition to his other land adjoining John Potter along the Waggon road, County of Cumberland for which he agrees to pay to our use at the rate of fifteen pounds ten shillings current Money of the Province...Given under by hand, and the seal of the Land Office..."

This is technically a Land Office Warrant. Benjamin Franklin printed 200 of these By the Proprietaries certificates for Nicholas Scull, the Surveyor General. A rather nice early document. These were used to grant land, define the grantees financial obligations and the survey. Fold separations with tape repairs which appears to be not of archival standards. Some paper loss at right upper and lower corners from a previous mounting. Otherwise, very fine \$400 - up



*** 73**
THOMAS S. JESUP (1788 - 1860), Brigadier General; 12th Quartermaster General from May, 1818 - June 1860. Father of the Modern Quartermaster Corps. General Thomas S. Jesup held the post of Quartermaster General for forty-two years. He



AN APPOINTMENT SIGNED BY THOMAS JEFFERSON AND JAMES MADISON

* 74

THOMAS JEFFERSON (1743-1826). Third President and author of the Declaration of Independence and **JAMES MADISON** (1751-1836). Fourth President and "Father of the Constitution". DS. 1 page. Document Signed. 1 page. On vellum. The document measures 15 1/2" x 13" and is framed to an overall dimension of 24 1/2" x 27". Washington November 4, 1801. Land grant to "Jefferson Andrew Buchanan having deposited in the treasury a certificate of the Register of the Land Office..." receives lands in the Northwest Territory.. Jefferson's signature remains exceptionally bold and Madison's is also strong. Excellent Condition. Nicely Framed in a high quality museum quality frame. Ready for display. \$5,500 - up

written the location, "Hartford Conn". Hawley was the editor of the Hartford Evening Press along with being a General in the Civil War and was later elected Governor of Connecticut in 1866. The signature remains very dark and bold with minor aging to paper; modern pencil markings on back of card does not take away from the appearance of document.. \$75 - up

horizontal crease across page touching Hodges' chin and left shoulder. Signed in black ink in the lower right corner. Hodges (1887-1966) had a long military career. Highlights of his World War II service were as commanding general of the Third Army and, after D-Day, as commander of the First Army, which he continued to command after the war at Fort Bragg, N.C. and Governors Island, N.Y. \$200 - up



STATE OF CONNECTICUT PAYNOTE ISSUED TO WILLIAM SAMUEL JOHNSON AND SIGNED BY OLIVER WOLCOTT JR. AS COMPROLLER

* 76

1788, Connecticut. Paynote for ten pounds signed by William Samuel Johnson. **WILLIAM S. JOHNSON**, (1727-1819). A Delegate and a Senator from Connecticut Signer of the Constitution. Stamp cancelled. Cancellation hole at center. Very fine. \$125 - up



AMOS KENDALL SIGNED POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR

* 78

AMOS KENDALL (1789-1869) A journalist, Kendall also served as Jackson and Van Buren's Postmaster General. 1838, Manchester, Connecticut. Post Office circular. 1 page. 8" x 10". Kendall forwards orders to postmasters for handling the accounts of contractors; "...the contractor named at the foot of this letter, who carries the mail on the Route there stated, on which your office is situated, is authorized to demand and receive of you, either in person or by his agent, at the end of each quarter, so long as he shall actually carry the Mail on said route, or until you shall be otherwise directed, the whole amount due from you to the United States, including the Quarter then just terminated, as shown in your Account Current.... Very respectfully, Your obedient servant, Amos Kendall." Couple of areas of light browning. Fine. Some Nice \$125 - up

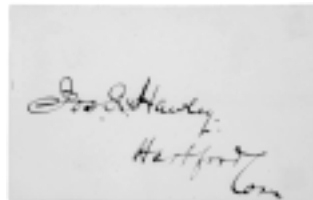


PENCIL AND CHARCOAL ILLUSTRATION SIGNED "COURTNEY H. HODGES GEN. U.S. ARMY"

* 77

COURTNEY H. HODGES, WORLD WAR II, Major General. Pencil and Charcoal Illustration Signed "Courtney H. Hodges Gen. U.S. Army" 15.75" x 12", Choice Very Fine. Signed and dated by the artist, "D.A. Ahrens, 1946." A waist-up portrait of the general in uniform. Minor paper loss at upper right corner;

has been described by one of his successors in that post as one of the most colorful and remarkable characters that ever occupied this position. 6" x 3" glued to a backing paper. Manuscript check signed by Thomas S. Jesup. Washington, October 27, 1835. Offices of Discount & Deposit. "Credit Geo. Bouford with the proceeds of his note & Nine thousand, seven hundred & fifty dollars this day discounted to my credit." Cut cancelled at center with all paper intact. Two small tears at bottom margin with text unaffected. Light soiling. Fine. \$100 - up



GOVERNOR OF CONNECTICUT AND CIVIL WAR GENERAL

* 75

JOSEPH ROSWELL HAWLEY, Civil War Union General. Signature on Card, "Jos. R. Hawley", in brown ink on card paper, no date, Hartford, Connecticut. 2.25" x 3.75", 1 page, Choice Extremely Fine. Written below his signatures, Hawley has also

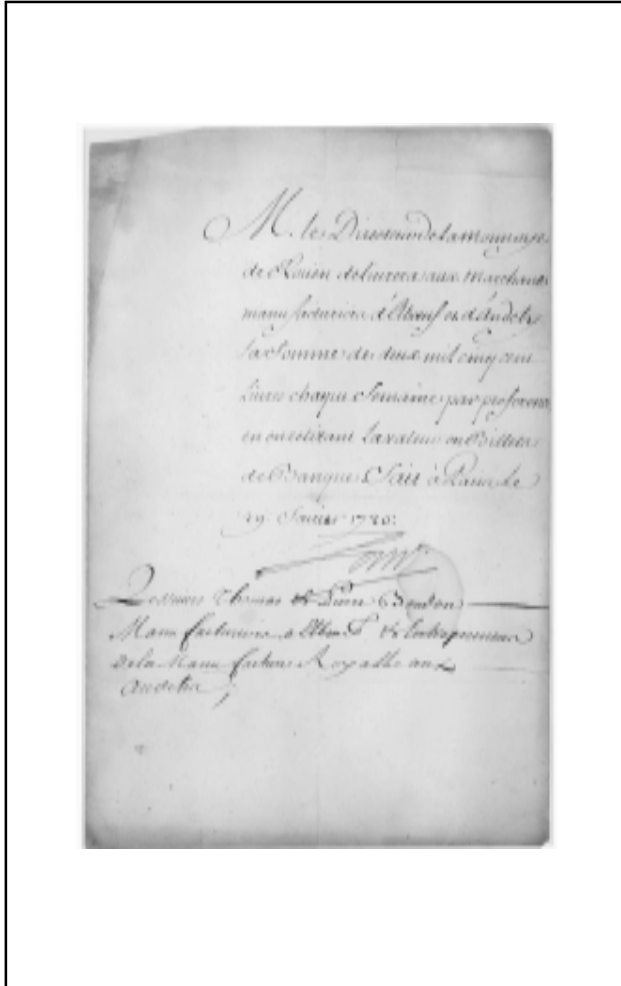
Please call with and questions you may have on the lots

THE CREATOR OF THE MISSISSIPPI SCHEME

A SCARCE JOHN LAW DOCUMENT SIGNED JUST MONTHS BEFORE PUBLIC CONFIDENCE IN HIS MISSISSIPPI COMPANY WOULD ERODE LEADING TO A TOTAL COLLAPSE IN THE COMPANY'S SHARES

* 79

JOHN LAW (1671 – 1729). A Scottish economist, gambler, banker, murderer, royal advisor, exile, rake and adventurer, the remarkable John Law is renowned for more than his unique economic theories. His popular fame rests on two remarkable enterprises he conducted in Paris: the Banque Générale and the Mississippi Scheme. His economic fame rests on two major ideas: the scarcity theory of value and the real bills doctrine of money. (cepa.newschool.edu). He is responsible for the adoption or use of paper money or bills in the world today. A scarce DS. 1 page. 8 1/8" x 12 3/4". February 20, 1720. Law orders a payment for 2,500 livres.



