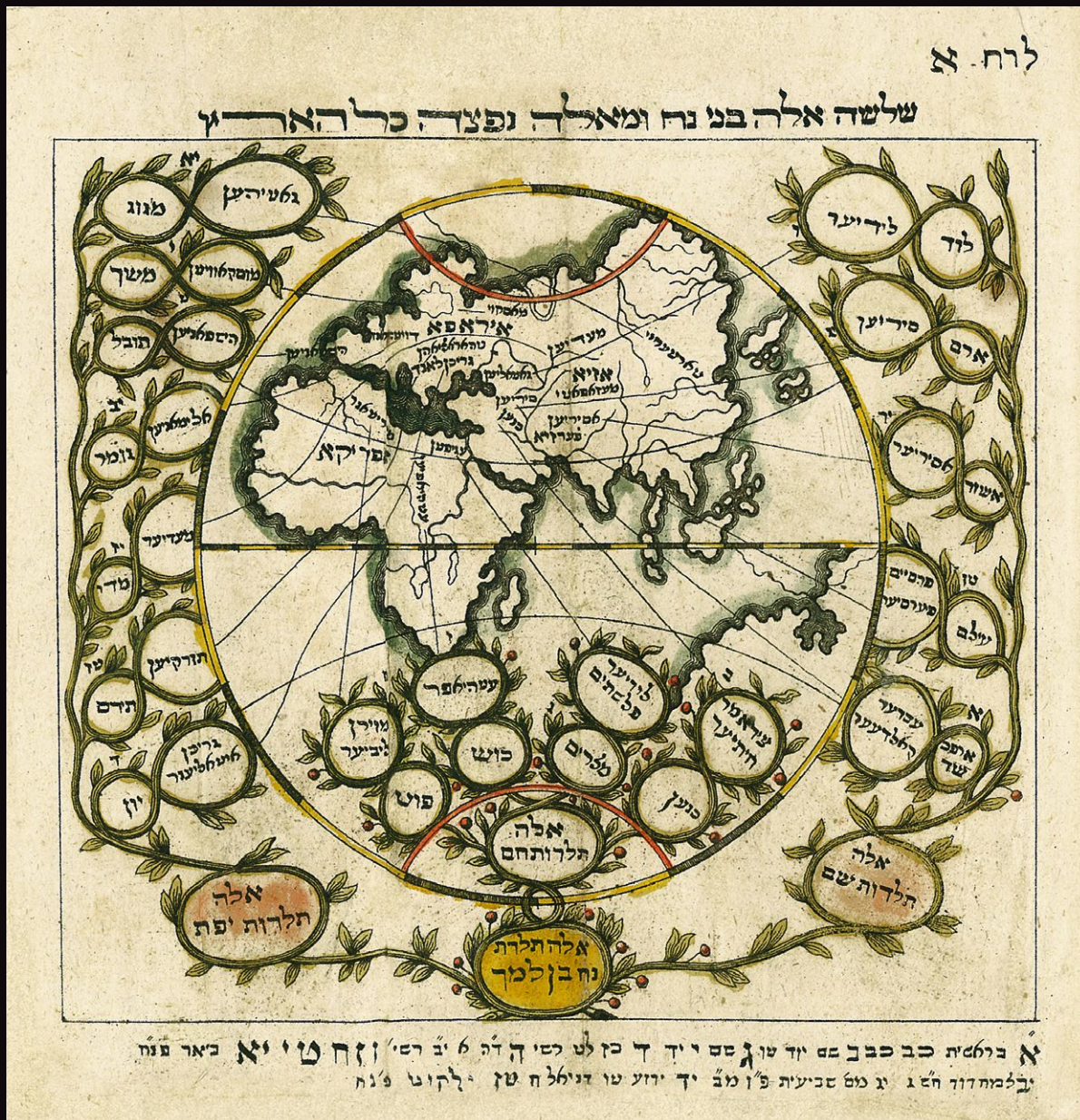


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— INTRODUCTION —

The present auction incorporates rare books, manuscripts and important letters consigned from a number of illustrious rabbinic libraries. This includes the Rivkin and Zuckerman family:

Jerusalem-born Rabbi Sholom Rivkin (1926-2011) was the last Chief Rabbi of St. Louis, Missouri, and the last Chief Rabbi of one of only a few cities in the United States that has ever maintained a Chief Rabbinate. Earlier in his distinguished career he held a pulpit in Seattle before being appointed Chief Dayan on the Beth Din of the Rabbinical Council of America. He was a renowned expert in Halacha and an international authority on Jewish divorce and family law. Other rabbis and rabbinical courts from all over the world consulted him on these matters.

Rabbi Sholom Rivkin's father was Rabbi Moshe Dov Ber Rivkin (1891-1977) author of *Ashkavta DeRebbe* and *Tifereth Zion* and one of the most prominent Chabad Chassidim of the last generation. Born in Sinsi (near Poltava) Russia, he studied in Yeshiva Tomchei Temimim in the town of Lubavitch under the supervision of the Rebbe Rasha"b, Sholom Dov-Ber Schneerson. In 1916 R. Rivkin was invited by the Friediker Rebbe, R. Yoseph Yitzchak Schneerson to be his study partner and was warmly treated as a member of the Schneerson family. He was appointed and served as Rosh Yeshiva of Torah Emeth in Jerusalem, but in 1928 accepted the post of Dean of Mesivta Torah Vodaath, New York, where he remained for over fifty years. Some of his disciples became leaders of the next generation such as R. Gedaliah Schorr and R. Abraham Pam. He served as honorary President of the Agudath HaRabanim and maintained close relations with many of the greatest Rabbis and Roshei Yeshiva in America as reflected in his correspondence offered in this auction.

R. Sholom Rivkin's father-in-law, Rabbi Dov Berish Zuckerman (1901-73) was one of the "giants of Torah" of the last generation. Born in Hubniv in Galicia, he corresponded in his youth with many of the most renowned Rabbis in Poland. He was the son-in-law of the rare bookdealer and Rabbi of Husyatyn R. David Frankel. A Belzer Chassid, R. Zuckerman was especially close to the Tchebiner Rav, R. Dov Berish Weidenfeld (as reflected in the correspondence to be offered here). From 1942-68 he served as Rabbi of Buffalo, New York. His older brother R. Baruch, a great Talmudic genius was the son-in-law of R. Meir Arak and died young in 1932. The Zuckerman brothers' works *Beth Aaron* on Tractate Horiyoth, *Imrei Baruch* and novellae on the Rambam in light of the Meiri were published by R. Sholom Rivkin.

The auction also includes books from the library of Rabbi Yaakov Yitzchak Halevi Ruderman (1901-87), founder and Rosh Yeshiva of Ner Israel Rabbinical College, Baltimore. Alongside which are books from his son-in-law and successor at Ner Yisroel, Shmuel Yaakov Weinberg (1923-99).

The books offered from the Collection of Nathan Lewin represent a passion for the Land of Israel and in particular the varied ways over the centuries the country has been cartographically represented. Many of the more traditional Hebrew books containing maps may be found in the catalogue here listed under their author's name. Those books that represent Travel Literature to the Holy Land are presented in their own section in the catalogue commencing with Lot 308.





Lot 342

— PRINTED BOOKS —

- 1 **ABOAB, SAMUEL.** Sepher HaZichronoth [on ethical behavior] **FIRST EDITION.** ff. (4), 86. *Ink soiled on opening leaf, browned. Later elaborately blind-tooled calf over thick wooden boards, with clasps and hinges. Sm. 4to.* Vinograd, Prague 367.

(Prague, circa 1650). **\$200-300**

- 2 **ABRABANEL, DON ISAAC.** Pirush HaTorah [commentary to the Pentateuch]. Edited by Samuel d'Archivolti. **FIRST EDITION.** Printer's device on title (Yaari, Hebrew Printers' Marks 18) ff. 425 (i.e. 424), (1). *Title and several other leaves laid to size with some loss, stained. Modern calf. Folio.* Vinograd, Venice 641; Mehlman 626.

Venice, Asher Parenzo for Giovanni di Gara, 1579. **\$700-900**

⚡ “The commentary on the Pentateuch may be considered Abravanel's most authoritative presentation of his views, and it was not without good reason that he considered it the first and foremost of his works. As Abravanel put it: ‘I invested in it all my thought and all my knowledge.’” B. Netanyahu, Don Isaac Abravanel: Statesman & Philosopher. (1968) p. 86.

- 3 **ALSHEICH, MOSES.** Shoshanath Ha'Amakim [commentary to the Song of Songs] **FIRST EDITION** ff. 60. *Marginal taped repairs, wormed in places, few stains. Modern morocco-backed boards. Sm. 4to.* Vinograd, Venice 764; Haberman, di Gara 133.

Venice, Giovanni di Gara, 1591. **\$400-600**



Lot 4

- 4 **(AMERICAN JUDAICA).** [Cerisier, Antoine-Marie]. Suite des observations impartiales d'un vrai Hollandais, Sur les intérêts & l'état présent des affaires politiques de la France, de l'Angleterre, des Provinces-Unies des Pays-Bas & des Etats-Unis de l'Amérique ["Conclusion of Impartial Observations of a True Dutchman, On the Interests and Present State of Political Affairs of France, England, the Netherlands and the United States of America"] **UNCUT AND UNOPENED.** pp. (4), 74. *Contemporary wrappers. 8vo.*

n.p., (1779). **\$1500-2000**

⚡ In Defense of America's Independence from Britain.

In a rejoinder to an earlier (1778) pamphlet entitled Discours d'un bon Hollandois, this argues that England has traditionally been the most dangerous rival of Dutch commerce (p. 6). A year earlier in 1778, the author published Observations impartiales d'un vrai Hollandois. Our present work, as its title indicates, may be construed as the continuation of that work. In a lengthy footnote on p. 45 we find an attack upon "le celebre Mr. Pinto de la Haye" (the celebrated Mr. Pinto of The Hague.) The author, tongue in cheek, finds it difficult to conceive that the Discours d'un bon Hollandois and the excellent economic Traité de la circulation et du crédit (Treatise on Circulation and Credit) issued from the pen of the same man.

Isaac de Pinto (1717-1787), a Dutch Jew of Portuguese descent, an economist and director of the Dutch East India Company, was one of the wealthiest Jews in all Holland. Hailed as one of the most brilliant economists of the age, Pinto was firmly opposed to the American Revolution, ostensibly on economic grounds, and gave vent to his thoughts in several works. See JE, Vol. X, p. 54; EJ, Vol. XIII, cols. 553-554; M.H. Gans, Memorbook (1977), pp. 112-113.

French journalist Antoine-Marie Cerisier (1749-1828) proved himself to be a good friend of the nascent United States. John Adams visited Cerisier in Utrecht and was duly impressed by the later's enthusiasm for the American cause. Cerisier was instrumental in assisting Adams in disseminating pro-American and anti-British propaganda in the Netherlands.

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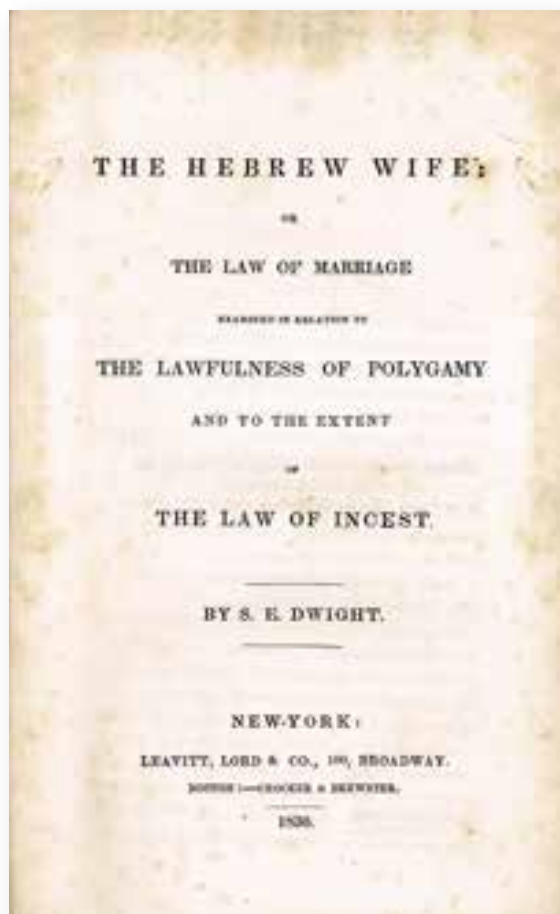
- 5 **(AMERICAN JUDAICA).** Wilson, James P. An Easy Introduction to the Knowledge of the Hebrew Language Without the Points. Selected Translations of the Pentateuch, Psalms, Prophets and Job; plus a Hebrew Grammar. **FIRST EDITION.** pp. 275, (1). *Foxed and stained, leaves loose. Contemporary calf, boards detached, worn. 8vo.* Goldman, 175.

Philadelphia, Fry and Kammerer, 1812. **\$400-600**

⚡ The first work in Hebrew to appear in Philadelphia. The first Hebrew text with translation of selected passages of the Bible (other than psalms) published in America. See Wolf and Whiteman, The History of the Jews of Philadelphia (1957) p. 308.



Lot 6



Lot 7

6 (AMERICAN JUDAICA). Compendium of the Order of the Burial Service, and Rules for the Mournings. Compiled by Desire, and Published on Account of the Hevra Hesed Ve'Emet of the K"K Sephardim Shearith Israel Prayers in Hebrew with English translation facing. Introductory compendium of Jewish laws in English interspersed with Hebrew keywords. The Abraham S.W. Rosenbach copy, with his bookplate. Wide margins. pp. 12, (1 blank); (3), ff. 4-18. Lightly browned, pp. 15-7 supplied from another copy. Contemporary boards. Tall 8vo. Singerman 0447.

New York, S.H. Jackson, 1827. **\$3000-5000**

⚠ Congregation Shearith Israel of New York, established by the members of the first Jewish Community of North America who arrived in 1654, remains the oldest congregation in the United States. Its Burial Society, Hevra Hesed Ve'Emet is the oldest existing Jewish philanthropic society in New York. This Compendium was its first publication. See Goldman, no. 35.

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7 (AMERICAN JUDAICA). Dwight, Sereno Edwards. The Hebrew Wife Or the Law of Marriage Examined in Relation to the Lawfulness of Polygamy and to the Extent of the Law of Incest. **FIRST EDITION**. Occasional Hebrew. An uncut copy. pp. iv, 189 + ads. Ex-library, some foxing. Original boards. 12mo. Singerman 613.

New York, Leavitt, Lord & Co, 1836. **\$300-500**

⚠ The author (1786-1850), was a son of the Yale College President and a Congregationalist minister who served as Chaplain of the United States Senate.

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8 (AMERICAN JUDAICA). Roy, W. L. A Complete Hebrew and English Critical and Pronouncing Dictionary... Containing all the Words in the Holy Bible... Together with Their Derivation Literal and Etymological Meaning... and Illustrated by Numerous Citations from the Targums, Talmud and Cognate Dialects. **FIRST EDITION**. pp. 8, (4), 9-740. Foxed and dampstained in places. Contemporary calf, scuffed. Sm. folio. Rosenbach 417 (locating only 2 copies).

New York, J.F. Trow, 1837. **\$1200-1800**

⚠ **THE FIRST HEBREW-ENGLISH DICTIONARY PUBLISHED IN AMERICA. INCLUDES THE FIRST RABBINIC APPROBATION PUBLISHED IN AMERICA.**

Recommendations include one from the "Rabbi of the City of Jerusalem," Enoch Zundel: "Mr. William L. Roy is one of the most critical Hebrew scholars I have met since I left the Holy Land - Gesenius not excepted. The Specimen of his Hebrew Dictionary in manuscript I have carefully examined; and, although I differ with the author in opinion as to Masheach, yet, in justice to him, I cannot but say, it is the best specimen of the kind I have seen. It evidently manifests a very extensive knowledge of the Hebrew language. I have no doubt the Lexicon will be a great acquisition to American literature."

In 1833, Jerusalem's Rabbi Enoch Zundel traveled to America carrying a letter from the Elders of the City addressed to Mordecai Manuel Noah beseeching aid for his impoverished brethren living in the Holy Land. It was the author of this dictionary William Roy, who translated the letter from Hebrew into English and thus, Roy and Zundel became acquainted. See A. J. Karp, From the Ends of the Earth: Judaic Treasure from the Library of Congress (1991) pp. 295-96 (illustrated).

Recommendation page also records name of Rev. J.B. Seixas, "Chief Rab. of Syn. of NY."

9 **(AMERICAN JUDAICA)**. (Newspaper). Niles' Weekly Register. New Series No. 14 Vol. IV.

Contains: "Sketches of Speech of Henry M. Brackenridge in the House of Delegates of the State of Maryland, introducing the bill to extend to the Jews the same privileges that are enjoyed by Christians, commonly called the "Jew Bill" (pp. 226-33) *pp.* 225-240. *Unbound*. 8vo. Cf. Rosenbach 203 and Singerman 0301 (independent Sketch of Proceedings in the Legislature of Maryland [Baltimore, 1819]).

Baltimore, May 29, 1819. **\$1000-1500**

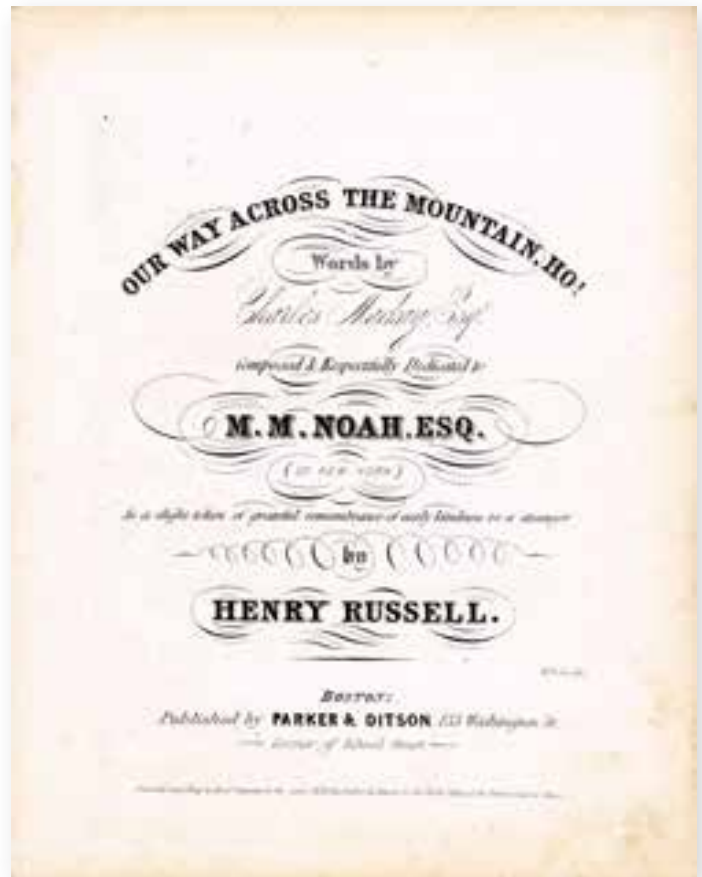
♣ **THE FIRST SEPARATE PRINTING OF HENRY BRACKENRIDGE'S DEFENSE OF THE JEW BILL IN MARYLAND - THE FINAL HURDLE FOR JEWISH CIVIL LIBERTIES IN AMERICA.**

While the Federal Constitution and Bill of Rights guaranteed full equality to American Jews, its provisions were not binding on State governments prior to the passage of the Fourteenth Amendment in 1868. Consequently, every State (with the exception of New York) proceeded to adopt a Constitution that deprived the Jews of political equality.

In Maryland there was a protracted struggle to invest the Jews with political equality. Maryland's first Constitution, passed in 1776, retained a colonial statute requiring all public servants to invoke a Christian oath. Not only were governmental officials and members of the legislature considered public servants, but so were lawyers, militia officers and jurors. Thus, a Jew was deprived of a possible professional livelihood and opportunity to demonstrate loyalty to his country. Maryland Jews protested their inferior status as early as 1797, but it was not until 1826, when the Jew Bill was confirmed by the legislature, that Jews were fully relieved of social prejudices. The staunchest advocates of the Jewish cause during this struggle were Thomas Kennedy of Washington County, Judge Henry M. Brackenridge of Baltimore, Ebener S. Thomas and Colonel William G.D. Worthington. Militating for passage of the Bill were the Jews of Baltimore, a sizable community of some 150 souls, led by Solomon Etting (1764-1847). The Jew Bill was initially defeated in 1819 but finally passed in 1826.

Despite the fact that it was a State issue, the impact of the Jew Bill extended well beyond Maryland, it caught the young nation's attention and reverberated overseas. In Britain, where the Jewish Question was an even more contentious issue, members of Parliament received copies of pro-Jew Bill speeches: "Speeches on the Jew Bill in the House of Delegates in Maryland " (Phila., 1829) - See Kestenbaum Auction XXX, Lot 27.

For further, see S.F. Chyet, "The Political Rights of the Jews in the United States," *American Jewish Archives* 10.1 (Apr. 1958): 14-75; Edward Eitches, "Maryland's Jew Bill," *American Jewish Historical Quarterly* 60.3 (Mar. 1971): 258-279; A.J. Karp, *Beginnings: Early American Judaica* (1975), pp. 31-36.



Lot 10

10 **(AMERICAN JUDAICA)**. Charles Mackay. *Our Way Across the Mountain Ho!* Composed & Respectfully Dedicated to M.M. Noah, Esq. As a Slight Token of Grateful Remembrance of Early Kindness to a Stranger, by Henry Russell. Wide margined copy *pp.* 7. *Trace foxed. Unbound. Folio.* Not in Singerman.

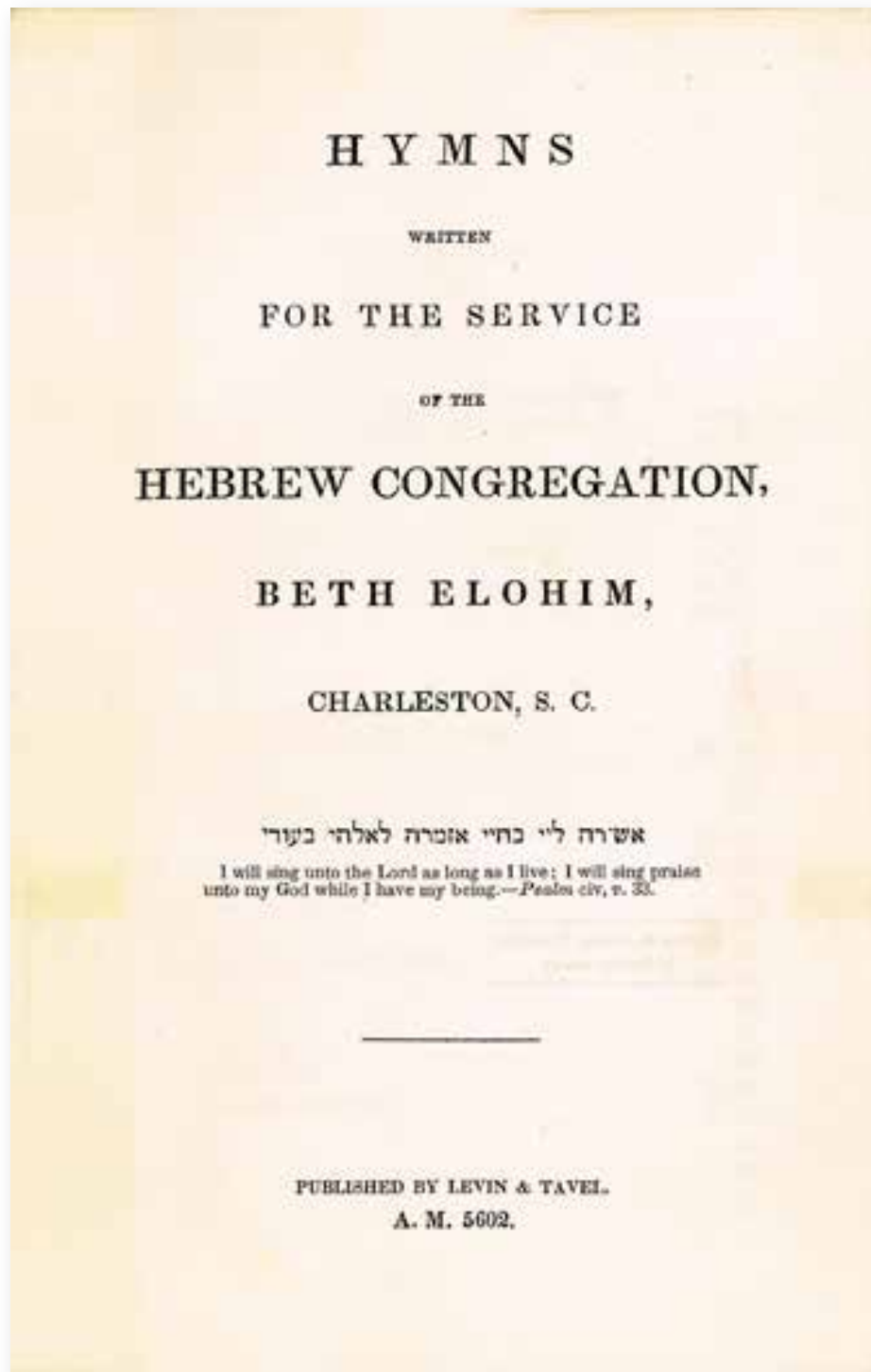
Boston, Parker & Ditson, 1838. **\$1000-1500**

♣ Henry Russell (1812-1900) was an English pianist, baritone singer and composer. Born into a distinguished Jewish family, Russell was a great-nephew of Chief Rabbi Solomon Hirschell. The composer lived in the United States from 1835 to 1841, whereupon he returned to England and spent the remainder of his artistic career producing musical extravaganzas.

The present song is one of many instances of collaboration between lyricist Charles Mackay and musical composer Henry Russell. Other songs of theirs are: "There's a Good Time Coming," "Cheer, Boys, Cheer," and "To the West."

Mordecai Manuel Noah (1785-1851) was one of the most important figures of his time. He was a person of many accomplishments: lawyer, newspaper editor, playwright, diplomat, politician, judge and major activist for Jewish causes. Noah commanded the respect of four U. S. Presidents: Adams, Madison, Jefferson and Jackson. It has been said that to the Jews of his day he was the quintessential American, and to Americans, he was the representative Jew.

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Lot 11

- 11 **(AMERICAN JUDAICA)**. [Moise, Penina]. Hymns Written for the Service of the Hebrew Congregation Beth Elohim, Charleston, S.C. **FIRST EDITION**. The majority of the hymns are signed "P.M." Penina Moise. Signature on front pastedown: "Joseph W. Levy, Charleston, March 1843" and on rear, "April 1847, New York." *pp.* 80. *Opening blank removed, title rehinged. Original boards, front split, spine lacking. 12mo.* Singerman 770.

(Charleston), Levin & Tavel, 1842. **\$8000-10,000**

♣ The first Jew to publish a book of poetry in the United States – a woman – Penina Moise (1797-1880) was one of the most prolific and creative writers of poetry on Jewish themes in America. Moise was also superintendent of the first Jewish religious school in Charleston and many of her poems and songs focused upon Jewish history and heritage in order to encourage a sense of pride in the Jewish faith of these school-children.

The hymns here are still in use by many congregations as found in the Union Hymnal. See Hyman & Moore, *Jewish Women in America: An Historical Encyclopedia* (1997) pp. 932-3.

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- 12 **(AMERICAN JUDAICA)**. NOAH, M(ORDECAI) M(ANUEL). Discourse on the Restoration of the Jews. With fold-out map of the Holy Land by A. K. Johnston bound in at front. Upper cover inscribed: "...Humphreys Esq. U.S. Consul for Egypt. With the Compliments of a Committee of Israelites." *pp.* 55. *Foxed. Green wrappers with original front printed cover laid down (small tear at top).* 8vo. Singerman 913; Rosenbach 574.

New York, Harper & Brothers, 1845. **\$3000-5000**

⚙️ A PIONEERING WORK PROPAGATING THE ZIONIST IDEA FIFTEEN YEARS PRIOR TO THE BIRTH OF THEODOR HERZL.

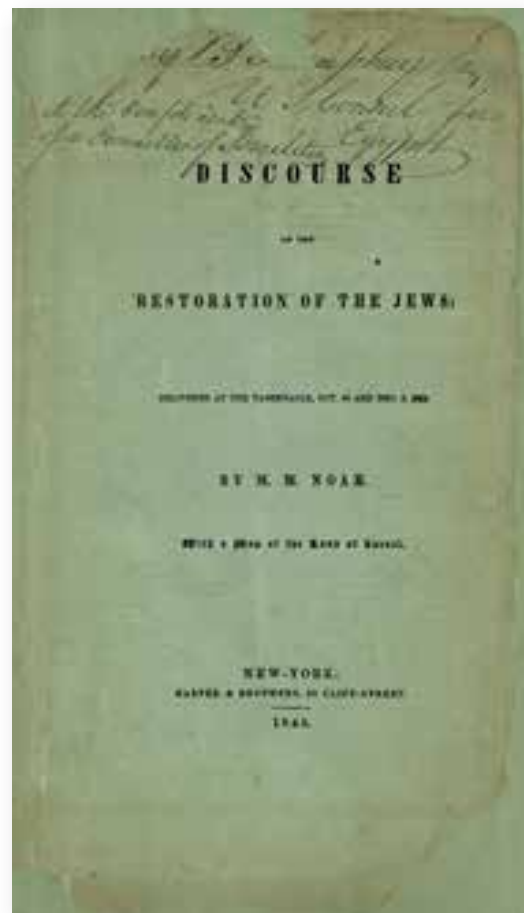
Mordecai Manuel Noah proposes that if the Ottoman Sultan would grant permission for Jews to purchase land in Palestine, then "the whole territory surrounding Jerusalem including Hebron, Safat, Tyre... Beyroot, Jaffa and other ports of the Mediterranean will be occupied by enterprising Jews" (pp. 37-38). He appealed to American Christians: "But, my friends, why not ask yourselves the great and cardinal question, whether it is not your duty to aid in restoring the Chosen People as Jews to their Promised Land?" (p. 28). "Where, I ask, can we commence this great work of regeneration with a better prospect of success than in a free country and a liberal government? Where can we plead the cause of independence for the children of Israel with greater confidence than in the cradle of American liberty?" (p. 10).

Mordecai Manuel Noah (1785-1851) was probably the most influential Jew in the United States in the early nineteenth century. In this Discourse, he cites supportive letters received from President John Adams and "the illustrious author of the Declaration of Independence" Thomas Jefferson (see preface pp. v-vi.).

Noah's involvement in Jewish affairs was inspired by his belief in the idea of Jewish territorial restoration. He was active in Jewish affairs on behalf of Congregations Mikveh Israel in Philadelphia and Shearith Israel in New York. See EJ, XII, cols. 1198-9 and L. M. Friedman, *Pilgrims in a New Land* (1948) pp. 240-7.

THIS DISCOURSE BY NOAH WAS SELECTED BY THE LATE GREAT HISTORIAN PROF. ABRAHAM J. KARP AS ONE OF THE TEN MOST IMPORTANT PUBLICATIONS ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF AMERICAN JEWRY.

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Lot 12

- 13 **(AMERICAN JUDAICA)**. Schwarz, Joseph. A Descriptive Geography and Brief Historical Sketch of Palestine. Translated by Isaac Leeser. Illustrated With Maps and Numerous Engravings **FIRST AMERICAN EDITION AND FIRST EDITION IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE**. English interspersed with Hebrew. Frontispiece portrait of author, foldout maps of Land of Israel, lithographed views of Holy Places, etc. *pp.* xxii, (2), 17-518, (1), (1 blank). *Ex-library, embossed stamps, foxed in places, larger map with tears at folds. Modern boards.* 4to. Singerman 1161; Rosenbach 683.

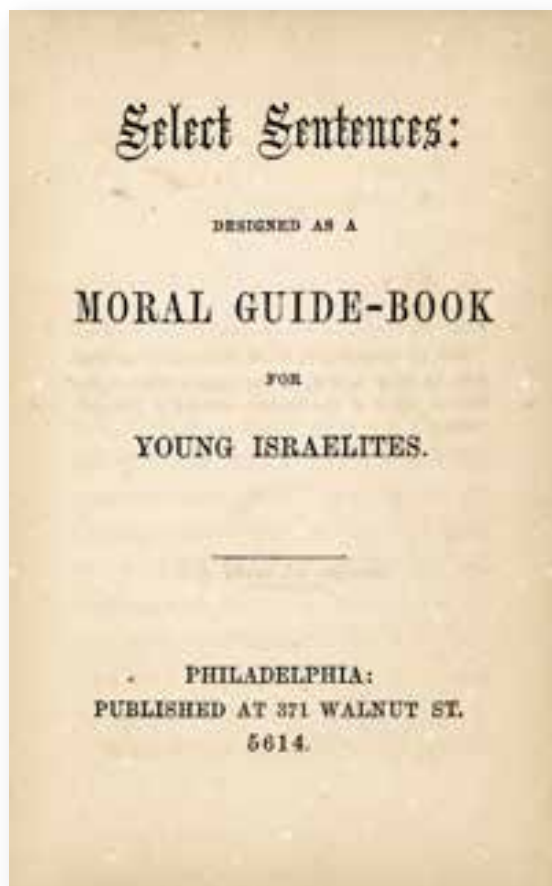
Philadelphia, C. Sherman, 1850. **\$3000-5000**

⚙️ This work first appeared in Hebrew under the title *Tevu'oth Ha'Aretz* in 1845. Four years later, the author visited the United States as a rabbinical emissary from the Holy Land and resided with his brother who was already established in New York. Whilst in America, Joseph Schwarz arranged for the Rev. Isaac Leeser to translate *Tevu'oth Ha'Aretz* into English. The published work was "probably the most important Jewish work issued in America up to that time." (JE, Vol. XI, p. 119). Leeser was well cognizant of the pioneering status of the new book and he proudly stated: "The execution of the whole... is the work of Jewish writers and artists, the drawings being executed by Mr. S. Shuster, a lithographer belonging to our Nation" (Translator's preface, p. viii). Leeser published the volume to "extend the knowledge of Palestine...and also to enkindle sympathy and kind acts for those of our brothers, who still cling to the soil of our ancestors" (Translator's preface, pp. viii-ix). See L.J. Sussman, *Isaac Leeser and the Making of American Judaism* (1995) p. 176.

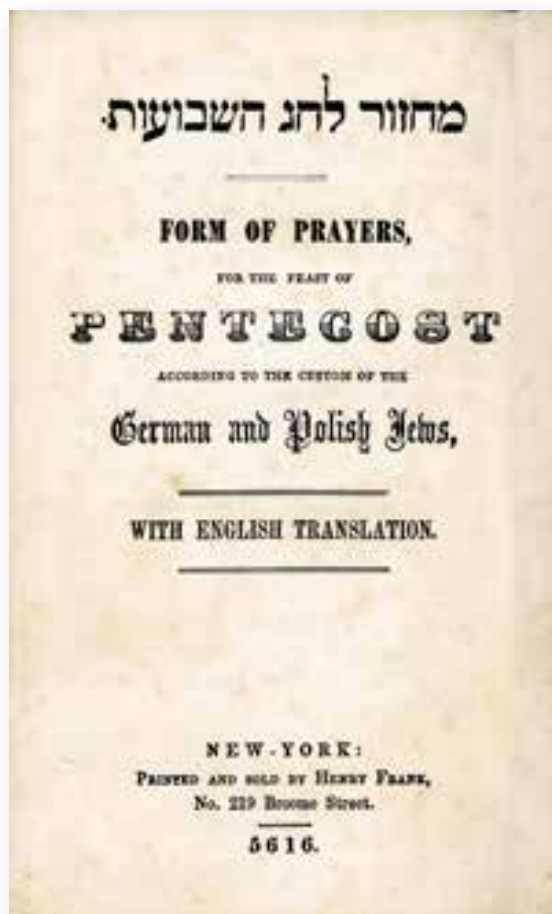
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Lot 16



Lot 18

- 14 **(AMERICAN JUDAICA)**. The Occident and American Jewish Advocate. A Monthly Periodical Devoted to the Diffusion of Jewish Knowledge. Edited by Isaac Leiser Volume I (pp. 616). With detailed table of contents. Bound in: Vol. III nos. 4-5. *Foxed and stained. Contemporary boards rubbed and worn, rear hinge split.* 4to. Rosenbach 541.

Philadelphia, C. Sherman, 1844. **\$200-250**

✎ America's first successful Jewish periodical.

- 15 **(AMERICAN JUDAICA)**. The Occident and American Jewish Advocate. A Monthly Periodical Devoted to the Diffusion of Jewish Knowledge. Edited by Isaac Leiser Volumes II (pp. 616); IV (pp.616); V (pp.616); VI (pp.620); X (pp. 616); XI (pp. 632). Together six volumes, each with detailed table of contents. *Some light staining. Contemporary half-calf, rubbed and worn.* 4to. *Sold not subject to return.* Rosenbach 541.

Philadelphia, C. Sherman, 1845-54. **\$1000-1500**

- 16 **(AMERICAN JUDAICA)**. Select Sentences: Designed as a Moral Guide-Book for Young Israelites. Introduction by Rev. Isaac Leiser. Front free endpaper with signature of the American historian and communal leader Emily Solis-Cohen. Few penciled marginal notes. *pp. 200. Browned. Original boards, light wear, a.e.g. 12mo.* Singerman 1325.

Philadelphia, 1854. **\$2000-3000**

✎ Issued anonymously by Sarah Harris, "a lady for whom I entertain the highest esteem," writes Isaac Leiser in his preface to this scarce little book.

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- 17 **(AMERICAN JUDAICA)**. Tephilah Mikol HaShanah Minchah Ketanah LeHolchei Derech Ule'Ovrei Yamim LehaNos'im LiMedinath Amerika Hash[em] Y[ishmerem] *pp. 400. Light stains. Contemporary boards, broken. 24mo.* Vinograd, Fürth 929.

Fürth, Zürndorffer & Sommer, 1855. **\$500-700**

✎ A pocket-sized prayer book specifically printed, as stated on the title page, for Jewish immigrants undertaking the lengthy journey from Europe to the United States of America. Includes prayers for weekday and Sabbath, selected Festival portions, Ethics of the Fathers and the weekday Biblical reading.

- 18 **(AMERICAN JUDAICA)**. Machzor LeChag HaShevu'oth - Form of Prayers for the Feast of Pentecost. According to the Custom of the German and Polish Jews. Hebrew with English translation. *pp. 168, 20. Foxed. Original straight-grain morocco gilt extra, a.e.g., rubbed. 8vo.*

New York, Henry Frank, 1856. **\$3000-5000**

✎ **THE FIRST ASCHKENAZIC SHEVU'OTH MACHZOR PRINTED IN AMERICA.**

Issued alongside a volume for Sukoth and Pesach, this "completes the separate German and Polish liturgies begun in 1854" [Goldman 43 unseen]. Goldman does not provide a collation of this Shevu'oth Machzor as "A COPY OF THE PENTECOST VOLUME COULD NOT BE LOCATED."

Based upon the celebrated Wolf Heidenheim edition, this prayer book was issued by the Jewish printing establishment of Henry (Chaim) Frank of New York, thus enabling the newly rising community of Aschkenazic American Jews to conduct services according to their own custom, as opposed to that of the Sephardic rite.

See Kestenbaum & Company, Sale 55, Lot 20.