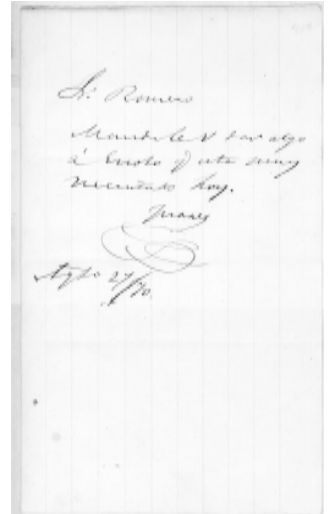
Law urged the establishment of a national bank to create and increase instruments of credit, and the issue of paper money backed by land, gold, or silver. He had the almost socialist idea of abolishing minor monopolies and private farming of taxes and creating a bank for national finance and a state company for commerce and ultimately exclude all private revenue. This would create a huge monopoly of finance and trade run by the state, and its profits would pay off the national debt. The Conseil des Finances, merchants, and financiers objected to this plan.

In 1716 Banque Générale ("General Bank") was set up by Law. It was a private bank, but 3/4 of the capital consisted of government bills and government accepted notes. In August 1717, he bought the Mississippi Company, to help the French colony in Louisiana. In the same year Law floated the Mississippi Company as a joint-stock trading company called the Compagnie d'Occident which was granted a trade monopoly of the West Indies and North America. The bank became the Royal bank (Banque Royale) in 1718, meaning the notes were guaranteed by the king. The Company absorbed the Compagnie des Indes Orientales, Compagnie de Chine, and other rival trading companies and be-

came the Compagnie Perpetuelle des Indes in 1719. In 1720 the bank and company were united and Law was appointed Controller General of Finances to attract capital. Law's pioneering note-issuing bank was extremely successful until it collapsed and caused an economic crisis in France and Europe.

Law exaggerated the wealth of Louisiana with an effective marketing scheme, which led to wild speculation on the shares of the company in 1719. In February 1720 it was valued for a very high future cash flow at 10,000 livres. Shares rose from 500 livres in 1719 to as much as 15,000 livres in the first half of 1720, but by summer of 1720, there was a sudden decline in confidence, leading to a 97% decline in market cap by 1721. By the end of 1720 Philippe II of Orléans dismissed Law, who then fled from France. Law died a poor man in Venice in 1729. (john-law.biography.ms).

A light stain appears just at the lower right of Laws signature. A nice opportunity to acquire an autograph of this widely controversial economic eccentric. \$5,000 - up



BENITO JUAREZ LETTER ANS

* 80

BENITO JUAREZ, (1806-1872). A Mexican politician, Juarez was a lawyer who pressed for fairer land distribution. He was elected President in 1861 and in an attempt to support the failing Mexican economy, he stopped payment on European loans for two years. The French used this as an excuse to invade and install Maximilian an emperor, while Juarez directed the defenses of Mexico. After the Americans pressured the French to leave, he was again elected President and separated church and state, altered the land system and spoke for greater religious toleration. A great addition to any collection. 1870. August, 27th. DS. 1 page. 4 1/2" x 7 1/2". "...Sr. Romero, have them give something to Escobedo who is very much in need today. Juarez. August 27, 1870." Fine.

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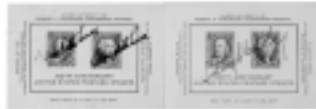


"POPPA JOFFRE" LED THE FRENCH ARMY IN WORLD WAR I

* 81

JOSEPH JACQUES CESAIRE JOFFRE, Marshal of France who, as "Poppa Joffre" led the French army in World War I until he was relieved in 1916. Visiting Card Signed, "J. Joffre" on a printed, personal calling card, no date or place, 4.25" x 3", Very Fine, soiling and

things on the back, not affecting the front in any way. Joffre signs just above and to the left of his printed name. In the early years of the First World War, Joffre was the most popular man in France - but trench warfare could wear anyone down, and by 1916, the war of attrition began to undermine his popularity. He was dismissed gradually, keeping the rank of commander-in-chief but without the power, then losing the title as well, and finally being made "Marshal of France." Today he is remembered for his victory of the Marne which, according to Brassey's, was one of the most crucial battles in history. \$125 - up



**STAMPS SIGNED BY CONSERVATIVE ICON AND ENTERTAINMENT REPORTER
CLAIRE BOOTH LUCE & SIDNEY SKOLSKY**

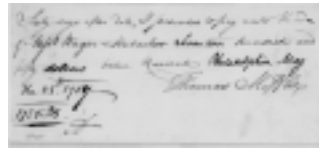
* 82
Commemorative Philatelic Sheets Signed, "Claire Booth Luce" in blue fountain pen ink, and "Sidney Skolsky" in blue ball-point pen on May, 1947 sheets celebrating the "100th Anniversary / United States Postage Stamps," c. 1954-1955, 2.75" x 3.75", Near Mint. Printed by the Treasury Department Bureau of Engraving and Printing as a complement to the Centenary International Philatelic Exhibition in New York (May 17-25, 1947), these sheets feature a beautiful blue 5c stamp of Benjamin Franklin, and a warm orange colored 10c stamp of George Washington. Claire Booth Luce signs twice on her sheet. (2 pieces). \$125 - up



THOMAS MIFFLIN

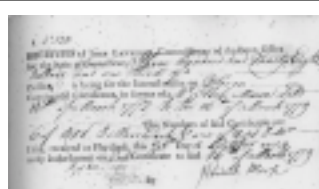
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THOMAS MIFFLIN (1744-1800). Signer of the Constitution from Pennsylvania; Revolutionary War general; Pennsylvania governor. Partly-printed Document Signed "The Mifflin" as Governor of Pennsylvania, on vellum, June 20, 1798, (Philadelphia), 11" x 21", Very Fine. A

grant to Thomas Shields of 400 acres, "a certain tract of land, called 'Pococen' situate on the waters of Roberson's run... in Washington County..." The large paper and wax seal at upper leaf is intact and Mifflin signed boldly just below it. Light age toning, scattered ink transfer, and a minor stain at one fold. An attractive document, suitable for display. \$250 - up