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- 19 **(AMERICAN JUDAICA)**. H.M. Moos. Mortara: Or, The Pope and his Inquisitors. A Drama. Together with Choice Poems. *pp.* 171. *Signatures on opening blank, touch foxed. Original boards, rubbed. 8vo.* Singerman 1675.

Cincinnati, Bloch & Co, Israelite Office, 1860. **\$600-900**

🕯 **AN EARLY AMERICAN-JEWISH DRAMA.**

The abduction from his home in Bologna of an Italian-Jewish six-year old boy named Edgardo Mortara, and his subsequent forced conversion to Catholicism (with the connivance of Papal authority), appalled the Jewish world. The American Jewish community joined the outrage expressed by world Jewry demanding the return of the child to his parents. See Bertram W. Korn, *The American Reaction to the Mortara Case* (Cincinnati, 1957).

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- 20 **(AMERICAN JUDAICA)**. Levy, Uriah Phillips. Manual of Internal Rules and Regulations for Men-of-War. Third edition revised, with Rules and Regulations for the Engineer Department by A.C. Stimers. Opening blank inscribed: "Lt. R. Henderson, St. Georges Island, Alaska." *pp.* 88, (4 *ads*). *Recent boards. 12mo.*

New York, D. Van Nostrand, 1862. **\$1200-1800**

🕯 Uriah Phillips Levy (1792-1862) was the first Jewish Commodore in the U.S. Navy and a major philanthropist to Jewish causes in America. Born into a Jewish family from Philadelphia, his grandfather, Jonas Phillips, originally moved to the United States from Germany in 1756 and fought against the British during the American Revolution. At the age of ten, Uriah Levy left home to serve as a cabin boy on a trading ship. Levy returned home to celebrate his bar mitzvah with his family, though the following year he quickly returned to the sea. Eventually joining the U.S. Navy, where he became a sailing master, Levy fought in the Barbary Wars and was later assigned to the U.S.S. Argus during the War of 1812 against the British. Levy continued to serve in the Navy, rising to the ranks of lieutenant (1817), master commandant (1837), and captain (1844).

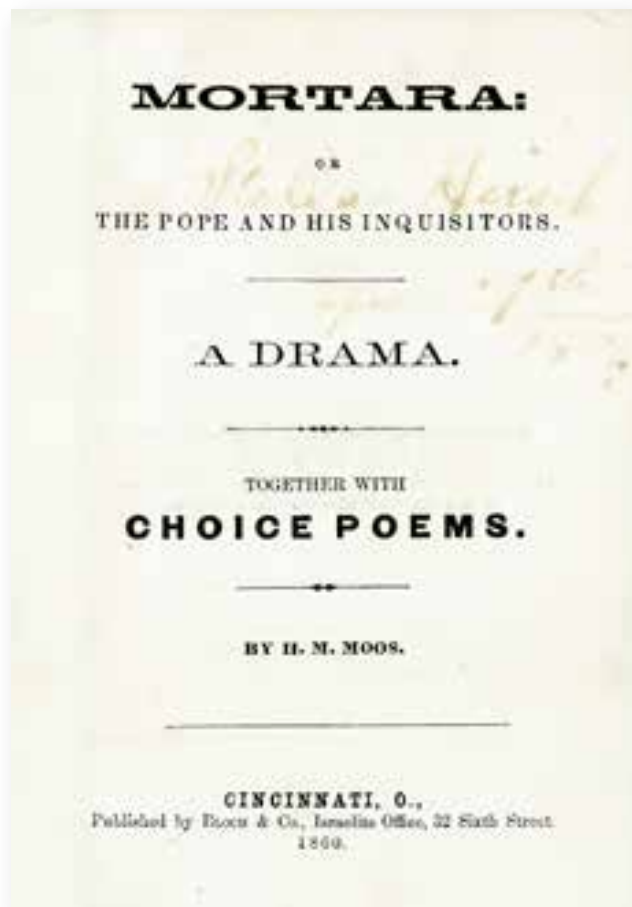
After witnessing flogging in the Navy firsthand, Levy joined those who opposed corporal punishment and in 1838, while commanding the U.S.S. Vandalia, developed his own system of discipline, substituting mild reforms for physical discipline. Because of his refusal to inflict corporal punishment on a young seaman, he was court-martialed and dismissed from the service, however President Tyler overturned the decision.

A smart investor in New York City real estate, Levy became a rich man late in his Naval career and used his wealth as a generous philanthropist, many times donating to Jewish-American endeavors. He served as the first president of the Washington Hebrew Congregation in Washington, DC and in 1854 he sponsored the new Jewish seminary of the Bnai Jeshurun Educational Institute in New York.

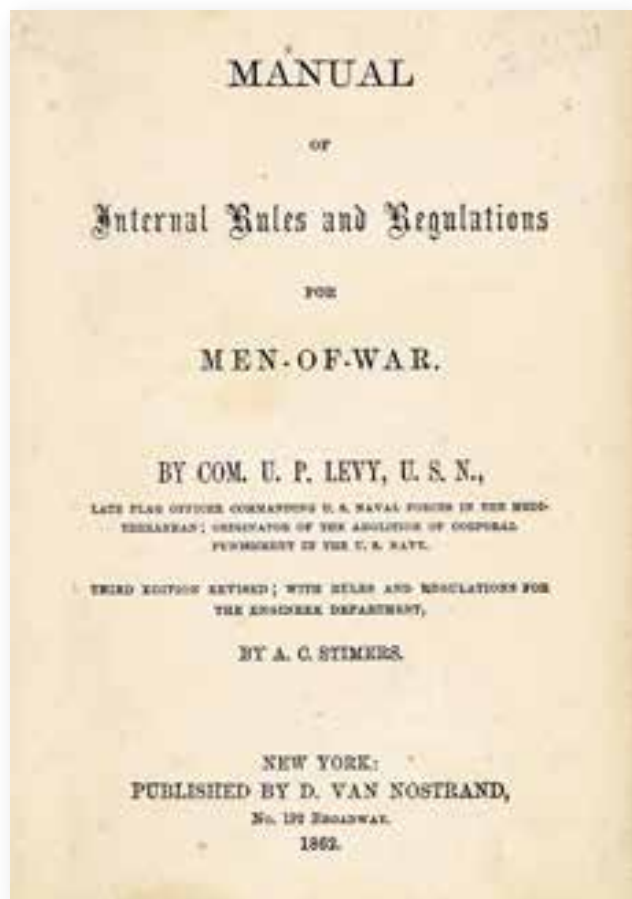
An ardent admirer of Thomas Jefferson, in 1836 Levy purchased Monticello, the late President's estate, and publicly announced that he intended to restore the property to its original condition and open it for visitation. The house and grounds remained in the Levy family until the estate was sold to the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation in 1923.

(See The National Museum of American Jewish Military History. Washington DC: *An American, A Sailor and a Jew: The Life and Career of Commodore Uriah Phillips Levy, USN*).

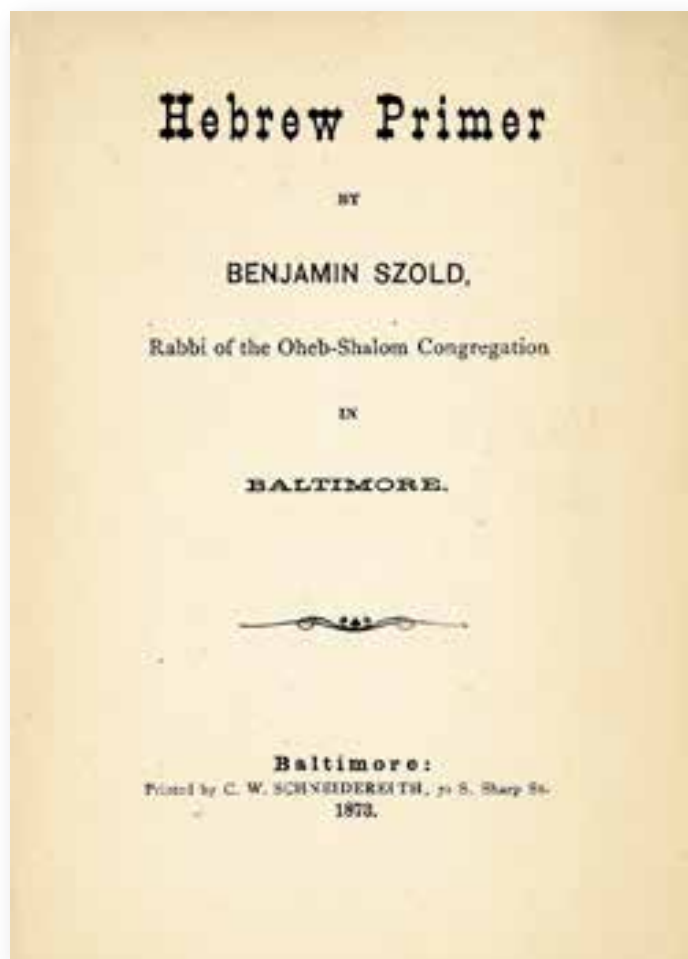
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- 21 **(AMERICAN JUDAICA)**. General Orders of the War Department. No. 332. pp. 6. Unbound. 12mo.

(Washington), 1863. **\$400-600**

✪ Concerns the court-martial of Capt. Cheme M. Levy (son-in-law of Rabbi Morris J. Raphall) the Assistant Quartermaster of Volunteers, who was convicted of signing a false certificate relating to pay of men under his command. According to a letter written by Rabbi Raphall of New York to President Abraham Lincoln and produced by Prof. Karp in his "From the Ends of the Earth: Judaic Treasures from the Library of Congress" (1991) p. 252 it is possible that Cheme Levy was in fact exonerated. His father-in-law thanks the President for "the generosity and justice with which you have treated my son-in-law." See also B.W. Korn, American Jewry and the Civil War (1951) p. 108 who notes that Capt. Levy took the time to visit Jewish soldiers hospitalized in Washington and distribute clothing and food to them.

- 22 **(AMERICAN JUDAICA)**. J. Mendes de Solla. Kol Divrei Torah. A Vocabulary of the Pentateuch...Designed as a Class-Book. **FIRST EDITION**. The Moses Gaster copy, signed by him on the title-page. pp. viii, 152. Original boards, extremities bumped, backstrip starting. 8vo. Singerman 1881.

Philadelphia, for the Author, 1865. **\$150-200**

- 23 **(AMERICAN JUDAICA)**. (Bible, English). Torah Nevi'im u-Kethuvim / The Twenty-Four Books of the Holy Scriptures. Translated and with explanatory notes by Isaac Leaser. Second edition. English interspersed with Hebrew. Presentation inscription by Leo L. Schwarzenberger, 16th May, 1865. Manuscript records at end. pp. 8; 1011, (4). Lightly foxed, some wear, opening few leaves loose. Original morocco, gilt extra; boards detached, lacking backstrip. Lg. 4to.

Philadelphia, L. Johnson & Co., 1859. **\$500-700**

✪ Final three manuscript pages record in English and Hebrew, detailed birth-marriage-death cycle of previous 19th-century owners of this Bible: Members of families Schwarzenberger, Roggenburger and Newgarden. Also records two wedding-services performed by Isaac Leaser for members of these families.

- 24 **(AMERICAN JUDAICA)**. Minhag America - The Daily Prayers, for American Israelites, Revised in Conference. With: Select Prayers for Various Occasions In Life. Edited by Isaac Mayer Wise. Hebrew and English on facing pages pp. (2), 271, (1 blank); 48. Endpapers soiled. Original boards, worn, lacking backstrip. 8vo. Singerman 2337.

Cincinnati, Bloch & Company, 1872. **\$700-900**

✪ **THE FIRST REFORM PRAYER-BOOK PRINTED IN AMERICA.**

Isaac Mayer Wise (1819-1900) was born in Steingrub, Bohemia and immigrated to America in 1846. At first a rabbi in Albany, in 1854 he moved to Cincinnati. There he established the institutional structure of American Reform Judaism: the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and Hebrew Union College.

Wise, who desired to publish an "American" prayer book from his earliest years in the country, believed that the acceptance by all American Jews of a single liturgical rite would represent a great step toward unity. This first Reform prayer-book retained a Hebrew text and the traditional framework of the liturgy, though certain "objectionable" passages were altered, shortened or excised. Erased were all references to Jewish particularism, a Return to Zion and the reinstitution of the Temple.

- 25 **(AMERICAN JUDAICA)**. Szold, Benjamin. Hebrew Primer. Text in English and Hebrew. pp. 12. Light stains. Lightly browned. Loose in original printed boards. 12mo. Unrecorded by Singerman (although cf. 2419); similarly unrecorded by Goldman (although cf. 280).

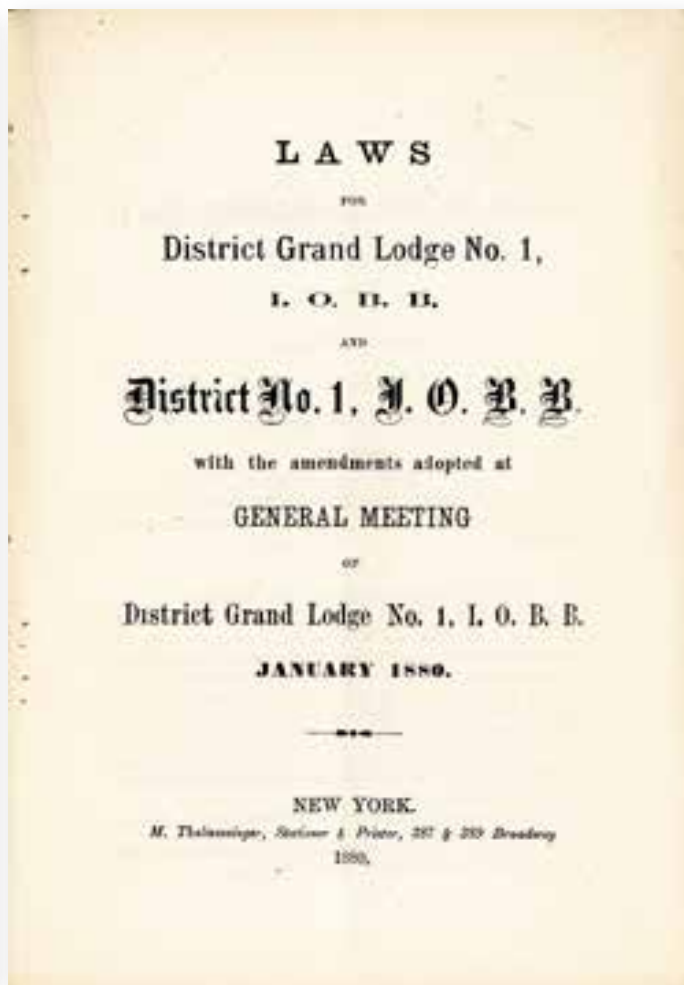
Baltimore, C.W. Schneidereith, 1873. **\$1000-1500**

✪ A native of Hungary, Benjamin Szold (1829-1902) accepted an invitation to become rabbi in Baltimore, where he led Congregation Oheb Shalom to become one of the foremost synagogues in the United States. His eldest daughter was the leading Zionist Henrietta Szold, founder of Hadassah and Youth Aliyah.

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- 26 (AMERICAN JUDAICA). Friedman, Aaron Tzvi. Tuv Ta'am [the necessity for Jews to maintain the laws of ritual slaughter] Hebrew and some English plus three different subtitles. With manuscript editorial corrections (the publisher's copy?) pp. 6, 16, (2), 17-40, (2), 41-75, (2), 77-107, (1), 3. With additional orange wrappers (not noted by Goldman); front wrapper loose and with embossed stamp (Rabbi O. Asher Reichel) bound into contemporary boards. 8vo.

New York, M. Topolowsky, 1875. \$1000-1500

❖ Rare. A Response to the First Anti-Shechitah Campaign in America.

Aaron Friedman (1822-76), a native of Stavisk, Poland, served as shochet or ritual slaughterer of his hometown before emigrating in 1848 to New York, where he was employed by one of the largest abattoirs until his death. On account of Friedman's strict Orthodoxy and learning, he was known as the "Ba'al Shem of America."

In 1866 the first anti-Shechitah campaign in America was waged by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Henry Bergh, president of the Society, sent a letter that year to the proprietor of a kosher abattoir in New York accusing him of engaging in "barbarous, revolting, and wicked" practices. Bergh further called on him to desist from violating the laws of New York and of God by "mangl[ing] and tortur[ing] his creatures." Friedman composed this pamphlet to refute Bergh's accusations. He not only succeeded in silencing Bergh, but later, in 1885, Bergh even defended shechitah against charges of cruelty leveled by the Philadelphia branch of his Society.

See Y. Goldman, Hebrew Printing in America no. 1092; JE, Vol. V, p. 518.

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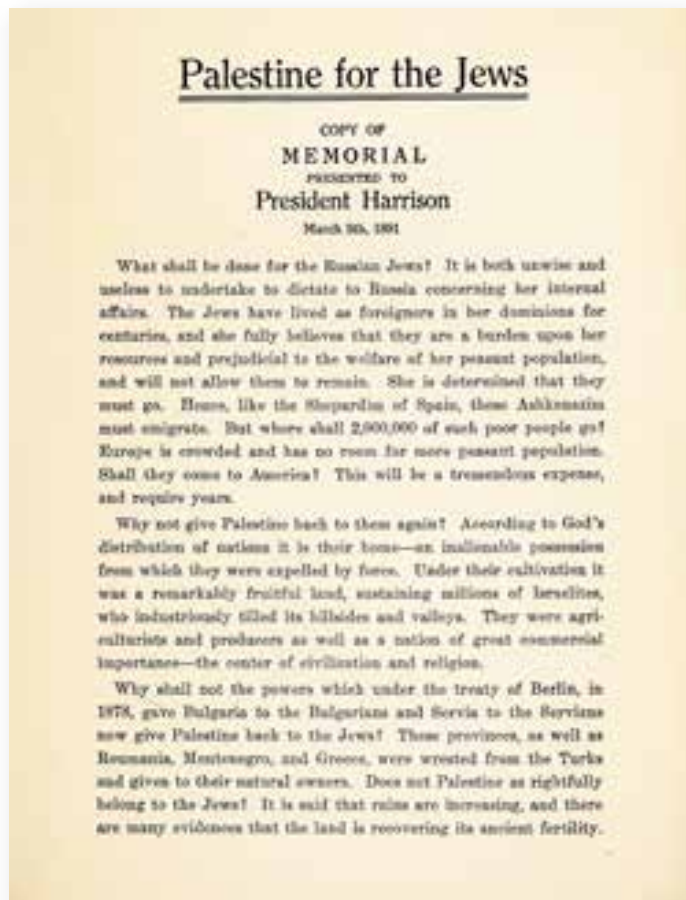
- 27 (AMERICAN JUDAICA). Constitution of the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith. Revised and Amended in the General Convention of the Order Held in the City of Philadelphia, January 26th to 30th, 1879. pp. 15, 15. n.p. n.d.

* BOUND WITH: Laws for District Grand Lodge No. 1, I.O.B.B and District No. 1, I.O.B.B with the amendments adopted at General Meeting. pp. 44, 44. New York, M. Thalmeisinger, 1880. Together, two works in one. Both with German and English on facing pages. *Ex-library. Contemporary marbled boards. 8vo.*

\$2500-3000

❖ Two works, both scarce. Of the first title, Singerman records only one copy located in a private collection (no. 2747). Of the second title, Singerman is unaware of its existence entirely.

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28 (AMERICAN JUDAICA). (Blackstone, William E.) Palestine for the Jews. A Copy of the Memorial Presented to President Harrison March 5, 1891. **FIRST EDITION.** pp. 23. *Original printed wrappers, lightly sunned.* 8vo.

(Oak Park, Ill, 1891). **\$700-1000**

✚ **LIKELY THE FIRST OFFICIAL REQUEST TO AN AMERICAN PRESIDENT FOR A JEWISH HOMELAND IN PALESTINE.**

William Eugene Blackstone (1841-1935) American evangelist and Christian Zionist was the author of the famed "Blackstone Memorial," a petition presented to President Benjamin Harrison in favor of the delivery of Palestine to the Jews and signed by leading American citizens, prominent among them John D. Rockefeller, J.P. Morgan, Cyrus McCormick, Senators, Congressmen, religious leaders of all denominations, newspaper editors, the Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court and others.

The Memorial was motivated by concern over the plight of the Jews in Russia who were being murdered in government-incited pogroms. Blackstone asks President Harrison, "What shall be done for the Russian Jews? ...Why not give Palestine back to them again? According to God's distribution of nations, it is their home, an inalienable possession, from which they were expelled by force... Why shall not the powers which under the treaty of Berlin in 1878 gave Bulgaria to the Bulgarians and Servia to the Servians now give Palestine back to the Jews? ...Let us now restore them to the land of which they were so cruelly despoiled by our Roman ancestors."

A precursor of the Christian Zionist movement of contemporary times, this pamphlet foresaw and paralleled the later ideas of Theodor Herzl, founder of modern Zionism.

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29 (AMERICAN JUDAICA). The Peculiar People. A Christian Monthly Devoted to Jewish Interests, Political, Social, Literary and Religious. [periodical]. Volume IX Numbers 1-12. Twelve issues, each uncut and unopened. *Ex-library. Original printed wrappers (one issue lacks front cover).* 4to.

Plainfield, New Jersey, April 1896 - March , 1897. **\$500-700**

✚ The motto of this missionary magazine is the famous saying (often attributed to Franz Rosenzweig): "Nothing Jewish is Alien to Me."

30 (AMERICAN JUDAICA). (Twain, Mark). Harper's New Monthly Magazine, Volume XCIX, number DXCII. Contains the first appearance of the celebrated essay by Twain: "Concerning the Jews," (pp. 527-35) *Unbound.* 4to. *In solander-box.*

New York, September, 1899. **\$600-900**

✚ In this lengthy essay, the American writer Mark Twain explores the causes of anti-Semitism and possible solutions to the problem. Most memorable is his conclusion:

"If the statistics are right, the Jews constitute but one per cent of the human race. It suggests a nebulous dim puff of star dust lost in the blaze of the Milky Way. Properly the Jew ought hardly to be heard of; but he is heard of, has always been heard of. He is as prominent on the planet as any other people, and his commercial importance is extravagantly out of proportion to the smallness of his bulk. His contributions to the world's list of great names in literature, science, art, music, finance, medicine and abstruse learning are also way out of proportion to the weakness of his numbers...The Egyptian, the Babylonian, and the Persian rose, filled the planet with sound and splendor, then faded to dream stuff and passed away; the Greek and the Roman followed, and made a vast noise, and they are gone...The Jew saw them all, beat them all, and is now what he always was, exhibiting no decadence, no infirmities of age...All things are mortal but the Jew; all other forces pass, but he remains. What is the secret of his immortality?"

31 (AMERICAN JUDAICA). Friedman, Aaron Zebi. Tub Taam or a Vindication of the Jewish Mode of Slaughtering Animals for Food Called Shechitah. Translated from the Hebrew by Laemlein Bittenwieser. Second Edition. pp. 53. *Printed wrappers, detached.* 4to. cf Singerman 2550.

New York, Philip Cowen for Bloch, 1904. **\$400-600**

✚ Among those who supported the Jewish position on Shechitah in the struggle against the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was President Ulysses S. Grant. According to Joakim Isaacs, Grant "was moved [by this English translation]...to eat only ritually slaughtered meat in the latter part of his life." See J. Isaacs, "Candidate Grant and the Jews," *American Jewish Archives* 17. 1 (1965) p. 15, n. 31; I. H. Sharfman, *The First Rabbi* (1988) pp. 591-92.

32 (AMERICAN JUDAICA). Nehemiah S. Libowitz. HaMaveth Bepanim Sochakim - Death In Good Humor. A Collection of Jokes, Epigrams and Witticisms Concerning Death Culled from Hebrew Literature. **FIRST EDITION.** Limited Edition of One Hundred Copies. Uncut and unopened. pp. 40. *Original printed wrappers.* 4to. Goldman, no. 467; not in Deinard, *Koheleth America* (perhaps due to mutual enmity?!)

Brooklyn, A. H. Rosenberg, 1917. **\$200-300**

33 (AMERICAN JUDAICA). M.S. Gadol (editor). Calendario 5677. Text in Ladino (Judeo-Español). Illustrations. *pp.* (56). *Light stains, minor tears. Original printed wrappers, chipped.* 12mo.

New York, "La America", (1917). **\$600-800**

✎ In the popular imagination, New York's Lower East Side is associated with the mass immigration from Eastern Europe at the end of the 19th and beginning of the 20th centuries. However, within this ocean of Aschkenazic Jewry there existed an island of Sephardim headquartered at 197 Eldridge Street, which housed the offices of the Spanish-Jewish Journal "La America." A perusal of the advertisements of our Calendar, gives us a fair idea of its readership as hailing from Turkey. Thus, we have several ads for raki, a Turkish alcoholic beverage, in addition to pitches for Turkish baths, and even a promotion by a Turkish-speaking dentist on the back wrapper.

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34 (AMERICAN JUDAICA). Kneseth HaRabbanim HaOrthodoxim BeAmerica - Assembly of Hebrew Orthodox Rabbis of America. Parts I and II. Edited by Yitzchak Leib Epstein. Text in Hebrew, Yiddish and English. **FIRST EDITION.** Portrait of Gavriel Zev Margolioth, president of the organization. **WITH STAMP OF FORMER OWNER R. ABRAHAM ISAAC KOOK** on p. 12 of Part II and Eliezer Sirkis on the title-page. *I: pp.* 1, 80. ** II: ff.* 23. *Contemporary boards, loose.* 4to. Goldman, 1178 and 1180.

New York, Dov Aryeh Zitwer, 1922-24. **\$700-900**

✎ This rabbinic organization was founded in 1920 by Gavriel Zev Margolioth ("Reb Velve") as a rival body to the well established Agudath HaRabbanim, the Union of Orthodox Rabbis of the United States and Canada. The documents and proceedings here indicate that Prohibition was the impetus for the establishment of the new assembly. Only an official organization sanctioned by the Prohibition Commissioner of the Treasury Department was permitted to designate Rabbis to procure and sell wine for sacramental purposes. It seems that the Agudath HaRabbanim was withholding sale permits from certain dissident Rabbis, who in turn set out to form their own organization. Hence, the Kneseth HaRabbanim.

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35 (AMERICAN JUDAICA). A Challenge to Freedom of Worship - A Statement. With ad for Mordecai Kaplan's prayer-book tipped in. *pp.* 32. *Original printed wrappers.* 4to.

New York, Jewish Reconstruction Foundation, (1945). **\$200-300**

✎ A response from the Jewish Reconstruction Foundation following the public burning of the prayer-book issued by Rabbi Mordecai M. Kaplan, deemed by the Union of Orthodox rabbis to be a work of a heresy. See J.S. Gurock and J.J. Schacter. *A Modern Heretic and a Traditional Community: Mordechai Kaplan, Orthodoxy and American Judaism* (1997).

36 (AMERICAN JUDAICA). Tribute to the late President John Fitzgerald Kennedy. Spoken by The Chief Rabbi, Dr. Israel Brodie at the Marble Arch Synagogue, London. On Sabbath, 30th November, 1963. *pp.* (8). *Original printed wrappers.* 4to.

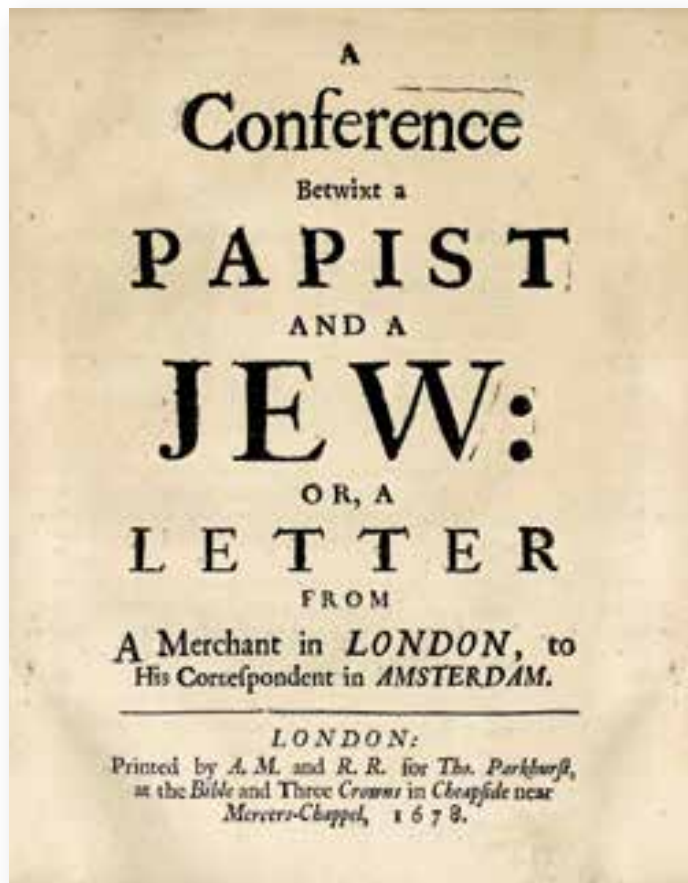
London, Office of the Chief Rabbi, 1963. **\$300-400**



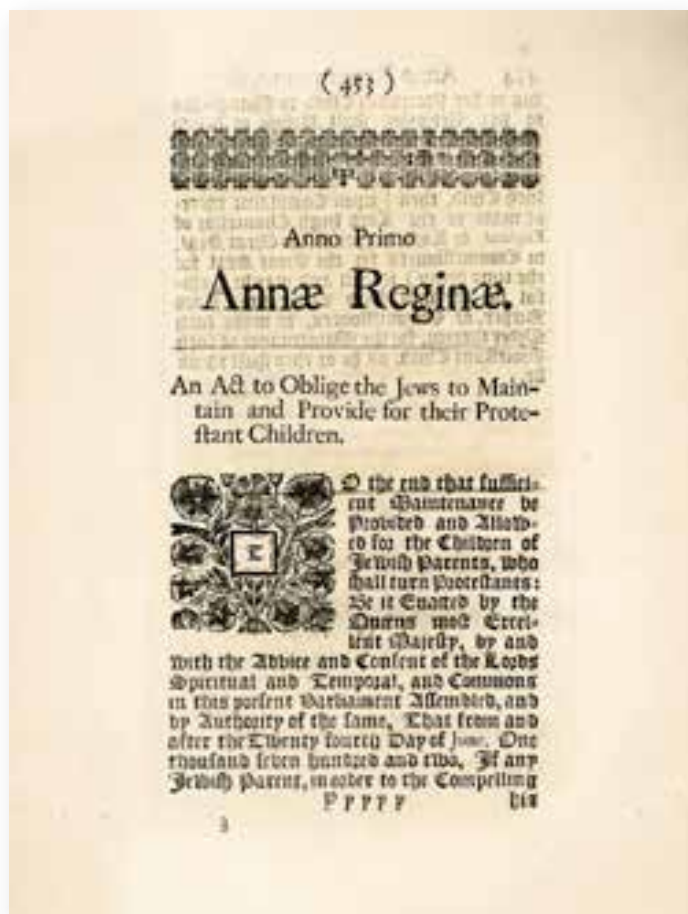
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37 (ANGLO-AMERICAN JUDAICA). Charlotte Elizabeth (Tonna). Judah's Lion. **FIRST AMERICAN EDITION.** pp. 358. *Foxed, signature crudely removed from title-page. Original boards. 12mo. Singerman 0832.*

New York, John S. Taylor, 1843. **\$600-900**

• A novel concerning the return of an English Jew to the Land of Israel, this is considered to be the first English language "Zionist" novel. It predates George Eliot's 'Daniel Deronda' by a full thirty years. Charlotte Elizabeth Tonna (1790-1846) was an English evangelical Protestant who, in her role as defender of the rights of Jews, became a close friend of Sir Moses Montefiore.

38 (ANGLO-JUDAICA). (Attributed to Richard Mayo). A Conference Betwixt a Papist and a Jew, or, A Letter from a Merchant in London, to his Correspondent in Amsterdam. **FIRST EDITION.** pp. (4), 34. *Trimmed, opening leaf frayed at margins with inks stain on verso. Modern calf. Sm. 4to.*

London, by A.M. and R.R. for Tho. Parkhurst, 1678. **\$800-1000**

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39 (ANGLO-JUDAICA). [Parliamentary Act]. An Act to Oblige the Jews to Maintain and Provide for their Protestant Children. * **BOUND WITHIN** a volume of other miscellaneous Acts from the reigns of King William III and Queen Anne. Other Acts concern the high treason of the Pretended Prince of Wales; succession of the Crown in the Protestant line (to the exclusion of Catholics); union between the Kingdoms of England and Scotland; meting out punishment to the would-be assassins of King William; duties upon commodities; measures to prevent counterfeiting the current coin of the Kingdom; the repairing of bridges, highways, piers and ports; etc. Wide-margins. pp. 398, (2), 403-480, (4). *Some leaves browned. Contemporary blind-tooled calf, spine gilt extra, front cover detached; rubbed. Folio. Roth, Magna Bibliotheca Anglo-Judaica, p. 246, no. 1.*

(London, 1702). **\$3000-4000**

• **FIRST SPECIFICALLY JEWISH ACT OF PARLIAMENT POST RE-ADMISSION.**

This Act (pp. 453-454) issued in the year of Queen Anne's accession to the throne, prevents any attempt by Jewish parents to force their apostate children to return to the Jewish fold. In such cases that children born to Jewish parents convert to the majority religion of Protestantism, the parents are enjoined by English law to continue to support their children and may not disown them.

The event that led to the passage of the Bill was as follows: In May 1701, eighteen-year old Mary Mendez de Breta, raised a Jewess, was baptized into the Church of England. Her father, Jacob Mendez de Breta thereupon disowned her and so she was provided for by the parish of St. Andrew's Undershaft. Subsequently a petition was presented to the House of Commons to oblige de Breta in particular and the Jews in general, to provide for their Protestant children. A Committee heard witness testimony including that of the father himself, who claimed that Mary had never been his daughter, but had in fact been laid at his door in Portugal, and that he had maintained her all the years purely as an act of charity. The Bill was passed in the Lords without amendment and with virtually no debate. See H.S.Q. Henriques, *The Jews and the English Law* (1908) pp. 167-69.

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- 40 (ANGLO-JUDAICA). [Parliamentary Act]. An Act to Permit Persons Professing the Jewish Religion, to be Naturalized by Parliament Initial letters within richly historiated woodcut borders *pp.* (6). *Unbound. Folio.* Albert M. Hyamson, Bibliography of Pamphlets Relating to the Jew Bill of 1753 in: TJHSE, Vol. VI (1908-1910), pp. 178-88, no. 4.

London, n.p., 1753. \$600-900

✪ The first printing of the Parliamentary Act that granted naturalization rights to Jews in England. See J. Picciotto, *Sketches of Anglo-Jewish History* (1956), pp. 73-86.

- 41 (ANGLO-JUDAICA). Takanoth... de K. K. Beth Hakeneseth HaGedolah: Laws of the Congregation of the Great Synagogue, Duke's Place, London. Text in Hebrew and English. *pp.* xi, 81; xvi, 82, 7. *Ex-library, trace foxed. Recased retaining original printed covers, new endpapers. Lg. 8vo.* Vinograd, London 275; Roth, London 137.

London, Joseph Wertheimer, 1827. \$700-1000

✪ The Great Synagogue of London was established in 1692 and occupied its final home in Duke's Place from 1722 until its destruction by German aerial bombardment in 1941. It was the seat of the Chief Rabbinate of the British Empire and the Ashkenazic Mother Congregation of the English-speaking Jewish world.

In 1827 the decision was taken to review and codify all the synagogue rules and regulations enacted to date "in order that the eccentricity of individuals may not disturb the general harmony." The resulting code, comprising 320 regulations, covers all the rights and responsibilities of the overseers, clergy, members, and non-members, and is especially vigorous concerning fees and fines. The volume also contains a short history of the congregation and lists officers and principal benefactors, including Moses Hart, builder of the 1722 synagogue, Judah Phillips of Jamaica, and "Dr. Samuel de Falk," otherwise known as the Baal Shem of London.

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- 42 (ANGLO-JUDAICA). The Jewish Chronicle. Volume One, Numbers 1-23 (November 12th 1841 - April 15th 1842), bound together in later boards. With bookplate (by Frank Emanuel 1927) of Wilfred S. & Viva Samuel. Typed statement in rear by Wilfred Samuel noting that the volume had previously been owned by Moses Albert Norsa Lindo, Sworn Broker of the City of London, who died 25th September 1933, aged 71. *pp.* 132 (i.e. 134). *Lightly browned. Bound in, separating each of the 23 issues, are leaves of a Hagadah and Rabbinic dictionary. Sm. folio.*

London, 1841-42. \$1000-1500

✪ England's "Jewish Chronicle" is the oldest continuously published Jewish newspaper in the world and has played a central part in the development of modern Anglo-Jewry. It appeared as a weekly from its inception on November 12th 1841, until publication was suspended six months later. In October 1844 publication was resumed as a biweekly, and it did not reassume the form of a weekly until 1847. It has remained thus until the present day. See EJ, Vol. X, cols. 40-1; and D. Cesarani, *The Jewish Chronicle and Anglo Jewry* (2005).

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43 (**ANGLO-JUDAICA**). Reflections Upon Naturalization, Corporations, and Companies: Supported by the Authorities of both Ancient and Modern Writers. By a Country Gentleman. **FIRST EDITION**. With a contemporary presentation inscription on half-title: "To the Right Hon. the Lord Talbot." pp. 91. *Browned, small loss to top margin of page 87 not affecting text. Modern calf-backed marbled boards.* 8vo. Roth, 221; Kress 5295.

London, M. Cooper, 1753. **\$1000-1500**

✦ "MONOPOLIES ARE EQUALLY DANGEROUS IN TRADE, IN POLITICS AND RELIGION": 1753 DEFENSE OF JEWISH NATURALIZATION AND EMANCIPATION.

First edition of this significant tract dedicated to Jewish emancipation. The author attacks trading monopolies, especially those concerning Turkish trade and takes a forthright stand in favor of full citizenship and commercial liberty for the Jews. In sum, his argument is that by advancing their own interests, Jews promote the interests of the country in which they reside. The author's defense of Jewish rights appears on pp. 74-91 within a detailed discussion of Turkish trade. There are also several pages on the Greenland Whale Fisher, references to the East and West Indies, and a general discussion of the issue of chartered vs. joint-stock companies.

44 (**ANGLO-JUDAICA**). Order of Service for the Funeral of the Lamented Chief Rabbi, Rev. Solomon Hirschel. Black-ruled title. Text in English and Hebrew. pp. 15. *Ex-library. Original printed wrappers, covers loose.* 8vo.

London, J. Wertheimer, (1842). **\$500-700**

✦ Solomon Hirschel (1762-1842), was the scion of one of Europe's distinguished Rabbinical dynasties. He presided as Chief Rabbi of Great Britain for four decades. See H.A. Simons, *Forty Years a Chief Rabbi: The Life and Times of Solomon Hirschel* (1980).

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45 (**ANGLO-JUDAICA**). Laws of the Burial Society of the Congregation of the Great Synagogue. English text with occasional use of Hebrew. pp. 28. *Original blind-tooled boards.* Sm. 8vo.

London, J. Wertheimer, 1863. **\$300-500**

46 (**ANGLO-JUDAICA**). Report of the Royal Commission on Alien Immigration. With Minutes of Evidence and Appendix. Vol. I: The Report. pp. viii, 52. *Original printed wrappers, chipped.* Folio.