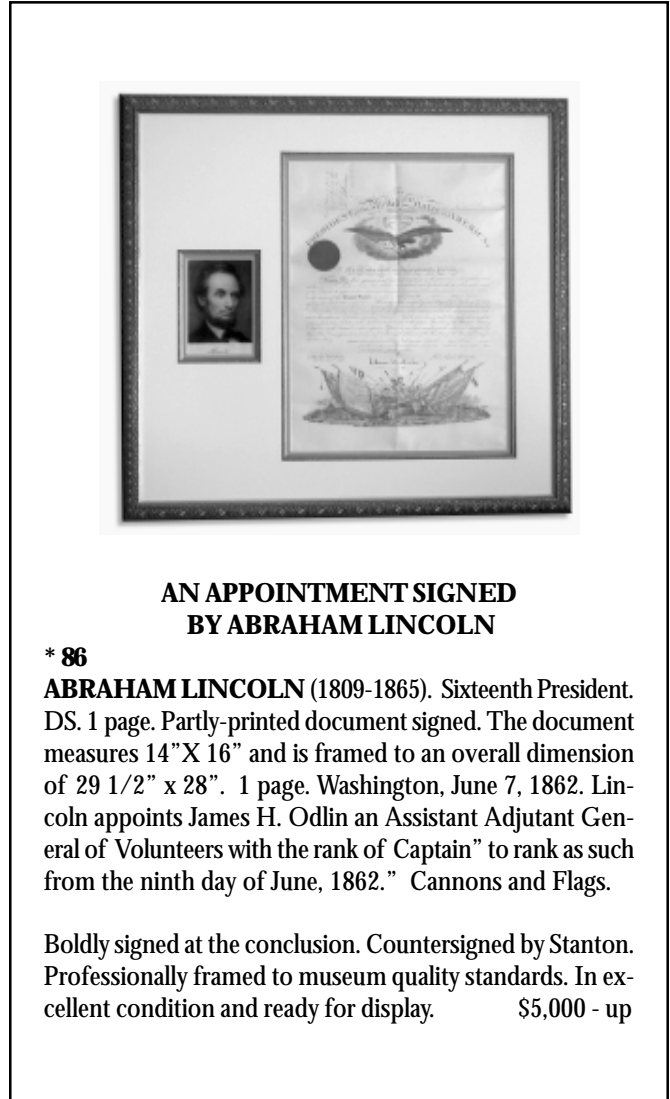
PROMISSORY NOTE ACCOMPLISHED AND SIGNED BY THOMAS MIFFLIN

* 84
THOMAS MIFFLIN (1744-1800). Signer of the Constitution from Pennsylvania; Revolutionary War general; Pennsylvania governor. Autograph document signed. 1 page. 8" x 3 5/8". May 25, 1787. A sixty day promissory note in which Mifflin promises "to pay unto the order of Messrs. Wager & Habacher seventeen hundred and fifty dollars value received..." Accomplished entirely in his hand and signed by Mifflin as maker. Excellent condition. \$300 - up



THE "FATHER OF AMERICAN GEOGRAPHY"

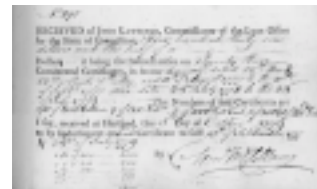
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JEDIDIAH MORSE (1761 - 1826). Congregational clergyman, "father of American Geography". Published in 1784, Geography Made Easy, the first geography texts to be published in the United States, the success of which he followed up with The American Geography and The American Universal Geography. "During the authors lifetime the Morse geographies virtually monopolized their field in the United States." (DAB) DS. 1 page. October 25, 1779. 7 3/4" x 4 1/2". Morse acknowledges receipt of "Three hundred and ninety eight dollars and one third of a dollar...it being for the interest arisen on Seven Continental Certificates, in favour of Mr. Abel Morse date 16th March 1778 to the 16th March 1779..." Boldly signed by Morse. Excellent condition. \$300 - up



AN APPOINTMENT SIGNED BY ABRAHAM LINCOLN

* 86
ABRAHAM LINCOLN (1809-1865). Sixteenth President. DS. 1 page. Partly-printed document signed. The document measures 14" X 16" and is framed to an overall dimension of 29 1/2" x 28". 1 page. Washington, June 7, 1862. Lincoln appoints James H. Odlin an Assistant Adjutant General of Volunteers with the rank of Captain" to rank as such from the ninth day of June, 1862." Cannons and Flags.

Boldly signed at the conclusion. Countersigned by Stanton. Professionally framed to museum quality standards. In excellent condition and ready for display. \$5,000 - up



* 87
SAMUEL McCLELLAN (1730 - 1807). Militia brigadier general during the American Revolution. Marched to Boston on the news of the Lexington Alarm. He was the grandfather of Civil War general George B. McClellan. DS. 1 page. October 5, 1779. 7 3/4" x 4 1/2". McClellan acknowledges receipt of "Five hundred thirty one dollars and the half of a dollar it being for interest arisen on Seventy three continental certificates in favour of myself..." In excellent condition. \$250 - up



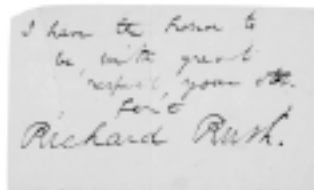
* 88
HUDSON MAXIM (1853-1927). American explosives inventor of the first smokeless powder and a self-combustive compound to propel torpedoes. Soft cover edition of "The World's Verdict on Hudson Maxim's Book The Science of Poetry and The Philosophy of Language," 43pp, 61/2" x 9 1/2", Fun &

Wagnall's company, New York [1910]. Promotional anthology of brief critiques of his book by 86 "well-known people" of the day. Frontispiece image with printed dedication and signature inserted. Boldly signed and inscribed on cover, "Alfred Gaskill With Compliments of..." cover separated; internally intact. General light toning; cover evidences light wear and soiling; 4" tear on back cover with no paper loss. Very Good.

your obt. ser't..." Vertical fold and light stain. \$75 - up

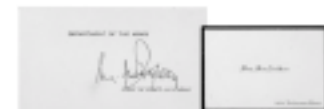


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VILHJALMUR STEFANSSON. (1879-1962), Arctic explorer. Cut signature with date mounted to a larger autograph leaf. 5 1/2" x 3 1/2". Fine. \$60-up

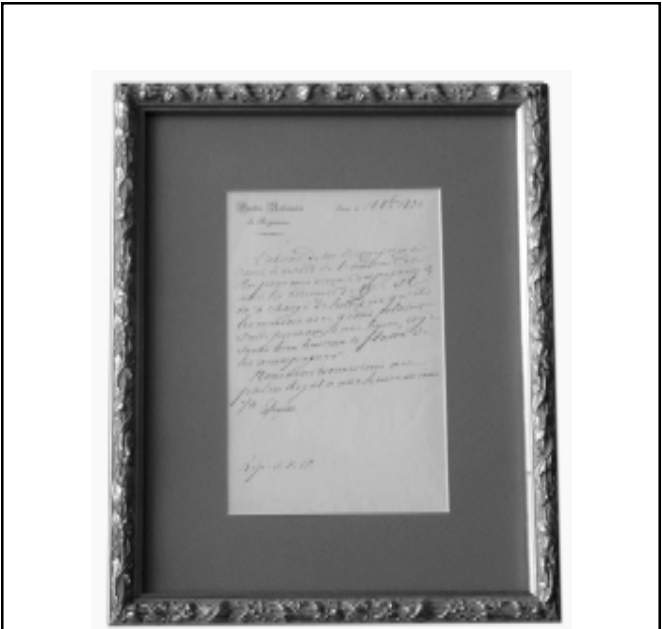


RICHARD RUSH

* 89
RICHARD RUSH, Secretary of Treasury and State. Autograph Note Signed "Richard Rush," in brown ink on note paper, no date, no location, c. 1825, 2.75" x 4.25", Very Fine. The short inscription reads: "I have the honor to be, with great respect,