London, Wyman & Sons for HMSO, 1903. **\$500-700**

✦ Following extensive Jewish immigration from Eastern Europe into the United Kingdom this Report was commissioned "To inquire into and report upon: (1) The character and extent of the evils which are attributed to the unrestricted immigration of Aliens, especially in the Metropolis; (2) The measures which have been adopted for the restriction and control of Alien Immigration in Foreign Countries, and in British Colonies; and to advise what remedial or precautionary measures it is desirable to adopt in this country."

47 (**ANTISEMITICA**). Wagner, Richard. Das Judenthum in der Musik. **FIRST EDITION** in book form (previously appeared as an article in the *Neue Zeitschrift fuer Musik* in Zurich, under the pseudonym "K. Friedegedenk") pp. 57. *Lightly browned, signature on opening blank. Later boards, inner hinge starting, spine rubbed.* 8vo.

Leipzig, J. J. Weber, 1869. **\$500-700**

✦ The brilliant composer Richard Wagner (1813-83) makes the charge in this blatantly anti-Semitic text, that the Jew is bereft of true artistic creation and to admit him into the world of art would result in the most pernicious consequences. The work is one of the first formulations of racial anti-Semitism. See P.R. Mendes-Flohr and J. Reinharz, *Jewry in Music*, in: *The Jew in the Modern World* (1980), pp. 268-71.

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- 48 **(ANTISEMITICA)**. Wagner, Richard. Judaism in Music (Das Judenthum in der Musik) **FIRST EDITION IN ENGLISH**. Translated by Edwin Evans. *pp.* xv, 92, (2). 57. Previous owners' stamps. Original boards. 8vo.

London, 1910. **\$150-200**

- 49 **(ANTISEMITICA)**. Eduard Fuchs. Die Juden in der Karikatur. Profusely illustrated in color and black-and-white. Text in German *Clean copy*. Original gilt-lettered red buckram with color-pictorial paper label on front cover, lightly sunned. Lg. 4to.

Munich, Verlag Albert Langen, 1921. **\$100-150**

▮ Traces the development of caricaturist attempts to depict the Jew from the fourteenth through twentieth centuries with special emphasis on the French and German press. An unsurpassed reference work

- 50 **(ANTISEMITICA)**. Bauer, Elvira. Trau Keinem Fuchs auf Grüner Heid; und Keinem Jüd bei seinem Eid! Ein Bilderbuch für Gross und Klein ["Trust No Fox in the Green Grass, nor a Jew at his Oath! A Picture Book for Young and Old."] German Gothic text in red and black facing viciously grotesque color plates. *pp.* 44. Original linen-backed color pictorial covers, extremities touched frayed. Rectangular 4to. (Accompanied by recent translation into English.)

Nürnberg, Stürmer-Verlag, 1936. **\$1200-1800**

▮ This infamous slick production issued by Gauleiter Julius Streicher, is illustrated with notorious imagery designed to inculcate children with extreme anti-Semitic values. (See also following lot.)

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- 51 **(ANTISEMITICA)**. Heimer, Ernst. Der Giftpilz. Ein Stürmerbuch für Jung und Alt ["The Poisonous Toadstool: A Book for Young and Old."] Grotesque color plates by the Stürmer illustrator "Fips" (pseudonym of Philipp Rupprecht). German Gothic text *pp.* 64. Original linen-backed color pictorial covers, extremities touched frayed. 4to.

Nürnberg, Stürmer-Verlag, 1938. **\$1200-1800**

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- 52 **BACHIAH BEN ASHER**. Shulchan (shel) Arba [on proper conduct at the table, benedictions, the Banquet in the World to Come and resurrection of the dead] Printer's device on title (cf. Yaari, Printer's Marks no.40) *ff.*(20). Some staining, previous owners' marks. Modern tooled calf. Sm. 4to Vinograd, Prague 82.

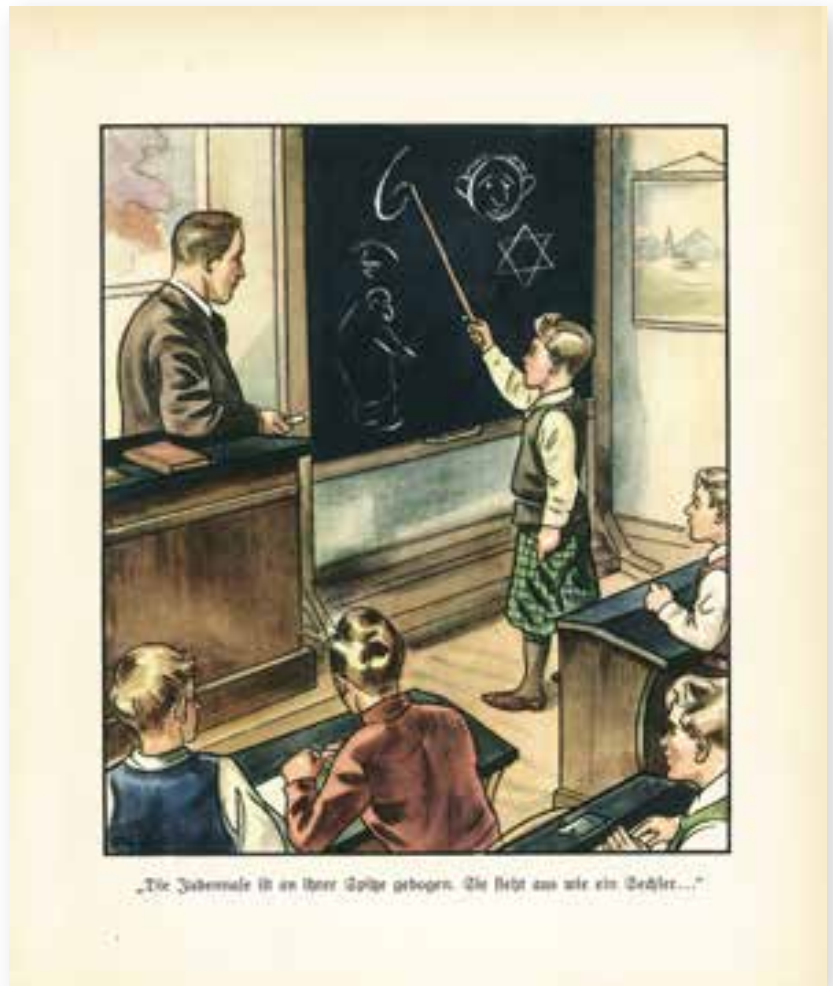
Prague, Moses Weisswasser, 1596. **\$400-600**

- 53 **BELLARMINO, ROBERTO**. Institutiones Linguae Hebraicae. Latin interspersed with vocalized Hebrew. Woodcut device on title. *pp.* 206, (2). Browned. Contemporary limp vellum, worn. Sm. 4to.

Antwerp, Plantin, 1606. **\$300-500**



Lot 50



Lot 51



Lot 54

54 **AUSENBERG, SHIMON.** Devek Tov [super-commentary to Rashi on the Pentateuch] **FIRST EDITION.** Woodcut map of the Travels of the Children of Israel on f. 113a, geographical depiction of Land of Israel, Egypt, Yam Suf and Yam Pelishtim on f. 53a, Jacob's ladder in juxtaposition to the Land of Israel on f. 28b. ff. 131, (1). Marginal repairs, final leaf laid down, stained in places, f.113 supplied from a shorter copy, previous owners' marks. Modern boards. Sm. 4to. Vinograd, Venice 721; Habermann, di Gara 99; Krieger, Parshandatha no. 14.

Venice, Di Gara-Parenzo, 1588. **\$1000-1500**

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55 **(BEN GURION, DAVID).** Israel. Edited by Ab. Harman and Yigael Yadin. Preface by David Ben-Gurion. **INSCRIBED AND SIGNED BY ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER DAVID BEN GURION TO UNITED STATES PRESIDENT HARRY S. TRUMAN:** "To Harry S. Truman in admiration and friendship. D. Ben-Gurion Jerusalem 21.5.58." Text in French and English. Profusely illustrated with color and black-and-white images. Original boards, imprinted on front cover: "The Honorable Harry S. Truman." *Original dust-jacket. Sm. folio.*

Tel Aviv-Jerusalem, Massadah Publishing Co. Ltd., (1958). **\$2000-2500**

♣ Eleven minutes after Israel proclaimed its independence, American President Harry Truman signed an executive order granting de-facto recognition to the new Jewish State.

This album of photographs recording the development of the modern State of Israel was presented by its first Prime Minister to President Truman at the time of the tenth anniversary of Israel's independence.

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Lot 55

56 **BEN-GURION, DAVID.** Israel: A Personal History. **FIRST EDITION.** The deluxe edition. One of 2,000 numbered copies, signed by Ben-Gurion beneath portrait frontispiece. Photographic plates. pp. xxii, 862. Silk endpapers, top edge gilt. Original gilt-tooled blue padded morocco, with slip-case. Lg. 4to.

New York, Funk & Wagnalls / Sabra Books, 1971. **\$1200-1800**

♣ A fine copy of Ben-Gurion's history of the founding and first decades of the modern State of Israel.

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Lot 56

57 **(BIBLE Hebrew.** Pentateuch, Five Megiloth and Haphtaroth). Ki Ohev Hashem Sha'arei Tzion. Biblical text and Targum on facing pages. Initial words within woodcut historiation for each of Five Books of Moses and parallel Targum page, Megilah and Haphtaroth section. ff. 456 (additional final blank leaf not noted by Vinograd). Title page laid down with some loss, numerous leaves remargined, repaired worming with some loss, ff. 384-396 (from Book of Esther) supplied in facsimile, f. 396 loose and supplied from another copy. Modern crimson diced morocco. Thick 8vo. Vinograd, Venice 184; Habermann 166.

Venice, Daniel Bomberg, 1543. **\$1000-1500**

58 **(BIBLE Hebrew and Latin).** Mikdash Hashem - Hebraica Biblia. Pentateuch and Former Prophets [only]. Hebrew and Latin text in parallel columns, with Latin notes at end of chapters. Prepared by Sebastian Muenster. First word within woodcut frame, initial letter of each chapter historiated, divisional titles. Second edition of the Muenster Bible pp. (40), 1-743. Ex-library, touch discolored. Later boards, worn. Folio. Vinograd, Basle 74; Darlow & Moule 5090; Prijs, Basle 73.

Basle, M. Isingrin and H. Petri, 1546. **\$500-700**



Lot 59

59 (BIBLE Hebrew). Complete, bound in eight volumes. Printer's device on all titles, with Nikud (vowel-points), initial words within engraved cartouche. Few head-notes, ruled. **A FINE SET.**

Light wear to opening title, touch discolored, previous owner's marks, stamp on first title. Fine 19th century crushed morocco with gilt crest on covers. a.e.g. 16mo. Vinograd, Paris 18; Darlow & Moule (noted only, not listed) below no. 5089; Adams B-1224.

Paris, Robert Estienne the Elder, 1543-46 (and 1565). **\$12,000-15,000**

🔖 **SPLENDIDLY PRINTED POCKET RENAISSANCE HEBREW BIBLE.** "A typographical jewel." F. Schreiber, *The Estiennes, An Annotated Catalogue* (1982) no. 82.

The most popular volume of this edition was the Book of Psalms, which the printer reissued in 1565. The set offered here was bound with this rare, 1565 Psalms.

Covers of each volume decorated with the coat-of-arms and motto ("Ardeo, Persevero, Spero" - I burn, I persevere, I hope) of Guillaume Pavée de Vendevre (1779-1870), French politician and renowned bibliophile.

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Lot 60

60 (BIBLE. Hebrew, Greek and Latin). Biblia Hebraica / Novum Testamentum Graecum Two parts bound in one. Edited by Arias Montano. Hebrew text of the Old Testament and Greek text of the New Testament and Apocrypha, each with an interlinear Latin translation (reading, like the Hebrew, from right to left) by Santes Pagnini. Two title pages, each with printer's device. *Upper corners of Greek portion dampsoiled, title-page laid down. Later calf, rubbed, top of backstrip chipped. Folio.* Vinograd, Antwerp 31; Adams B-972; Darlow & Moule 5106 and 4645; Sorgeloos 132 (illustrated).

Antwerp, Christophor Plantin, 1584. **\$600-900**

♣ Reprint of Volume VIII of Plantin's Antwerp Polyglot of 1569-72.

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61 (BIBLE Hebrew). Sepher Tehilim [Book of Psalms] Printer's device on title. Square Hebrew letters with nikud (vowel points) and te'amim (cantillation). ff. (126), (2 blank). *Previous owners' inscriptions in a Latin hand on front flyleaf and title (crossed out), browned in places. Contemporary vellum, spine chipped. 12mo.* Vinograd, Leiden 15; Mehlman 1850; Fuks 12.

Leiden, Franciscus Raphelengius, 1595. **\$700-1000**

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62 (BIBLE Hebrew). Sepher Tehilim [Book of Psalms] Printer's device on title. Square Hebrew letters with nikud (vowel points) and te'amim (cantillation). Wide margins. ff. 126. *Browned. Modern calf. 12mo.* Vinograd, Leiden 28; St. Cat. Bodl. 408.

Leiden, Franciscus Raphelengius, 1615. **\$700-1000**

♣ The layout follows the 1595 edition (see previous lot) as noted by Steinschneider. This edition unknown to Fuks.

63 (BIBLE Hebrew. Pentateuch). Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy [only] in five volumes. Titles within woodcut architectural columns. Initials words of each book within intricate woodcut surround. Verses numbered in ms. ff. (130), (105), (75), (107), (95). *Title of first volume mostly provided in facsimile, few stains. Modern boards. 16mo.* Vinograd, Geneva 9; Darlow & Moule 5121.

Geneva, Capa Elon (i.e. P. de la Rouiere), 1617. **\$1000-1500**



Lot 61



Lot 64

64 (BIBLE Psalms). Tehillim - Psalterium Hebraeum Edited by Menasseh ben Israel. Title within architectural arch. With Nikud. Previous owners inscriptions in Latin and Hebrew. ff. (132). *Browned with some wear, small burn-hole affecting small area of margin on one leaf not affecting text. Contemporary calf, worn, backstrip mostly lacking. 16mo.* Vinograd, Amsterdam 32; Fuks, Amsterdam 160; Silva Rosa 19; not in Darlow & Moule.

Amsterdam, Menasseh ben Israel, 1634. **\$5000-7000**

♣ **MOST SCARCE.** First of the three editions of the Book of Psalms printed by Menasseh ben Israel. This copy with the Latin imprint.

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65 (BIBLE Hebrew). Biblia Hebraica Printed in double-columns (with Nikud). Three divisional titles, Hebrew between wreathed architectural columns. Manuscript table of contents at end. The Prof. Abraham J. Karp copy. ff. 128 (*Pentateuch*), 124 (*Writings*), (2) (*Table of Haphtaroth*), 129-144 (*Five Scrolls*), (2), 147-254 (*Former Prophets*), (1), 256-369 (*Latter Prophets*). *Some light stains, opening title with marginal taped repair. Later calf. Lg. 4to.* Vinograd, Amsterdam 34; Fuks, Amsterdam 153 (variant B); cf. Darlow & Moule 5124; Silva Rosa 24; Mehlman 35.

Amsterdam, Menasseh ben Israel for J. Jansson, 1635-36. **\$1000-1500**

✞ The second, and most important edition of the Bible prepared by Menasseh ben Israel. Three variants of this edition exist (viz. Fuks); this copy is variant B: Bound with the Five Scrolls after Kethuvim. The Latin imprints on the titles have been changed from 1631 to 1636, and the old Hebrew title-page cut out.

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66 (BIBLE Hebrew). Biblia Hebraica, ex aliquot manuscriptis...brevesque adnotationes. **A LARGE PAPER COPY** Title with engraved vignette in red and black. Additional engraved frontispiece. Vocalized text with cantillation. Latin subject-headings, references and notes. *Foxed. Contemporary calf, gilt, rubbed. Lg. 4to. Slip-case.* Vinograd, Halle 24 (erroneous pagination).

Halle, Orphanotropei, 1720. **\$500-700**

✞ "The first attempt at a critical edition. Edited, with elaborate prolegomena, by J.H. Michaelis (1668-1738), professor at Halle. The editor used five Mss. and 19 printed editions." Darlow & Moule 5144.

67 (BIBLE Hebrew). Kehiloth Moshe. With numerous commentaries including Ralbag, Chizkuni, Sforno, Imrei Noam, Kometz Hamincha, Minchath Ketana, Minchath Erev, etc. Four volumes. *Heavily browned. Contemporary calf over thick wooden boards, variously worn, rebacked. Large folio.* Vinograd, Amsterdam 1242; Darlow & Moule 5146.

Amsterdam, Moses Frankfurter, 1724-27. **\$1000-1500**

✞ The seventh Biblia Rabbinica. The most comprehensive edition to date, with the first appearance of numerous additional commentaries. The editor and publisher of this edition was the Dayan of Amsterdam, R. Moshe Frankfurter, who included his own commentary Kometz Hamincha (first and only appearance). Kehiloth Moshe contains many non-standard commentaries including R. Samuel Laniado's commentaries Kli Yakar, Kli Paz, Me'iri, Farisol, ibn Yachya, and others.

68 (BIBLE Hebrew and English. Pentateuch, Haphtaroth). Tikun Sophrim. Divisional title-pages for Haphtaroth Five volumes. Prepared by Lion Soesmans and David Levi. Hebrew and English on facing pages, with explanatory notes. Each volume with additional engraved title by Solomon Polack depicting synagogue practices. *Modern uniform calf-backed marbled boards; slip-case. 8vo.* Vinograd, London 116.

London, Lion Soesmans, 1787. **\$500-700**

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Lot 65



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Lot 69

69 (BIBLE Hebrew. Pentateuch And Haphtaroth). Chamishah Chumshei Torah. With Judeo-German summaries ff. 163; (1), 14, 14-43. Lightly browned, lacks f. 59. Contemporary calf, rubbed; spine starting. Lg. 4to. Modern solander-case. Not in Vinograd.

Vienna, Anton Schmid, 1815. \$3000-5000

HISTORIC COURTROOM HEBREW BIBLE.

Tipped in at front is an official German-language document dated "Prague, 4th January, 1821," signed by the esteemed Rabbi of Prague, "Eleasar Flekeles, Rabbiners, Oberjurist," noting that this Bible is to be used in courts of law to administer the oath to witnesses of the Jewish faith. Furthermore, the document specifies as to precisely which leaf the Bible should be opened (f. 98) when the Judge administers the oath. The leaves of the Pentateuch are numbered (presumably by a court-officer) until f. 98v. On that page, verse 14 has been noted: Leviticus 26:14 which begins the "Tochacha," or, maledictions. Additionally, f. 58v has been noted (the Ten Commandments).

Opening blank with manuscript entry in Latin by Carl Fischer, the appointed Censor of Hebrew Books in the city of Prague attesting to the courtroom use of this Hebrew Bible for Jews. Fischer was on friendly terms with Chief Rabbi Flekeles, indeed, the use of the Hebrew Bible in the secular court system would appear to be a direct result of discussions between them regarding the validity of a Jew's oath. This communication appears in Flekeles' volume of responsa, "Teshuvah Me'Ahavah," Part I (1809), number 26.

A significant material legacy highlighting the relationship between Jews and their host society, a time of increasing freedom and enfranchisement for the Jews of Prague.

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Lot 71

70 (BIBLE Hebrew). Nevi'im U'Kethuvim [complete]. Kithvei Kodesh. With commentaries and Yiddish translation. Six volumes. Each with two tilte-pages in red and black. Stained in places, few neat taped repairs, previous owners' marks. Modern calf-backed marbled boards. Lg. 4to. Vinograd, Zhitomir 156 (JNUL copy incomplete).

Zhitomir, Aryeh-Leib Shapira, 1855-57. \$3000-4000

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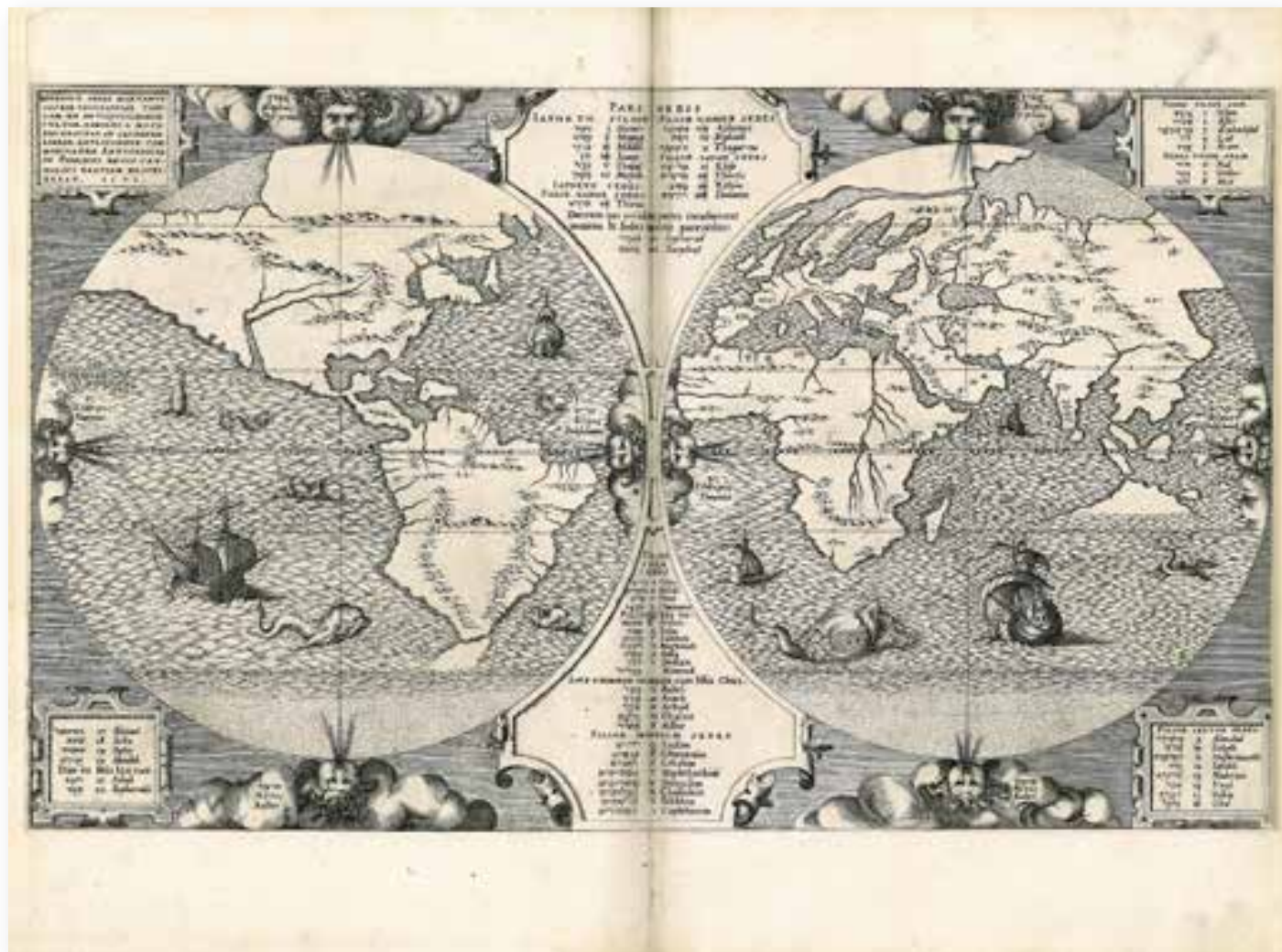
71 (BIBLE Hebrew & Italian. Pentateuch). Il Pentateuco. With the commentary by Samuel David Luzzatto (Shadal) **FIRST EDITION**. Five volumes. Hebrew and Italian on facing pages. Stamps of Pinchas Halevi Horowitz of Bistritz. Lightly browned in places. Contemporary sheep-backed boards, rubbed. 4to.

Padua, F. Sacchetto, 1871-76. \$1500-2000

Known by his Hebrew acronym "Shadal," Samuel David Luzzatto (1800-65) was an Italian Jewish scholar, poet, and a member of the Wissenschaft des Judentums movement. Luzzatto manifested extraordinary scholarly ability from his early youth, but always maintained a firm belief in revelation. Thus he treated the text of the Torah with sacred regard although occasionally allowed himself to depart from the traditional phrasing of the words as reflected in the Masorah and the Talmud.

A complete set of the first edition of the Shadal's Chumash is surprisingly scarce.

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Lot 72

72 (BIBLE). (Apparatus ad Biblia Sacra Polyglotta) [spine-label title]. Parts One and Two bound here in two volumes. **FIRST EDITION.** Maps and engraved plates. **INCLUDES THE CELEBRATED WORLD MAP** with designations in Hebrew and Latin. *Touch discolored, stamp on title-page. Contemporary vellum, gilt, spine of first volume split. Folio. Sold not subject to return.* Collation approximately accords with Darlow & Moule 1422.

Antwerp, Christopher Plantin, 1572. **\$8000-10,000**

⚠ This represents the "Apparatus Sacer" from Plantin's extraordinary feat of Bible scholarship, edited by the great Arias Montanus. Originally issued as Volumes VI and VIII of the 8-volume Antwerp Polyglot.

The Antwerp Polyglot Bible sponsored by Philip II of Spain (r.1556-1598) comprised one of the most important book publishing projects in the later sixteenth century. It is richly illustrated with copperplate engravings, and includes the first-known double-hemispheric world map in a Bible. Cartographically accurate in 1572, the map shows the migration of Noah's progeny to the New World, illustrating the theory that Native American Indians were descendants of ancient Hebrews. See Israel Museum Catalogue, Plantin of Antwerp (1981) pp. 95-8; E. & G. Wajntraub, Hebrew Maps of the Holy Land, no. 12.

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- 73 (BIBLIOGRAPHY).** Bass, Shabbthai. Siphthei Yesheinim. Second edition. With additions by Uri Tzvi Rubinstein. *Mispaginated. Browned, signature on title, few pencil markings. Later boards, detached. 4to.* Vinograd, Zolkiew 686.

Zolkiew, Rubinstein, 1806. **\$200-300**

- 74 (BIBLIOGRAPHY).** Pinner, [Ephraim Moses]. Grabschriften der berühmtesten Manner und Rabbiner in Europa und im heiligen Lande, nebst Catalog von 389 hebr. Drucken und Handschriften. Hebrew and German text. Issued without a title-page. The Nechemiah Samuel Libowitz copy, with his book-plate and 22-page manuscript index tipped in. *pp. 208 (all published). Opening leaf loose. Contemporary boards, inner hinge split, worn. 8vo.* Shunami 361.

Berlin, 1861. **\$500-700**

- 75 (BIBLIOGRAPHY).** L. Schwager & D. Frankel. Otzar Sepharim Rabim - Katalog Nr. 37: Hebraica & Katalog Nr. 38: Judaica. Hebrew and German. *pp. 184, 12. Browned, few leaves loose and taped. Contemporary boards, detached. 8vo.*

Husiatyn, 1913. **\$100-150**

✦ An important catalogue containing 4,814 books on all Hebraic and Judaic subjects. Issued by Poland's premier antiquarian Hebrew book-dealers.

- 76 (BIBLIOGRAPHY).** USSR Antikvara Hebrayishe Bicher - Meshdunarodnaja Kniga. Text entirely in Hebrew. Russian and Yiddish title-pages. *pp. 283. Brittle, few leaves loose, Lower portion of Yiddish title removed. Contemporary boards, broken. Folio.*

Moscow, circa, 1925. **\$100-150**

✦ A list of 4,494 Hebrew antiquarian printed books offered for sale by the Soviet State authorities. Each title priced in US dollars.

- 77 BRANDEIS, LOUIS D.** Other People's Money and How the Bankers Use it. **FIRST EDITION.** *pp. xv, 223. Original boards with dust-jacket, small chip at head and foot of spine. 8vo.*

New York, Frederick A. Stokes, 1914. **\$500-700**

✦ A classic work, whose importance is underscored only by the author's later impact as Supreme Court Justice. A key document of the Progressive era, "Other People's Money" conveys a sense of moral outrage and political anger over the predatory practices and costs associated with the industrialization of the United States on traditional social and political values. The work strongly influenced both Woodrow Wilson's New Freedom agenda and Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal.

Kentucky-born Supreme Court Justice Louis D. Brandeis (1856-1941) was a crucial leader of the American Zionist Movement.

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- 78 BUXTORF, JOHANNES.** Synagoga Judaica...oder Jüden-Schül. Double-page engraved frontispiece of synagogue interior. 18 additional exquisite engraved illustrations of Jewish rites and customs. Double-page title in red and black. *pp. (24), 752, (8). Lightly browned. Vellum-backed marbled boards. Thick 8vo. Rubens 255-276, 543; Fürst, I, p.138*

Frankfurt a/Main & Leipzig, Johann Paul Krautzen, 1738. **\$1500-2000**

✦ Fine images depicting the ceremonies and life-cycle observances of the Jews of 18th-century Germany.

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79 (BREUER, SALOMON). Avraham Shmuel Binyamin Sofer. Chidushei Kethav Sofer al Masechta Gittin. **THE R. SALOMON BREUER COPY** with ownership inscriptions and marginal notes. Also with stamp of his son, R. Yosef Breuer. *Browned, few leaves loose. Contemporary boards, worn and rebaked. Tall folio.*

Munkacs, 1893. **\$300-500**

✎ Shlomo Zalman (Salomon) Breuer (1850-1926) married Sophie, youngest daughter of R. Samson Raphael Hirsch, whose position he succeeded as rabbi of the Austrittsgemeinde in Frankfurt following Rabbiner Hirsch's death in 1888.

80 CALASIO, MARIO DI. Concordantiae Sacrorum Bibliorum Hebraicorum. **FIRST EDITION.** Four volumes. Hebrew and Latin text. Each volume with engraved historiated title-page. *Foxed or dampstained in places. Later half-vellum over patterned boards, morocco spine labels gilt, worn. Folio.*

Rome, Stephen Paul, 1620. **\$1200-1800**

✎ An expanded edition of Reuchlin's Latin translation of the Meir Nethiv by R. Isaac Nathan b. Kalonymus of Arles. An Italian Friar, Mario de Calasio (1550-1620) devoted himself to Oriental languages and became an authority on Hebrew. He labored on this work for forty years. Aside from providing here each Hebrew word the exact Latin translation, de Calasio also presents any existing differences from the Vulgate or Septuagint readings.

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81 (CANADA). Revised Acts and Ordinances of Lower-Canada. A comprehensive Statute-book containing all legislation enacted to date regarding the Province of Lower-Canada (i.e., Quebec). *pp. xiii, 716. Modern boards. Lg. 4to.*

Montreal, 1845. **\$2000-3000**

✎ "An Act to Declare Persons Professing the Jewish Religion, Entitled to all the Rights and Privileges of the other Subjects of His Majesty in this Province."

Enacted in 1831-2, the first year of the reign of King William IV, the Act is cited as I Will IV Cap. 57 and appears here on p. 33. This notable piece of legislation reads in its entirety: "Whereas doubts have arisen whether persons professing the Jewish Religion are, by law, entitled to many of the privileges enjoyed by the other subjects of His Majesty within this Province: Be it therefore enacted that all persons professing the Jewish Religion being natural-born British subjects inhabiting and residing in this Province, are entitled and shall be deemed, adjudged and taken to be entitled to the full rights and privileges of the other subjects of His Majesty, his Heirs or Successors, to all intents, constructions and purposes whatsoever, and capable of taking, having and enjoying any office or place of trust whatsoever, within this Province."

Also enacted and appearing on pp. 622-23 of this volume, the right was granted to Jews to have "fit and proper places of worship and of burial." Rabbis were also granted the privilege of keeping their own register of births, marriages and burials of their member-communities.

If the intention of such legislation was to encourage Jewish migration to British Canada to help erode the French-identified Catholic majority, it had only limited success. In 1831 there were only 107 Jews in Lower Canada and 50 years later, in 1881, just 2,393 in the whole country. It took not political emancipation but the pogroms in Russia to meaningfully develop the Jewish population of Canada, such that by 1920 it exceeded 125,000 Jews.



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Lot 84

82 (CANADA). Konstitushen fun der Shul Anshei Ukraniya - Ukrainian Jewish Congregation. "Founded by Ukrainian immigrants and victims of the pogroms." Text in Yiddish and English. pp. 18, (14). Later boards retaining original front cover. 12mo.

Montreal, 1924. \$200-300

83 (CEREMONIES). Lorentz, Justus & Häner, Johann Heinrich. Minhag Birkath Kohanim / Exercitatio Academica de Ritu Benedictionis Sacerdotalis. On title, mystifying graphic of hand gestures with kabbalistic annotations. Latin text interspersed with Hebrew. ff. (32). Ex-library, lightly browned, title touch worn. Recent cloth. Sm. 4to.

Jena, Paul Ehrich, 1712. \$700-900

• Compendium of Biblical, Rabbinic and Kabbalistic literature pertaining to the rite of the Birkath Kohanim, or Priestly Benediction. An academic dissertation. See EJ, Vol. VIII, col. 36.

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84 CHAIM BEN BEZALEL OF PRAGUE. Vikuach Mayim Chaim. FIRST EDITION. With bookplate of R. Yaakov S. Weinberg, Rosh Yeshiva of Ner Israel, Baltimore. ff. 2, 26. With pencil markings by previous owner, slight marginal repair on final two leaves not affecting text. Later marbled boards, rebaked. 12mo. Vinograd, Amsterdam 954.

Amsterdam, S. Proops, 1712. \$400-600

• Critical notes against the decisions of Torath HaChatath by the ReM"A, by R. Chaim of Prague, brother of the celebrated Mahara"l of Prague.

R. Moses Isserles (the ReM"A) was born in Cracow c. 1525 and was regarded among his contemporaries to be the "Maimonides of Polish Jewry." His first halachic work Torath HaChatath, is one of the most important Codes concerning dietary and menstrual laws. Its importance lies in the fact that it includes the customs of Lithuania, Poland, Russia, Moravia, Germany, etc. which in many situations differ from the rulings of R. Joseph Karo in his Shulchan Aruch. The ReM"A was frequently lenient in cases where personal hardship was involved and generally leaned toward Polish custom. This attitude irked many of his peers, especially the present author R. Chaim b. Betzalel, who studied alongside the ReM"A in the Yeshiva of R. Shachna and criticizes him severely in this work. Despite this, the decisions of the ReM"A are accepted by Ashkenazic authorities worldwide.

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85 (CHASSIDISM) ELIMELECH OF LIZHENSCK. No'am Elimelech [Chassidic homilies on the Pentateuch]. With "Likutei Shoshanah" and "Igereth HaKodesh" Third Complete Edition ff. 150 (i.e. 149). Previous owner's marks, light stains in places, older tape repair to f. 44, small abrasion to one word on f. 146v and to two words on last leaf, final four leaves rehinged. Sm. 4to. Vinograd, Slavuta 14; Y. Rafael, Entziklopedia LaChassiduth, Vol. I, cols. 283-4, no. 15c.

Slavuta, (Moshe Shapiro), 1794. **\$25,000-30,000**

COMPLETE EARLY EDITION OF CHASSIDIC CLASSIC: THE NO'AM ELIMELECH.

First printed in Lemberg in 1788, this classic text of Polish Chassidism went through several editions within a relatively short span of time: two Lemberg editions in the same year (1788), Shklov 1790, and our own Slavuta 1794. This would make our edition the fourth. However, one must take into account that one of the Lemberg editions was restricted to the section of the work known as "Likutei Shoshanah," (see Vinograd, Lemberg 38), thus making ours the third complete edition.

There is some discussion among bibliographers as to which press in Slavuta the book was printed, although actually, as pointed out by Chaim Liberman, there should be no discussion. The Haskamah of the Rabbi of Slavuta, R. Jacob Samson of Shepetevka, is quite explicit that the printer is his "mechutan" (relation by marriage), R. Moses son of R. Pinchas [of Koretz], i.e. Moshe Shapiro. Liberman speculates that though the book was issued under the authority of Duke Sangoska, failure to receive permission from the Tsarist government necessitated the printer's reticence as to revealing his identity. (Only in books issued after the year 1808 do we find on the title full disclosure of the printer's name "Moshe Shapiro.") See Ch. Liberman, *Ohel Rache"l*, Vol. I (1980), pp. 199-200; Ch. B. Friedberg, *Toldoth ha-Defuss ha-Ivri be-Polanya*, s.v. Slavuta.

Published by the author's nephew, Israel Abraham son of Meshulam Zussman (Zushye) of Annapoli, the book bears the latter's endorsement. Indeed, according to Chassidic tradition, it was R. Zushye who first introduced his brother R. Elimelech to R. Dov Baer, Maggid of Mezritch, the successor to the Baal Shem Tov. See Tz. M. Rabinowicz, *The Encyclopedia of Hasidim* (1996) pp. 111, 563.

Of historical interest are the two letters appended to the work (ff. 146v-150v). The first, penned by R. Elazar at the behest of his father R. Elimelech of Lizhensk, discusses the controversy surrounding the Rabbi of Zhelichov (i.e. Rabbi Levi Isaac of Berditchev); the second by R. Zechariah Mendel (nephew of R. Shmelke of Nikolsburg) is a letter of self-defense (R. Zechariah Mendel had been criticized for his ascetic practices). See *Entziklopedia la-Chassiduth*, Vol. I, col. 282.

R. Elimelech of Lizhensk (1717-87) founded the Polish school of Chassidism. His disciples included R. Abraham Joshua Heschel of Apta, R. Jacob Isaac Horowitz - the "Seer of Lublin," R. Israel of Kozhnitz and R. Mendel of Rymanov. R. Elimelech is credited with founding the doctrine of Tzaddikism: raising the Chassidic Master to a place of centrality in Jewish life. See Y. Alfasi, *Ha-Chassiduth* (1977) p. 25; EJ, Vol. VI, cols. 661-63.

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Lot 86



Lot 88

86 (**CHASSIDISM**). Shneur Zalman Of Liadi. Likutei Torah [Chassidic discourses]. Bound in two volumes (as issued). Two titles (Vayikra and Devorim) within typographic borders, in red and black. Two divisional titles (Bamidbar and Song of Songs) within typographic borders in black. Vol. I: ff. (1). (Exodus): ff. 8. Leviticus: ff.50. Numbers: ff.(1), 96. Bound with: Hosaphoth LeSepher Likutei Torah: Haskamoth, Kitzurim and corrections. ff. 7, (2). * Vol. II: Deuteronomy: ff.(1), 100. Scroll of Song of Songs: ff. 2-51. **FIRST EDITION**. The Rabbi Moshe Dov-Ber Rivkin copy with his marginalia. *Foxed and stained. Modern boards. Sm. folio.* Vinograd, Zhitomir 42 and 91; Haberman, Sha'arei Chabad (in Alei Ayin-Schocken Festschrift), 93 and 94; Stefansky, Chassiduth 297.

Zhitomir, Chanina Lipa, Aryeh Leib & Joshua Heschel Shapiro, 1848 and 1851. **\$1200-1800**

✱ According to the title, the book Likutei Torah was brought to press by two sons of R. Menachem Mendel of Lubavitch (author of the responsa Tzemach Tzedek): R. Judah Leib (later of Kopyst) and R. Chaim Shneur Zalman. R. Shneur Zalman's discourses on Genesis, Exodus and the Scroll of Esther had been issued earlier (Kopyst, 1837) under the title "Torah Or." Nonetheless, the very beginning of Likutei Torah contains additional material to the Book of Exodus. The obvious difference in length between the two productions, Torah Or and Likutei Torah, is due to the fact that the latter has had grafted onto it a sizable amount of material from the author's grandson, R. Menachem Mendel of Lubavitch (1789-1866). His remarks are distinguished by encyclopedic knowledge and breadth, with copious references to the entire rabbinic and kabbalistic literature. The additional Hosaphoth contain the Haskamoth of Rabbis Baruch Mordechai Ettinga of Bobroisk, Yitzchak Eizik Halevi Epstein of Homel, Yitzchak Eizik of Vitebsk, Hillel Halevi Malisov of Paritch (later of Bobroisk) and others.