* 92
MATTHEW RIDGEWAY, Commander of U.S. Forces in the Korean War. Signature on a 4.25" x 2.25" calling card, Choice Extremely Fine. Together with a mourning card for Douglas MacArthur's widow. \$60 - up




A FINE LAFAYETTE LETTER SIGNED

* 93
MARQUIS de LAFAYETTE (Marie Joseph Paul Yves Roch Gilbert du Motier) (1757-1834). French statesman; General in American service during the American Revolution. The letter measures 4.75" x 7.75" and is framed to an overall dimension of 13" X 10.1/2". ALS, 1 page. August 18, 1830. An untranslated letter though with a comment on the election of 1789 appearing to elude to the election of Washington as president for his first term. \$1,750 - up



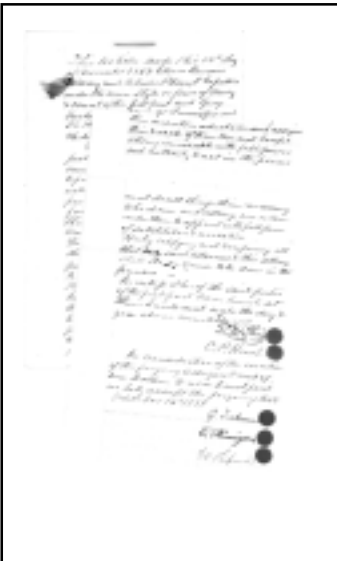
BUFFALO BILL'S WILD WEST AND PAWNEE BILL'S FAR EAST SHOW CHECK

* 90
G. W. "PAWNEE BILL" LILLIE. (1860-1942). Showman; Entrepreneur; Indian Scout; Author. Beginning as a hunter, rancher and interpreter for the Pawnee Indians, he moved into "show business" as manager of the Pawnee Indians for the 1st Buffalo Bill Wild West show (1883-1886), and spent much of the rest of his life in the U.S. and Europe as a showman and entrepreneur. He was also a partner of William F. ("Buffalo Bill") Cody, 1908-1913. In 1908, Pawnee Bill merged his Wild West Show with the Buffalo Bill Wild West Show and the combined show became known as "The Two Bills' Show." It was billed as the entertainment triumph of the ages and it traveled all over the world entertaining audiences with both realistic and fantasy views of the Old West. The show closed in Denver, Colorado, in 1913 after touring for five seasons as "Buffalo Bill's Wild West and Pawnee Bill's Great Far East Show." Partly-printed bank check drawing on joint "Buffalo Bill's Wild West Pawnee Bill's Far East" account, Pawnee Bill paid "The Fidelity Trust Co." the enormous sum. This check could have been an attempt to pay one of Buffalo Bill's creditors, or at least enough to keep them at a distance. Light punch cancellations not affecting Lillie's signature. \$750 - up



* 94
1855. January, 9. Ilion, New York. Promissory note signed by Eliphalet Remington and Francis Spinner. 8" x 4 3/4". 1 page. "Thirty days from date The Ilion Bank promises to pay to the order of E. Remington, J. Ingersoll, L.L. Cherry

& J.A. Rashbash five thousand dollars at the American Exchange Bank in the city of New York for Value received. Ilion, January 9, 1855." **ELIPHALET REMINGTON**, (1793-1861). The founder of the Remington Gun Company, Remington started by manufacturing superior rifle barrels before moving into complete gun and pistol construction. **FRANCIS E. SPINNER**, (1802-1890). Treasurer of the United States. Spinner is best known for his service as Treasurer of the U.S. during the Civil War, during which time he skillfully managed the government's huge expenditures. He is credited with bringing women into the civil service. Remington signs on the front as President. Spinners signature is on the verso and slightly affected by pen cancellations otherwise fine. A great association of the two signing a single item. \$500 - up



**REMINGTON GUN COMPANY FOUNDER
ELIPHALET REMINGTON**

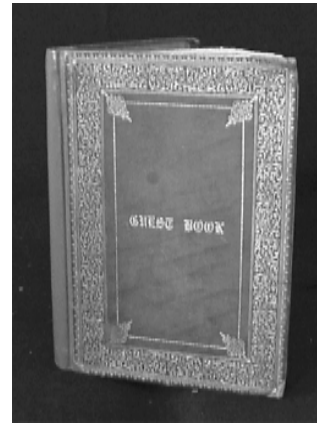
* 95
ELIPHALET REMINGTON, (1793-1861). The founder of the Remington Gun Company, November, 16. Contract signed by Eliphalet Remington. 8" x 12". 5 pp. Agreement between "Lawrence L. Merry and Charles P. Hunt Co-partners under the ...firm of Merry & Hunt of the first part and George Tuckerman, Eliphalet Remington and F. C. Shepard of Ilion in the County of Herkimer of the second part...Whereas the said copartnership is justly indebted in sundry considerable sums of money and has become unable to pay and discharge the same ...and the said parties of the first part are now desirous of making fair and equitable distribution of their property and effects among their creditors..." The agreement details distribution of assets, payment of liabilities, etc. Remington's signature is in dark ink and bold. A great addition to any collection. Fine. \$500 - up

n.p. n.d. A color lithograph of the Titanic sailing away from England towards her fatal destination. It is signed in pencil by "Millvina Dean", a Titanic survivor, and "S[imon] N Fisher", the noted marine artist who painted this scene. Dean is the youngest survivor of the Titanic; she was six weeks old at the time of the disaster. The piece is in excellent condition. \$150 - up



CHECK SIGNED BY WASHINGTON ROEBLING AND JOHN A. ROEBLING

* 97
WASHINGTON ROEBLING (1837 - 1926). Son of John Augustus Roebling who had begun the construction of the Brooklyn Bridge in 1866. Washington completed the bridge following his father's death in 1869 and; **JOHN A. ROEBLING II** (1867 - 1952), Son of Washington Roebling, grandson as John A. Roebling. DS. 1 page. 11" x 3". January 8, 1906. Attractive partly-printed bank deposit receipt on the First National Bank of Jersey City, New Jersey to W. A. Roebling in the amount of \$135.00. Endorsed on verso by both Roeblings. Nice combination of two Roeblings signing a single item. Light punch cancellation not affecting signature. Extremely Fine. \$250 - up



A WONDERFUL LEATHER BOUND GUEST BOOK SIGNED TWICE BY CHARLES LINDBERGH ALONG WITH NUMEROUS OTHER LUMINARIES

* 99
CHARLES LINDBERGH (1902-1974). Guest book from an undetermined hotel and resort spanning a period from January 29, 1924 to December 29, 1932. The cover measures 7" x 10". Ornate gold gilt detailing. It is signed by hundreds of people through the eighty year period. There are likely many luminaries of note, a few of whom we have listed below. A number of military figures and international diplomats appear to sign. This would be a fine research project. Some of the people signed are as follows:

Charles Lindbergh (2x) January 30, 1928 and September 27, 1929.
Juan Trippe (founder of Pan American Airways) also signs on this day below Lindbergh.

Anne Lindbergh and **Betty Trippe** sign on September 27;

Cyrus H. K. Curtis - Publisher of the Saturday Evening Post and Ladies Home Journal.

Carrie Chapman Catt - Woman's Suffrage leader.

Baron de Cartier de Marchienne, Commander of the Order of Leopold and of the Order of the Crown

James Brown Scott American Lawyer

Grace Thompson Seton who has penned "September 8, 9 and 11-12-13-1926 an oasis of delight on the travellers trail"

Edward S. Beck editor of the Chicago Tribune

Roy Chapman Andrews
world famous as a fossil hunter - led four expeditions to Mongolia's Gobi Desert.