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87 (**CHASSIDISM**). Shneur Zalman of Liadi. Likutei Torah. Bereishith, Noach, Lech Lecha. **FIRST EDITION**. Two titles. With additional material from R. Shmuel (the Rebbe Mahra"sh) pp. 8, 98. *Browned, few pages loose. Contemporary boards, needs rebinding. Large 4to.* Habermann, Sha'arei Chabad no. 101; Weiner, Koheleth Moshe no. 5818.

Vilna, Y. L. Matz, 1884. **\$500-700**

✱ The Rebbe related in the name of his father-in-law, that the Chassidim of Kopust went to the printer and eliminated most of the lengthy additions of the Rebbe Mahra"sh, substituted comments from the Tzemach Tzedek instead. The Chassidim of Kopust then announced that the Chassidim of Lubavitch falsely published the comments of the Tzemach Tzedek in the name of the Mahra"sh. The Rebbe stated that the Chassidim of Lubavitch who published this work were negligent by allowing the Chassidim of Kopust to trick them. Therefore, even though this edition was published by Lubavitch, it was not widely used by the Chassidim of Lubavitch. However, many important shorter comments of the Mahra"sh do indeed appear in this edition. See Torath Menachem-Menachem Zion, Vol. 2, (Jerusalem, 1994) pp. 373-74 and Reshimath HaYoman (Winter 1933) p. 280-81.

88 (CHASSIDISM). Seder Tephiloth mikol Hashanah [prayers for Sabbath and Festivals, Marriage, Milah]. According to the custom of Isaac Luria (Nusach Ar"i). Edited and prepared by the Alter Rebbe, Shneur Zalman of Liadi. Includes an Hagadah for Passover. Two volumes. Vol. I: ff. 186. * Vol. II: ff. 2-180 (lacking title-page). Foxed and variously stained. Recent boards. 4to. Vinograd, Koenigsberg 102; Habermann, Sha'arei Chabad 144; Y. Yudlov in "HaSiddur," (edited by G. Oberlander and N. Greenwald), p. 317 no 11; Stefansky, Chassiduth 411.

(Koenigsberg), 1852. \$1000-1500

♣ Known within Chabad circles as the "Siddur im D"ach," this edition is based upon the Berdichev edition sanctioned by the Mittler Rebbe, with additions. The present copy contains the rare final leaf of vol. II which was not seen by the compiler of the bibliographical list published at the end of the Brooklyn, 1965 edition. He states, "the two copies that we have seen do not have the end of the 'Gesheim' prayer". Similarly, Yudlov notes that the two American copies examine did not contain the final leaf which has the completion of this prayer which he found only in the JNUL copy.

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89 (CHASSIDISM). Hillel Malisov of Paritch and Bobroisk. Likutei Bi'urim [a collection of commentaries to three works of Dov Baer ben Shneur Zalman of Lubavitch (the "Mitteler Rebbe")]: I) Kuntress HaHithpa'aluth. * II) Sha'ar HaYichud. * III) Hakdamath Derech Chaim. **FIRST EDITION.** The Rabbi Moshe Dov-Ber Rivkin copy. ff. (1), 67, 52. Trace browned. Contemporary calf-backed boards with original blue printed wrappers bound in, front gutter split. 4to. Habermann, Sha'arei Chabad (in Alei Ayin: S.Z. Schocken Festschrift) 91 (erroneous foliation); Stefansky, Chassiduth 272.

Warsaw, Nathan Schriftgisser, 1868. \$400-600

♣ "A penetrating analysis of various forms and stages of mystical rapture and ecstasy" (See Scholem, Major Trends in Jewish Mysticism, p. 121). This edition of Kuntress HaHithpa'aluth contains textual variants and an introduction of R. Dov Baer not found in earlier editions (see Habermann, Sha'arei Chabad p. 317). The author, R. Dov Baer, succeeded his father R. Shneur Zalman as leader of the Chabad branch of Chassidism. R. Hillel Malisov (d. 1864), erstwhile chassid of R. Mordechai of Chernobyl, was a devoted disciple of Rabbi Dov Baer, after whose death, became a follower of his successor (and son-in-law), R. Menachem Mendel of Lubavitch, the "Tzemaḥ Tzedek."

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90 (CHASSIDISM). Dov Baer ben Shneur Zalman of Lubavitch (The Mittler Rebbe). Imrei Binah [on the unity of God, Kriath Shema, Tzitzith and Tephilin] Second edition. The Rabbi Shalom Rivkin copy (who notes the volumes was from his father's library) ff. (2), 82, 25. Some staining, final leaf with marginal repair. Recent boards 4to. Vinograd, Lemberg, 1770; unrecorded by Stefansky, Chassiduth.

(Lemberg, 1861-62). \$500-700

♣ Habermann (Sha'arei Chabad no. 8) records two issues of this edition, one stating the place of publication on the title-page, and a second - the present one - not. The reason likely being to surmount difficulties relating to distribution of the book to Russia.



Lot 89

91 (CHASSIDISM). Sidur Ha'Ar"i z"l - Kol Ya'akov. Prepared by Ya'akov Kopel Lipschitz. With kavanoth of R. Yitzchak Luria. Kabbalistic diagrams. With signature of R. Sholom Rivkin on front fly leaf stating, "from my father's library inherited from my grandfather," plus stamp of previous owner Yisroel Aaron Padwa on title and some inner leaves. Some staining, tape repair on title, opening and closing leaves frayed affecting some text. Recent boards. 8vo. Vinograd, Lemberg 1504.

Lemberg, 1859. \$300-500

92 (CHASSIDISM). Ois Rebbe! Der ershter un letzter mofo fun R. Berenyu ["No more Rebbe! The First and Last Miracle of R. Berenyu."] Yiddish text. pp. 8. Later boards. 12mo. Bibliographically unrecorded.

Odessa, 1869. \$1000-1500

♣ Supposedly written by a Rizhiner chassid, this extremely rare pamphlet is really a parody poking fun at the Chassidic movement in general and the controversy between the two Galician Chassidic dynasties of Sanz and Sadigora in particular. It focuses primarily on the tragic tale of R. Dov Baer Friedman of Liova (1817-76), or Reb Berenyu, as he was endearingly referred to. Shortly after his marriage to the daughter of R. Mordechai of Chernobyl, this son of R. Israel Friedman, founder of the famed Rizhiner dynasty, began to entertain doubts as to the validity of the Chassidic way of life and eventually came under the sway of the Haskallah. This pamphlet purports that the Rebbe walked away from honor and wealth in order to embrace intellectual honesty. In later years he undergoes a remarkable about-face and lives out his remaining years in pitiful solitude behind the walls of the palatial court of Sadigora.

See Y. Raphael, Aresheth Vol. VI, pp. 211-21; D. Assaf, Hezitz VeNifga (2012)



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93 (CHASSIDISM). Shneur Zalman of Liadi. (Tanya) - Likutei Amarim [fundamental exposition of Chabad Chassidism] pp. 130.
* **AND:** Another edition: pp. 326. Together two volumes. Both from the library of Rabbi Moshe Dov-Ber Rivkin. *Some stains. Contemporary boards. 8vo.* Mondschein, Tanya Bibliography nos. 26 and 34.

Vilna, Romm, 1872 and 1930. **\$400-600**

94 (CHASSIDISM). Shneur Zalman of Liadi. (Tanya) - Likutei Amarim. Introduction by R. Menachem Schneerson. With stamp of Yeshivath Tomchei Temimim, Poking (DP Camp, Bavaria) pp. (2), 162. *Browned. Original boards, covers loose, spine removed. 8vo.* Mondschein, Tanya 41.

(Munich, Kehot, 1947). **\$200-300**

95 (CHASSIDISM). Shneur Zalman of Liadi. Likutei Amarim Tanya. Extended edition with supplement reproducing the title-pages of all earlier editions. ff. (4), 334, (3) *Original gilt-tooled maroon boards. Thick 4to.*

Brooklyn, New York, Kehot, 1982. **\$200-300**

⚠ This edition was issued in celebration of the 80th birthday of Menachem M. Schneerson, the Grand Rabbi of Lubavitch. Copies of this Tanya were presented by the Rebbe to each of the attendees at the farbrengen held on the 11th Nissan, 1982.

96 (CHASSIDISM). Lowinger, Yehoshua Yehuda. Zichron HaNesia HaKedoshah. Photograph album of 92 images of the Munkatcher Rebbe's trip to Eretz Israel and Egypt. Each photograph with caption in Hebrew. A limited issue of (?) albums. *Original boards, some wear. Rectangular 8vo.*

(Jerusalem), 1930. **\$800-1200**

⚠ The Grand Rabbi of Munkatch, R. Chaim Elazar Shapira (1872-1937) – author of halachic responsa “Minchath Elazar” – was known for his outspoken views especially against Agudath Israel and Mizrahi. This historic trip was chronicled by his disciple Moshe Goldstein under the title “Masoth Yerushalayim” (Munkatch, 1931) with a description of the Minchath Elazar's meeting with the elderly Sephardic Haham, Shlomo Eliezer Alfandari, whose photograph appears here on p. 1. The producer of this photograph album Y. Y. Lowinger was one of the participants of this trip. The album portrays the Chassidic Rabbis on the sea-passage, at various holy sites throughout Israel, as well as on expedition astride camels alongside the Pyramids and the Sphinx.

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Lot 97

97 (CHINA). Kisselov, Aaron Moses. Mishberei Yam [“Waves of the Sea”: Responsa] **FIRST EDITION.** The Rabbi Sholom Rivkin copy. ff. 126, (2). *Previous owner's. Recent boards. Folio. * ACCOMPANIED BY: Draft of a “Get” (bill of divorce) written in Petrovsk, 1908.*

Harbin, M.L. Levitin, 1926. **\$500-700**

⚠ One of a small handful of Hebrew works printed in Harbin, Northern Manchuria, home to an affluent White Russian-Jewish emigre community. The author, Moses Aaron Kisselov, was rabbi of the Jewish community of Harbin and a first-rate halachist. Many of the responsa in this collection deal with pressing issues peculiar to the difficulties of Jewish life in the remote areas of the Far East. For example, we read at the beginning of Chapter 33 (“Halachoth requiring a solution based on the present local situation”): “in this region of the Far East, and in the lands of China and Japan, there are few Jews in various cities, and due to their minute number, they have not a learned rabbi qualified to arrange ‘gitten’ (bills of divorce), neither have they a ‘sofer’ (scribe) and there are among them such that have left behind women in Russia, and desire to divorce them. In some cases, the distance to the nearest ‘talmid chacham’ knowledgeable of ‘gitten’ is thousands of miles. If we do not allow these men to appoint a scribe and witnesses in another locale, their wives will be left ‘agunoth’ (forbidden to remarry)” (p.236).

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Lot 98

98 (CHILDREN'S LITERATURE). Aleph-Beth [primer] Twelve stiff pages each containing two colorfully illustrated Hebrew letters. *Worn, extremities frayed. Original color-pictorial boards, gutter split, covers soiled. Rectangular 12mo.*

Warsaw, Hotza'at Toshiah, 1902. **\$1000-1500**

• Each Hebrew letter contains multiple illustrations of objects, the Hebrew word of which begins with that particular letter. Brilliant hues. Charming illustrations culled both from East European Jewish life and the world at large.

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99 (CHINA). Israel's Messenger. A Jewish Paper Devoted to the Interests of Jews and Judaism in the Far East. Text in English. Bound here in five volumes, containing: Vols. 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 24-32. Numbers nonconsecutive, several lacking or duplicated. Comprehensive list of all issues available upon request. *Variously worn, few tears. Modern boards, loose. Sm. folio. Sold not subject to return.*

Shanghai, 1906-36. **\$1500-2000**

• This Official Organ of the Shanghai Zionist Federation was established in 1904 by a "Baghdadi" Jew, Nissim E. B. Ezra. Israel's Messenger was the largest and oldest Shanghai Jewish community newspaper and the world's first Zionist publication. Its goal was to inform its readers of world news as well as the activities of Jewish communities in China, Hong Kong, Manila, Singapore and elsewhere. Also covered are Jewish religious subjects, the details of Shanghai Jewish welfare organizations, local business activities, relations with the Jewish communities in Baghdad, India and Eretz Israel, and of course, much social "Who's-Who."

An important source of knowledge about the Shanghai Jewish community and thus opens a unique window into a fascinating period of life in China at the turn of the 20th-century.

100 (CHILDREN'S LITERATURE). Boymvol, Rochel. Bertshik Brud. Illustrated. *pp. 19. Brittle. Original color pictorial wrappers, rebaked, outer portion of front cover repaired. 8vo.*

Minsk, Meluhe-Ferlag fun Veisrusland, Nazsecter, 1936.

\$200-300

• Rochel Boymvol (1914-2000) was the daughter of Judah-Leib Boymvol, a theater manager and director who was murdered in a pogrom in 1920 while touring with his Jewish company. Rachel grew up in a culture fluent in both Yiddish and Russian. Her first poems, in Yiddish, were published in a Komsomol magazine when she was nine years old. She later wrote, "The Bolsheviks saved me from death, and I was a fervent Bolshevik. I drew five-cornered stars, but also six-cornered, Jewish ones, because the Bolsheviks loved Jews. In my head was a confusion that would last many years. Boymvol died in Jerusalem. (Wikipedia.)

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Lot 104

- 101 (CHINA).** Shanghai Echo - Daily Newspaper. Numbers 178-264 (bound together in one volume). German text with occasional English and Hebrew. *Brittle. Without boards. Folio. Sold not subject to return.*

Shanghai, 1st July, 1947 - 30th September, 1947. **\$700-900**

✳ Shanghai provided a safe haven for many Jewish refugees from a Europe that had been overrun by Germany's Nazi hordes. Eventually, these Jews resettled elsewhere, but as late as 1947, there was an extremely active cultural and organizational presence as testified by the present newspaper.

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- 102 (CORFU).** Rabbi D. Bachi. Sulla Condizione Attuale Degli'Israeliti ["On the Current State of the Jews."] Italian, with some Hebrew (in rabbinic letters) pp. 14. *Recent boards. 8vo.*

Corfu, Jonia, 1862. **\$200-250**

- 103 (CUBA).** Behar, Ezra. Yesodei Dat Ivrit - Fundamentos de la Moral Hebrea Text in Spanish and Hebrew. pp. 99. *Slightly browned, previous owner's inscription on half-title. Loose in original printed boards, scuffed. 8vo.*

Havana, German Raigor for The United Zionists of Cuba, 1931. **\$500-700**

✳ Although groups of Jews fleeing from Brazil during the Portuguese reconquest settled in Cuba during the 17th century, the major formation of a Jewish community began after Cuba achieved independence from Spain in 1898. When the Cuban Constitution of 1940 established the principle of freedom of religion, the legal basis for a Jewish community and the publication of religious literature was thus attained. Many European refugees settled in Cuba in the 1930's and 1940's, mostly in Havana, however the Revolution of 1959, led by Fidel Castro, destroyed the economic stability of the majority of the Cuban Jews, most emigrated to the United States.

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- 104 D'ALBA, JACOB.** Toldoth Yaakov [sermons] **FIRST EDITION.** Title within architectural arch. ff. 114, (2). *Some staining, small portion of title provided in facsimile. Modern marbled boards. Sm. 4to.* Vinograd, Venice 1060; Habermann, di Gara 272.

Venice, Giovanni di Gara, 1609. **\$600-800**

✳ The author originally hailed from Constantinople but later emigrated to Florence after losing his "health, wealth and children." In Florence, he was appointed director of the city's Talmud Torah and, in order to thank his benefactors, "who made me into a new person," he published these sermons which had been delivered weekly at the Yeshiva.

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- 105 (DEINARD, EPHRAIM).** Anonymous. Zemir Aritzim HaRishon. Edited by Deinard. pp. 8, 43. * **AND:** Israel Loebel of Novardok. Cherev Chadah Plus Zoth Torath HaKanaoth. pp. 12, 24. Two volumes. *Second heavily dampstained. Both loose in contemporary boards. 8vo.* Goldman 522 and 523.

Kearny, E. Deinard, 1904. **\$120-180**

✳ Two anti-Chassidic tracts issued by Deinard in the same year.

- 106 DELASQUEZ, JACOB.** (Ed.) Imrei No'am [Kabbalistic and grammatical super-commentary to Rashi and ibn Ezra on the Pentateuch] **FIRST EDITION.** ff. 42. *Remargined throughout, trace worming neatly repaired, few light stains. Modern calf. Sm. 4to* Vinograd, Const. 166; Ya'ari, Const. 129.

Constantinople, Eliezer ben Gershom Soncino, 1540. **\$1500-2000**

✳ Imrei No'am is a collection of comments on the Pentateuch by the medieval French School of Tosaphists. Just as there are several collections of Tosaphoth to the Talmud, so too there are various collections of the Tosaphoth to the Pentateuch: Da'ath Zekeinim, Minchath Yehudah and Pa'ane'ach Raza, to name but a few. See Ch.J.D. Azulai, Shem HaGedolim, II, A-113, D-34.

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107 (DREYFUS AFFAIR). Zola, Emile. "J'Accuse...!" L'Aurore Broadsheet newspaper, complete in two printed leaves. *Minute tears at folds. Matted. Folio.*

Paris, 13th January, 1898. **\$2000-3000**

♣ Emile Zola was the indefatigable defender of Alfred Dreyfus, an Alsatian Jewish captain in the "L'Affaire" as it became known, engaged the consciousness of the entire French nation, and indeed most of Europe, for over a decade from 1894, when Captain Alfred Dreyfus, a Jewish officer in the French army, was falsely accused of treason, until 1906 when he was finally and fully rehabilitated.

This open letter by French novelist Emile Zola (1840-1902), addressed to the President of the Republic, accuses the Army General Staff of crimes and complicity in a plot against Dreyfus.

"J'Accuse" was instrumental in awaking the world to the injustice which had been committed, however Zola paid dearly for such outspokenness. He was found guilty of libel and was forced to flee to England to avoid imprisonment. With Dreyfus's eventual exoneration, Zola's sentence was overturned and he returned to Paris, dying there shortly thereafter in 1902. His public funeral was attended by Alfred Dreyfus - by then a free man. See Norman L. Kleeblatt, *The Dreyfus Affair: Art, Truth and Justice* (1987) p. xix and p. 165 and pp. 268-9.

THIS HISTORIC CRI DE COEUR: "J'ACCUSE" RINGS OUT AS ONE OF THE MOST CELEBRATED HEADLINES IN THE HISTORY OF JOURNALISM.

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108 (DREYFUS AFFAIR). The Jewish Chronicle Supplement. "I Accuse...! Letters to the President of the Republic and the Minister for War. By Emile Zola." English translation of the Open Letter that was first published in L'Aurore on January 13, 1898. ff. 2.

* **WITH:** The Jewish Chronicle. "Limelight on the Dreyfus Case, Mr. Christie Murray's Lecture." ff. 3. *Unbound. Folio.*

London, 28th January and 4th February, 1898. **\$500-700**

♣ The novelist David Christie Murray (1847-1907) strongly praised Zola, pointing out that after toiling through poverty and privation to fame and wealth, he braved imprisonment and ruin out of pure love of the pursuit of justice.

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109 EDEL, YEHUDAH LEIB. Mei Naftoach [on Maimonides's introduction to Seder Taharoth]. ff. (9), 64. * **BOUND WITH:** Mayim Tehorim [commentary to Mishnah Seder Taharoth]. ff. (2), 50, (2) **FIRST EDITIONS. THE RABBI YAAKOV YITZCHAK RUDERMAN COPY,** with his signature on recto and verso of front fly leaf, first leaf, f. 29a, and title of second work. *Previous owners' marks, stained and worn, opening title creased. Contemporary boards, worn. Folio.* Vinograd, Bialystok 16 and 17 (JNUL copy incomplete).

Bialystok, Aaron Halevi Horowitz, 1816-17. **\$400-600**

♣ Two scarce works on a difficult, esoteric topic. The author, known as the Maggid of Slonim, eulogized the Vilna Gaon in his homiletic work Afikei Yehudah.

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Lot 110

110 EINSTEIN, ALBERT & SIGMUND FREUD. Why War? * Warum Krieg? Together two volumes. **FIRST ENGLISH AND FIRST GERMAN EDITIONS.** Each one of 2000 numbered copies. *Both volumes in original printed wrappers, light wear. Housed in modern solander-case. 4to.*

Dijon, Imprimerie Darantiere for the International Institute of Intellectual Cooperation, 1933. **\$1200-1800**

• **THE FAMOUS EXCHANGE ON THE ROOT CAUSES OF WAR BY TWO OF THE GREATEST THINKERS OF THE 20TH-CENTURY.**

“In 1932, Albert Einstein, invited by the League of Nations to address a letter on any subject to any individual, chose to correspond with Sigmund Freud on the possibilities of avoiding war. Einstein maintained the importance of establishing an independent judiciary body to mediate conflicts. Freud agreed with this idea but also felt that “there is no likelihood

of our being able to suppress humanity’s aggressive tendencies,” and that war is the ultimate expression of man’s distaste for the restraints of civilization. By the time of publication, Hitler had risen to power and the world moved closer each day toward a global conflict. Meanwhile Einstein, the committed pacifist, had resigned from the League of Nations over its inability to confront Nazi militarism.” (Historicana.)

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111 (EGYPT). L’Illustration Juive - Iton Ivri Metzuyar. Founded by Rabbi David Prato of Alexandria, Egypt Literary quarterly in French and Hebrew. Twenty issues bound in one volume; twelve in French and eight in Hebrew. Profusely illustrated throughout. *Contemporary boards. Folio.*

Alexandria, March, 1929 - December, 1931. **\$500-700**

• This extensive periodical indicates how very active the cosmopolitan Jewish community of Alexandria was - and remained so - until a preponderance of anti-Zionism pervaded Egyptian society. L’Illustration Juive, a lavish cultural publication with strong focus upon Jewish fine arts, includes articles by thinkers Edmond Fleg and Martin Buber, novelist S. Y. Agnon and rabbinic scholar R. Abraham Schreiber (Sofer). Some of the articles relate particularly to the Alexandrian Jewish community.

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112 EDELS, SAMUEL ELIEZER. (MaHaRSH”A). Chidushim Mi’Masecheth Nidah [Halachic and Aggadic novellae and on Tractates Nidah and portion of Nedarim] **FIRST EDITION.** Title within architectural arch. ff. (36). *Margins soiled, previous owners stamps. Modern calf. Sm. 4to.* Vinograd, Prague 113, Mehlman 870.

Prague, Abraham ben Moshe, 1602. **\$6000-8000**

• The Maharsh”a’s super-commentary is indispensable to a proper understanding of Tosaphoth, the medieval French commentary to the Talmud. R. Abraham Isaiah Karelitz (author of Chazon Ish) was known to stress this as did R. Chaim Soloveitchik of Brisk (according to family oral testimony.)

The Maharsh”a, R. Samuel Edels (1555-1631), was unusually referred to by his mother-in-law’s name. A wealthy woman, she supported the scholar and his disciples for a period of twenty years (1585-1605). See EJ, Vol. VI, cols. 363-4.

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113 ELIJAH BEN SOLOMON ZALMAN. (Gaon of Vilna). Tzurath Ha'aretz Le'gvulotheha [commentary to selected verses from the Books of Joshua, Kings and Ezekiel, with text] **FIRST EDITION.** Printed on blue tinted paper. Lacking map. ff. 44 (*mispaginated*). *Variously stained, some light worming. Later boards.* 4to. Vinograd, Shklov 124.

Shklov, Aryeh Leib ben Schneor Feivish, 1802. **\$800-1200**

✚ In this work the Gaon of Vilna drew upon his extensive knowledge of geography and architecture in Biblical interpretation. The Gaon viewed such knowledge as an aid to Torah study and disapproved of the lack of interest in secular sciences that existed among certain Talmudists.

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114 ELIJAH BEN SOLOMON ZALMAN. (Gaon of Vilna). Tikunei HaZohar, with: Tikunim from Zohar Chadash. With commentary Biur HaGr"a by the Vilna Gaon. **FIRST EDITION OF COMMENTARY.** Two titles. Bound with: Shlomo Freides. Kerem Chemed, Part II [on Yoreh Deah]. Vilna, 1867. *Light stains. Loose in contemporary boards, lacking spine.* 4to. Vinograd, Gr"a 724.

Vilna, Fuenn and Rosencrantz, 1867. **\$300-500**

✚ Published by the philanthropist Shmarya Zuckerman (the Gaon was Mrs. Zuckerman's great-grandfather) who collected and published many of the Gaon's writings. It is particularly noteworthy as it was published from the Gaon's autograph manuscript as opposed to notes recorded by students. The introduction records the comment by R. Abraham, the son of the Gr"a, noting that his father wrote thirty works on the Zohar and he would not be ashamed to recite them to R. Shimon B'r Yochai himself!

It is a custom among many communities to study portions of this work daily, especially during the month of Elul through Yom Kippur. See the forty day calendar at the end of the introduction.

115 (ELIJAH BEN SOLOMON ZALMAN). (Gaon of Vilna). Pirkei Avoth with commentaries of the Gaon of Vilna and Derech Avoth by Meir, grandson of the Gaon's brother Abraham. With Likutei Torah. **FIRST EDITION** of Derech Avoth commentary. ff. (2), 6-47, (14). *Browned and lightly stained, marginal repair to title, previous owner's stamps, corner of last page torn. Later boards.* 4to. Vinograd, Vilna 365; Vinograd, Gr"a 320.

Vilna, 1836. **\$700-1000**

✚ According to Vinograd, the commentary of the Gaon follows the first, Shklov 1804, edition. In the additional selections on the Torah, the author cites the Gaon on occasion.

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116 (ELIJAH BEN SOLOMON ZALMAN). (Gaon of Vilna). Abraham, Son of the Gaon of Vilna. Sa'arath Eliahu ["The Storm of Elijah."] **FIRST EDITION.** pp. 55. *Previous owner's signature on title, slight worming. Unbound.* 8vo. Vinograd, Gr"a 1360.

Warsaw, Y. Alapin, 1877. **\$300-500**

✚ Biography/eulogy of the Vilna Gaon, plus various previously unpublished commentaries in his name written by the Vilna Gaon's son. Known to be especially reliable as it is based on personal knowledge not hearsay. Besides preserving teachings heard from his father, R. Abraham (1750-1808) son of R. Elijah, Gaon of Vilna (1720-1797), was a distinguished scholar in his own right. He is celebrated for his bibliographic work "Rav Pe'alim" on Midrashic sources.



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117 EMDEN, JACOB. Mor U'ketziah [novellae to R. Joseph Karo's Orach Chaim]. Two parts bound in one volume. **FIRST EDITION. THE JACOB EMDEN COPY, WITH HIS EXTENSIVE AUTOGRAPH MARGINAL NOTES AND CORRECTIONS** (see Part II, ff. 26a-b and 27a-b). Diagram of the Land of Israel (Part II, f. 97v) *Part I: ff. (1), 63, 67-69, 69-103. * Part II: ff. 90, 90, 92-95, 97-99. Slight marginal repair in places, small tear on corner of title of Part I not affecting text, otherwise an attractive wide-margined copy. Recent boards. Folio. Vinograd, Altona 68; Mehlman 805; Raphael no. 5-i (illustrated).*

Altona, By the Author, 1761-68 . **\$25,000-30,000**

⚠ This copy belonged to the bibliophile Rabbi Menachem Mendel (Emanuel) Eckstein of Cleveland (1885-1946). With his signature, stamp and inscriptions (on the title of Part I and the blank leaf before Part II) stating that it contains R. Jacob Emden's autograph notes. He also states that he owns another work with Emden's signature.

Most of Emden's lengthier manuscript notes in this copy, plus a facsimile of two of the four pages were reproduced by E. Grossman as an addendum to the reprint of this work (New York, 1953). However the smaller corrections found in the manuscript here were not included. Grossman also added a note by Rabbi Hillel Lichtenstein of Krasna analyzing Emden's novel approach in these notes concerning desecrating the Sabbath for the benefit of a nursing mother via the services of a gentile.

In the introduction to the Mor U'ketziah, the author alludes to many personal details of his life and on f. 102 relates how a fire broke out in his home and destroyed portions of the original manuscript of the present work.

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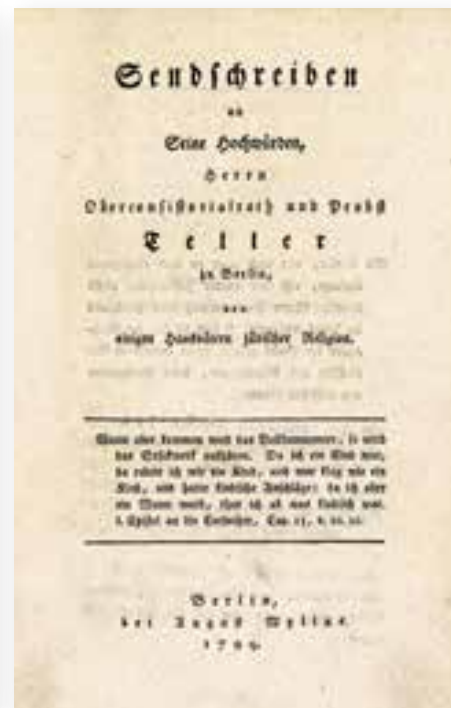
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- 118 EUCHEL, ISAAC ABRAHAM.** Mishlei [Book of Proverbs] Hebrew and Judeo-German translation on facing pages with Biur commentary below. ff. (11), 155. Few light stains, title starting. Modern calf. 8vo. Vinograd, Berlin 396 (no copy in NLI.)

Berlin, Chevrath Chinuch Ne'arim, 1790. **\$600-900**

✞ Isaac Euchel (1758-1804) was a student of the philosopher Immanuel Kant at the University of Königsberg and one of the founding fathers of the Haskalah movement.

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- 119 (FRENCH JUDAICA).** Bouche, Charles-François. De la Restitution du Comté Venaissin, des Ville[s] et État d'Avignon. Motion printed under the authorization of the National Assembly, by its decree of 21 November 1789 pp. 40. Modern marbled boards. 8vo. Szajkowski 164.

Paris, Baudouin, Imprimeur de l'Assemblée Nationale, 1789. **\$1000-1500**

✞ "About 2,000 Jews lived in the four communities of the papal province of Avignon and Comtat Venaissin (Avignon, Carpentras, Cavaillon, L'Isle-sur-Sorgue). The first impressive request for the annexation of the papal province by France, made in 1789 by the deputy Ch. F. Bouche, contained the projection of a status for Jews." Szajkowski, Jews and the French Revolutions of 1789, 1830 and 1848 (1970), p.873.

In advocating basic human rights for the persecuted Jews of France, Bouche quotes the Enlightenment philosopher Montesquieu (1689-1755): "Judaism is an old trunk that has produced two branches, Christianity and Mohammedanism. It is closed off from one and from the other, in order to embrace the world, while its venerable old age embraces all times" (Bouche, pp. 31-32).

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- 120 (FRIEDLAENDER, DAVID).** Sendschreiben an Seine Hochwürden, Herrn Oberconsistorialrath und Probst Teller zu Berlin, von einigen Hausvätern jüdischer Religion. pp. (2), 86.

* BOUND WITH: [Teller, Wilhelm Abraham]. Beantwortung des Sendschreibens. pp. (4), 60.

* [Hermes, Hermann Daniel]. Ueber das Sendschreiben...und die von demselben darauf ertheilte Antwort. pp. (2), 150.

* De Luc, J.A. Lettres aux Auteurs Juifs d'un Mémoire Adressé à Mr Teller, Conseiller du Consistoire Supérieur, et Prévot à Berlin. pp. 99. Together four volumes bound in one. **ALL FIRST EDITION.** Bookplate of Helmut N. Friedlaender. Lightly foxed. Contemporary boards, rubbed, 8vo. Freimann 233-34; Rosenberger Catalogue, Judaica (HUC, 1971) p.217 (illustrated); Eichstadt, Bibliographie zur Geschichte der Judenfrage (1938), nos. 334, 337, 348 and 346.

Berlin (third, Leipzig), 1799. **\$1000-1500**

✞ Following the death of Moses Mendelssohn in 1796, David Friedlaender became his intellectual successor and pioneer of the ideology of assimilation, occupying a prominent position in both Jewish and gentile circles in Berlin. In 1799 Friedlaender sent this famous anonymous petition to Berlin's Pastor Teller "In the Name of Some Jewish Householders," requesting admittance to the Church - although without the obligation of accepting Christ or performing Christian ritual. Friedlaender believed Christianity and Judaism shared a common natural religion free of ritual. His request was denied, but a significant and contentious debate followed the "Open Letter" calling forth many replies. The letter indicates the level of despair among certain groups of assimilated German Jews in their struggle for civil equality.

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121 FRIEDLANDER, SOLOMON JUDAH. Masechta Chulin / Bechoroth min Talmud Yerushalmi. With the commentary Cheshek Shlomo. Additional and divisional titles. *Some leaves loose, browned. Contemporary boards, detached. Folio.*

Szinervaralja, Y. Vider, 1907. **\$300-500**

⚠ A literary forger and sometime scholar, this was Friedlander's most audacious publication based on the fictitious discovery of a "13th century Spanish" manuscript containing the long-lost Jerusalem Talmud on the Order of Kodashim. Although initially greeted with great enthusiasm, doubts soon arose as to the authenticity of the work.

122 GALLICO, ELISHA. Pirush Megilath Esther [commentary to the Book of Esther]. With an introduction by the editor, Gershon ben Simcha Kitzgin, the author's disciple. **FIRST EDITION.** Printer's device on title. Signature on title of Tzvi Hirsch Lehren of Amsterdam (1784-1835), founder of the Pekidim and Amarkalim Society of the Holy Land (see EJ, vol. X col. 1584) ff. 62. *Trace stained. Later calf-backed speckled boards, rubbed. Sm. 4to.* Vinograd, Venice 663; Habermann, di Gara 63.

Venice, Giovanni di Gara, 1583. **\$600-900**

⚠ The author was a 16th-century member of an ancient Italian-Jewish family of French origin. He was a disciple of Joseph Karo and his own most celebrated disciple was Samuel Uceda, author of Midrash Shmuel.

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123 (GALLICO, SAMUEL). Assis Rimoni [Kabbalah] **FIRST EDITION.** Numerous text illustrations with spherical Kabbalistic diagrams (Ilan). Title within woodcut oval cartouche. ff. 86. *Stained in places, signatures of previous owners on title, manuscript poetry (including Yedid Nefesh) in a Sephardic hand on verso of final leaf, first two leaves repaired affecting some text. Modern calf-backed boards. Sm. 4to.* Vinograd, Venice 935.

Venice, Daniel Zanetti, 1601. **\$700-900**

⚠ A synopsis of Cordoverian Kabbalah.

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124 GANS, DAVID. Chronologia Sacra Profana - Tzemach David [historical chronicle]. ***BOUND WITH** (as issued): Capitula R. Elieser - Pirkei Rebi Eliezer [ethical narrative]. Both edited and translated by Willem Henry Vorst. **FIRST EDITION IN LATIN.** Two works bound in one volume. pp. (8), 314, (16), (8), 254, (16). *Lightly browned. Contemporary vellum, light wear. 4to.*

Leiden, Johannes Maire, 1644. **\$700-900**

⚠ David Gans (1541-1613) divided his Tzemach David into two parts, the first containing the annals of Jewish history, the second those of general world history. The Pirkei Rebi Eliezer is one of the earliest aggadic books, in addition to ethics it contains a good deal of extraneous matters, such as chapters on astronomy, the calculation of the calendar and many exotic legends.

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125 (GENEALOGY). Weimarer Historisch-Genealoges Taschenbuch des Gesamten Adels Juhudaïschen Ursprunges. Frontispiece portrait of Benjamin Disraeli, Earl of Beaconsfield. pp.x 1010, 30. *Original silver-stamped pictorial boards. 12mo.*

Munich, Kyffhäuser Verlag, 1913. **\$300-500**

⚠ A comprehensive survey of those families of Jewish ancestry who were members of the titled European nobility (and a handful of non-European royalty or nobility). Published at a time when the prestige and influence of European Jewry was high and represented pride in Jewish social achievements since the Emancipation. Unhappily, this rare publication was later to be used by the Nazis to identify families and individuals for extermination and many copies were destroyed both by the Nazis themselves and by those Jewish families who had once been proud to have been included.

Birth dates are indicated with a Star of David, while a Jewish tomb stone symbol indicated who died in the Jewish faith, and a Cross those who died in the Christian faith. Marriage dates are indicated with two bold rings interlocking if husband and wife both had Jewish blood, while a bold ring with an outline ring indicate whether only one of the partners was of Jewish ancestry. Two opposite pointing horizontal arrows indicate divorce. (See also next lot).



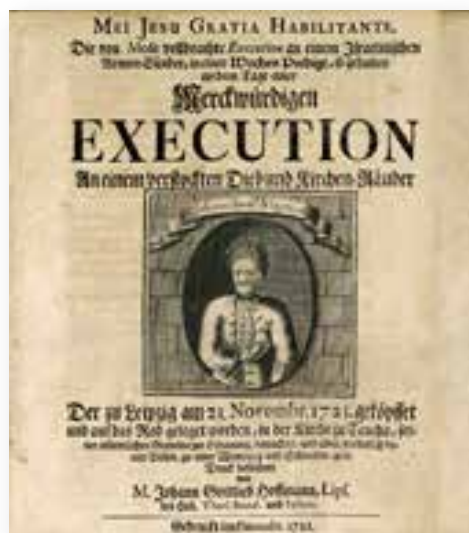
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126 (GENEALOGY). Semigothaisches Genealogisches Taschenbuch. Aristokratisch-jüdischer Heiraten. Frontispiece portrait of the celebrated Viennese hostess Fanny Frefrau von Arnstein *pp.* xxxvii, (3), 454, (2) +18 folding-charts, (2), 565-609. Original silver-stamped pictorial boards. 12mo.

Munich, Kyffhäuser Verlag, 1914. **\$300-500**

• An extremely valuable genealogical source-book with immense detail concerning the links between Germany's aristocratic classes and the Jews. (See also previous lot.)

127 (GERMANY). Zoll und Gleits-Taffel des Fuerstlichen Saechsichen Eisenachischen Haupt- und Bey-Gleiter. Elaborate woodcut of coat-of-arms and initial letters on title page. *ff.* (10). Lightly browned. Unbound. Folio.

Eisenach, Michael Urban, 1714. **\$800-1200**

• Issued by Johann Wilhelm, Duke of Sachsen-Eisenach (1666-1729), this customs-table lists groups of goods in alphabetical order with the corresponding duties according to quantity. Especially degrading among the extensive list of goods such as spices, cattle, metal, textiles, etc. is the entry "Juden" noted under the letter "J." The lists otherwise consist exclusively of goods and lacks mention of any other groups of travelers or traders. Yet Jews who cross into Sachsen-Eisenach must pay a border fee of one groschen. Jews who trade at the fairs are to pay one florin and those Jews who remain overnight and trade are charged twelve groschen. A footnote under a diverse group of goods listed under the letter "A" (including anise, raisins, cheese, honey, rugs, furs, small metal objects and paper) requires Jews trading in these goods to pay a double duty.

The duchy of Sachsen-Eisenach consisted of areas which are now located in Thuringen. The actual territories included in the duchy changed with each generation, but always with the town of Eisenach as the core. Its lands were divided whenever dukes had more than one son to provide for, and recombined when the duke died without direct heirs.

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128 (GERMANY). Unsere von Gottes Gnaden...Verordnung gegen Abhaltung der Zigeuner, fremden Bettler, Bettel-Juden und anderer dergleichen Land-Streicher. *pp.* (8). Lightly browned. Unbound. Sm. 4to.

Osnabrueck, Kissling, 1720. **\$700-900**

• Decree prohibits gypsies, beggars and begging Jews ("Bettel-Juden") to enter territories under the rule of Ernst August II, Prince-Bishopric of Osnabrueck. Inhabitants of his territories are forbidden to accommodate any of these vagrant groups, violations will be punished and denunciations rewarded. Children of such groups under ten year of age will be removed from their families and raised by Christian foster parents. Male gypsies will be branded with a hot iron and driven out of the country, reentry will be punished by hanging. Other beggars (including Jews) found inside the country will be expelled and threatened with corporal punishment should they return.

Ernst August II (1674-1728) was duke of Braunschweig and Lueneburg and younger brother of George I of Great Britain.

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129 (GERMANY). Johann Gottlieb Hofmann. Mei Jesu Gratia Habilitante. Die von Mose vollbrachte Execution an einem israelitischen armen Sünder. Portrait of the Jewish criminal Johann David Wagner on title. *pp.* 16. Foxed. Unbound. Sm. 4to.

n.p., 1721. **\$1000-1500**

• A sermon on the execution of Johann David Wagner a Jew from a small village close to Chemnitz, Saxony. Wagner was accused of being member of a band of thieves involved in robbing churches and was beheaded and bound on a wheel on 21 November 1721 in Leipzig.

The 18th-century saw a growing number of bandits due to increased poverty and lack of legal status (e.g., lack of residence, or work permit). The participation of Jews in such gangs proved to be a source of surprise to Christians, since it jarred with their traditional image of the passive Jew who endured suffering without resistance.

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130 (GERMANY). Juden-Ordnung deß Ertz-Stiffts und Churfürstenthumbs Trier. pp. 48. Foxed, inscription on title. Unbound. Sm. 4to.

(Breslau, 1723). \$1000-1500

✠ The Judenordnung, or regulations governing Jews resident in the Rhineland city of Trier, issued by Archbishop Franz Ludwig von Pfalz-Neuburg. These decrees regulate the function of the Elector as protector of the Jews and defines their tax obligations in return. Some examples: Two state rabbis have the right to pass judgment according to Jewish law in cases of litigation between Jews and the Elector is entitled to half of every fine imposed. * Jews may not levy more than 5% interest on loans. * Departing Jews must forfeit a tenth of their assets to the Elector. * The number of Jewish families with residence permits is restricted to 165.

These regulations also sought to govern the social impact of the Jews. Such as: Jews “shall refrain from wearing garments with velvet, silk, lace, gold and silver gallons and buttons on their gowns and cloaks.” * There should be at least four houses between a church and Jewish residence. * A synagogue must be even further away. * Jews must remain indoors on Christian holidays and during church processions. * Jews may not live under the same roof as Christians nor employ Christian domestic servants. The regulations conclude by urging officials “not in any way to hinder the Jews but to protect them from all unjust attacks.”

As the sole sovereign, the Elector and Archbishop had a vested interest in ensuring the continuing ability of Jews to contribute adequately and regularly to the Archiepiscopal treasury. The protection by the authorities was indispensable in view of repeated anti-Semitic excesses committed by students in Trier.

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131 (GERMANY). Erneuerte Ordnung... Welcher gestalt die Juden, so unter unserm Schutz wohnen, oder Wir darein inskuenfftige aufnehmen werden, sich verhalten sollen. ff. (4). Unbound. Folio.

(Usingen), Erdmann Andreas Lyce, 1732. \$1000-1500

✠ Decree issued by the Princess Charlotte Amalia (1710-77) concerning the protection of Jews in the Principality of Nassau-Saarbruecken (today part of Hesse and Saarland).

To obtain such a letter of protection, issued to the head of a household, his wife and unmarried children, it must be agreed to the following: Recognize Christianity as the official and superior religion. * Not engage in or encourage disputes between Jews and Christians over theological matters. * Refrain from establishing new Jewish schools or synagogues and to only use only the existing ones. * Trade only in locations where there is no competition from the Christian Zuenfte (professional organizations). * Sell goods only at the same prices that are prevalent among Christians. Additionally: Christians may not be present at Jewish circumcision ceremonies. * Kosher slaughtering may not take place at Christian abattoirs. * Rape of a Christian women by a Jew is punishable by the death penalty. * Protection money (at least 300 fl) must be paid by Jews annually.

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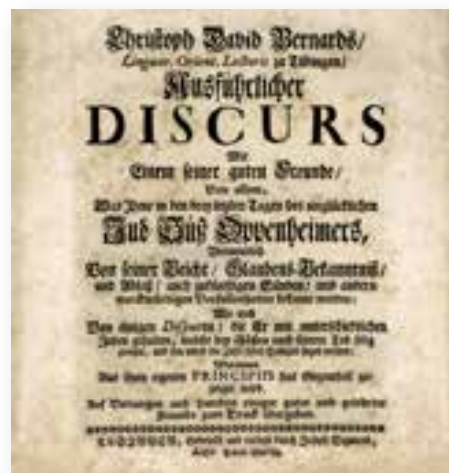
132 (GERMANY). Christoph David Bernard. Ausführlicher Discurs mit einem seiner guten Freunde, von allem, was ihm in den drey letzten Tagen des unglücklichen Jud Sueß Oppenheimers. Ornamental woodcut borders on pages 3 and 4; with a few Hebrew quotes. Uncut copy. pp. 52. Foxed. Recent wrappers. 4to.

Tübingen, Joseph Sigmund, 1738. \$1500-2000

✠ An account of the last three days of Joseph Suess Oppenheimer (1698-1738), a court Jew convicted of fraud and sentenced to death. The author, Christoph David Bernard (1682-1751) a converted Jew, was appointed by the commission that had convicted Oppenheimer to seek his conversion to Christianity - which Oppenheimer firmly resisted to the end. Bernard describes his encounters with Oppenheimer in the form of a conversation between him and a fictitious friend. The account is important in displaying how Oppenheimer met his end.

Joseph Suess Oppenheimer was a prominent financial adviser to the Duke of Württemberg, which in turn aroused the fierce opposition of conservative elements in the country. Upon the death of the Duke – his protector – Oppenheimer was arrested by his enemies and accused of embezzlement, treason, sexual misdeeds with the ladies at court, etc. Under intense torture Oppenheimer confessed to almost everything he had been accused of, however, when his jailers demanded he convert to Christianity, he refused. Joseph Suess Oppenheimer was hanged on 4th February 1738 and his corpse was placed in a human-sized, iron bird-cage that was left dangling above the public square of Stuttgart for six years before the body was finally allowed to be returned to his family. The undoing of “Jud Suess,” a wide cause for merriment, remained a subject of ridicule in German anti-Semitic circles for centuries to come.

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- 133 (GERMANY).** Von Gottes Gnaden Wir Carl...Nachdem die in Ungarn und besonders in dem Bannat, Temeswar, auch in Siebenbuergen... Polen...sich geaeusserte pest. *pp.* (15). *Some marginal staining. Unbound. Sm. 4to.*

(Wolfenbuettel, 1737). **\$500-700**

✦ Karl I, Duke of Braunschweig-Wolfenbuettel (1713-1780) issued this decree following the outbreak of the plague in Hungary and Poland in an effort to contain its spread into his territories. It states that goods may be imported only if they have detailed certified passes stating where they come from and through which areas they were transported. Goods from infected areas that can carry the disease (e.g., textiles, wool, fur, etc.) will be burned on the spot. Foreign Jews, horse traders, peddlers, etc. are not allowed to enter the territories under any circumstances. Nobody is allowed to accommodate these groups; protected Jews in particular are forbidden to accommodate "beggar Jews." If indigent Jews are found in the ducal territories they will be punished harshly and repeat offenders could be subject to the death penalty. Only Jews from England or Holland may enter or travel through the country assuming they possess the necessary papers.

- 134 (GERMANY).** Shir Todah. Hebrew with some Judeo-German. *ff.* (4). *Unbound. Sm. 4to.* Vinograd, Hamburg 129.

Hamburg, 1813. **\$600-800**

✦ Synagogue service in honor of Russian Czar Alexander I whose forces freed the city of Hamburg from Napoleon I. Thereafter Hamburg reverted to the status of a city-state, one of 39 such sovereign states of the German Confederation.

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- 135 GINSBERG, ALLEN.** Kaddish and Other Poems 1958-1960. Title-page inscribed and signed by the author along with a drawing by him on facing blank. *pp.* 99, (5). *Bookplate on dedication page. Original black-and-white wrappers. 12mo.*

San Francisco, City Lights Books, 1982. **\$200-300**

- 136 GOREN, SHLOMO.** Pesak ha'Din be'Nyan ha'Ach ve'ha'Achoth. **ONLY EDITION.** Inscribed and signed by the author to R. Michael Fisher, Dayan of the Federation of Synagogues, London. *pp.* 200. *Slightly stained. Original printed wrappers. 8vo.*

Jerusalem, Government Press, 1973. **\$300-500**

✦ Controversial legal defense by Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren concerning the Langer Affair - siblings who discovered they were ineligible to wed since they had unknowingly been placed on a list of "mamzerim" (bastards) that circulated to all branch-offices of the Israeli Rabbinate. Subsequent contention in seeking to resolve this matter became a bitter cause celebre, as what should have remained a strictly halachic decision became highly politicized, as tensions rose along the fault line of partisan considerations, i.e. Mizrahi (Zionist) and Agudah (non-Zionist). The former Chief Rabbi of the Israel Defense Forces, Shlomo Goren intimated that were he elected Chief Rabbi of Israel, he would resolve the case in a manner satisfactory to all. Subsequently, R. Goren was portrayed as a lackey of the Israeli government, intent on currying favor with secular politicians. On the other hand, the Charedi Dayanim Rabbi Karelitz, Rabbi Ovadiah Yoseph and Rabbis Zolty and Elyashiv were vilified as insensitive to the plight of the two Langer siblings. R. Goren writes in the introduction here that at present he is withholding the names of the nine other Dayanim who agree with his approach "because of the foul atmosphere created by threats of fanatics against anyone who disagrees with their opinion." Besides providing the court protocols and halachic justification for Rabbi Goren's lenient ruling, this work portrays a sensitivity to a rather sordid and tragic affair that had ramifications for many years in the ongoing Kulturkampf between secular and religious Israelis.

- 137 (HAGADAH).** Hagadah shel Pesach. With commentary by Isaac Abrabanel. Additional engraved title depicting draped archway flanked by Moses and Aaron beneath vignette of Moses before the Burning Bush. Numerous engraved copper-plate illustrations within the text. Portion (only) of the engraved Hebrew map bound at front. *ff.* (1), 26, (1). *Taped repairs, browned and stained in places. Later boards, light wear. Folio.* Yudlov 120; Yaari 73; Yerushalmi, plates 66-69.

Amsterdam, Solomon Proops, 1712. **\$1000-1500**

✦ The second illustrated Amsterdam Hagadah.

- 138 (HAGADAH).** Beith Chorin With commentaries. Additional engraved title. Numerous copper-engraved illustrations. Lacking fold-out map of the Holy Land. *ff.* (2), 64. *Browned with usual stains, small marginal tears to opening few leaves. Contemporary boards, worn. 4to.* Yudlov 251.

Metz, Mose May, 1767. **\$300-400**

- 139 (HAGADAH).** Ma'aleh Beith Chorin. With commentaries. Instructions in Judeo-German and Judeo-Spanish. Including commentaries by Isaac Abrabanel, Moses Alsheich and others. Title with printer's device, numerous copperplate engravings throughout, **FINE FOLDING ENGRAVED HEBREW MAP OF THE HOLY LAND** tipped in between ff. 48-9. Contemporary female ownership signature. ff. (1, lacking additional engraved title), 52, (1). *Stained in places. map with one tear neatly repaired with contemporary paper on verso. Contemporary mottled calf. Lg. 4to. Yudlov 300; Yaari 199; Yerushalmi 75.*

Amsterdam, The Proops Widow and Orphans, 1781. **\$1500-2000**

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- 140 (HAGADAH).** Ma'aleh Beith Chorin. Including commentaries. Additional engraved title. Numerous engraved illustrations. Lacking map of the Holy Land. Gilt-tooled French presentation label on covers from Mayer Dalmbert, 1818. ff. (2), 9; 50. *Browned, few stains. Contemporary calf, rubbed and rebacked. 4to. Yudlov 526.*

Amsterdam, The Widow and Son of Jacob Proops, 1810. **\$300-500**

- 141 (HAGADAH).** Sod Kedoshim...Hagadah shel Pesach. With commentaries by R. Shneur Zalman of Liadi and his disciple R. Aaron Horowitz of Strasheliya. **FIRST EDITION.** ff. 49. *Previous owner's signature on title, usual staining. Contemporary boards, worn. 4to. Yudlov 1272.*

(Warsaw / Koenigsberg?), 1866. **\$300-500**

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- 142 (HAGADAH).** Seder Hagadah shel Pesach. With commentaries Toldoth Abraham by Abraham Danzig (author of Chayei Adam), Achrith Le-Shalom and Minchath Kohanim by the Dayanim of Vilna. **FIRST EDITION.** pp. 68. *Stained, previous owner's signature on title. Contemporary marbled boards, worn. 4to. Yudlov 1475.*

Vilna, A. T. Katzenellenbogen, 1877. **\$200-300**

- 143 (HAGADAH).** Seder Hagadah shel Pesach. With commentary by Elijah Gaon of Vilna (along with his customs) and "Maggid Tzedek" by Pinchas b. Yehudah of Plotsk. pp. (1), 6, 30. *Browned. Contemporary marbled boards, 8vo. Yudlov 2225.*

Jerusalem, 1903. **\$100-150**

- 144 (HAGADAH).** Hagadah shel Pesach. Home Service for the First Evening of Passover. The West London Synagogue "A Copy Hastily Prepared for Temporary Use." Mimeographed English translation. Hebrew text removed from an older Hagadah and pasted on verso of leaves. ff. 20. *Some staining. Original wrappers, tape-marks. 4to. Unrecorded.*

London, 1932. **\$400-600**

✳ The West London Synagogue of British Jews was formed by a group of families after breaking away from the Bevis Marks congregation in 1841. Its current building in Upper Berkeley Street dates from 1870, making it the oldest standing Reform synagogue, and one of the oldest synagogues, in the United Kingdom.

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- 145 (HAGADAH).** Hagadah shel Pesach "Published with approval OMGB, ICD." With stamp: "Oberrabbinat aller juedischen Gemeinden in der Britischen Zone Deutschlands." pp. 32. *Original pictorial colored wrappers depicting Moses leading a 20th-century clad Children of Israel into the Land of Israel. 12mo. Yerushalmi 177; Yudlov 4091*

Munich, American Joint Distribution Committee, 1948. **\$500-700**

✳ Issued for the the She'eirith Hapleitah, survivors of the Holocaust, still languishing in German DP Camps a full three years following the end of the European hostilities. With introduction by Rabbi Shmuel Shapiro, Administrator of the "Religious Office" in Germany, and Mr. Shmuel Haber, Administrator of the Joint in Germany, reflecting upon the momentous spirit of the time and the anticipation of Israel's independence.



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146 **(HAGADAH)**. Agam, Yaacov. The Passover Hagadah. Limited edition: One of 180 numbered copies (Golden Edition). 58 full color silkscreen plates, plus colophon page. Hebrew with English translation on facing waxed tissue-guard. Bound in blue reverse velvet with gold Star-of-David on upper cover, uniform folding case with similar design (slightly faded). *Lg. folio*.

London & Paris, 1985. **\$4000-6000**

♣ Agam's extraordinary Hagadah, a tour-de-force in contemporary illustration and design.

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147 **(HAGADAH)**. The David Moss Hagadah: "A Song of David. - Hagadat Shir Hama'alot LeDavid." One of 500 numbered copies. Two volumes: Text and Detailed Commentary. Signed and numbered by the artist on colophons. Historiated initials, micrography, arabesque decoration, paper-cut artistry, tiles of geometric patterns and many other creative flights of fancy throughout. *Original calf and linen boards within slip-case, extremities bumped. Folio*.

Verona, Stamperia Valdona for Bet Alpha Editions, 1987.

\$4000-6000

♣ **THE DAVID MOSS HAGADAH**. A most creative production whose artistic innovations are inspired by religious and historic sources. A magnificent bibliophilic achievement.

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148 **(HAGADAH)**. Isaac Yudlov. Otzer HaHagadot - The Haggadah Thesaurus. Bibliography of Passover Haggadot, from the Beginning of Hebrew Printing until 1960. One of 105 numbered copies. *pp. 15, 402. Morocco-backed linen boards, Folio*.

Jerusalem, Magnes Press, 1997. **\$80-120**

149 **HIRSCHENSOHN, CHAIM**. Yamim MiKedem [Biblical chronology] **FIRST EDITION**. Inscribed and signed by the author on the title-page. *pp. (2), 8, 246, 37, (3). Original boards, chipped. 8vo. Friedberg, Y-713.*

Jerusalem, S. Zuckerman, 1908. **\$150-200**

♣ Attempts to reconcile traditional rabbinic sources, such as Seder Olam, Tosephta and the Talmud with the latest scholarly findings in the field of Egyptology. The author, Chaim Hirschensohn (1857-1935), a native of Jerusalem and a man of iconoclastic opinions, served as Rabbi of Hoboken, New Jersey. See EJ, Vol. VIII, cols. 521-22.

150 **(HOLOCAUST)**. Tehillim [Psalm 92: The Psalm for the Sabbath] Aldus Hebrew type. Large print in black and red. Unusually broad margins *pp. (4). Original wrappers; bound with thread. 4to* A.J. Karp, From the Ends of the Earth: Judaic Treasures of the Library of Congress (1991) p. 33.

Berlin, Soncino-Gesellschaft, 1932. **\$300-500**

♣ **SOCIETY OF GERMAN-JEWISH BIBLIOPHILES' MEMENTO FOR THE YEAR 1932**. With Hebrew verse printed in red: "For lo Your enemies oh Lord, for lo Your enemies shall perish, scattered shall be all the workers of iniquity" (Psalms 92:10). - By 1932 the Nazis Party began their ascent in obtaining widespread power throughout Germany.

151 (HOLOCAUST). Das III Reich in der Karikatur. Foreword and captions in English, German and French. Publisher's paper-band with printed black lettering "2'- Vorwort von Heinrich Mann," tipped-in at front endpapers, as issued. Pages 22-24 unopened, as issued. *pp.* 50. *Browned. Original color pictorial printed wrappers, outer corner neatly repaired. Folio.*

Prague, Stop-Verlag, (1934). **\$800-1000**

♣ Scarce 1934 anti-Nazi publication profusely illustrated with reproductions of caricatures mocking Hitler, Goering, Goebbels, Rohm, etc. Other more darker images convey the oppression and persecution of the Jews and fear among the German population. From foreword by H. Mann: "The face of the Third Realm (Reich) can be drawn into two expressions: cowardice with energy."

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152 (HOLOCAUST). Gwrych Castle Year Book 1939/40. Mimeographed. Text in English, Hebrew and German. Cartoon illustrations. *pp.* vi, 67. *Stained. Original pictorial wrappers, worn and soiled. 4to.*

n.p, (Chewrat Gwrych-Castle), 1940. **\$800-1200**

♣ Gwrych Castle is a large country house near Abergele along the northern coast of Wales. It was requisitioned by the British government in order to house some 200 Jewish children who escaped from Nazi Germany via the life-saving Kindertransport network. Without parents and knowing minimal, if any English, the children created in this foreboding castle (originally built by the Normans in the 12th-century) a full-fledged Hachshara-program in which they focused their attention on making suitable preparation toward eventual migration to the Land of Israel.

153 (HOLOCAUST). The Great Synagogue Will Rise Again: Order of Service at the National Day of Intercession and Prayer, September, 1941, in the Ruins of the Great Synagogue, Aldgate, London. Photographic folding plate of the service. With Sermon by Chief Rabbi Dr. J.H. Hertz. *pp.* 16. *Original printed wrappers. 8vo.*

(London), Office of the Chief Rabbi, 1941. **\$300-500**

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154 (HOLOCAUST). E. Symchoni [i.e. Simchah Elberg]. Vander-Veg. **FIRST EDITION.** Yiddish text. Introduction by Dr. A. Kaufman. *pp.* (4), 61, (1). *Original printed wrappers, chipped, spine taped. 8vo.*

Shanghai, J.M. Ellenberg, 1942. **\$200-300**

♣ Scarce. Slim booklet of poems concerning the slaughter of Jews in Europe and the author's wanderings across the globe seeking safety. "Three lands have spit me out as the ocean spits out a dead body after a storm" (p. 19). Rabbi Simcha Elberg (1915-95), was a renowned Polish Talmudic scholar who also wrote a number of poetic works under the pseudonym "E. Symchoni." Upon arrival to the United States in 1947 he served as a member of the executive committee of Agudath Israel of America.



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155 (**HOLOCAUST**). Gollert, Friedrich. Warschau unter deutscher Herrschaft - Deutsche Aufbauarbeit im Distrikt Warschau ["Warsaw under German Rule. Rebuilding of the Warsaw District by Germans."] Photographic plates. Frontispiece portrait of Hans Frank, who was the Generalgouverneur in occupied Poland. Foreword by the Gouverneur of the Distrikt Warschau, Dr. Ludwig Fischer (with his portrait). *pp.* 310. *Original boards, gilt; sunned. 4to.*

Cracow, 1942. **\$500-700**

♣ Published to commemorate the second anniversary of the "Generalgouvernement Polen," on the 'rebuilding' of Warsaw and the 'improvements' of the district under German rule. Includes a 12-page section on the Warsaw Ghetto in which the author describes how after the takeover of the city, Jews were found in filthy living conditions rampant with infectious diseases. In order to 'protect' the rest of the population and the German army, German authorities were 'forced' to create a separate "Wohnbezirk" (living district) for Jews to keep them from spreading diseases. The Warsaw Ghetto was established in October/November 1940 with over 400,000 Jews residing in an area of 1.3 square miles.

156 (**HOLOCAUST**). Stop Them Now. German Mass Murder of Jews in Poland. With a foreword by Lord (Josiah) Wedgwood. With over-slip on front cover: "Compliments of the Federation of Polish Jews in Gt. Britain." Photographic illustrations. *pp.* 14. *Original pictorial wrappers. 8vo.*

(London, Liberty Publications, 1942). **\$400-600**

♣ With heart-breaking introduction: "It IS True" by the London-based Bundist leader Szmul Zygielbojm, who within eight months of this publication committed suicide. "By my death, I wish to give expression to my most profound protest against the inaction in which the world watches and permits the destruction of the Jewish people."

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157 (**HOLOCAUST**). Binyomin Gutyski. Zaltz in di Oygen. Yiddish text. Cartoon illustrations. *pp.* (2), 38. *Browned. Original pictorial wrappers, inner hinge split. 12mo.*

Moscow, Melucha Ferlag, 1944. **\$800-1200**

♣ Scarce slim volume of anti-Nazi Yiddish verse accompanied by trenchant cartoon illustrations.

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158 (**HOLOCAUST**). Nazi Hel. 4-pages of text in Dutch, followed by 28 full-page photographic illustrations displaying the horrendous state of German concentration camps immediately following the Allied liberation. Starkly designed front cover by Mohr. *Foxed. Original spiral-bound printed wrappers. Oblong 4to.*

Amsterdam, circa, 1945. **\$300-500**

159 (**HOLOCAUST**). Mary Berg. Warsaw Ghetto: A Diary. Edited by S. L. Shneiderman. **FIRST EDITION.** With dust-jacket designed by the author. *pp.* 253, (1 blank). *Original boards, pictorial dust-jacket, chipped. 8vo.*

New York, Martin Press for L.B. Fischer, 1945. **\$300-500**

♣ The diary of Mary Berg was among the very first eyewitness accounts of the Warsaw Ghetto tragedy.

160 (HOLOCAUST). Gebed ter herdenking van de slachtoffers van de Duitse overheersing door de voorzanger uit te spreken op Kol Nidrei-avond na "Awienoe Malkenoe" voor het sluiten van de Heilige Arke. Single page. Text in Hebrew and Dutch. *Right margin frayed. Unbound. 8vo.*

Amsterdam, Joachimsthal, (1945). **\$400-600**

✚ Prayer to memorialize the victims of Nazi Germany at the first Yom Kippur gathering in newly liberated Amsterdam. To be recited during the evening Kol Nidrei service following "Avinu Malkeinu."

161 (HOLOCAUST). Kepek az Elhurcoltakrol: Auschwitz, Bergen-Belsen, Buchenwald, Dachau, Budapest ["Pictures of the Deported."] Hungarian text. Profusely illustrated. *pp. (16). Original pictorial wrappers, light wear. 4to.*

Budapest, Fasisztak Altal Elhurcoltakat Segito Bizottsag, (1945). **\$800-1000**

✚ Photographic illustrations of atrocities committed in concentration camps and the Ghetto of Budapest. Includes the image of Nobel Laureate Elie Wiesel in Buchenwald, first published in the New York Times on 6th May, 1945.

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162 (HOLOCAUST). Mauthausen. Edited by Zdenek Rossmann. Czech text. Profusely illustrated. *pp. (58). Original pictorial wrappers, light wear. Lg. 4to.*

Prague, Vydava KSC Kraj, (1945). **\$800-1000**

✚ Graphic illustrated account of the Mauthausen concentration camp shortly after it was liberated by the 41st Reconnaissance Squadron of the US Army on the 5th May, 1945.

163 (HOLOCAUST). Counted Remnant. Register of The Jewish Survivors In Budapest. *pp. (6), 1320. Lightly browned, few pencil markings, upper corner of first two leaves torn. Modern boards. Recent cloth.*

Budapest, By the Hungarian Section of the World Jewish Congress and the Jewish Agency for Palestine Statistical and Search Department, 1946.

\$600-900

✚ "This book is one of gladness and of pain. Its editors are glad to publish the names of those who survived all the horrors, all the abominations of hatred and war... Everybody turning over the leaves of this book should realize the significance of the fact that also above the will of the power which thought itself to be the strongest, there is a higher jurisdiction preventing the innocent from being entirely exterminated... We have been scattered among the nations and we are left few in number. May the roll of Mtei Mispal, the counted remnant, be received by our brethren in Eretz Yisrael and in the countries of the diaspora as a message, as a hand outstretched towards them which sends love and which is also awaiting and soliciting for the love missed ever so long" (Intro.)

"Instructions for Use of the Register of the Jewish Survivors in Budapest" notes the record has its limitations since many surviving Jews remained in hiding, others were skeptical about the project and refused to supply personal information.

164 (HOLOCAUST). Simon Wiesenthal. K.Z. Mauthausen. Bild und Wort. German text. Profusely illustrated. *pp. (56). Original pictorial wrappers, light wear. Lg. 4to.*

Vienna-Linz, Ibis Verlag, 1946. **\$400-600**

✚ 47 drawings & photo-montages by Mauthausen survivor Simon Wiesenthal, published long before he began his more well-known work as the world's most famous Nazi-hunter.

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165 (HOLOCAUST). Fragmenten uit het Dagboek van Anne Frank. In: "De Nieuwe Stem," Vol I, Nr. 6 (pp. 431-42). Dutch text. *Original printed wrappers.* 8vo.

Amsterdam, June, 1946. **\$1000-1500**

✦ **THE FIRST PUBLICATION EVER OF ANY PART OF ANNE FRANK'S DIARY,** appearing a full year before the first trade edition of June 1947.

Via her diary, Anne Frank is universally identified as the single representative of the millions of Jews who suffered and were killed by Nazi Germany. Simon Wiesenthal's view of the diary is that it has raised more widespread awareness of the Holocaust than had been achieved during the Nuremberg Trials. As a result of its universal appeal, the diary is one of the key historical texts of the 20th-century and has sold more than 25 million copies, translated into more than 50 languages.

See B. Kirshenblatt-Gimblett & Jeffrey Shandler, *Anne Frank Unbound: Media, Imagination, Memory* (2012).

166 (HOLOCAUST). Scientific Results of German Medical War Crimes: Report of an Enquiry by a Committee under the Chairmanship of Lord Moran, M.D., President of the Royal College of Physicians pp. 5, (1). *Creased.* 4to.

London, His Majesty's Stationery Office, 1949. **\$500-700**

✦ Rather than assigning guilt to the German scientists who conducted experiments on the inmates of the concentration camps, this aberrant pamphlet seeks to determine what medical discoveries, if any, were made. The Nazi experiments are here divided into eight categories: Eugenics, Malaria Experiment at Dachau, Phosgene (poisonous gas); Orthopedic Surgery; Surgery, Psychiatry (Euthanasia), Physiology and Bacteriology.

The amoral tone is particularly distinct in the summation: "The purpose of the enquiry was to search the records lest any material contribution to human physiology and pathology should be buried, and to make any such contribution available. Unfortunately, the enquiry has failed to make any such discovery."



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167 (HOLOCAUST). Sepher Taharath HaMishpacha [laws of family purity]. Edited by Rabbi S. A. Sneig of Munich. Yiddish text. pp. 24. *Brittle, title loose. Unbound.* 12mo.

Paris, Association Culturelle Israelite Orthodoxe, 1950. **\$200-300**

✦ "Dedicated to the memory of the six million holy brothers and sisters who perished during the Holocaust... In the pre-war years, mothers taught their daughters the necessary laws and customs before their wedding. To our sorrow, many of the rescued war orphans have no mother. The publishers hope that this brochure will serve as a guide as well as a remembrance for our mothers who beseeched the Almighty that their children will pursue their future life along the path of Jewish Law in conjunction with the moral and ethical values of the Torah."

Published and edited by the Kahal Yereim of Paris led by R. Hillel Lichtenstein of Krasna. A post-war joint venture of Lithuanian and Hungarian Rabbis, temporarily resident in Paris while seeking permanent homes elsewhere.

168 (HOLOCAUST). Belsen. Two volumes: Yiddish edition (pp. 207) and English edition (pp. 203). Profusely illustrated. *Original black boards.* 8vo.

London, Narod Press for the Irgun Sheerit Hapleita Me'Haezor Habriti, 1957. **\$200-300**

169 HUTNER, ISAAC. Torath HaNazir [novellae on Maimonides's laws of the Nazirite] **FIRST EDITION.** The Rabbi Yaakov Weinberg of Baltimore copy, with presentation bookplate from his mother: "Betephilah lamarom she'ezkeh lirothcha gadol beTorah Veyirah" pp. 137. *Browned. Loose in original printed wrappers, spine chipped.* Folio.

Kovna, S. Joselevitz, 1932. **\$400-600**

✦ Yitzchok Hutner (1906-1980), Rosh Yeshiva of Yeshiva Rabbi Chaim Berlin, studied in his youth at the Slabodka Yeshiva in Lithuania, headed by Rabbi Nosson Tzvi Finkel, where he was known as the "Warsaw Illui." He was sent to join an extension of the Slabodka yeshiva in Hebron and during the course of his stay in Eretz Israel became closely associated with R. Abraham Isaac Kook, the first chief rabbi of Palestine. In later years, when R. Kook's name became associated with the Mizrachi movement, R. Hutner, a member of the non-Zionist Agudath Israel of America's Mo'etztes Gedolei HaTorah, sought to revise his prior association with R. Kook. The present work, Torath HaNazir is an example of this. When R. Hutner first published it in Kovna, he included approbations from both R. Chaim Ozer Grodzenski and R. Kook. However when it was republished in the early 1970's, the approbation from R. Kook was excluded. Allegedly, a key financial backer of Yeshiva Rabbi Chaim Berlin sought to obtain any copy of the present first edition containing R. Kook's approbation, in order to suppress public awareness of Rabbi Hutner's former ties to Chief Rabbi Kook.

Rabbi Shmuel Yaakov Weinberg was one of Rabbi Hutner's major disciples. He was a son-in-law of Rabbi Y. Y. Ruderman and later served as Rosh Yeshiva of Ner Israel, Baltimore.

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170 IBN MELECH, SOLOMON. Michlol Yofi [linguistic commentary to the Bible] **FIRST EDITION.** Title within floriated woodcut border. ff. 192. Portion of title laid down, opening and closing leaves with some worming, some light staining, trimmed. Modern full calf. Folio. Vinograd, Const. 199; Yaari, Const.148; Adams S-1418.

Constantinople, Moses ben Elazar Parnas, 1549. **\$1200-1800**

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171 INCUNABLE LEAVES (HEBREW). Including: Nachmanides. Lisbon, 1489. * Torah. Ixar, 1490. * Kol Bo. Naples, 1490. * Maimonides. Soncino, 1490. * With: Others, unidentified. Together c. 27 leaves. Variously worn. Folio and smaller. Sold not subject to return.

\$1200-1800

172 (INDIA). Perach - The Jewish Gazette. Text in Judeo-Arabic with some Hebrew. Bound here into eleven volumes, containing: Vols. I - XI. Each volume contains 50 consecutive issues. Complete but for: Vol I no. 1 in xerox, vol. III lacks no. 12, vol. XI nos. 16 and 19 lacking. Variously worn or torn, expert repairs. Later boards (two styles). Folio. Sold not subject to return.

Calcutta, 1878-89. **\$7000-9000**

NEWSPAPER OF THE JEWISH BAGHDADI COMMUNITY OF INDIA. A COMPLETE RUN.

The Perach newspaper was published from summer of 1878 through winter of 1889. The original editors were Moshe ben Mordehai Meyuhad and Elya Ch. Siliman, and later, Eliyahu Moshe Dwich HaCohen. Published every Friday, it featured news from across the world, nonetheless its main purpose was to serve the local Indian community with social and religious communal news.

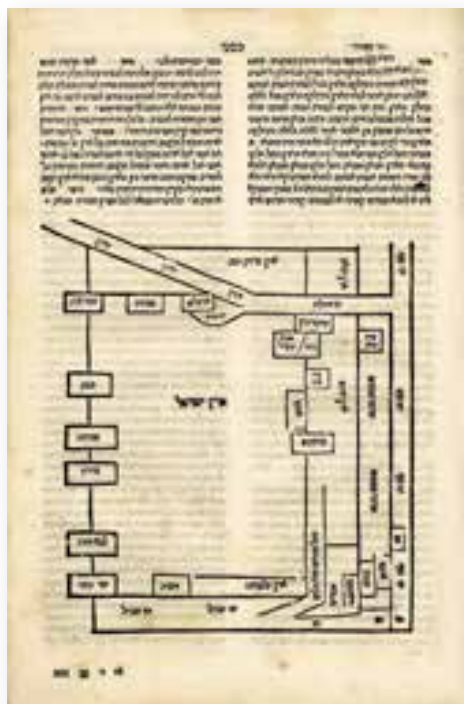
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173 ISAAC IBN SAHULA. Mashal HaKadmoni [collected fables] * **WITH:** Sepher HaTapu'ach [philosophy attributed to Aristotle] More than 70 imaginative and fanciful half-page woodcut illustrations. Two titles within typographic borders ff. 72, 81-100 (i.e., 90). Mispaginated though complete. Lightly browned, few stains, opening title neatly taped. Modern calf-backed boards. Sm. 8vo. Vinograd, Frankfurt o/Oder 471.

Frankfurt o/Oder, Professor Elsner, 1800. **\$1000-1500**

The Jewish Aesop's Fables. A most distinctive Hebrew book. A collection of fables and puns with moral inferences all written in rhymed prose. The author uses animal fables as a means of moral allegory. Not only do the animals talk, but all are well-versed in the Bible and Talmud and conduct lengthy discourses on matters of science and philosophy.

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- 174 **ISAAC NATHAN BEN KALONYMOS**. *Sepher Yair Nathiv* - Concordantiarum Hebraicarum. Latin translation by Antonius Reuchlin. Wide margins. Printer's device on last page. * **BOUND WITH**: Joachim Camerarius. *De Rebus turcicis commentarii*. ff. 143. * **AND**: William Bruce. *Dev Tartaris Diarium*. ff. 11. Frankfurt, 1598. Few marginal notes, light wear, final few leaves creased. Contemporary limp vellum, rubbed. Folio. Vinograd, Basle 91; Prijs 93.

Basle, Henricus Petrus, 1556. **\$1200-1800**

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- 175 **(ISRAEL, LAND OF)**. Eliyahu Mizrachi [super-commentary to Rashi on the Pentateuch] **FIRST EDITION**. Map of Eretz Israel on fascicle 38, 4 (Parshath Masei). Plus diagrams depicting the size of the altar in Parshath Teruma and Tzav. ff. 335 (of 340). Title-page and following leaf provided in facsimile, lacking first leaf of fascicle 3, final blank and blank leaf between Bamidbar and Devarim (as in the Mehlman

Venice, Daniel Bomberg, 1527. **\$2000-3000**

copy). Some staining, slight soiling, censored in places, one leaf bound out of order in fascicle 30, two small worm holes on final leaf repaired affecting some letters. Modern gilt-tooled calf. Folio. Vinograd, 114; Mehlman 668; Haberman, Bomberg, no. 103a.

❖ **RARE FIRST EDITION OF THE MIZRACHI. CONTAINS THE FIRST HEBREW PRINTED MAP OF THE HOLY LAND.**

First appearance of Elijah Mizrachi's map of Eretz Israel. Simply drawn, it notes the borders and the places recorded in Deuteronomy. See E. & G. Wajntraub, *Hebrew Maps of the Holy Land* (1992), pp. 19-21.

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- 176 **(ISRAEL, LAND OF)**. Eliyahu Mizrachi [super-commentary to Rashi on the Pentateuch] Map of Eretz Israel on f. 280b. Previous owner's marks on title, closely shaved, wormed in places, portions of ff. 186-304 defective with loss neatly supplied in manuscript, f. 313 and f. 320 entirely supplied in manuscript. Modern gilt-tooled calf. Folio. Vinograd, Cracow 176; Mehlman 669.

Cracow, Yitzchak Prostitz, 1595. **\$500-700**



Lot 177

- 177 **(ISRAEL, LAND OF)**. Hottinger, Johann Heinrich. *Cippi Hebraici* ["Tombs of the Hebrews"]. Second edition. Hebrew and Latin text with occasional use of Arabic. Four engraved plates (three double-page), one depicting Jewish tombs and monuments, another of ancient Judean coins. ff. 13, pp. 188, ff. 4. Foxed. Contemporary shkep, rubbed. 12mo. Tobler 71; Freimann, 195.

Heidelberg, Samuel Broun, 1662. **\$600-900**

❖ *Cippi Hebraici* is a Latin translation of Yichus Avoth (Venice, 1575 - no copy extant); a description of the graves of the righteous and of the Holy Places of Eretz Israel. It was composed by Uri ben Shimon of Biala, an emissary of the Aschenazic Community of Safed. See A. Yaari, *Sheluchei Eretz Yisrael* (1977), pp. 80 and 248. The expanded notes in the present edition are of scholarly and archaeological interest.