Ida Hoyt Chamberlain Composer. She has penned a couple of measures of music next to her name.

Theodore Roosevelt III - grandson of T.R. and son of World War I brigadier general Theodore Roosevelt II.

Cornelius V. S. Roosevelt.

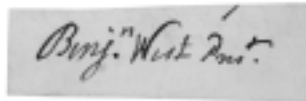
An exceptional guest book worthy of further research. We will be happy to arrange shipment for viewing prior to the sale for those with a serious interest. Please inquire. In excellent condition.

\$3,000 - up



A COLOR PRINT OF THE TITANIC SIGNED BY MILLVINA DEAN THE YOUNGEST SURVIVOR TITANIC

* 96
[TITANIC]. Signed Photo. 11" x 8".



* 98
BENJAMIN WEST, British Portrait Painter, Founder and President of the Royal Academy.. Clipped Signature "Benjn. West Prest.". Mounted to a 1.75" x 3.5" piece of paper. West was an American-born artist known for his historical paintings, including "The Death of Wolfe" and "Penn's Treaty with the Indians." He served as president of the Royal Academy from 1768-1820. Fine. \$200 - up

A MEXICAN AMERICAN WAR LOT OF SIX QUARTERMASTER GENERAL CIRCULARS WITH FOUR BEING SIGNED BY THOMAS S JESUP

* 100

THOMAS S. JESUP (1788 – 1860). Brigadier general. Commanded troops sent to Georgia and Florida to suppress the Indian uprisings known as the Seminole War and captured Chief Osceola.

Commanded troops Adjutant general during the Mexican-American War. An interesting lot of six circulars issued during the Mexican-American War including 4 signed by Jesup.

Washington City, January 28, 1848. Printed circular signed by Jesup. Jesup forwards clarifications on relative to responsibility for certain types of destruction of private property done by soldiers while in service. "When the damage complained of has been done to property not occupied by the troops, the proper recourse is to the civil magistrate...If the damage be done to grounds or buildings occupied by troops, recourse should be had to the commanding officer..."

Washington City, March 9th, 1848. Printed circular signed by Jesup. Jesup forwards a copy of a decision letter. "The letter of Captain Whitall, 5th Infantry, of December 30th, relative to paying the \$30 reward for apprehending volunteer deserters, referred by you to this office the 26th of January, was duly laid before the Secretary of War, who has this day returned it with the decision that the reward may be paid in the case of volunteers enrolled for the war."

Washington City, March 19, 1849. Manuscript circular signed by Jesup. "This office is greatly embarrassed by the omission of some of the Officers of the Department to forward promptly the reports required the regulations particularly the report of persons and articles hired & employed; and it is now enjoined upon them to forward all their reports immediately on the close of the months for which they are due..."

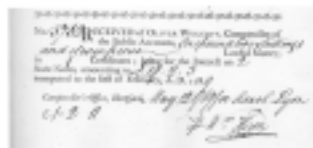
Washington City, July 11, 1849. Printed circular signed by Jesup. "You will prepare and transmit to this office, so as to be received as soon after the 1st. Sept. next a practicable list of all agents, civil and military, including Clerks employed in the Quarter Master's Department under your charge, exhibiting the amount of compensation, pay and emoluments, allowed..." Some dampstaining.

There are two addition circulars; a printed circular concerning the transmission of the semi-annual return public property in the possession of quartermaster and the other a manuscript circular from the Saint Louis Quartermaster concerning financial drafts.

A nice lot with four circulars signed by this important Seminole War general who created the modern quartermaster department. \$600 - up

....."My arms is not entirely well yet, but it is slowly improving. There is little pain, but it gets numb and tingles like it was asleep when I get in certain positions_ that always occurs when a nerve is healing after an attack of —. For the last few days I have been feeling in extra good health. I have slept better and felt better than at any time in several years. I think I am putting on fat, too, but not —kind I had when I came here. After that pneumonia, I went up to over 200 pounds. But it was not healthy fat, and it was mostly on the midriff. I was 182 when I came here, and I went down to about 166. I think I have gained about 10 pounds and —fat is evenly distributed, so it at least, looks better. I know that you would like to do things for me, but it is impossible and I am really getting along all right and having a lot of fun out of it too. Yes, —is very busy. He is getting out the new edition of —book and a brochure to be mailed to all —in —. There are probably several thousand of them to address and —is no small job. I expect the new book this week. He is also trying to arrange to have a Spanish edition of the book brought out in South America, and there are a lot of other deals in the fire that all take work. It is — the book is going to be very successful, even if it is not moving as fast as we would like it, it is beginning to pick of a — of merit sales-sales to people who have seen a free —copy — — serve word of mouth praise of the work, and that is the kind of advertising that most — well demand. There is no particular news here, so I will make this short. I hope that it finds you well and all things going well with you."

A great letter Excellent condition. \$250 - up



REVOLUTIONARY WAR ESPIONAGE A DOUBLE AGENT!

* 101

WILLIAM HERON (1742-1819). A Revolutionary War double agent, Heron betrayed secrets purely for money. His dealings did not come to light until a century after his death, when some papers were discovered. DS. 7 1/2" x 3 3/4". Hartford, May 12, 1789. "Received of Oliver Wolcott, Comptroller of the Public Accounts, one pound, two shillings and eleven pence Lawful Money....Interest on 2 state Notes..." Signed by William Heron as comptroller for Connecticut. Excellent. \$250 - up



PROMISSORY NOTE SIGNED BY DANIEL WEBSTER

* 102

DANIEL WEBSTER (1782 – 1852). Statesman, U.S. Secretary of State, Orator. DS. 1 page. 8" x 5". Washington, May 9, 1838. A promissory note payable to Webster "Sixty days from date, pay to my order, at the Merchants Bank in the City of New York two thousand dollars & oblige." Webster has signed vertically over the face of the document. Bank cut cancellation. All paper intact. Fine. \$200 - up



ROBERT STROUD - THE BIRDMAN OF ALCATRAZ ALS

* 103

(1890-1963). Stroud was a violent prisoner who murdered a man, a fellow inmate and a guard. He was sentenced to death, but it was commuted by President Wilson. While in solitary confinement, he began to study birds and wrote two books on bird diseases. He was transferred to Alcatraz in 1942 and spent 17 years there. ALS. 2 pages. Both sides of a single sheet. April 24, 1944.



* 104

WILLIAM WESTMORELAND. CHILDS (VIETNAM WAR) Embattled Chief of Staff General William Westmoreland's Signed Visiting Card. Visiting Card Signed ("W.C. Westmoreland"), 3.40" x 1.30", engraved with his full name and rank and boldly signed as Army Chief of Staff. Choice Mint. \$50 - up

**NEW YORK STATE SECRETARY CHRISTOPHER MORGAN
WRITES ABOUT THE WHIG POLITICS AND HENRY CLAY FOR
PRESIDENT**

* 105

1842, New York. ALS. 1 page. **CHRISTOPHER MORGAN**, (1808-1877). Morgan was admitted to the bar and set up practice in Aurora. He was elected as a Whig candidate to the House of Representatives of the 26th US Congress and reelected for a second term, serving from 1839-1843. He was defeated for reelection in 1842. He moved to Auburn, NY in 1843 and set up practice there. Christopher served as New York Secretary of State 1847-1851 and as Superintendent of New York Public Schools 1848-1852. He was elected Mayor of Auburn in 1860 and 1862. He also served as a trustee of the State Lunatic Asylum in Utica.

"For a zealous devotion to Whig principles and an earnest endeavor to promote the interests of the country, by the adoption of wise and beneficial measures, the Whig members of Congress, desire no higher reward than the approbation of their Whig constituency."

"The violated pleges and broken promises of a perfidious President have () the accomplishment of most of the great measures which were expected on the occasion of the Whigs to power."

"Though disappointed, the Whigs are not discouraged. They are ready for another contest. Their standard is borne by one against whom () has never dared to breath a suspicion of perfidy. Our great statesman (for Kentucky has no right to claim as exclusively her wone, the common property of the Union) Henry Clay, is now the only candidat of the Whig party for the Presidency and I doubt not that he will be elected by a greater majority of votes than was given to the lamented harrison. If other states falter, New York is pledged to sustain him."

"The duties of a political convass in my own district prevent an acceptance of your kind and flattering invitation." A fine letter with choice political content. Excellent condition. \$200 - up

Mr. John Nicholson or order, five thousand dollars for value received." Boldly signed by Morris as maker and endorsed on verso by Nicholson. One very minor edge chink at right. A nice example in excellent condition. \$500 - up

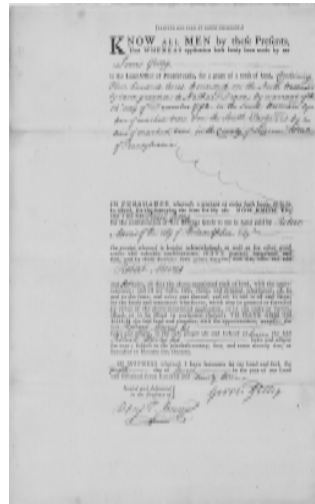
in hand paid by Robert Morris of the City of Philadelphia ...have granted...unto the said Robert Morris...the above mentioned tract of land." Signed as the conclusion by the seller. Nice piece of Morris documentary history. In excellent condition. \$150 - up

promissory note drawn by Nicholson and endorsed by Robert Morris and prominent Jewish financier Moses Levy; "On the fourth Day of November, Anno Dom. 1749, I Assheton Humphreys, Notary and Tabellion Public in and for the sworn dwelling in the City of Philadelphia in the said Commonwealth at the request of the President, Directors & Company of the Bank of North America Exhibited the original note whereof the above is a true copy at the compting house of John Nicholson drawer of the same and demanded payment of its contents - When the same not being paid I the said Notary on the day and year aforesaid left notice thereof at the compting house of Robert Morris and house of Moses Levy indorsers thereof and thereupon; I the said Notary...do hereby protest against the drawer of the said note and all others concerned for the exchange, reexchange, costs, damages and interest suffered..." A drawn facsimilie of the note in question appears at the top of the document. Cash shortages, constant hallmark of Morris and Nicholson's business careers finally forced them to debtors prison. Fold split repaired with tape. Small loss of paper at top center. \$400 - up



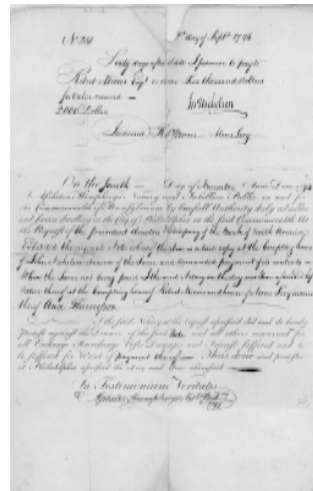
* 106

ROBERT MORRIS (1734-1806). Revolutionary War financier, often called "The Financier of the American Revolution"; Signer of the Declaration of Independence, the Articles of Confederation and the U.S. Constitution; Land speculator and; **JOHN NICHOLSON** (d. 1800). State official; Land speculator. Nicholson was a shady Pennsylvania state official who resigned all his state offices in 1794, having been impeached, but acquitted, by the Pennsylvania Legislature just prior to his resignation. At this time, Nicholson was reputed to be one of the wealthiest men in the country. In 1794-95 Nicholson joined with Robert Morris in a number of land speculation schemes which eventually bankrupted both men; Nicholson was sent to debtor's prison in 1800, and died there several months later. DS. 3 1/8" x 8". 1 page. Philadelphia, August 20, 1795. Promissory note from Morris to Nicholson in which "Three years after date I promise to pay to



PENNSYLVANIA LAND OFFICE DOCUMENT IN WHICH ROBERT MORRIS PURCHASES LAND IN PENNSYLVANIA

* 107
[**ROBERT MORRIS**]. 8 1/4" x 13 1/2". Partly-printed document in which Jervis Gettig "for the consideration of five shillings specie to me



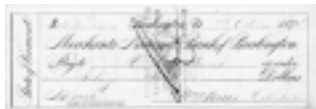
A PROTEST BY THE BANK OF NORTH AMERICA FOR AN UNPAID MORRIS AND NICHOLSON NOTE

* 108
[**ROBERT MORRIS AND JOHN NICHOLSON**]. 8 1/4" x 13". Partly-printed protest for an unpaid



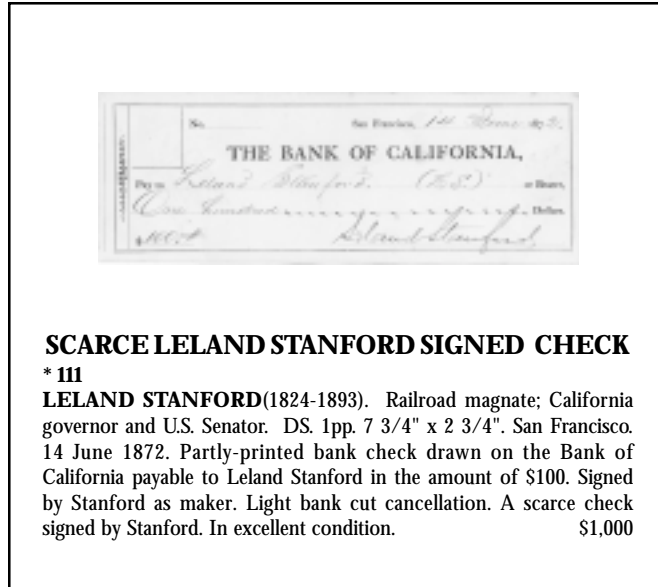
**CHECK SIGNED TWICE BY
GENERAL GEORGE
STANNARD
WHO WAS BADLY
WOUNDED AT THE BATTLE
OF GETTYSBURG**

*** 109**
GEORGE JERRISON STANNARD (1820 - 1886) Union brigadier general. The first Vermonter to volunteer in the Civil War. He fought at First and Second Manassas; During the Maryland campaign he and his regiment were surrendered to Stonewall Jackson as a part of the garrison of Harper's Ferry. After he was exchanged, Stannard was given command of the 2nd Vermont brigade with which he fought in Doubleday's division for the I Corps at Gettysburg, where he was badly wounded by the explosion of a shell. He received his second wound at Cold Harbor and his third while leading a force against the Petersburg fortifications. He lost his right arm during the attack on Fort Harrison, his fourth and final wound. DS. 1 page. 8 1/4" x 2 3/4". Burlington, Vermont. August 16, 1870. Partly-printed bank check payable to Geo. J. Stannard and signed by him as maker and endorsed on verso, thus signed twice. Attached adhesive revenue at left. Light bank cut cancellation not affecting signatures. A scarce check signed by this general. \$300 - up