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Lot 178

178 (ISRAEL, LAND OF). Simonis, Johann. *Onomasticum Veteris Testamenti sive Tractatus Philologicus* [Lexicon of the Old Testament with Philological Treatise] Title in red and black. Latin interspersed with Hebrew, Arabic, Ethiopic and Greek. Engraved frontispiece **HEBREW MAP OF THE LAND OF ISRAEL** with place-names and divisions by tribe captioned in Hebrew, covered by a grape vine, all within ornate frame. *pp.* (16), 644, (118). *Foxed. Contemporary diced morocco, rubbed, spine defective. 4to.* Laor 730; E. and G. Wajntraub, *Hebrew Maps of the Holy Land* (1992), p. 67.

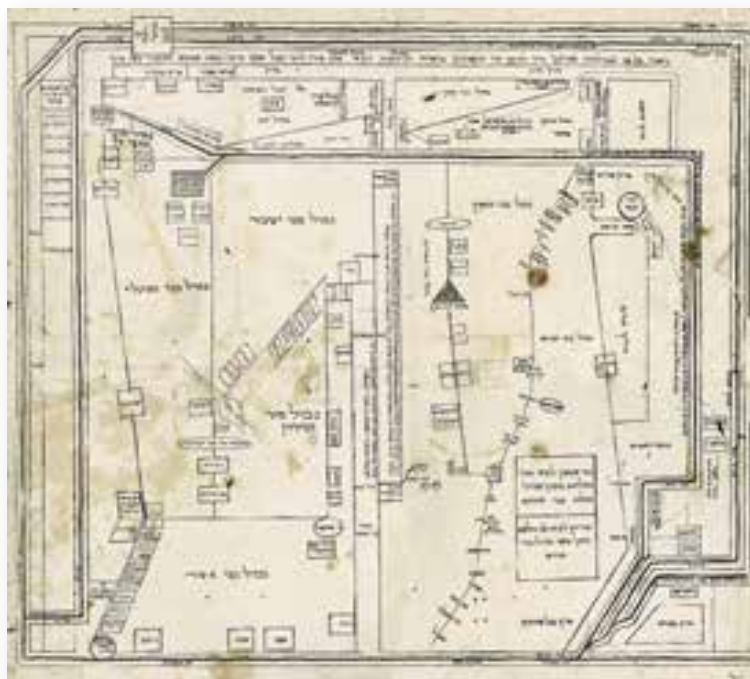
Halle, Impensis Orphanotropei, 1741. **\$10,000-15,000**

• **THE CELEBRATED "GRAPE VINE MAP" OF THE HOLY LAND.**

This is one of just a very few pre-19th century Holy Land maps captioned in Hebrew. Its epithet derives from the fact that the Land is covered by a grape-vine in depiction of Psalms 80:9-12, "Thou didst pluck up a vine out of Egypt; Thou didst drive out the nations, and didst plant it. Thou didst clear a place before it, and it took deep root, and filled the land. The mountains were covered with the shadow of it, and the mighty cedars with the boughs thereof. She sent out her branches unto the sea, and her shoots unto the River." The grape-vine is thus an allusion to the People of Israel, their exodus from Egypt, and their conquest of the Land.

E. and G. Wajntraub note that "the vine is a symbol of fertility according to the Prophet Jeremiah 31:5... Although the map is comparatively small in size and compact in execution, much effort was made by its unknown engraver to include all significant places noted in the Old Testament."

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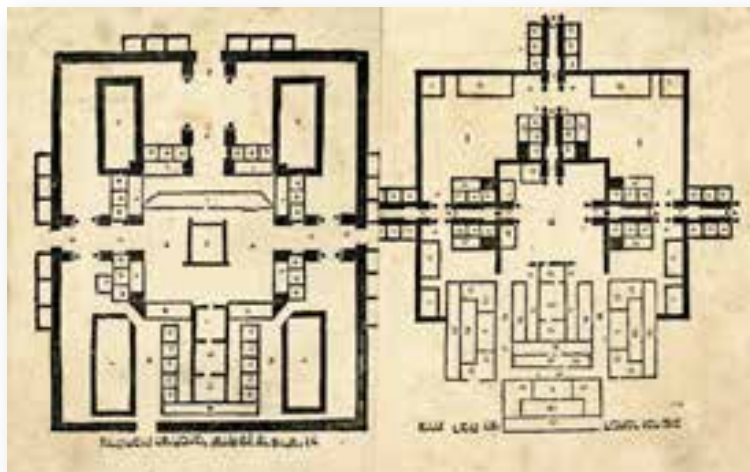
Lot 179

179 (ISRAEL, LAND OF). Yehoshua Feivel ben Israel, Kitzvei Eretz [on the boundaries of the Land of Israel] **WITH UNUSUAL FOLD OUT MAP** by Rabbi Aryeh Leib of Saini. ff. 16 (plus fold out map). Slight worming in places, few stains. Modern calf-backed marbled boards. Sm. 4to. Vinograd, Grodno 113.

Horadna (Grodno), Simcha Zimel, 1813. **\$2000-3000**

❖ **RARE.** The fold out map shows the borders according to the tribes with many extra geographical details including names of cities and explanations. The title and introduction state that the first edition contained many errors, especially in the map. The publisher Yaakov ben Yitzchak of Horadna (Grodno), is proud that this corrected edition contains a completely new map composed by his brother, a great Rabbinical scholar (as attested to in the approbations), who died at an early age. See E. & G. Wajntraub, Hebrew Maps of the Holy Land (1992), pp. 127-28.

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Lot 180

180 (ISRAEL, LAND OF). Altschul, Zev Wolf. Zevud Tov [commentary on the future Temple prophesied by Ezekiel]. *** WITH:** Shechif Etz [an additional super-commentary on Rashi] and Eretz Chemdah [on the boundaries of the Land of Israel as delineated in the Book of Joshua] by his son Elyakim Getzel Altschul. **FIRST EDITION** of the additional material by the son. **TWO ARCHITECTURAL MAPS OF TEMPLE ON FINAL LEAVES.** Map of boundaries of Land of Israel on f. 31a. Wide margins. ff. 34,(4). Previous owner's marks, lightly browned. Modern boards. 4to. Vinograd, Warsaw 38.

Warsaw, H. Nosonwicz, 1814. **\$1500-2000**

❖ The two Temple maps are based upon the different opinions of the commentaries by the father and son.

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Lot 181

181 (ISRAEL, LAND OF). Israel ben Samuel of Shklov. Pe'ath HaShulchan [agricultural laws of Eretz Israel] **FIRST EDITION. THE RABBI YAAKOV YITZCHAK RUDERMAN COPY**, with his signature, stamps and purchase information on the front flyleaf, dated Slabodka-Kovna 1925. Plus older inscription noting the volume belonged to the Rabbi of Telz. With the rare final leaf of corrections and polemical addenda lacking in most copies. ff. (5), 2-109, (1). Stained in places, title and following leaf taped. Contemporary boards, worn. Folio. Vinograd, Safed 12; Vinograd, Vilna Gaon 1543; Yaari, Safed 11.

Safed, Israel Bak, 1836. **\$700-1000**

❖ Discusses the Laws applicable to the Holy Land, based on Maimonides and in particular the rulings of the author's mentor R. Elijah, the Gaon of Vilna. These are written in a style approximating that of Joseph Karo's Code, Shulchan Aruch ("Prepared Table"), hence the name Pe'ath HaShulchan ("Corner of the Table"). Introduction describes the massacres by the Druze in the Gallilee. The final leaf contain a vehement retort to a criticism of the Vilna Gaon and states that the critic who writes nonsense, should "toil forty years" to understand the depth of the Gaon's thought.

The author, Rabbi Israel ben Samuel of Shklov (1770-1839), was the leader of the Kollel Perushim, the followers of the Vilna Gaon in Eretz Israel. See JE, Vol VI, p. 669; S. Levi, Rabbi Israel of Shklov, in: Sinai III (1939) pp. 30-37; L. Jung (ed.) Men of the Spirit (1964) pp. 63-81.

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182 (ISRAEL, LAND OF). Horowitz, Chaim Ben Dov-Ber Halevi. Sepher Chibath Yerushalayim [descriptions of the Holy Sites of Eretz Israel] Woodcut printer's device on title. ff. (3), 63 (i.e. 60). Stained, stamps excised, opening leaf taped. Contemporary boards, rebaked. Sm. 4to. Vinograd, Jerusalem 29.

"Jerusalem" (Lemberg?), Israel Bak, "1844" (1870?). **\$300-500**

♣ Although the title-page mirrors the Jerusalem edition, Shoshanna Halevy speculates the actual printing was done in Lemberg. She deduces this to be a pirated edition due to the addition of a haskamah by R. Aaron Moses of Brody and a Compiler's Forward. See Halevy, *The First Hebrew Books Printed in Jerusalem* (1975), p. 15.

183 (ISRAEL, LAND OF). Zikaron BeYerushalayim [on the Holy Sites in Eretz Israel] With numerous woodcut illustrations of the Western Wall and other Holy Places in Eretz Israel ff. 24. Lightly browned. Contemporary cloth-backed marbled boards, slightly rubbed at extremities. 12mo. Halevi 340.

Jerusalem, Joel Moses Salomon, 1880. **\$500-700**

184 (ISRAEL, LAND OF). E. Mills. Census of Palestine 1931 - Population of Villages, Towns and Administrative Areas. Text in English, Hebrew and Arabic. pp. (12), 112. Minimal stains. Original printed wrappers. Folio.

Jerusalem, Greek Convent and Godberg Presses, 1931. **\$200-250**

♣ Lists the population of different towns and villages by sex, religion and ethnic group. Divides the population into Muslims, Jews, Christians, Samaritans, Bahai and Druze.

185 (ISRAEL, STATE OF). Invitation to the proceedings announcing the independence of the State of Israel. * WITH: Ticket with assigned seat number.

Tel Aviv, 13th May, 1948. **\$1000-1500**

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186 (ISRAEL, STATE OF). The New York Times. "Zionists Proclaim New State of Israel: Truman Recognizes it and Hopes for Peace; Egypt Orders Invasion, other Armies Near." Printed Newspaper Broadsheet. Complete in 30 pages.

New York, Saturday, May 15th, 1948. **\$500-700**

♣ Below the bold headline: "The Jewish State, the world's newest sovereignty, to be known as the State of Israel, came into being in Palestine at midnight upon termination of the British Mandate...Even as [David Ben-Gurion] made his historic declaration, which was received with rejoicing, reports from outside indicated that this tiny state was being launched into stormy waters. Foreign Arab armies were said to be massing, ready for invasion."

187 (ISRAEL, STATE OF). Photograph-album of c. 266 photographic snapshots of Israeli military-companies and related subjects: Male and female military school class pictures 1952-54 (all with named captions), military officers from other countries visiting Israel, entertainment troupe, etc. Contained within large album.

Israel, 1950's. **\$1000-1500**

♣ Photographs include Moshe Dayan, Menachem Begin, Yigael Yadin, Moshe Sharett, Rabbi Shlomo Goren, Pinchas Lavon, etc. All taken at various military and public ceremonies. Towards the end of the album a page is devoted to Israeli participation in the 1955 Vierdaagse, an annual four-day military march in Nijmegen, Holland.

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Lot 187



Lot 188



Lot 189

188 (ISRAEL, STATE OF). Meged, Aharon. Hagadath Ha'Atzma'uth ["The Hagadah of Independence."] **FIRST EDITION.** Replete with numerous photographic illustrations. Elegant Hebrew typography. Ornamental frames in color. Printed in blue, green and yellow. *pp.* 40. *Browned.* Original color pictorial printed wrappers. *8vo.*

Tel Aviv, Moshe Shoham, 1952. **\$2000-2500**

✎ Issued on behalf of the Israel Defense Forces and based upon the style of the traditional Passover Hagadah, this scarce, original text innovates a service for the State of Israel's Independence Day. However, the tensions inherent in manipulating the traditional liturgical forms (even to the drinking of four cups of wine), resulted in controversy, and the State's religious authorities demanded the suppression of the edition. Also objectionable apparently, was the self-glorification of the might of the Israeli military; viz. Lo al yedei mal'ach velo al yedei saraf... ki im al yedei...Tzeva Haganah LeYisrael..." ["Not by an angel and not by a Seraph but rather by the Israel Defense Forces..."]

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189 (ITALY). Le'Elo-hei Ma'ozim Todoth / Divotissime Azioni di Grazie Umiliate a Dio Signore dalla Nazione Ebrea di Mantova per le Segnalate Vittorie Riportate dalle Armi Invitte di S.M.I...Giuseppe Secondo e segnatamente per l'acclamata presa di Belgrado. Hebrew and Italian on facing pages. Each page within typographical frame. Uncut copy. *pp.* 9, (2), 10-36. *Trace foxed.* Recent boards. *Sm. folio.* Vinograd, Mantua 560.

Mantua, 29th October,, 1789. **\$400-600**

✎ Poetic verses from the Jewish community of Mantua in celebration of the capture of Belgrade by the Austrian army under Emperor Joseph II. Features sonnets by Rabbis Bonajuto [Azriel] Isaac Levi, Salomon Norsa and Abraham Cologna. See S. Simonsohn, History of the Jews in the Duchy of Mantua (1977) *pp.* 78; 618, n. 55.

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190 JACOB BEN ASHER. (Arbah Turim) Orach Chaim [Rabbinic Code] With commentary by Joseph Karo. Marginalia. *ff.* 24, 460. *Stained in places, title silked, opening 7 and closing 7 leaves remargined with loss.* Modern calf-backed boards. *Folio.* Vinograd, Venice 733; Habermann, di Gara 107; Adams J-18.

Venice, Giovanni di Gara, 1589. **\$500-700**

191 JAFFE, MORDECHAI. Levush Ha'orah [elucidations and novellea on Rashi's commentary to the Pentateuch] **FIRST EDITION.** MAP OF THE LAND OF ISRAEL (f. 84v). Printer's device on verso of title. ff. 91. Lacking 9-leaf supplement. Foxed and wormed, previous owners marks. Later calf, rubbed and worn. Sm. folio. Vinograd, Prague 123.

Prague, Abraham ben Moses Sedil, 1603. **\$3000-5000**

With a important woodcut map of the Land of Israel and surrounding nations, charting the travels of the Children of Israel. Decorative and clearly defined, the map depicts ships riding the seas with cities delineated by towers adorned with flags - an altogether sophisticated representation. The details of the map were entirely based on information derived from the Bible and its commentaries, for, as E. & G. Wajntraub point out in their Hebrew Maps of the Holy Land (1992) p. 41 "it was not possible to draw eye-witness reports, and all geographical data is based [only] on the geographical knowledge of the Bible."

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192 JAFFE, MORDECHAI. Levush Ha'orah [elucidations and novellea on Rashi's commentary to the Pentateuch] **MAP OF THE LAND OF ISRAEL** (on f. 60b) ff. (1), 64. Tear on upper corner of final leaf affecting a few words, some staining and worming. Modern gilt-tooled calf. Folio. Vinograd, Breslau 323.

(Breslau, 1860). **\$500-700**

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193 JOSEPH BEN ISSACHAR. Yosef Da'ath [super-commentary to Rashi on the Pentateuch] **FIRST EDITION.** Title within typographical border. **MAP OF THE LAND OF ISRAEL** together with other woodcut plates and text-illustrations striving to clarify errors in Rashi's commentary by using an early manuscript text ff.1-60, 65-152. Browned and stained, crude paper repairs, some worming, previous owners marks. Later marbled boards. Sm. 4to. Vinograd, Prague 168.

Prague, Gershom ben Bezalel Katz, 1609. **\$2000-3000**

This important map of the Land of Israel is based on Mordechai Jaffe's earlier effort that appeared in his Levushim (1590-1604). R. Joseph's map however is more clearly defined, the mountains are easily visible and the cities are shown by towers and decorated with flags - an altogether sophisticated representation. See Z. Vilnay, Hamapah Ha'ivrit shel Eretz Yisrael (1968) p. 15 (illustrated)

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Lot 191



Lot 192

194 **JOSEPH BEN SHEM TOV IBN SHEM TOV**. Kevod Elo-him [philosophy] **FIRST EDITION**. Title within architectural arch with the printer's device of an armillary sphere resting on a scroll with verse from Psalm 130:5 (Yaari, no.22). With the scarce colophon leaf (lacking in many copies) repeating device. ff.(32). *Slight marginal worming in places, some staining, small tear on upper corner of final leaf not affecting text. Modern crushed morocco. Sm. 4to* Vinograd, Ferrara 40; Adams J-348; St. Cat. Bodl. 6003,1(lib. rarrisimus); Deinard, Atikoth Yehudah p.23.

Ferrara, Abraham ibn Usque, 1556. **\$1200-1800**

♣ The author (c.1400-1460) was a noted Spanish scholar and philosopher who served as the physician and financial administrator for the Castilian King Henry IV. Kevod Elo-him, delineates the differences between Judaism and Aristoteliansim, with the author forcefully positing that only by following the dictates of the Torah can one find the path to immortality.

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195 **JOSEPH IBN VERGA**. She'erith Yoseph [on the methodology of the Talmud]. Second edition. ff. 44. *Some staining, previous owners marks including bookplate of Jacob Klatzkin. Later calf, rubbed. Sm.4to.* Vinograd, Mantua 186.

Mantua, Moses Elishama Zifroni for Tommaso Ruffinelli, 1593. **\$500-600**

♣ The author, who lived in Turkey, was the son of Solomon ibn Verga, author of the historical chronicle, Shevet Yehudah. On the title-page, the author boasts he assembled many Talmudic principles not included in the earlier works on Talmudic methodology, that is, Sepher Kerithoth by Samson of Chinon and Halichoth Olam by Isaiah Halevi.

196 **JOSEPHUS, FLAVIUS**. Histoire de la Guerre des Juifs. Two large folding maps at end. pp. xxxvi, 520, (30). *Dampstained, soiled in places, few corners worn. Contemporary calf, rubbed and rebacked. Folio.*

Paris, Pierre le Petit, 1668. **\$300-500**

197 **JOSEPHUS, FLAVIUS**. The Whole Genuine and Complete Works. Translated by George Henry Maynard. With sixty engraved plates and maps after Stothard and others, including three plates by William Blake. pp. 723. *Neat repair to plate near p. 117. Contemporary reverse sheep, expertly rebacked. Folio.*

London, C. Cooke , circa 1785. **\$400-600**



Lot 193



Lot 194



Lot 198

198 JACOB BEN ASHER. (Arbah Turim) Yoreh De'ah [Rabbinic Code] ff. 121 (of 134) lacking 13 leaves. Commences from the middle of "Siman" 5 of the Laws of Slaughter (sig. 2:2) and continues through Siman 389 of the Laws of Mourning, and then further from the middle of Siman 397 through the middle of Siman 404. Lacks seven (of 8) leaves of the first quire except for f. 3 (table of contents) which is here bound in at the end; also lacking the final leaf of the second quire (sig. 2:10) and five leaves (including blank) from the final quire. First leaf neatly taped touching a few letters, final two leaves expertly repaired affecting some text, **OTHERWISE A CLEAN COPY.** *Modern elaborately tooled calf.* Folio. J. Tedghi, HaSefher Vehadephus Ha'Ivri BeFez (1997) pp. 76-83.

(Fez, Samuel & Isaac Nedivot), (ca. 1516-17). **\$40,000-60,000**

⚡ **OF THE UTMOST RARITY. NO COMPLETE COPY EXTANT. THE FIRST HEBREW BOOK PRINTED IN FEZ - INDEED THE FIRST BOOK PRINTED ON THE AFRICAN CONTINENT IN ANY LANGUAGE.**

According to Yudlov (no. 726) only two copies of the Fez Yoreh De'ah are recorded - both are incomplete. One copy is housed in the Schocken Library, Jerusalem and another copy (also incomplete) that was recently discovered in the University of Alberta, although misdescribed (see S.L. Aranov, A Descriptive Catalogue of the Bension Collection of Sephardic Manuscripts and Texts, University of Alberta (Edmonton, 1979) no. 296 ("an incunable and a unicum.") Furthermore, the Mehlman Collection in the National Library of Israel possesses a fragment of just one single leaf. **NO OTHER COPY IS RECORDED.**

A harsh campaign was waged by King Manuel I and the Church to convert the Jews of Portugal to Christianity, so that by 1497 the choice facing the Jews was either apostasy or exile. Among those who chose the latter were Samuel ben Isaac Nedivot, a printer who had learned the art of printing in the publishing house of Eliezer Toledano in Lisbon.

Samuel Nedivot brought Hebrew typographical equipment with him when he was exiled from his ancestral home in Portugal and upon establishing safe haven across the ocean in Fez, Morocco, he set up the African Continent's very first printing-press of any kind. Along with his son Isaac, Samuel Nedivot produced in Fez some one dozen Hebrew titles over the period of a decade - the present astoundingly rare volume being the first such production (Vinograd, Fez no. 1). These Hebrew books printed by Nedivot in Northern Africa continued the Portuguese artistic style of printing, utilizing the Hebrew fonts that were originally designed in Lisbon. Thus the new intellectual fruit that was reaped in Morocco was a direct result of Jews such as Nedivot having been rudely removed from Portuguese and Spanish shores.

Fez, the former capital, is one of Morocco's four "imperial cities." It became one of the major centers in North Africa for the reversion of Marranos to open-led Judaism. It is suggested the reason that Hebrew printing was short-lived in Morocco was due to unfavorable economic conditions as well as the influence of the adverse reaction of the Islamic world to the use of printing for the benefit of other religions.

See H. Beinart, Fez as a Center of Return to Judaism in the Sixteenth Century, in: Sefunot Vol. VIII (1964) pp. 319-34; J.S. Gerber, Jewish Society in Fez 1450-1700: Studies in Communal and Economic Life (1997)

NO COPY OF THE FEZ TUR HAS EVER APPEARED AT AUCTION.

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Lot 199



Lot 200

199 (KABBALAH). Isaac Luria. Shulchan Aruch [Halachic ritual infused with Kabbalah]. With: Abraham ibn Ezra. Igereth HaShabbath. **FIRST EDITION** Igereth HaShabbath. ff. (2), 112. *Marginal tears, few repaired, browned. Later reverse-calf boards. 16mo. Vinograd, Amsterdam 898; St. Bod. 5386 no. 14.*

Amsterdam, Jacob Alvarez Soto, Moses Even-Yakar Brandon & Benjamin de Jong, 1649 (i.e. 1709). **\$300-500**

✦ With variant date 1649 on title – rather than the standard 1709 as noted by Vinograd. The Bodleian copy has the date 1709 with both chronogram letters “Cheth” and “Samach” of the word “Chesed” enlarged on the title-page. The present copy has only the letter “Cheth” enlarged.

In Igereth HaShabbath Abraham ibn Ezra recounts a dream in which it was ordained to compose this work to make amends for a prior misunderstood teaching that seems to have led to the unintended desecration of the Sabbath by a wayward student. (ff. 110v-112r) See EJ, Vol. VIII, cols. 1163-4.

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200 (KABBALAH). Gaffarel, M.I. Curiositez Inouyes, sur la Sculpture Talismanique des Persans, Horoscope des Patriarches, et Lecture des Estoiles [“Unheard of Curiosities of the Talismanic Sculpture of the Persians, the Horoscope of the Patriarchs, and Reading the Stars.”] French interspersed with Hebrew. Headpieces, tailpieces, initials. Several kabbalistic and astrological charts, including two fold-out plates of the “Celestial Constellations Expressed by Hebrew Characters” (one fold-out slightly torn) pp. (16), 315. *Calf-backed marbled boards, gilt, rubbed. 8vo. cf. Steinschneider 5107 (notes other works by Gaffarel, but not the present one.)*

n.p., n.p., 1650. **\$2000-2500**

✦ French Catholic Hebraist and philo-Semite, Jacques Gaffarel (1601-81) was a priest and scholar of Oriental languages who defended the Kabbalah against attacks by Mersenne and others. He was the librarian to Cardinal Richelieu as well as a profound astrologer.

The first part of this text, Gaffarel’s most celebrated work, is devoted to defending the Jews against several classic calumnies. In passing, Gaffarel mentions the burning of Hebrew libraries in Italy and alludes (p. 38) to the fact that in Cremona alone, twelve thousand volumes were incinerated in 1559. He opines that the “Jesus” maligned in the Talmud is indeed another Jesus altogether (an argument advanced by many medieval rabbis). As for the charge that Jews continue to malign the Christian messiah, the author claims that this is not so, for in the numerous anti-Christological arguments posed by Rabbis David Kimchi and Joseph Albo one will not find any aspersion cast upon the character of Jesus.

The second part of the work is a defense of Persian astrology. On p. 48 there is a reference to a translation of a work of Persian astrology into Hebrew by “Rabbi Chomer, modern author.” The Persian author of the work is said to be “Hamahalzel.” There follows a defense of Zoroaster by R. Chomer. Chapter V recounts the wondrous properties of certain minerals, plants, and animals. Chapter VI launches into an examination of the concept of the “talisman,” a figure or image engraved in a mineral which supposedly has the ability to tap the power of a celestial constellation.

The third part concerns the Horoscope of the Patriarchs or the Astrology of the Ancient Hebrews. On p. 201 the author provides in Hebrew the names of the Ten Sephiroth. On pp. 202, the author makes mention of R. Kapol “tres-savant Astrologue” and once again on p. 221, he speaks of R. Jacob Kapol ben Samuel. (See Steinschneider 5612.) On pp. 220-21 there is a reference to “R. Isaac Hazan, the author of that which the Jews believe to be the Astronomical Tables of Alphonse.” On p. 231 there is a Hebrew reference to the wall-chart placed over the crib of the newborn infant as protection against Lilith and discussion of the etymology of the name “Lilith.”

The fourth part of this work presents Gaffarel’s theory that the stars, according to the Hebrews, have been arranged in the form of letters, and by knowing how to “read” the heavens, one can foretell anything that will take place in this world. This part is accompanied by two folding woodcut celestial maps on which stars have been depicted in the form of Hebrew letters.

The author was one of the chief exponents of 17th-century Christian Kabbalism.

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201 (KABBALAH). Hackspan, Theodor. *Miscellaneorum sacrorum libri duo, quibus accessit ejusdem exercitatio de Cabbala Judaica.* **FIRST EDITION.** Kabbalistic charts. *pp.* (10), 452, (34). *Foxed and browned. Contemporary vellum, light wear. 8vo.*

Altdorf, J. Tauberum, 1660. **\$500-700**

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202 KAGAN, YISROEL MEIR OF RADIN. Chofetz Chaim. * **BOUND WITH:** Shmirath Halashon ["Guard your Tongue"] Together, two works bound in one volume. **BOTH FIRST EDITION.** *pp.* 162 and *pp.* 76. *Browned with some light wear, few minimal marginal tears. Modern boards 4to.*

Vilna, 1873 and 1876. **\$1000-1500**

✎ **FIRST EDITION OF TWO PIONEERING HALACHIC WORKS.** The first book is on the laws of lashon-hara and rechiluth (derogatory speech and malicious gossip.) The second is a comprehensive discussion of the philosophy behind the Jewish concepts concerning the power of speech. Inspirational and widely popular, they were designed to motivate the reader to be vigilant in the ethical usage of one's language.

Published anonymously, the author, R. Yisroel Meir Kagan (1838-1933), was later acclaimed as the preeminent Halachic decisor and "tzaddik" of his generation. Today, he is universally referred as the Chofetz Chaim, after the title of his ground-breaking work.

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203 KAGAN, YISROEL MEIR OF RADIN. (The Chofetz Chaim). Machaneh Yisrael. **FIRST EDITION.** *ff.* 120. *Brittle. Contemporary boards, worn. Sm. 4to.*

Vilna, 1881. **\$300-500**

✎ Advice for the Jewish soldier as to how to halachically observe religious traditions in the army, together with special prayers to be said before going into battle. Composed in order to assist Jewish soldiers drafted into the army of the Czar.

204 KAGAN, YISROEL MEIR OF RADIN. (The Chofetz Chaim). Mishneh Berurah. Six volumes. Four volumes with the word Mugah ("checked") on the front fly leaf and/or the verso of the front cover in the hand of the author. **WITH STAMPS OF RABBI Y. Y. RUDERMAN AND HIS SON-IN-LAW RABBI YAAKOV S. WEINBERG.** *Browned. Contemporary boards (non-uniform). 4to.*

Warsaw-Piotrkow, 1896-1907. **\$500-700**

✎ The stamp of Rabbi Ruderman states "Rabbi of Baltimore and Dean of Rabbinical College. Ner Israel."

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205 KAGAN, YISROEL MEIR OF RADIN. (The Chofetz Chaim). Ma'amar Eth La'asoth ["A Time to Act"] Two-page broadside. *Slight tear at central fold. 9 x 13 inches.*

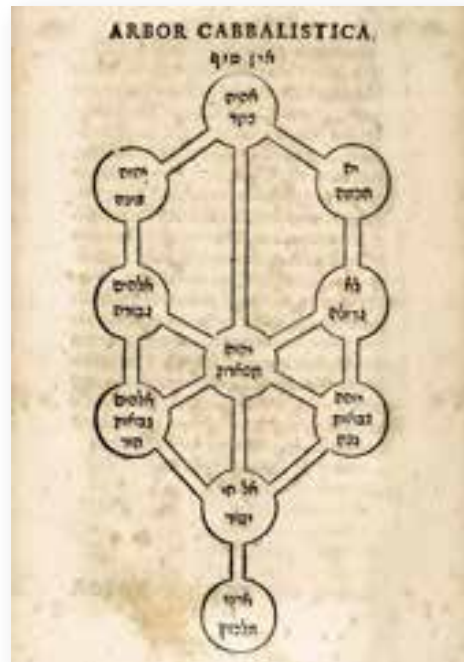
Vilna, 1906. **\$400-600**

✎ Written during a time of spiritual upheaval and pogrom. "What we must do to rescue ourselves and our children." The Chofetz Chaim emphasizes prayer, communal Torah study and strengthening of charity.

206 KAYYARA, SHIMON (Attributed to). Halachoth Gedoloth [Gaonic Rabbinic Code] **FIRST EDITION.** *ff.* (4), 144. *Trimmed and dampstained, opening two leaves with loss. Recent boards. Folio.* Vinograd, Venice 333.

Venice, Adelkind for Giustiniani, 1548. **\$500-700**

✎ One of the earliest and most important Halachic texts. The authorship and date of this work has been the subject of much study and has given rise to conflicting views. For a brief overview see EJ, Vol. VII cols. 1167-70.



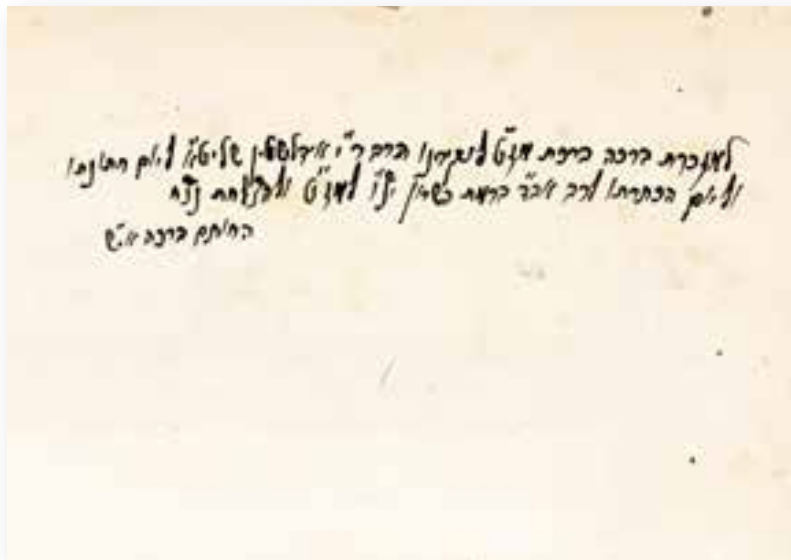
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the new Ponovezh Yeshiva in Bnai Brak. Later, upon the passing of R. Tzvi Yehudah Edelstein in 1950, it was the Chazon Ish who crowned R. Yaakov Edelstein to succeed his father as Rabbi of Ramat HaSharon as indicated by the personal inscription in this volume.

Renowned for his spectacular memory, R. Yaakov has served as the senior Dayan on the Beth Din of his close friend R. Nissim Karelitz for many decades. Indeed, in a telling testament to R. Yaakov's proficiency, the Brisker Rav would send his son, the Brisker Rosh Yeshiva Rav Berel, to travel to Ramat HaSharon to consult with Rav Yaakov in regard to halachic questions. R. Edelstein is known to be the last remaining disciple of the celebrated kabbalist the "Sandler," R. Moshe Yaakov Rabikoff, the reclusive Tel Aviv shoemaker with whom the Chazon Ish visited frequently. To this day, people travel from across the globe to receive Rabbi Edelstein's clear halachic decisions, blessings and practical advice.

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207 KARELITZ, ABRAHAM ISAIAH. ("The Chazon Ish."). Sepher Chazon Ish, Hilchoth Avodah Zarah, Yayin Nesech, Pesach, etc. **AUTOGRAPH PRESENTATION COPY.** Opening blank inscribed by the author and signed with his acronym "ISH". "As a remembrance of a Mazal Tov blessing to to our dear Rabbi Y. Edelstein upon the day of his wedding and being crowned Rabbi of Ramath HaSharon...Mazal Tov and everlasting success. Signed with a blessing." With stamp on title of Rabbi Yaakov Edelstein, Ramath HaSharon. ff. 86. *Browned, small tear on title-page. Contemporary boards rebaked. Folio.*

Jerusalem, Diskin Orphanage, 1951. **\$4000-6000**

⚠ **MOST UNCOMMON FOR THE CHAZON ISH TO WRITE SUCH A RELATIVELY LENGTHY AND WARM INSCRIPTION.**

The recipient of this volume, Rabbi Yaakov Edelstein, is regarded in the Torah world as one of the greatest living scholars in both Halacha and Kabbalah. He was extremely close to the Chazon Ish who in 1944, chose Rav Yaakov to be amongst the first group of six young men who inaugurated



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208 KIMCHI, DAVID. (RaDa"K). Sepher Michlol [grammar] Third edition (the first two editions entirely unknown to Steinschneider). Title within attractive four-part ornamental border. ff. (64). *Stained and wormed. Title as well as many other leaves laid to size with some loss, corners rounded. Modern morocco. Folio.* Vinograd, Const. 149; Mehlman 1252; Adams K-48.

Constantinople, Gershom / Eliezer Soncino, (1533). **\$1000-1500**

⚠ According to the colophon, the work was begun by Gershom Soncino (who died in 1534) and was completed by his son Eliezer. See A.M. Haberman, Perakim be-Toldoth HaMadpissim Ha'Ivri'im (1978) pp. 15-20.

209 KIMCHI, DAVID. Peirush - Commentarium Hebraicum...in Decem Primos Psalmos Davidicos. **FIRST EDITION** of translation. Hebrew and Latin on facing pages. Twenty-one historiated initial panels. Scholarly marginalium on final page. pp. 65, (1). *Title remargined, following five leaves with neat marginal repairs, stained. Modern morocco. Folio.* Vinograd, Constanz 3; Mehlman 1877; Haberman, Perakim BeToldoth HaMadpissim Ha'Ivri'im, p. 166 no. 18.

Constantiae [Konstanz], Paulus Fagius, 1544. **\$3000-5000**

⚠ A Latin translation of Kimchi's commentary to the first ten chapters of the Book of Psalms. Both text and commentary appear in beautifully crafted square letters with vocalization. One of only three Hebrew books that were published in Konstanz, a town located on the shores of Lake Constance in the German State of Baden-Württemberg. An expulsion order was issued against the Jews of Konstanz in 1432 although not enforced until 1533. Thereafter, Jews were only permitted to enter the town temporarily, although they continued to live in neighboring villages.

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210 KIMCHI, MOSES. Sepher Darchei Lashon Hakodesh - Liber Viarum Linguae Sanctae. Edited by Agostino Giustiniani. Latin introduction followed by Hebrew text in a most distinctive Hebrew font. Title within 4-part ornamental border (trimmed on outer margin). **A CRISP, CLEAN COPY.** *Modern vellum-backed text-ornament boards.* 8vo.

Paris, Gilles de Gourmont, (1520). **\$5000-7000**

⚡ **THE FIRST HEBREW BOOK PRINTED IN PARIS. A VERY FINE COPY OF A VERY SCARCE EDITION. INCLUDES AN EARLY HEBREW ALPHABET.**

Born in Genoa into a noble family, Agostino Giustiniani (1470-1536) joined the Dominican order in 1487. He studied Greek, Hebrew and Arabic, and in 1514 began the preparation of a polyglot edition of the Bible. As bishop of Nebbio in Corsica, he took part in some of the earlier sittings of the Lateran council (1516-17), but, in consequence of party complications, withdrew to his diocese, and ultimately to France, where he became a pensioner of Francis I, and was the first to occupy a chair of Hebrew and Arabic in the University of Paris. He was killed in a storm at sea - but not before producing the famed Genoa Psalms polyglot.

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211 KIRCHNER, PAUL CHRISTIAN. Juedisches Ceremoniel Title in red and black, allegorical engraved frontispiece relating to the confluence of the Written and Oral Law. 28 enchanting engraved folding plates of Jewish ceremonies and customs detailing religious and cultural life of 18th century German-Jewish society. *Browned and lightly stained in places, lower corner of opening blank removed. Contemporary calf, worn.* 4to. Rubens 539-67; Freimann 148.

Nuremberg, Peter Conrad Monath, 1726. **\$1500-2000**

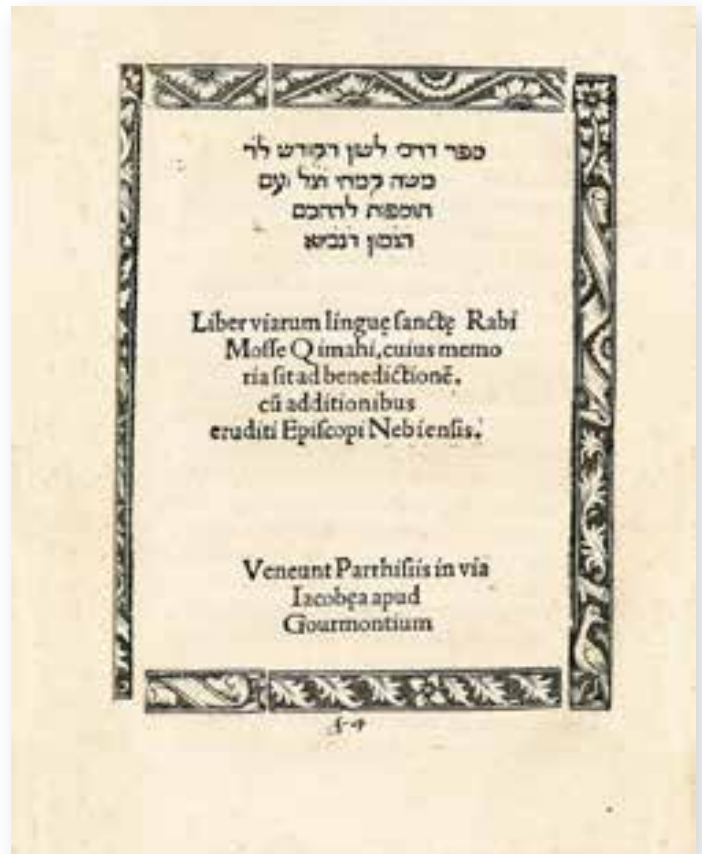
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212 LAMPRONI, ISAAC. (Ed.) Anav, Pinchas Hai. Tosephoth Bikurei Katzir [Responsa concerning the correct cantillation and melody of the Priestly Blessing]. **FIRST EDITION.** Woodcut headpiece of two cherubs bearing a crown on title pages. ff. 17. *Upper margin slightly frayed, slight marginal worming, last page taped.* Unbound. Sm. 4to. Vinograd, Venice 1630; Mehlman 859(2).