**UNION GENERAL WILLIAM
WELLS WON THE CON-
GRESSIONAL MEDAL OF
HONOR FOR SERVICE AT
THE BATTLE OF
GETTYSBURG**

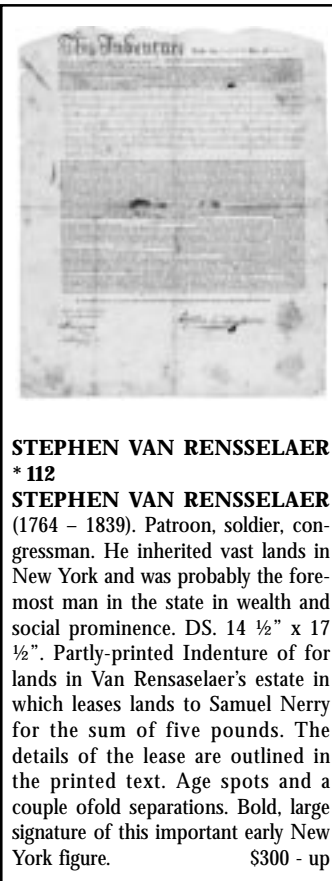
*** 110**
WILLIAM WELLS (1837 - 1892) Union brevetted brigadier and major general and later a full rank brigadier general of volunteers during the civil war. He fought at the battles of Gettysburg as part of Farnsworth's brigade; in Judson Kilpatrick's Richmond raid; followed Philip Sheridan, accompanying the latter into the Shenandoah Valley and fighting at Winchester and Cedar Creek, where he commanded the 2nd Brigade of Custer's division. Wells continued on this duty throughout the closing



SCARCE LELAND STANFORD SIGNED CHECK

*** 111**
LELAND STANFORD (1824-1893). Railroad magnate; California governor and U.S. Senator. DS. 1pp. 7 3/4" x 2 3/4". San Francisco. 14 June 1872. Partly-printed bank check drawn on the Bank of California payable to Leland Stanford in the amount of \$100. Signed by Stanford as maker. Light bank cut cancellation. A scarce check signed by Stanford. In excellent condition. \$1,000

operations at the Petersburg front and in the Appomattox campaign DS. 1 page. 8 1/2" x 2 3/4". Burlington, Vermont. October 7, 1874. Partly-printed bank check payable to H. H. Adams for \$40.80. Signed on maker by Wells as Collector for the State of Vermont. Pen cancellation just slightly affects the first letter in Wells' name. Excellent. \$200 - up



STEPHEN VAN RENSSELAER
*** 112**
STEPHEN VAN RENSSELAER (1764 - 1839). Patroon, soldier, congressman. He inherited vast lands in New York and was probably the foremost man in the state in wealth and social prominence. DS. 14 1/2" x 17 1/2". Partly-printed Indenture of for lands in Van Rensselaer's estate in which leases lands to Samuel Nerry for the sum of five pounds. The details of the lease are outlined in the printed text. Age spots and a couple of fold separations. Bold, large signature of this important early New York figure. \$300 - up



**MGM STUDIOS CONTRACT
SIGNED BY IRVING
THALBERG AND BUD
BARSKY**

*** 113**
1929, California. Contract. 2pp. 8 1/2" x 11". Culver City, California. July 6, 1929. A "Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer" contract signed by legendary producer Irving Thalberg. **IRVING THALBERG**. (1899-1936). Known as "Boy Wonder" for his considerable power at an early age, Irving Thalberg was an influential film executive, first at Universal, then Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer (MGM). Before his death at the age of 37, Thalberg helped redefine how movies are made within the studio system and became the consummate movie mogul. **IRVING J. "BUD" BARSKY** (1891-1967) was born in Odessa, Ukraine, and was active as an independent producer in the 1920s and 1930s. The contract gives the price of the actresses services as well as terms for providing wardrobes, housing and transportation costs. The top has been slightly trimmed, but the signatures are dark and it is in fine condition overall. \$250 - up

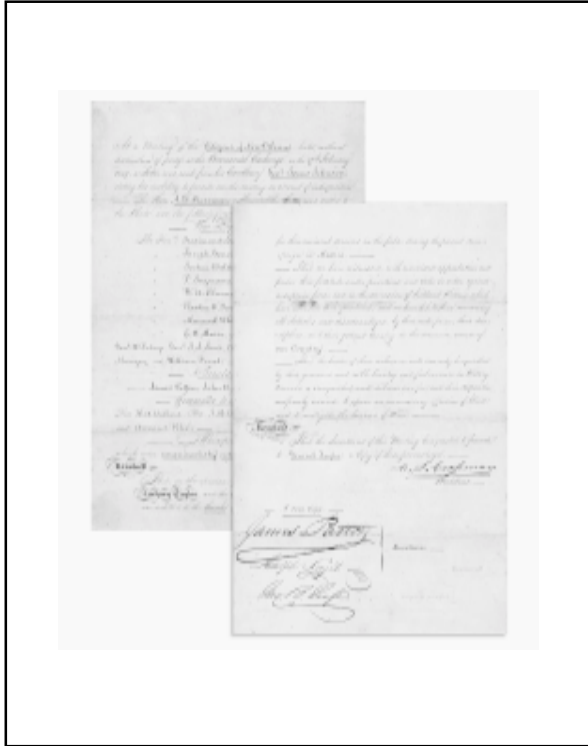


SEMINOLE WAR FIGHTER
*** 114**
LORENZO THOMAS. Fought in Seminole, Mexican, and Civil Wars; Appointed Acting Secretary of War Under President Andrew Johnson. Unused Legal Envelope Free Franked, "L. Thomas," with "OFFICIAL BUSINESS" printed above and "Adjutant General" printed below, Very Fine. A small light stain at upper right corner affects nothing. Thomas was Adjutant General of the Army from 1861-69. He was assigned the duty of organizing black Regiments in the Southern States from 1863-65. When President Johnson dismissed Secretary of War Stanton, he appointed Thomas, who could not take office, due to Stanton's refusal to vacate, which led to the impeachment trial of President Johnson. \$100 - up



**TRUMAN'S DAUGHTER
THANKS AN ADMIRER!**
*** 115**
MARGARET TRUMAN, Daughter of Harry S. Truman, & **ELISHA A. HOFFMAN**, Composer of Religious Songs. Two autographed items with accompanying Envelopes. 1. Typed Letter Signed, "Margaret Truman," thanking Mrs. John D. Pope III for her letter and clipping, July 13, 1954, Matunuck, RI. 8.5" x 11". Choice Extremely Fine. The letter was typed on "Theatre by the Sea" stationery and is accompanied by the original transmittal envelope, postmarked Wakefield, RI. The envelope has a 3 cent postage stamp and has Theatre by the Sea's logo printed on the upper left hand corner. 2. Advertisement Card Signed, "Elisha A. Hoffman," in blue ink, attached to a larger piece of paper measuring 4" x 4.75", Chicago, IL, Very Fine. This includes a picture of Hoffman and notable information about his life. Also included is a 3.25" x 6" envelope sent from Germany. Has four German stamps on the front. \$125 - up

AN EXTRAORDINARY COMMENDATION BY THE PEOPLE OF NEW ORLEANS OFFERING THANKS AND ADMIRATION TO FUTURE PRESIDENT ZACHARY TAYLOR AND HIS TROOPS DURING THE MEXICAN-AMERICAN WAR



*** 116**

[ZACHARY TAYLOR – MEXICAN-AMERICAN WAR]. Manuscript Document signed by the president and secretaries of a special meeting held to commend Zachary Taylor and the American Army for their success against a vastly superior number of Mexican troops.

“At a meeting of the Citizens of New Orleans held without distinction of party, at the Commercial Exchange on the 17th February 1847, a letter was read from his Excellency Gov. Isaac Johnson stating his inability to preside over the meeting on account of indisposition...”

“Resolved That, in the opinion of his meeting, Major General Zachary Tayler and the officers and men under his command are entitled to the thanks of the People of the United States for their eminent services in the field during the present campaign in Mexico”.

“That we have witnessed, with unmixed approbation and pride, their fortitude under privations and valor in action against a superior force, and in the succession of brilliant victories, which have attended their operations; and we have beheld them overcoming all obstacles and disadvantages, by their enterprize, their discipline, and their gallant bearing in the common cause of our Country.”

“That the luster of their achievements can only be equaled by their generous and noble bearing and forbearance in Victory towards a vanquished and submissive foe, and their disposition uniformly evinced to spare an unnecessary effusion of blood and to mitigate the horrors of War.”

In a series of actions against the Mexicans Taylor and his troops achieved victories against superior, and sometimes overwhelming numbers of enemy fighters. Just a few days after this commendation was read, Taylor and his approximately 5,000 troops met a vastly superior force of 20,000 led by Santa Anna defeating the Mexicans and thus ending the war in the Northern Provinces of Mexico. Extraordinary document in which the future president and hero of the Mexican War, along with his troop receives accolades for their efforts. Quite historic. A rare and exciting addition to an important presidential related collection. **\$2,500 - up**



1817 FREE FRANK COVER SIGNED BY THOMAS TUCKER

*** 117**

THOMAS TUCKER. Treasurer of the United States. Free Frank Cover Signed “free Th.T. Tucker,” and on the inside of the integral mailing leaf, 1817, Washington City, 3.5” x 5.25”, Choice Very Fine. The contents are not included. The inside of the cover is signed T T Tucker, Treasurer and dated 31st Oct 1817. The cover is addressed to a Lieut. of Ordinance, Nehemiah Rouden, of Baltimore. Wax seal remnants are also found on the mailing leaf. Tucker served in the Revolutionary War and was an early statesman. A choice free frank and signature in very fine condition. **\$125 - up**

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*** 118**

THOMAS TUDOR TUCKER, Delegate to Continental Congress. Partially Printed Document Signed, **\$125 - up**

“Th. T. Tucker,” as Treasurer of the United States, December 4, 1813, Washington, D.C., 10” x 7.8”, Choice Very Fine. Payment of warrant issued by the Secretary of War to Capt. Sam Hodges. Minor crimping of outer margin. **\$125 - up**



GERMAN BATTLE OF THE BULGE COMMANDER TELLS OF “WINNING THE KNIGHT’S CROSS WITH DIAMONDS!”

*** 119**

HASSO VON MANTEUFFEL, German general who commanded

the 5th Panzer Army at Hitler’s ferocious last stand, the Battle of the Bulge - the largest battle the American Army ever fought, and the largest it ever came close to losing, Choice Extremely Fine.

Typed Note Signed, “H. Manteuffel” on the front of his Visiting Card above his printed name and rank (“General Der Panzertruppe A.D.”); May 7, 1972, Diessen/Ammersee, 4.5” x 2.75.” Choice Extremely Fine. Manteuffel typed in English:

“I don’t have the address of Mr. v. Mellenthin - but I believe it is enough you write ‘Lufthansa-Office’ at Johannesburg. I received the diamonds for my activities in the Battle of the Bulge Dec. 1944 / Jan 1945!”


A short note, but alluding nonetheless to German tank warfare, the Knights Cross with Diamonds, and the greatest American victory of the war. Here Manteuffel, a talented tank

commander, gives the address of General Friedrich von Mellenthin, a one-time aide to Rommel who later wrote the definitive study of army-level WW II German armor operations. He then mentions winning Germany's highest military decoration (bestowed on only 27 soldiers), the Knight's Cross with Oak Leaves, Swords and Diamonds. In that connection, he says that he was awarded the Diamonds for "his activities" at the Battle of the Bulge. There, in a campaign involving more than a million men, he was the most successful German general - at a battle fought so ferociously, and in such horrendous conditions, that nearly 80,000 men died, many frozen to death. \$350 - up

JAMES WADSWORTH SIGNED DOCUMENT

* 121
JAMES WADSWORTH (1730 - 1817) Soldier, born in Durham, Connecticut. DS. 1 page. 8" x 12 3/4". 1785, Durham. State of Connecticut accounting sheet listing names and amounts of taxes abated for citizens in Durham, Connecticut. Boldly signed by James Wadsworth as one of the town officials. Fine.

\$125 - up



F. W. WOOLWORTH SIGNS A MEMORIAL RESOLUTION IN REMEMBRANCE OF A DECEASED COLLEAGUE AT BROADWAY TRUST COMPANY

* 120
FRANK W. WOOLWORTH (1852-1919). Merchant; Founder of F. W. Woolworth & Co. Woolworth began his career in the grocery business as a clerk and later, while working for the firm of Moore and Smith suggested putting slow-moving merchandise on the counter priced at five cents. The success of this tactic launched the firm's growth which, at the time of Woolworth's death had more than 1000 stores and \$100 million in annual sales. Woolworth's autobiography is quite rare in any form. Signed Presentation Book. 11" x 14". Memorial Resolution adopted by the board of directors of the Broad Trust Company upon the death of Milo M. Belding. "Mr. Bending became a director within a month after the organization of this company and up to the time of his illness continued his deep interest in its affairs giving generously of his time and counsel and standing always as a conservative force in its council...be it resolved...a copy thereof signed by the members of this board be sent to his family." Boldly signed by Woolworth along with the other members of the board on the final page. An elaborate and high quality presentation piece. Excellent condition. \$1,500 - up

BERGER SKETCHES



RICHARD M. NIXON

* 122
RICHARD M. NIXON (1913 - 1994). President of the United States. 10" x 14". drawn from life by world famous Czechoslovakian caricaturist Oscar Berger. Boldly signed by Nicson. A nice sketch satirising his famous nose. In Excellent Condition. \$600 - up



* 124
ALFRED SMITH (1873 - 1944). American Political Leader. Smith was four-time Governor of New York, and unsuccessful Democratic candidate for the Presidency in 1928. A large signed caricature of politician Alfred Smith drawn from life by world famous Czechoslovakian caricaturist Oscar Berger. Boldly signed by Nicson. A nice sketch satirising his famous nose. In Excellent Condition. \$225 - up



"SHELL SHOCKED"

* 123
DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (1890 - 1969). President of the United States. 13 1/2" x 16 1/2". An attractively done caricature of Dwight D. Eisenhower drawn by world famous Czechoslovakian caricaturist Oscar Berger. A fine signature of Eisenhower has been tipped onto the sketch, likely by Berger as it came to us in the archive in this format. In Excellent condition. \$500 - up



* 125
ROSE MCCLENDON (1885-1936). African-American actress, singer, theatric administrator and director. In 1927 she performed as Serena in DuBose Hayward's play, *Porgy*; She helped plan the Black Federal Theatre Project troupe in 1935. A large signed caricature of "Rose McCleendon: Harlem's Gift to Broadway" drawn from life by world famous Czechoslovakian caricaturist Oscar Berger. 10" x 13". Tipped to a larger board. Fine. \$300 - up