Venice, Bragadin, 1715. **\$300-500**

⚡ The First Hebrew Periodical, of which only three issues were published. Upon accepting a teaching position at the Ferrara Talmud Torah, Lampronti initiated a periodical of studies on Halacha and rabbinic literature. Only three issues appeared, with contributions mainly by his own students. This second issue contains responsa from various scholars supporting the prevailing Ashkenazic custom in Italy where the particular melody utilized during the Priestly Blessing resulted in certain verses to be stressed on the last syllable against the view of Nechemia ben Baruch Cohen of Ferrara who stressed the penultimate syllable. This work engendered great controversy and Cohen helped publish the polemical Meitzitz U'Meilitz by Mordehai Tzahalon to support his opinion. Unlike the Ashkenazim in Germany and Poland who sing between the phrases, thus diligent about pronouncing the actual words correctly, the Italians sang the actual words and thus placed the stress of the syllable according to the tune. The Mehlman copy has an extra page of corrections lacking in this and most other copies.

See I. Sonne, Avnei Binyan Lekorot Hayehudim Be'Italia in: Horeb, Vol. VI (1942) pp. 76-114. Also see E. Carlebach, The Pursuit of Heresy: Rabbi Moses Hagiz and the Sabbatian Controversies (1990) p. 158, who calls this controversy "a monument to Rabbinic contentiousness in the 18th century."



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213 LANDAU, JACOB. Sepher Agur [laws and precepts] Second edition. Title within architectural arch. Initial letters of opening word within white-on-black decorative woodcut vignettes. ff. 102. *Previous owners' marks, several leaves remargined, stained, few leaves supplied from another copy. Modern calf.* 4to Vinograd, Rimini 6; Adams L-107; Habermann, Soncino, 77.

Rimini, Gershom Soncino, (1525-26). **\$2000-3000**

✎ The last rabbinic code written by a German scholar before the Shulchan Aruch was compiled, the Sepher Agur follows the order of the Tur and contains 1,439 sections, primarily focusing upon ritual, the laws of the Sabbath and the Festivals. R. Jacob Landau's purpose was to add the decisions of the later German scholars, such as Jacob Moelin and Israel Isserlein, which were omitted by Jacob ben Asher's Tur. This copy contains the rare final four leaves of riddles (Sepher Chazon) following the index.

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214 LIPSCHUETZ, ISRAEL BEN ELIEZER. Or Yisrael [responsa] **FIRST EDITION, THE UNCENSORED ISSUE.** The Rabbi Yaakov S. Weinberg copy, with his bookplate. ff. 120. *Browned. Recent marbled boards, worn. Sm. 4to.* Vinograd, Cleves 1.

Cleves, The Widow Sizmann, 1770. **\$800-1200**

✎ Following the polemic of Aaron Shimon of Copenhagen's Or Hayashar published in 1769, the present work deals primarily with the author's position regarding the Cleves Get Controversy, a causes-célèbres that came to involve most of the great rabbinic adjudicators of the day. The work includes opinions by Rabbis Jacob Emden and Ezekiel Landau. This copy with pp. 31-2 present, usually removed due to the severity of language against the Rabbinat of Frankfurt a/Main. See M. Carmilly-Weinberger, *Censorship and Freedom of Expression*, pp. 168-70.

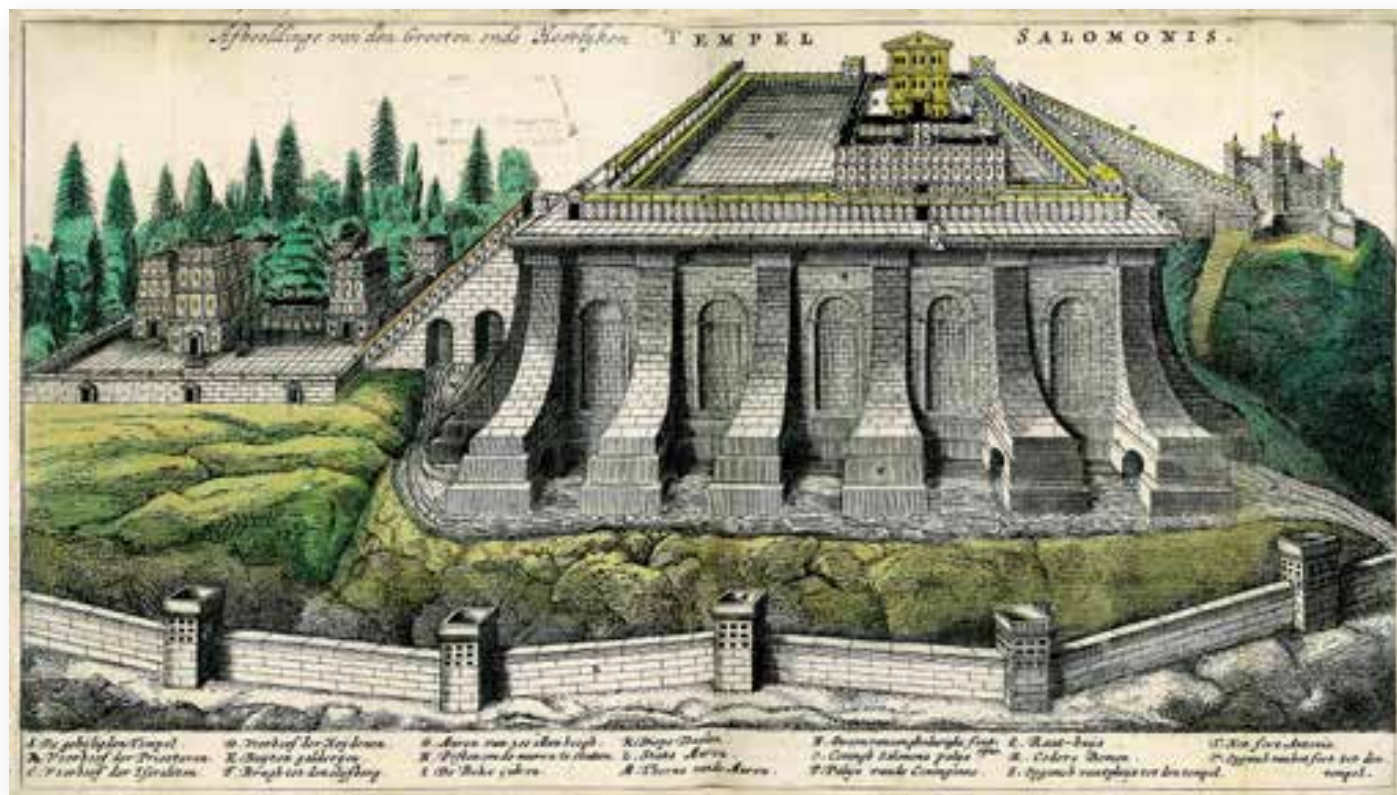
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215 (LITURGY). Machzor. According to Roman rite. With Kimcha De'Avishona by Yochanan Treves and commentaries by Ovadiah Sforno and Moses Maimonides. Two volumes. Titles within elaborate frames, many initial letters within cartouches. Scattered marginalia and corrections in an Italian hand. Vol. I: ff. 200. * Vol. II: ff. 189. *Trimmed and stained, variously repaired with some loss, titles laid down slightly affecting border. Modern calf-backed boards. Sm. folio.* Vinograd, Bologna 16; Adams J-200.

Bologna, Menachem ben Abraham of Modena & Partners, 1540. **\$3000-4000**

✎ Prayers for the entire year, including Passover Hagadah, Ethics of the Fathers, the Song of Songs, Ruth, Lamentations, Jonah and Ecclesiastes, various laws relating to birth, family purity, marriage, burial, etc. Includes the first appearance of Treves's commentary elucidating the subject matter of the prayers and the meaning and derivation of phrases. For a thorough, scholarly discussion of this Roman rite, see Samuel David Luzzatto, *Mavo LeMachzor Bnei Roma*, with notes and additional material by Daniel Goldschmidt and a bibliography by Y. Y. Cohen (Tel-Aviv, 1966).

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216 LEON, JACOB JUDAH (TEMPLIO). Afbeeldinghe van den Tempel Salomonis. **FIRST EDITION. WITH THE LARGE FOLDING ENGRAVED PLATE OF THE TEMPLE, HERE, HAND-COLORED. DEDICATION PAGE SIGNED BY THE AUTHOR IN HEBREW.** With additional dedication page pasted over the original on f. A3. The Arthur Rubens copy (who has pasted to opening blank a photographic portrait of the author (see Rubens, Iconography no. 1734) pp. (8), 50 + plate. Closely trimmed. Contemporary gilt-tooled calf, expertly rebaked retaining original spine. Sm. 4to.

Middelburgh, Symon Moulert, 1642. **\$6000-9000**

❖ **OF EXCEPTIONAL RARITY.** On the opening blank leaf the celebrated collector Alfred Rubens has penciled the suggestion that the engraving of the Temple here was accomplished by Salom d'Italia. He also suggests that the binding was produced for a member of the d'Aguilar family.

This highly scarce treatise is an explanation to the exterior, interior and ritual objects of the Temple of Solomon. It accompanied the model the author created that received wide acclaim. The name "Templo" was added to the author's family name on account of this work. Jacob Judah Aryeh Leon Templo was born near Coimbra in 1602. Three year later his family fled Portugal for Amsterdam where they returned to the open practice of Judaism. Jacob studied for the rabbinate and was eventually appointed to Hamburg and then Middleburg. It was there he met the Christian theologian and Millenarian Adam Boreel with whom he studied, along with Menasseh ben Israel. It is suggested that under Boreel's urging Leon was inspired to construct a model of Solomon's Temple based upon description in the Torah and later rabbinic writings. The present work is the booklet that accompanied the model. It was simultaneously translated into Spanish, and later into French, German, Latin and Hebrew.

See A.K. Offenberg, *Bibliotheca Rosenthaliana-Treasures of Jewish Booklore* (1994) pp. 32-3; A.L. Shane, Rabbi Jacob Judah Leon (Templo) of Amsterdam and his Connections with England, in *JHSET* Vol. XXV pp. 120-36.

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217 **(LITURGY)**. Seder Tephiloth KeMinhag Ashkenaz VePolin. Edited by David b. Menachem HaKohen. ff. 10. Hanau, 1628.

* **BOUND WITH:** Eleazer Ben Judah of Worms. Sepher Haroke'ach [ethics, rabbinic law and custom]. ff. 113. Hanau, 1630. Printed in two columns without nekudoth. Two works bound in one volume. Each with historiated title-page featuring a nude Venus. *Previous owner's signature on first title, browned, few light stains, lower corner of few leaves expertly repaired. Modern calf. 8vo. Vinograd, Hanau 50 and 58.*

Hanau, Hans Jakob Henah, v.d. **\$5000-7000**

⚠ **ONLY ONE OTHER COPY RECORDED** of these Hanau prayers, found in the Bodleian Library (see Steinschneider no. 2130).

According to the poetic title page, the publisher previously issued a pocket Shulchan Aruch (Hanau, 1627) for travelers to study from. He now performs another service for travelers so that they have an easily portable pocket prayer-book as well. Indeed the first prayer printed after the morning Berachoth is Tephilath HaDerech (the wayfarers prayer). It was apparently published without nekudoth in order to save space.

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218 **(LITURGY)**. Machzor [Festival prayers]. According to the custom of Germany and Poland. With commentary and translation into Yiddish. Nine volumes. *Uniform contemporary calf, spines gilt and with morocco labels, scuffed with some wear. 8vo. Vinograd, Metz 80.*

Metz, E. Hadarmard, 1817. **\$800-1200**

219 **(LITURGY)**. Seder Tikun Leil Shavuoth ve'Hoshanah Raba According to the order prescribed by the SHeLa"H HaKadosh. The Rabbi Sholom Rivkin copy. ff. 3,164. *Previous owners' marks. Trimmed, lightly browned and stained in places, marginal repairs with tear on f. 8 affecting one word. Contemporary calf-backed boards, rubbed. 8vo. Unrecorded by Vinograd.*

Zhitomir, Chanania Lipa & Joshua Heschel Shapira, 1848. **\$400-600**

220 **(LITURGY)**. Siddur Chukath Olam. According to the mystical rites of Isaac Luria. Sephardic custom (Nusach Ari). Published by Shlomo Moussaieff. Hebrew, with Ladino. Complete in six volumes. *Mixed set. Vols. I-II fine and bound in modern calf, vols. III-VI variously worn, leaves loose and bound in contemporary boards, rubbed. Sm. 8vo. Yaar, Buchari 23.*

Jerusalem, Samuel HaLevi Zuckerman, 1893-95. **\$1200-1800**

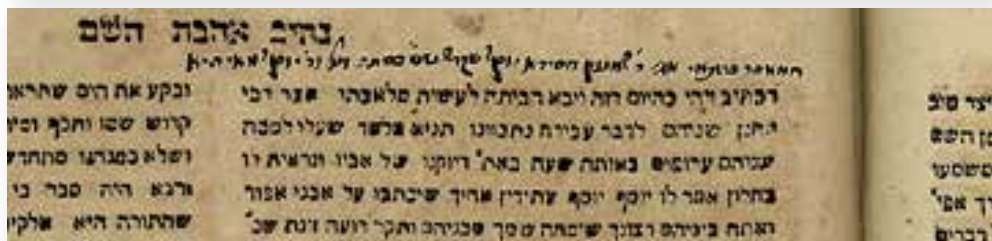
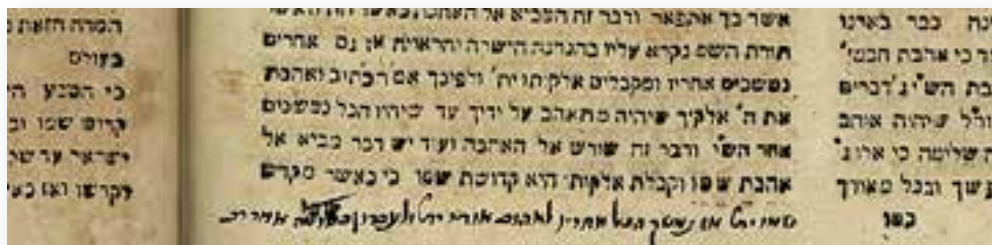
⚠ **THE FIRST PRAYER-BOOK PRINTED FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE JEWS OF BUKHARIA.**

Yaari quotes from the preface: "I, Shlomo Moussaieff...have travelled from Jerusalem to Bukharia three times [for which] I must thank God... If the Temple were to have still been standing I would bring a thanksgiving offering ... instead I have published this Siddur."

Born in the city of Bukhara, Shlomo Moussaieff (1852-1922) was a learned Rabbi, as well as a merchant engaged in banking, real estate and the tea trade. Motivated by religious conviction, he relocated to the Land of Israel in 1893 and was the founder of the Bukharian Quarter of Jerusalem. Today the territory of the defunct Bukharian emirate lies mostly in Uzbekistan, with portions in Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Kazakhstan.

"THIS IS THE FIRST SIDDUR CREATED AMIDST THE HOLY AIR OF THE LAND OF ISRAEL." (Preface.)

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221 LOEWE, JUDAH BEN BEZALEL. (MaHaRa'L of Prague). Chibur Nethivoh Olam [ethics] **FIRST EDITION.** WITH ADDITION OF THREE LINES OF TEXT IN A NEAT CONTEMPORARY ASHKENAZIC HAND, POSSIBLY BY THE AUTHOR HIMSELF. ff. 131 (i.e. 132). Browned and foxed. Modern calf. Folio. Vinograd, Prague 81; Mehlman 1199.

Prague, Gershom ben Bezael Katz, 1595-96. **\$5000-7000**

✳ The most concentrated treatment of the MaHaRa"L's comments on matters of ethical interest. There is a catchword at the bottom of these columns (ff. 32a and 79b-80a) which does not appear on the next page. **THE AUTHOR(?) HAS SUPPLIED THE MISSING TEXT IN HIS HANDWRITING.** No manuscripts in the hand of the MaHaRa"L are anywhere extant.

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222 (LITURGY). Siddur Tephilah. Nine parts in two volumes. Stamp on title-page of Shmuel Kirschenbaum, Jerusalem. ff. [1], 86, 161, 36, 115, 12, 105, 69, 21. Final leaf neatly taped. Contemporary boards, rubbed. 8vo.

Jerusalem, S. Zuckerman, 1916. **\$300-500**

✳ Prepared with the extensive kavanot, or mystical meditations, according to the system of R. Shalom Sharabi (RaSha"SH - 1720-1777), the venerated Yemenite mystic, said to have been the reincarnation of Isaac Luria, the Ar"i za"l.



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223 LOANZ, ELIJAH. Rinath Dodim [homiletic, kabbalistic commentary to the Song of Songs.] **FIRST EDITION.** Title within foliated border. Text of Song of Songs in square, Hebrew characters provided with nikud (vowel points). Commentary surrounding in Rashi script. On f.18v. two illustrations of faces, front and profile, within commentary. ff. (1), 30. On title, stamps of former owner, Mordechai Friedman of Mezritch, some staining and browning. Later vellum-backed patterned boards, worn, corner chipped. Sm. 4to. Vinograd, Basle 203; Prijs 166.

Basle, Konrad Waldkirch, 1600. **\$600-800**

✳ R. Elijah Loanz (1565-1636), a disciple of the MaHaRa"L of Prague, was an outstanding German kabbalist. A grandson of the statesman R. Joselman of Rosheim, he was popularly known as R. Eliyahu Ba'al Shem, in respect of his abilities in successfully treating the sick. His commentary is one of the most important kabbalistic interpretations to the Song of Songs.

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224 LUZZATTO, MOSES CHAIM. (RaMChA"L). Derech Chochmah [philosophy] **FIRST EDITION.** Four parts in one ff. (5), 5, (1), 3, (1), 7, (1), 10. Tiny hole on margin of title. Modern calf-backed marbled boards. 8vo. Vinograd, Amsterdam 2129.

Amsterdam, Widow and Orphans Proops, 1783. **\$2000-2500**

✳ Celebrated text by this unique 18th-century Italian mystic and thinker - a dialogue between a young person and a sage with the latter setting out a lifetime course of Torah study culminating in the study of Kabbalah.

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225 LURIA, SOLOMON. (The MaHaRSHa"l). Chochmath Shlomo [corrections and comments on text of the Babylonian Talmud and commentaries of Rashi and Tosafot] **FIRST EDITION.** Many geometric diagrams. Includes nine blank divisional leaves (unrecorded by Vinograd) ff. 17, (1), 61, (1), 40, 44, 23, (1), 12, 27, (1), 34, 69, (1), 39, (1), 10, 13, (1), 52, 33, (1), 28, 34, 19, (1), 16, 24. Slight marginal repair on title-page, section of Kiddushin supplied from another copy with some repairs in places affecting words on lower corners. Modern blind-tooled calf. Thick 4to. Vinograd, Cracow 78; Mehlman 751; St. Cat. Bodl. 6951:1 (ed. rarissima.)

Cracow, Isaac Prostitz, (1582). **\$15,000-18,000**

⚡ **EXCEPTIONALLY RARE.** The Chochmath Shlomo records the MaHaRSHa"l's comments as were noted in his personal copy of the Talmud, wherein he critically analyzed Bomberg's text against various Talmudic manuscripts in his possession. These corrections and comments are now a part of all standard Talmudic editions. However later publishers greatly abridged and emended the Chochmath Shlomo, removing the publisher's foreword, the introductions by the Maharsha"l's sons Wolf and Yechiel, approbations and other matter.

The author, R. Solomon Luria (1510? -1574), was arguably the greatest Polish rabbi of his day - alongside his younger contemporary and relative, Moses Isserles - the Rem" a (of whom he was highly critical). The MaHaRSHa"l is valued for his precise, critical corrections of text, and the clarity and order he brings to the erudite presentation of his novellae.

Regarding some controversy concerning the approbations to this work, see R.N.N. Rabinowitz, Mamar Al Hadfasath HaTalmud (pp. 62-3).

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- 226 LUZZATTO, MOSES CHAIM.** (RaMCHa"l). Choker U'mekubal ["The Philosopher and the Kabbalist"] **FIRST EDITION.** ff. 27. *Closely shaved, browned. Modern calf-backed marbled boards.* 8vo. Vinograd, Shklow 31.

Shklow, Tzvi Hirsch Margalioth, 1785. **\$1500-2000**

⚠ A Socratic dialogue between a philosopher and a Lurianic kabbalist. The author responds to criticisms against the Kabbalah which were current among the rationalists in Italy and attempts to prove that only Lurianic Kabbalah can provide a satisfactory answer to Judaism's theological questions.

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- 227 LUZZATTO, MOSES CHAIM.** (RaMCHa"l). Kinath Hashem Tzeva'oth. **FIRST EDITION.** pp. 32. *Stained, pp. 9-16 loose. Modern boards.* 8vo. Friedberg, Kuf 893.

(Koenigsberg, 1862). **\$1000-1500**

⚠ Concerns the Redemption and coming of the Messiah alongside a scathing polemic against the legacy of Shabbtai Tzvi.

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- 228 LUZZATTO, MOSES CHAIM.** (RaMCHa"l). Derech Hashem ["The Way of God"] **THE RABBI YAAKOV RUDERMAN COPY,** with his stamps and signature on half-title. ff. 99. *Loose in contemporary boards.* 8vo.

Amsterdam, Levisson & Proops, 1896. **\$600-900**

⚠ Derech Hashem, one of the Ramchal's best known works, is a succinct laying-out of the fundamentals of the Jewish faith touching upon mankind's obligations in this world and its relations to God.

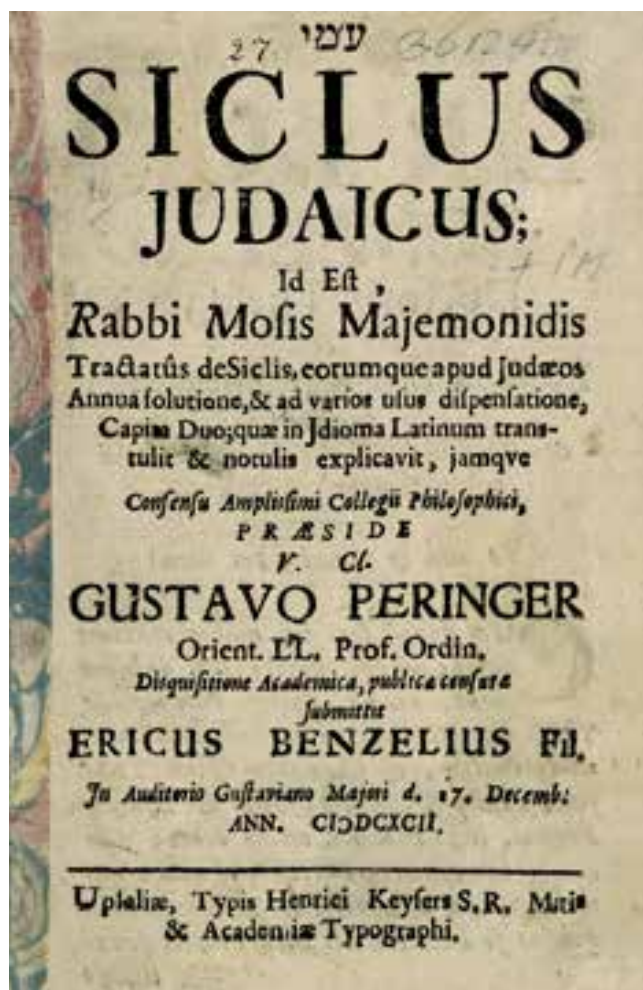
- 229 MAGRISO, YITZCHAK.** Me'am Loez (Bamidbar) **FIRST EDITION.** Text in Ladino. Introductions and marginal comments in Hebrew. **MAP OF THE LAND OF ISRAEL** (f. 158a). With a second introduction apparently bound in from another volume (Vayikra). ff. (2), 8, 11-168. *Heavily worn and stained, wormed, final leaf defective. Modern gilt-tooled calf. Sm. folio.* Vinograd, Const. 590; Yaari, Const. 446; Mehlman 1483(5)

Constantinople, Ashkenazi Brothers, 1764. **\$500-700**

⚠ Yaari located just one copy, housed in the Library of Machon Ben Tzvi, Jerusalem.

Me'am Loez was the most popular, outstanding encyclopedic work of Judeo-Spanish literature and played a major role in Sephardic culture. It contains extracts from all parts of Rabbinical literature translated into the Ladino vernacular. The work was originally conceived by R. Jacob Culi who began the volume on Bereishith and part of Shemoth. After his untimely death, it was continued by Yitzchak Magriso and the final volume on Devarim by Yitzchak Behar Arguetti. The Sabbath-day study of the Me'am Lo'ez was considered a religious duty. See EJ Vol. XI col. 1158-60.

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230 (**MAIMONIDES, MOSES**). Siclus Judaicus; id est Rabbi Mosis Majemonidis Tractatus de Siclis...Eric Benzelius. Hebrew and Latin text. pp. (4), 80. *Closely shaved. Unbound. 12mo.*

Uppsala, 1692. \$500-700

♣ Dissertation on the Biblical shekel contribution.

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231 (**MAIMONIDES, MOSES**). Hayim Jonah Gurland. O Vliyanii Filosofii Musulmanskoi Religii, a imenno: Mutakallimov, Mutazalitov i Ashariev na Filosofiyu Religii...Moiseya Maimonida. **FIRST EDITION**. Text in Russian, Hebrew and Arabic. pp. xiv, 162. *Stained. Contemporary boards, worn. 4to.*

St. Petersburg, 1863. \$200-300

♣ A study on the influence of Islamic philosophy, in particular the Mutakallimun, Muatazilites and Asharians, on Maimonides.

The author, Hayim Gurland (1843-90) was born in Kletsk, Belorussia, and was educated at the Vilna rabbinical seminary and at the University of St. Petersburg, where he studied Oriental languages with D. Chwolson. While employed at the Imperial Library of St. Petersburg, Gurland worked on the Firkovich manuscripts, being one of the first to discover his forgeries. He published the results of this research as Ginzei Yisrael Be'St. Petersburg (1865-67). In 1873 he was appointed inspector of the Jewish teachers' seminary in Zhitomir. In 1888 the government appointed him rabbi of Odessa."(EJ)

232 **MARGARITHA, ANTON**. Der Gantz Jüdisch Glaub [The Complete Jewish Belief] Second ("expanded and improved") edition. German text. Woodcut vignette on title with five further woodcut illustrations by Jan de Breu. Initial letters within historiated woodcut vignettes by Hans Holbein. Sporadic use of Hebrew. Wide-margined copy. ff. 108. *Stained. Recent boards. Sm.4to.* Freimann, p.148; Rosenberger Catalogue, Judaica (HUC, 1971), p.385, fig.107; Rubens 228-232; Carlebach, pp. 186-7 (figs. 12-13.)

(Leipzig), (Melachior Lotther), 1531. \$3000-5000

♣ The author was born c.1490 and converted to Catholicism in 1522, later becoming a Protestant, (his name is a corruption of the family surname of Margoliouth). This libelous and pernicious tract had a deep influence upon Martin Luther who made much use of it in his own calumnious writings. Here, Margaritha ridicules Jewish religious faith and practice and accuses the Jews of harboring treasonous sentiments hostile to the Christian societies in which they live.

What gave Margaritha particular credibility was that he was no ordinary Jew, but was indeed the son of Samuel Margoliouth, Chief Rabbi of the City of Regensburg, the Empire's most distinguished Jewish community. Prof. Elisheva Carlebach has dealt extensively with this work which she describes as a "sixteenth-century bestseller." See Divided Souls (2001) pp. 55-6, 63-64, 179-182; EJ, Vol. XI, cols. 958-9.

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233 (**MATHEMATICS**). Gershon, Elijah ben Moses, of Pintchov. Melecheth Machsheveth. Part I: Ir Cheshbon [arithmetic and algebra]; Part II: Biruriei Midoth [geometry] Second (much expanded) edition. Two divisional titles and additional Latin title and introduction. ff. (1), 7, 31, (1), 32-58; 61. *Previous owner's marks, slight worming in places on first few leaves, foxed. Contemporary calf-backed marbled boards, spine chipped at top. 4to.* Vinograd, Berlin 241.

Berlin-Frankfurt an der Oder, Speier-Grila, 1765. \$300-400



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- 234 MENASSEH BEN ISRAEL** Sepher Penei Rabah [concordance of Biblical verses recorded in the Midrash Rabbah] Only edition. Two parts in one. ff.(2), 53, (1), 25. *Closely shaved, some staining, lower corners of ff. 3-4 with loss, title loose. Contemporary boards, worn. Sm. 4to.* Vinograd, Amsterdam 19; Silva Rosa 4; Fuks, Amsterdam 148.

Amsterdam, Menasseh ben Israel, 1628. **\$400-600**

✪ Menasseh ben Israel's first published work. The printing was subsidized by Menasseh's friends, Messrs. Ephraim Bueno and Jonah Abarbanel. The work is prefaced by a commendatory poem by Isaac Aboab.

- 235 MENDELSSOHN, MOSES.** Die Psalmen. **FIRST EDITION.** Translated into German. Title- and end- vignettes engraved by J. W. Meil. Book-plate of Dr. Guggenheim. pp. xii, 354. *Foxed. Contemporary calf boards detached, lacks spine. 8vo.*

Berlin, Friedrich Maurer, 1783. **\$1000-1500**

✪ First edition of Mendelssohn's German translation of the Book of Psalms which was published the same year as his Bible translation. Mendelssohn had worked for more than ten years on the translation of the Psalms. The first edition was published in German characters and later in Hebrew type with a Hebrew commentary by Joel Löwe. See Meyer, Mendelssohn Bibliographie, no. 298.

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- 236 (MENDELSSOHN, MOSES).** Haphtaroth mikol Hashanah. Hebrew and Judeo-German translation on facing pages with Biur commentary below. ff. (2), 89, (1), 79, (1), 62, (2), 79, (3). *Lightly browned, signature on front free endpaper. Contemporary calf, rubbed. 8vo.* Vinograd, Berlin 394.

Berlin, Chevrath Chinuch Ne'arim, 1790. **\$600-900**

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- 237 MENDELSSOHN, MOSES.** Nethivoth Hashalom vehu Chamishah Chumshei Torah [The Pentateuch; with Haphtaroth and Five Megiloth]. Translated and with Bi'ur commentary. Along with commentaries by Moshe Segal Landau (grandson of the Noda BeYehuda) and Wolf Meyer. Each volume with supplement of the Sabbath prayers. Five volumes. Each volume with additional engraved title-page (**NOT FOUND IN THE JNUL COPY**) *Light wear, ex-library. First volume with gutter split. Contemporary boards, rubbed. 8vo.* Vinograd, Prague 1524.

Prague, S. Freund, 1860-62. **\$1500-2000**

✪ Titled Sepher Nethivoth Hashalom and more commonly known as the Bi'ur, Moses Mendelssohn's revolutionary translation of the Pentateuch appeared in German in Hebrew characters while the commentary was composed in Hebrew. The commentary aimed to explain the translation choices made by Mendelssohn and drew heavily on traditional medieval Jewish Bible commentators. The translation, written in an elegant High German, was designed to enable the Jews of Germany to come closer to "general culture by giving them the best translation of the Holy Book that they ever had." (Preface).

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- 238 **(MENDELSSOHN, MOSES)**. Zunz, Leopold. Rede gehalten bei der Feier von Moses Mendelssohns hundertjährigem Geburtstage, den 12ten Elul oder 10ten September 1829 zu Berlin. pp. 15. *Discolored, margins of final two leaves soiled not affecting text. Unbound. 12mo.*

(Berlin), Unger, (1829). **\$400-600**

✪ Speech delivered at the celebration of Moses Mendelssohn's centennial birthday by the founder of Wissenschaft des Judentums.

- 239 **(MENDELSSOHN, MOSES)**. Group of four bibliophilic items produced for members of the Soncino-Gesellschaft der Freunde des jüdischen Buches:

* Verzeichnis der auserlesenen Büchersammlung des seeligen Herrn Moses Mendelssohn. One of 800 copies. 1926.

* Eine Stammbuch=Eintragung Moses Mendelssohns. 1926.

* Moses Mendelssohn in Potsdam: am 30. September 1771. One of 250 copies. 1929.

* Denkmal der Freundschaft. Stammbuchblätter und Widmungen von Moses Mendelsohn. One of 350 copies. 1929. Together four volumes. *Original boards and wrappers. 8vo and 12mo.*

Berlin, v.d. **\$600-900**

- 240 **(MIDRASH)**. Siphri. [Halachic Midrash to the Books of Numbers and Deuteronomy]. Anonymous (attributed to R. Shimon benYochai). Edited by Yochanan Treves. **FIRST EDITION**. Title within wreathed architectural arch. First word of Book of Pentateuch within magnificent woodcut surround. ff. 63. *Wormed, paper repairs, final three leaves with loss of text. Modern boards. Sm. folio.* Vinograd, Venice 285.

Venice, Daniel Bomberg, 1546. **\$400-600**



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- 241 **(MISHNAH)**. Mischna sive Totius Hebraeorum Juris. With commentary by Moses Maimonides and Ovadiah Bartenura. **FIRST LATIN EDITION**. Hebrew text (and occasional Arabic) with full Latin translation by Willem Surenhuis. Six parts (according to the Six Orders of the Mishnah) bound in three volumes. Each of the Six Orders preceded by a finely engraved frontispiece by Richel, with vignettes illustrating the principle content of each Tractate. Eight engraved plates (four folding), three text engravings. Titles in red and black with printer's device. *Lightly browned and foxed in places, ex-library. Contemporary vellum, some wear. Folio.* Fuks, Amsterdam 612.

Amsterdam, G. & J. Borstius, 1698-1703. **\$2000-3000**

✪ **FIRST LATIN EDITION OF THE COMPLETE MISHNAH.**

A monumental achievement of Hebrew scholarship by the Dutch scholar Willem Surenhuis (1664-1729).

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- 242 **(MISHNAH)**. Mischnah. Oder der Text des Talmuds. **FIRST GERMAN EDITION**. Translated by Johann Jacob Rabe. Six parts in three volumes. *Foxed. Later roan-backed boards, rubbed. Lg. 4to.* Freimann 127; Fuerst III, 127.

Onolzbach (i.e. Ansbach), 1760-63. **\$500-700**

✪ This feat of scholarship was much admired by Moses Mendelssohn, who, upon publication of the first volume, did not hesitate to write a review praising Rabe's accomplishments. Rabe included the entire review, complete with Mendelssohn's notes, in the foreword to Part II. IN turn Rabe felt moved to bestow upon Mendelssohn the celebrated compliment previously reserved for Moses Maimonides: "From Moses to Moses there was none like Moses" ("Von Mose bis auf Mose sene nicht gewesen wie dieser Mose") (foreword, p. 2). See A. Altmann, Moses Mendelssohn (1973) pp.196-97, 21.



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243 MODENA, JUDAH ARYEH-LEON DE Kerk-Zeeden en de Gewoonten, Die huden in gebruik zyn onder de Joden [ceremonies of the Jews]. **FIRST EDITION.** Two parts bound in one volume. Dutch text translated from the Italian by Simonville. Additional allegorical engraved title. Floriated initials. Four folding engraved plates of Jewish Ceremonies: Wedding; Divorce Proceeding; Halitza Ceremony and a Circumcision. The Alfred Rubens copy (with his book-plate) pp. (62), 200, (6), 185, (4). *Lightly browned, inner hinge split. Contemporary vellum, worn.* 8vo. Rubens 300-303.

Amsterdam, T. ten Hoorn, 1683. **\$500-700**

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244 (MODENA, JUDAH ARYEH-LEON DE). Talmid Tzachkan Musari [dialogue in Hebrew and Yiddish against gambling and card playing based upon Jewish sources.] Hebrew and Yiddish. ff. 36. *Browned, light wear, last page with pencil marks. Later marbled boards.* Sm. 8vo. Vinograd, Frankfurt an der Oder, 446; Yodea Sefer 1436; Mehlman 1403.

Frankfurt an der Oder, Daughter of Professor Grilo, 1795. **\$800-1200**

• A dialogue against gambling and card-playing in which one "Eldad" seeks to rehabilitate his friend "Meidad." The author, a Venetian rabbi, was remarkably honest about his own addiction to gambling which unquestionably hampered his reputation as a rabbinic scholar. See I. Rivkind, *Der Kampf Kegn Azartshpilen bei Yidden* (1946).

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245 MOELLIN, JACOB. Sha'iloth U'Teshuvot Mahari¹. Title surrounded by four vignettes. ff. (7), (1 blank), 79 ff. *Misbound but complete. Previous owners' marks, light waterstains, trace wormed.* Modern boards. Sm. 4to Vinograd, Cremona 4; Benayahu, Cremona 3.

Cremona, Vincenzo Conti, 1556. **\$500-700**

• The decisions and customs of the Mahari¹ were accepted as binding throughout Aschkenazic Jewry.

246 MOSES BEN MAIMON (MAIMONIDES/ RaMBa"m). Igroth [letters and responsa] Second edition. ff. 95. *Lightly stained, marginal repair to title and first leaf, slight mostly marginal worming on first few leaves, marginal note on f. 16a in an Italian hand.* Modern calf. 12mo. Vinograd, Venice 211; Habermann, Adelkind 5; Adams M-157.

Venice, Cornelio Adelkind, 1545. **\$5000-7000**

• Contains the Ethical Will of Maimonides written to his son Abraham. Much of the material in this volume concerns the controversy surrounding the Guide for the Perplexed. These letters by various authors postdate Maimonides thus the title is somewhat misleading.

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247 MOSES BEN NACHMAN (NACHMANIDES/ RaMBa"n). Peirush HaTorah [Commentary to the Pentateuch] Title within decorative border with ornate floral design (design repeated on f.3); with poem containing the acrostic "Gershom." Initial words within white-on-black decorative surround. 17th-century owner's inscriptions. Wide margins. ff. 177. *Trace foxed in places, final five leaves remargined and lightly frayed, opening leaf worn and laid down with small portion in facsimile. Modern vellum, slip-case. Folio.* Vinograd, Pesaro 34; Mehlman 673.

Pesaro, Sons of Soncino, 1513-14. **\$13,000-15,000**

⚠ The great scholarly bookseller David Frankel was wont to advise his clients that the Hebrew books printed in Pesaro are more scarce and to be more prized than many incunabula!

After Rashi, the most popular commentary to the Pentateuch is undoubtedly that of Nachmanides (b. Gerona, 1194 - d. Eretz Israel, 1270). The fact that there were as many as three incunabula editions (two within one year) of Nachmanides's Commentary to the Pentateuch, attests to the immense popularity of the work. According to R. Menachem Eisenstadt in the introduction to his super-commentary, this Pesaro edition is textually the most accurate.

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248 MOSES BEN NACHMAN (NACHMANIDES/ RaMBa"n).

Drasha [sermon on the fundamentals of faith and the merits of the Torah and Jewish peoplehood] **FIRST EDITION** ff. (12) (including the rare final blank). Lightly browned with minimal staining, slight tear on margin of one leaf. Modern calf-backed marbled boards. Sm. 4to. Vinograd, Prague 80; St. Bod. 6532, 20; Mehlman 1224.

Prague, Gershom ben Bezalel Katz, 1596. **\$5000-7000**

⚠ A refutation of the tenets of Christianity. A product of Nachmanides' triumph before King James I of Aragon, during the The Disputation of Barcelona in 1263. See M.A. Cohen, HUCA Vol. XXXV (1964) pp. 157-92.

RARE. Steinschneider lists only eleven leaves in the Bodleian copy. However, Yudlov notes the final blank contained in the Mehlman copy - as the one here.

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249 MUELHAUSEN, YOM-TOV LIPMANN. Sepher Nitzachon ["Book of Victory": anti-Christian polemic] **FIRST EDITION**. Edited by Theodor Hackspan. Engraved Hebrew title with additional Latin letterpress title. Hebrew text followed by Latin translation. Includes Teshuvot Rada"ka la-Notzrim [Responses of R. David Kimchi to the Christians] (pp. 196-200) pp. (16), 512, (24). *Hebrew title laid down, small area formerly with stamp abraded, inner hinge starting. Contemporary vellum, worn, especially top corner of upper cover. 4to. Vinograd, Altdorf 1.*

Altdorf, W. Endter, 1644. **\$500-700**

250 (NETHERLANDS). David Cohen d'Azvedo. Triumphos da virtude: Sermaõ pregado, a occasiaõ do natalicio de sua altesa serenissima Guillermo V°, Principe de Orange e Nassau, Stadhouder Hereditario... Celebrado na Synagoga dos Judeos Portugueses de Amsterdam em dia 8 de Março do Anno 1788. ["Triumph of Virtue: Sermon Delivered on the Occasion of the Birthday of His Majesty William V."] **FIRST EDITION**. Portuguese interspersed with Hebrew. Title within ornate border pp. (4), 26. *Dampstained. Modern calf with rear contemporary marbled wrapper bound in. 4to. Kayserling, p. 15.*

(Amsterdam), David de H.H.R. Rephael Meldola, (1788). **\$1000-1200**

⚠ David Cohen d'Azevedo (d. 1792) was Haham of the Spanish-Portuguese community of Amsterdam. During his tenure, the Netherlands was witness to clashes between Patriots and Orangists. In 1788, the Jews of the realm swore their allegiance to Prince William V in a ceremony conducted in Amsterdam's Town Hall and led by Haham D'Azevedo. Later in the year, Prince William V and his wife Princess Wilhelmina, thanked the community by participating in a synagogue service. Following a prayer by Chief Rabbi d'Azevedo blessing the Royal couple, Prince William responded with greetings spoken in the Hebrew language. See Gans, Memorbook (1977) p. 197.

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251 PALAGGI, CHAIM. Semichah LeChaim [responsa] **FIRST EDITION. THE RABBI YAAKOV YITZCHAK RUDERMAN COPY**, with his signature and stamp on opening blank, plus bookplate of R. Yaakov S. Weinberg.

Presentation copy from the author with gilt-embossed stamp on front cover. Opening blank with an inscription in an Ashkenazic hand to **R. MEIR LEIBISH MALBIM**, Rabbi of Bucharest from "Hagevir Si[r] Hillel". Printer's mark on first leaf and at end of introduction showing a mounted crown flanked by two cherubs and foliage. ff. (3), 154. Other previous owners' marks. Central gilt embossed cartouche stamp with owner's name on a red background. Original calf, rebaked. Folio. Vinograd, Salonika 684.

Salonika, Orphans of Bezalel Halevi, 1826. **\$1000-1500**

✦ This is an interesting association copy: The author, Chaim Palaggi, was one of the most prolific Rabbinical authors with close to seventy works to his credit. One of his primary benefactors, whose name appears on the title page of many of his works, was the owner of this particular volume, Elazar Hillel bechor Manoach - R. Chaim Palaggi had this book bound for him especially. Later it was presented (apparently by an emissary of Elazar Hillel) to the Malbim who was Rabbi of Bucharest. See I. I. Chasida, R. Chaim Palaggi U'Sepharav (1968) no. 4.

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252 PALAGGI, SAMUEL. Shailoth Beth Aveil VeBeth Mishteh. **FIRST EDITION. THE RABBI NACHUM DOV-BER FRIEDMAN OF SADIGURA COPY**, with his two alternating stamps on title, showing a symbol of a lion surrounded by his name in both Hebrew and Latin letters and "Kinyan Kaspi." ff. 20. Tape repair on first two leaves, stained. Later boards, loose. 12mo. Vinograd, Altona 99; Weiner, 1220.

(Altona), 1770. **\$600-900**

✦ Responsa pertaining to a Sephardic bridegroom who became an Aveil (mourner) during his Sheva-berachoth week of post-wedding celebrations. A visiting Rabbi vehemently disagreed with the author who ruled that the mourning should not commence until after seven days, as is Sephardic custom. Rabbi Palaggi garners here the assenting opinions of the Ashkenazic Rabbi and Dayanim of Altona. Also includes opinion opposing the recitation of certain Ashkenazic piyutim such as Ki Lo Na'eh at the close of the Passover Seder.

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253 (PARODY). (Goldschmidt, Lazarus). Baraita DeMa'ase Bereishith. **FIRST EDITION. ONE OF ONLY TWO HUNDRED COPIES.** pp. 44. Original printed wrappers, brittle. 8vo. Friedberg, "Beth" 1461.

Argentorati (i.e. Cracow), Joseph Fisher, 1894. **\$500-700**

✦ A supposed Midrash with Kabbalistic undertones concerning the story of the Creation, translated from the Syriac, and ascribed to one "Arzelai bar Bargelai." As Goldschmidt later admitted, the work was his own parody and he published it as a practical joke on the scholarly world. Indeed the name of the supposed author is an anagram of Goldschmidt's own Hebrew name, Eliezer ben Gabriel.

Scholars had earlier surmised that this "Midrash" was an Aramaic translation of the Ethiopic "Hexaemeron" of pseudo-Epiphanius. When Dr. Elimelech Rimalt (who wrote a thesis on the work) inquired of Goldschmidt as to the whereabouts of the original manuscript, Goldschmidt admitted that it did not exist in any place other than his own brain. See E. S. Rimalt, Ma'aseh Na'aruth shel R. Eliezer Goldschmidt (Lazarus Goldschmidt's Hoax) in: Aresheth Vol. I pp. 484-5. See also JE Vol. VI p. 26 and EJ Vol. VII col. 730.

Lazarus Goldschmidt, a noted, though querulous scholar, was adroit amidst a vast expanse of Semitic studies. His monumental achievement was his Talmud translation in German. Following the rise of Nazism, he found refuge in England where he died in 1950.



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254 (PARODY). Tephilah Zakah. **FIRST EDITION** Yiddish text. pp. 23. Unbound. 8vo. Davidson no. 368 (g,h) lists a 1903 edition, the present text is 1901 and unrecorded.

London, Arbeiter-Froynd, 1901. **\$800-1000**

♣ A parody on the Yom Kippur services and on Kapparoeth by Anglo-Jewish Anarchists.

Davidson in his Parody in Jewish Literature writes (p. 83): "Bold as these utterances are, they appear quite inoffensive in comparison with the brazen blasphemy of the anonymous parodies published by the Pioneers of Freedom of New York under the title of Tephillah Zakkah and by the Anarchistic Group of Leeds (England) under the title Machzor im Tephillah Zakah. Some of these parodies, it must be admitted, show considerable skill in imitation, but the vulgarity with which they attack the most sacred traditions, obscures their literary value. The antipathy which they display towards anything that savors of religion is only equaled by the insolence which prompted their authors to outrage the sensibility of their co-religionists in turning the Day of Atonement into a day of hilarity. On the other hand, it would be unjust to accuse these men of anything but radical fanaticism."

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255 PHILO JUDAEUS. Opera Exegetica in libros Mosis, De Mundi opificio, historicos & legales. Edited by Sigismund Gelenius. **FIRST EDITION.** Text in Latin and Greek. Engraved title-page with mythological figures represented with grotesques. Elaborate head-pieces and tail piece and decorated initials. pp. (10), 904, (22). Occasional light dampstaining and trace marginal worming, title and final few leaves creased. Contemporary vellum, worn, upper joints cracked. Folio. Goodenough & Goodhart, The Politics of Philo of Judaeus - with Bibliography, no. 398.

Geneva, Petrus de la Rouiere, 1613. **\$750-1000**

♣ Fascinating work by Philo of Alexandria, a Jewish philosopher of antiquity, in which he attempts to combine Hellenistic thought and Jewish traditions.

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256 PRIDEAUX, HUMPHREY. Histoire des Juifs et des Peuples Voisins. Six volumes. Illustrated with frontispieces and numerous well-preserved fold-out maps, plates, charts, and tables. *Lightly browned in places. Handsomely bound in contemporary uniform calf, spines gilt extra, lightly rubbed and bumped at extremities.* 12mo.

Paris, G. Cavelier, 1742. **\$1200-1800**

♣ Revised edition of this French translation of "The History of the Jews and Neighbouring Nations" by the English Orientalist and Hebraist, Humphrey Prideaux (1648-1724).

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257 (REFORM JUDAISM). (Hamburg Rabbinate). Eileh Divrei Habrith [collected letters denouncing Reform synagogue practices] **FIRST EDITION** pp. xvi, 132. *Contemporary boards, spine taped.* 4to. Vinograd, Altona 213.

Altona, The Brothers Bonn, 1819. **\$200-300**

♣ Publication of these collected letters, followed the outrage among Orthodox Jewry upon the opening of Israel Jacobsohn's Hamburg Temple in 1818 - the first Reform synagogue established.

258 (REFORM JUDAISM). Löwenstamm, Abraham. Tzeror HaChaim. **FIRST EDITION. THE RABBI YAAKOV RUDERMAN COPY.** ff. (8), 81, (1). *Light wear. Contemporary boards, worn, spine taped.* Sm. 4to. Vinograd, Amsterdam 2480.

Amsterdam, David ben Jacob Proops, 1820. **\$350-500**

♣ Critical responses to the innovations of the Reform Movement

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259 (REFORM JUDAISM). Klein, Shalom. Ein Offenem...Schreiben... Meine Yiddeshe Brides...Gegenshtick Der Neier Party ["Open Letter to my Brethren Against the Formation of the New (Reform) Party."] **FIRST EDITION.** Yiddish text. pp. 16. *Two tiny marginal wormholes. Unbound.* 8vo. Not in Friedberg.

Ofen, Universal Buchdruckerei, 1868. **\$200-300**

♣ A scarce attack published by Samson Krausz of Korosz Ladani for the Shomrei Ha-Dath organization against the Reform movement in Hungary. The battle between the Orthodox and Neolog (Reform) elements within Hungarian Jewry had reached a climax by 1868. In that year, the government convened the General Jewish Congress and the polemics between the Orthodox and the Reform became the central issue. The outcome was the formal division of Hungarian Jewry into three factions: Orthodox, Neolog and Status Quo (i.e. those communities which did not wish to join either side but rather retained their pre-Congress status). See EJ, Vol. VIII, col. 1092.

260 SABA, ABRAHAM. Tzeror Hamor [Kabbalistic commentary to the Pentateuch] Third edition. Title bearing printer's device within architectural arch. Marginalia. ff. 165. *Upper corner of title page removed with small loss to border; signature on top of f. 2r, margins of ff. 91-3 neatly repaired, dampstained in places.* Modern calf. Folio. Vinograd, Venice 551.

Venice, Giorgio di Cavalli, 1567. **\$300-500**



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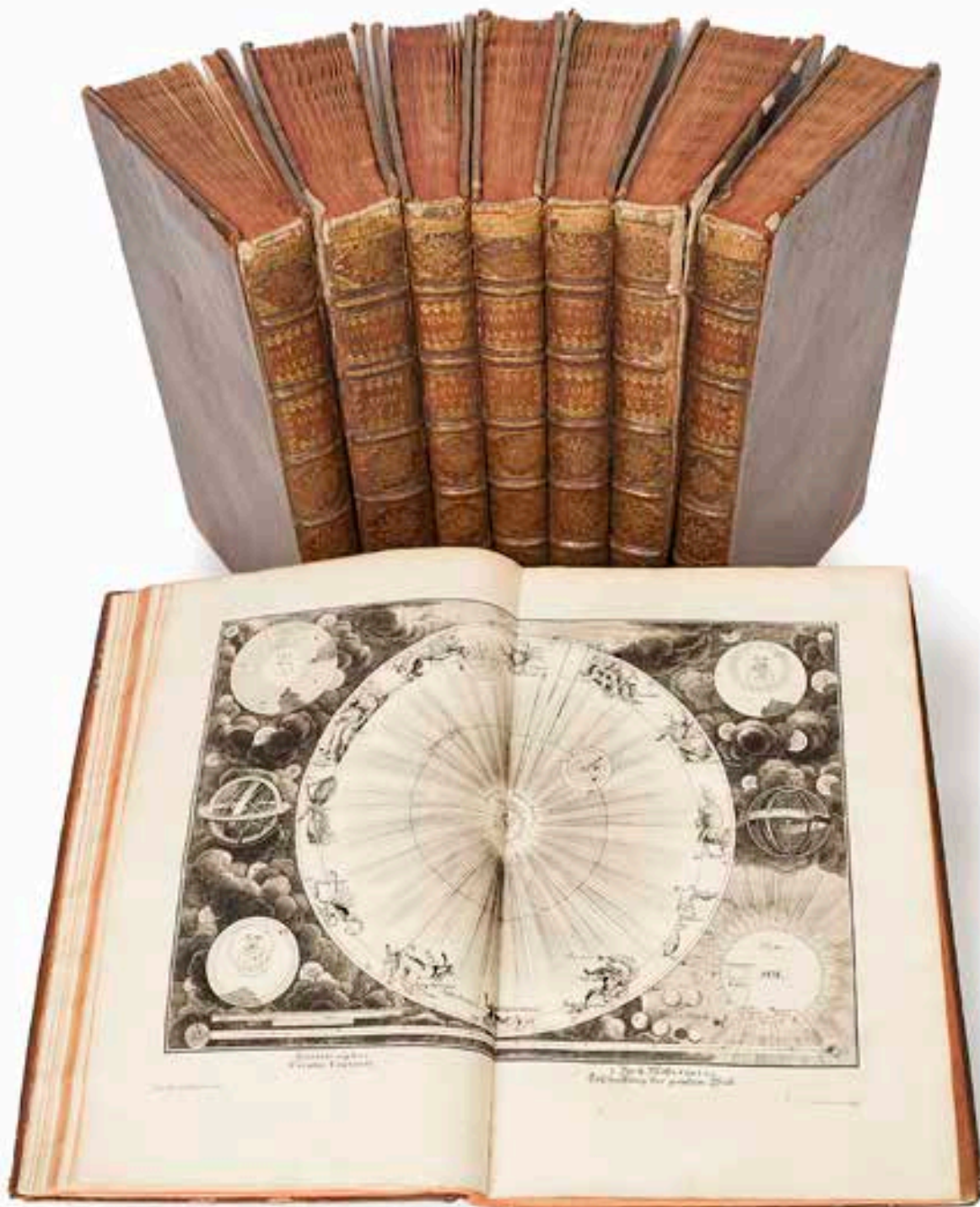
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261 PICART, BERNARD. *Naaukeurige Beschryving der Uitwendige Godtsdienst-Plichten, Kerk-Zeden en Gewoontens van Alle Volkeren der Waereldt.* [Description of the Religious Duties, Manners and Customs of all the Nations of the World]. Translated from the French to Dutch by Abraham Moubach. **FIRST DUTCH EDITION.** Complete in six volumes. Captions to plates in French. *Collation available upon request. Lightly browned in few places. Handsome contemporary uniform mottled calf, gilt, lightly rubbed. Folio.*

Amsterdam, Hermanus Uytwerf, 1727-38. **\$7000-9000**

♣ Picart's panoramic view of the world's religions is certainly one of the most striking illustrated books of the 18th-century. Contained in Volume I, Picart's plates present an invaluable pictorial record of Jewish life in 18th-century Netherlands.

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262 (SCIENCES). SCHEUCHZER, JOHANN JACOB. *Physique Sacree, ou Histoire Naturelle de la Bible*. Eight volumes. **FIRST EDITION.** French text, plates also captioned in German and Latin. Occasional Hebrew. Illustrated plates by Jean-André Pfefel: 759 plates including frontispiece, two portraits, five double-page plates and one colored plate (no. 66). *Detailed collation available upon request. Some minimal browning on a few leaves otherwise generally clean throughout, opening of Vol. III slightly dampstained. Contemporary uniform calf, spines gilt, extremities slightly worn or rubbed. Folio.* Brunet V, 198; Nissen ZBI 3662.

Amsterdam, Pierre Schenk & Pierre Mortier, 1732-37. **\$12,000-15,000**

✿ This enormous work, in eight folio volumes, represents an attempt to find correspondences between the Bible and the current state of scientific research and evidence. The hundreds of fine engraved plates illustrate biblical scenes and especially focus on botanical, zoological, astronomical, geographical, architectural, religious and emblematic representations. They often represent the struggle between faith (or superstition) and science.

Johann Jakob Scheuchzer (1672 -1733) was a Swiss scholar born in Zürich. Being both medically and scientifically trained he was appointed the town's chief physician. He wrote a number of scientific works, often of observations from travels undertaken.

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263 (RUSSIA). Evreiskie Pogromy ["Jewish Massacre"] 1918-1921. Issued by Z. S. Ostrovsky on behalf of the Jewish Committee for Aid to Victims of Pogrom. Russian text. Numerous photographic illustrations. *pp.* 136. *Browned, light wear to some corners, title-page creased, inscription on introductory page. Contemporary boards retaining original pictorial front cover, gutter split, rubbed. Folio.*

Moscow, 1926. **\$600-900**

✪ A detailed album highlighting the horrific results following the ferocious pogroms afflicted upon Jewish communities in the Ukraine including Skvira (Skver), Poltava, Uman, Kiev and Yelizavetgrad during the Civil War years of 1918-21. See Z. Gitelman, *A Century of Ambivalence: The Jews of Russia and the Soviet Union 1881 to the Present* (1988) *pp.* 97-108.

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264 (SCIENCES). Beilin, Eliezer. Sepher Ivronoth [astronomy and calculations of intercalation and the Jewish calendar] Numerous mathematical tables, spherical charts and illustrations. Title within architectural arch featuring Moses and Aaron, with cherubs flanking a zodiac sphere. Woodcut illustrations of hand palms on ff.23v. and 24r. Sphere tipped between ff. 25v and 26r. *ff.* (2), 40. *Lacking volvelles, browned. Contemporary boards, rubbed. Sm. 4to.* Vinograd, Offenbach 63; Karp, *From the Ends of the Earth: Judaic Treasures from the Library of Congress* (1991) p. 197-8.

Offenbach, Israel ben Moses, 1722. **\$500-700**

265 (SCIENCES). Mordechai Gumpel HaLevi Schnaber (alias, Dr. George Levison). Maamar HaTorah VeHaChochmah [Essay on Law and the Sciences] **FIRST EDITION** *pp.* 4, 85, 5. *Light wear, two opening leaves with clean taped repair. Modern calf-backed marbled boards. Large 4to.* Vinograd, London 63; Roth, London 22.

London, Moses b. Gershon & Partners, 1771. **\$400-600**

✪ The author distinguished himself both as a Hebrew scholar and as a medical practitioner in England and Sweden. He originally hailed from Berlin studying under the Chief Rabbi David Frankel (author of *Korban Ha-Edah*). He was the grandson of his name-sake, R. Gumpel Schnaber, the Dayan of the tri-communities of Altona, Hamburg and Wandsbeck. Schnaber studied medicine in England with Dr. John Hunter and was appointed physician to the Duke of Portland. He later served as a Professor of Medicine at the University of Upsala, Sweden, where, King Gustavus III encouraged him to translate all of his medical and polemical works into Swedish.

The present work, which stressed the importance of studying the sciences engendered controversy among the zealous. See Piccioto, *Sketches of Anglo-Jewish History*, p. 138; and Friedenwald, *Jewish Luminaries in Medical History* p. 95.

For much detail on the author's life see:

<http://onthemainline.blogspot.com/2009/11/mordechai-gumpel-schnaber-part-i.html>.

266 (SCIENCES). Israeli, Isaac Ben Joseph. Yesod Olam [astronomy and cosmography]. Edited by Baruch of Schklov. **FIRST EDITION.** Title within a typographical border. Two folding engraved plates with astronomical charts between ff. 61-2 and at end. *ff.* (1), 93, (7). *Lightly browned, closely trimmed, previous owner's marks. Contemporary boards, rubbed and crudely rebacked. Sm. 4to.* Vinograd, Berlin 289.

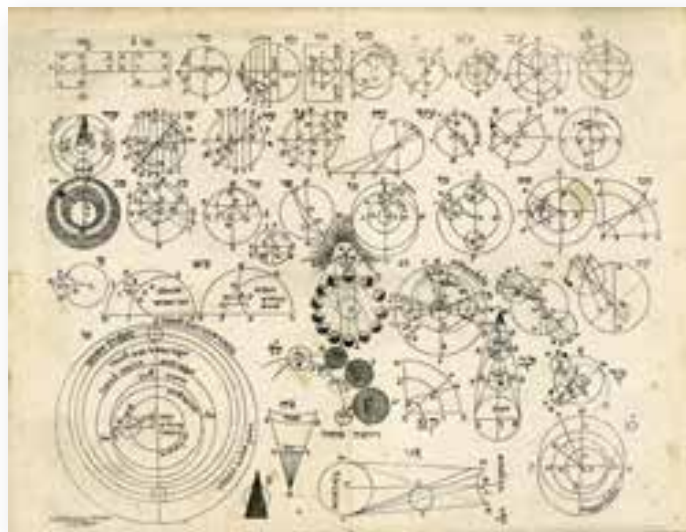
Berlin, n.p., 1777. **\$500-700**

✪ The author was a Spanish-Jewish astronomer who flourished in Toledo in the first half of the fourteenth century. He was a pupil of Asher ben Yehiel, at whose request he wrote the present work, the best contribution toward the study of astronomy in Hebrew literature.

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267 SHAPIRO, NATHAN NATA. Megaleh Amukoth [252 Kabbalistic explanations to Moses's prayer in the Biblical portion of "Va'ethchanan."] **FIRST EDITION** ff. (5), 166, 24. Foxed, few expert paper repairs in places. Modern calf. 4to. Vinograd, Cracow 401.

Cracow, (Menachem Nachum Meisels), 1637. **\$12,000-18,000**

⚡ **A FUNDAMENTAL TEXT BY THE MOST IMPORTANT POLISH KABBALIST OF THE 17TH-CENTURY.**

When traditional scholars wish to celebrate the infinite breadth of the Torah, the present text may be cited as a perfect example. The Chid"ra cites R. Yechiel Heilperin – author of Seder Ha-Doroth – who studied 1,000 interpretations of the Megaleh Amukoth on the diminutive letter Aleph of the word "Vayikra." His son, R. Shlomo, writes in his introduction that his father had actually composed 1,000 interpretations of Moses's prayer in Va'ethchanan, but felt "Rav Lach" [enough = 252] - he was not permitted to reveal more.

Although the style of the book is eclectic, it is especially renowned for its dazzling "gematriyoth" - kabbalistic calculations which sometimes run into the hundreds of millions. See the comprehensive monograph by Rabbi Eliezer Katzman, Toldoth HaMegaleh Amukoth (New York, 2003) pp. 49-50 for a sample explanation of "Ophan 167" (the 167th interpretation), where the intricate calculation and explanation of various concepts add up to 576,000,000. (Republished with additions and revisions in Yeshurun, Vol. XIII, pp. 617-700 and Vol. XIV, pp. 935-64).

While yet a young man, the author's wide erudition and phenomenal memory caught the eye of the community leaders of Cracow who appointed him the city's Rosh Yeshivah and Dayan. An aura of mystery and holiness surrounded R. Nathan Nata's life (1585-1633). Indeed, the inscription on his tombstone states that he was reputed to have communed with the Prophet Elijah.

TO THIS DAY, THE MEGALEH AMUKOTH IS REGULARLY CITED AND UNIVERSALLY ACCLAIMED WITHIN BOTH THE LITHUANIAN AND CHASSIDIC WORLD.

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268 **SHIMON B"R YOCHAI**. Sepher HaZohar [the mystical "Book of Splendor]. Four parts complete in three volumes. * Bound with: David Luria. Kadmuth Sepher HaZohar (at end of vol. II). **THE COPY OF RABBI SHEFTEL KRAMER AND HIS SON-IN-LAW RABBI YAAKOV YITZCHAK RUDERMAN**. With Rabbi Ruderman's signature on the front flyleaf of Vol. I and Rabbi Kramer's signature on the rear of vol. III. *Slight marginal worming. Contemporary calf, worn. Large 8vo.* Unrecorded by Vinograd; cf Scholem, *Bibliographica Kabbalistica* no. 40.

(Koenigsburg, 1816). **\$500-700**

✦ Rabbi Sheftel Kramer was Rabbi Ruderman's father-in-law and a brother-in-law of Rabbi Isser Zalman Meltzer. He was a Dean of the Yeshiva of New Haven, founded by Rabbi Yehudah Heschel Levenberg.

269 (**SPINOZA, BENEDICTUS DE**). *Opera Posthuma*. Five parts in one: *Ethica*; *Tractatus Politicus*; *Tractatus de Intellectus Emendatione*; *Epistolae*; and *Compendium Grammatices Linguae Hebraeae*. **FIRST EDITION**. Printer's device on title. Marginalia and underscoring. *pp.* (40), 614, (34), 112, (4). *Author's name inscribed on title, lower portion of title laid down with small loss at corner, some damp-soiling. Later calf-backed boards, gilt, backstrip partly detached. Thick 4to.* Mehlman 1943; Van der Linde, *Spinoza Bibl.* no. 22; Kingma & Offenberg 15.

(Amsterdam, J. Rieuwertsz), 1677. **\$3000-5000**

✦ **FIRST EDITION OF SPINOZA'S HIGHLY INFLUENTIAL PHILOSOPHICAL WORK.**

Baruch Spinoza (1632-77) was educated in the Orthodox Sephardic culture of Amsterdam, however his rebellion against traditional religious thought - propounding pantheism - ultimately led to rabbinic excommunication. Spinoza is considered today as one of Western philosophy's most important thinkers, one of the great rationalists of the 17th-century, who laid the groundwork for the 18th-century Enlightenment.

Published in the year of his death, the "Opera" was banned by the States of Holland for blasphemy. An engraved portrait of Spinoza was composed three years after his death, which was inserted by the publisher into those copies of this first edition that were still in stock (see E. Altkirch, *Spinoza im Portraet*, pp. 61-3 and as noted by Mehlman no. 1943). See A.K. Offenberg, *Bibliotheca Rosenthaliana—Treasures of Jewish Booklore* (1994), p. 31; JE, Vol. XI, pp. 511-20; EJ, Vol. XV, pp. 275-84.

"The *Opera Posthuma* has served to immortalize Spinoza's name." (*Printing and the Mind of Man*, no. 152).

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270 **SPINOZA, BARUCH**. *Di Etik*. **FIRST YIDDISH EDITION**. Translated by W. Nathanson. Frontispiece portrait of Spinoza tipped in. *pp.* 316. *Brittle. Original boards, rubbed. 4to.*

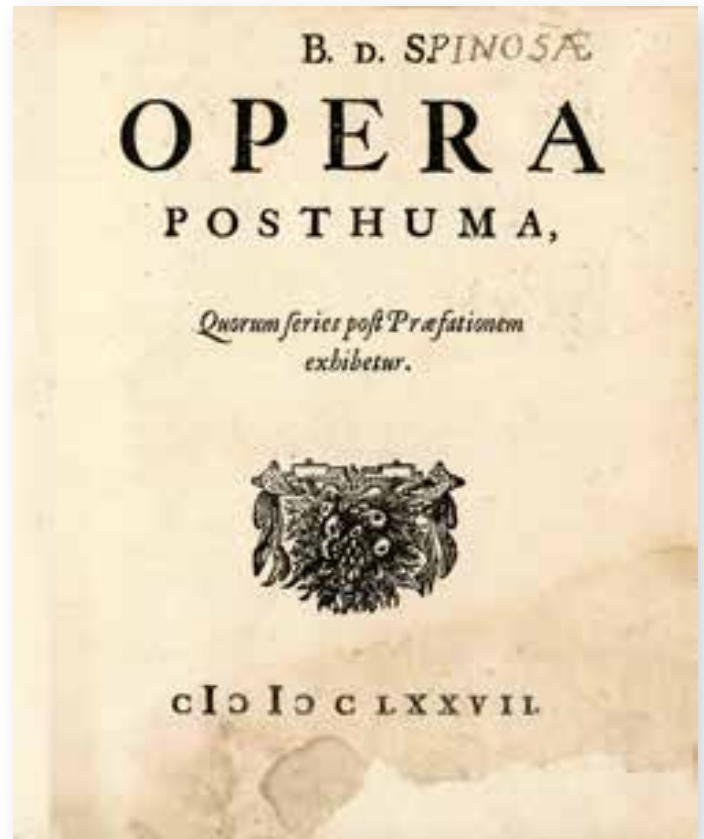
Warsaw-Chicago, Kultur Liga-Naye Gezelshaft, 1923. **\$500-700**

✦ Apart from one 19th-century Hebrew abridged paraphrase, Spinoza's "Ethics" was not available in any Jewish language until W. Nathanson of New York produced this Yiddish translation in 1923. A Hebrew translation from the Latin by Jacob Klatzkin was published the following year.

271 **SPINOZA, BARUCH**. *Der Teologish-Politisher Traktat* ["Theological Political Tractatus."] **FIRST YIDDISH EDITION**. Translated by N. Perlman. *pp.* (12), 6-375. *Original boards. Thick 8vo.*

New York, Ferlag M. Yankovitch, circa 1925. **\$300-500**

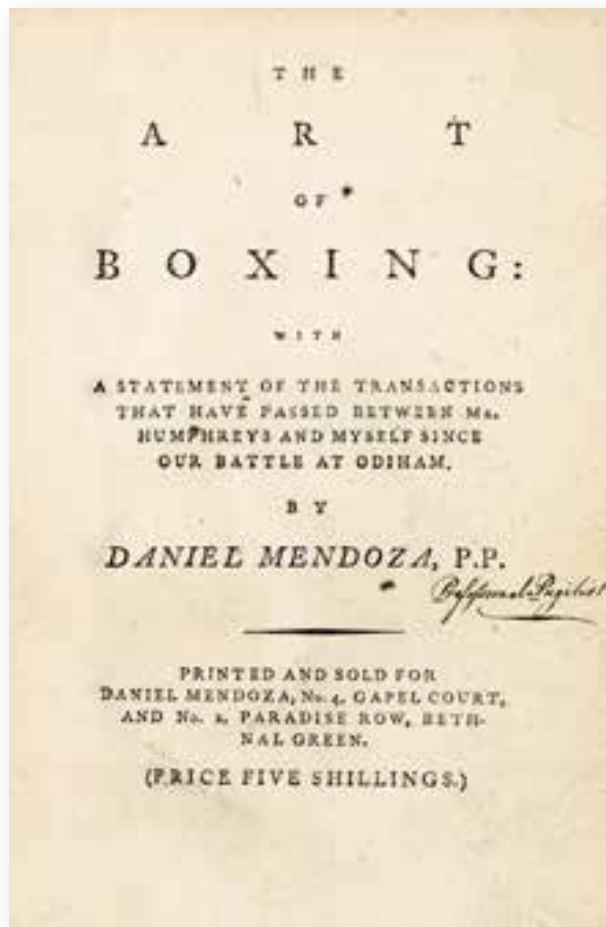
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272 **SOLOMON IBN MELECH**. Michlal Yoffi [linguistic commentary to the Bible] Third Edition. Title within elaborate woodcut architectural arch depicting King David with his harp. Additional Latin title and introduction. ff. 4, 220. *Lightly browned and trace foxed, lower corner of first tile taped. Recent boards. Sm. folio.* Vinograd, Amsterdam 508; Fuks, Amsterdam 482.

Amsterdam, David de Castro, 1684. **\$200-300**

273 **SOLOVEICHNIK, CHAIM**. ("R. Chaim Brisker"). Chidushei Rabbeinu Chaim HaLevi [on Maimonides' Yad HaChazakah] **FIRST EDITION. FROM THE LIBRARY OF R. PINCHAS MORDECHAI TEITZ OF ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY.** ff. 112. *Brittle. Original boards, extremities chipped. Folio.*

Brisk, Yehoshua Klein, 1936. **\$600-900**

✎ The primary work of conceptual Brisker Talmud analysis.

274 **(SPORTS)**. Group of seven volumes relating to Boxing and the career of the Anglo-Jewish boxer Daniel Mendoza:

Memoirs of the Life of Daniel Mendoza. 1816. * Daniel Mendoza, The Art of Boxing, England. 1789. * P. Egan. Boxiana. Volumes I-III. 1818-21. * The Complete Art of Boxing. 1788. * Modern Manhood, London, (1788). Many engraved plates. From the library of the late Alfred Rubens (sold Sotheby's, March 16th, 1999 lot 60), most with his book-plate. *Previous owners' signatures. Contemporary calf and marbled boards, some wear. 8vo.*

London, v.d. **\$1200-1800**

✎ Daniel Mendoza's ascendancy to sporting heights by means of his championing the theories of scientific boxing, led to his acceptance by Royalty - indeed, he received the patronage of the Prince of Wales. Subsequently, Mendoza helped ease the social position of the Jew in 18th-century England, proudly billing himself as "Mendoza the Jew."

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275 **STERNBERG, SHALOM YITZCHAK**. Birkath Shalom. With stamp of Rabbi Berel Zuckerman of Buffalo. Y. Plessner, 1930. **FIRST EDITION.** pp. (15), 165, (2). With map. * Bound with: Berel Zuckerman. He'aroeth al HaMeiri-Mikva'oth. The author's personal copy with his marginalia. New York, 1953. *Later boards. 4to.*

Antwerp, 1930. **\$120-180**

✎ Responsa concerning the Eruv in Antwerp, Belgium.

276 **(SYNAGOGUE PLAQUE)**. Luchoth Ha'Eidoth [Chart of the 613 mitzvot according to Maimonides in order of the Torah]. Prepared by Y. M. Hilman. Single broadside. Text in eight columns surrounded by borders. *Folded. 25 x 20 inches.* Bibliographically unrecorded.

Vilna, Funn and Rosencranz, 1868. **\$800-1200**

277 **(TALMUD, BABYLONIAN)**. Talmud Bavli. Complete in 23 volumes. Replete with numerous commentaries. Each volume with individual title within architectural border printed in red and black. *Stained in places. Contemporary mottled calf, some wear, covers loose. Tall folio.* Rabinovitch, Talmud pp. 157-80.

Vilna, Widow and Brothers Romm, 1880-86. **\$4000-6000**

✎ **MAGNIFICENT, WIDE-MARGINED COPY OF THE FAMED VILNA SHAS, PRINTED ON PAPIER-ROYALE.**

The most important publication of the illustrious Romm printers at Vilna, their Shas became the blueprint of modern printings of the Talmud. The Vilna Shas was edited by Samuel Shraga Feigensohn and contains over one hundred commentaries and addenda. See Yeshiva University Museum Catalogue, Printing the Talmud (2005) number 57.

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- 278 (TELZER YESHIVAH).** Group of five photographs of various students of the Telz Yeshiva.

Telz, Kaplanskio, 1934-1935. **\$500-700**

• Two are identified as depicting members of the Zeirei Agudath Israel branch of Telz. One depicts members holding a placard with the slogan "Achduth." Reverse stamped "Aaron Benzion Mishurith, Ritova, Lita." One image is noted that it was taken prior to the departure to the United States of Yehudah Stam.

Students in Telz were often active in the Agudath Israel Movement as the founder of the Telzer Yeshiva R. Eliezer Gordon and the subsequent Roshei Yeshiva including R. Elya Meir Bloch, were leaders of the Agudath Israel organization.

- 279 (TRAVEL).** Benjamin, Israel Joseph. Eight Years in Asia and Africa from 1846 to 1855 **FIRST EDITION IN ENGLISH**. At conclusion, **RARE FOLDING MAP OF AUTHOR'S TRAVELS** through Asia and Africa. Final page records the list of subscribers in Bombay. *pp. xv, 332, (1). Ex-library, inner hinge starting, map with tears at folds. Modern boards. 8vo.* Freimann, p. 166.

Hanover, By the Author, 1859. **\$1000-1500**

• In emulation of the medieval Spanish traveler Benjamin of Tudela, the self-styled Benjamin II, Israel Joseph Benjamin, a native of Foltitscheny, Moldavia, recorded his travels through Egypt, Eretz Israel, Syria, Armenia, Iraq, Kurdistan, Persia, India, and China. He returned to Europe via Afghanistan, reaching Vienna in the year 1851, only to set out again on another voyage from Italy to North Africa. Benjamin died in London in abject poverty while making preparations for a further journey to the Orient. See EJ, Vol. IV, cols. 526-7.

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- 280 (TRAVEL).** Sivuv HaRav R. Pethachiah MeRegensburg. With Midrash Jonah. *ff. 12. Previous owner's signature on title, some staining. Modern calf-backed marbled boards. Vinograd, Altona 254 (erroneous date); Roest, 1380.*

Altona, Moshe Bon, circa, (1770). **\$300-500**

• Attractive edition of the travels of R. Pethachiah of Regensburg, who in (approximately) the year 1175 set out on his travels, making his way through Poland and Russia to the Crimea, from there to Tartary, Khazaria, Armenia, Kurdistan, Babylonia, Syria, and Eretz Israel. The author was the brother of the Tosafist R. Yitzchak HaLavan and lived in the time of R. Yehudah HaChassid.

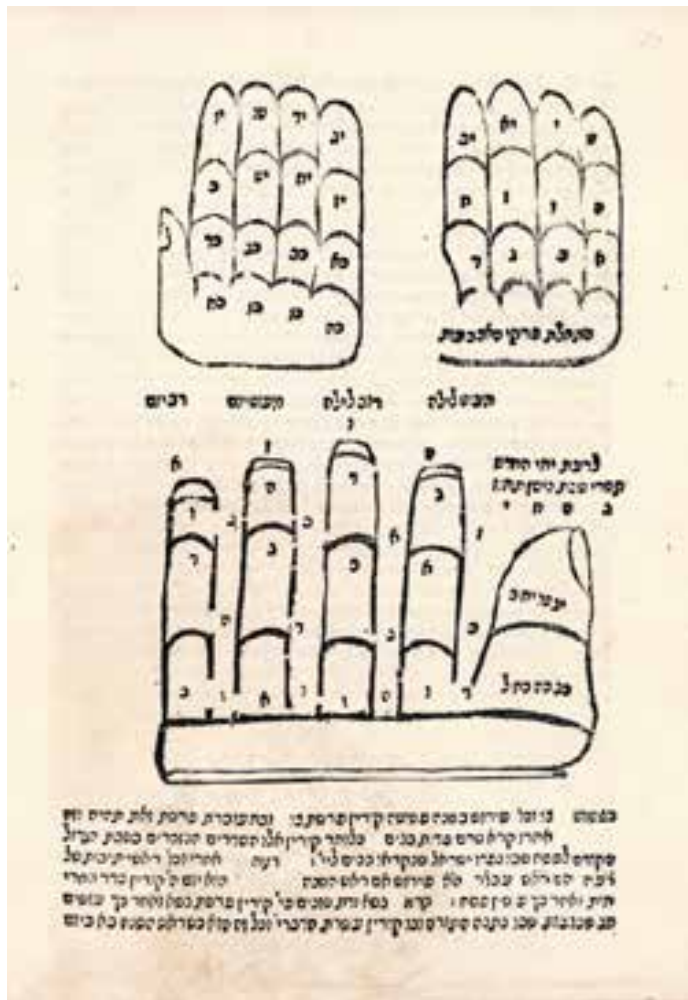
- 281 TZAHALON, ABRAHAM.** Marpe LaNephesh [a commentary to Isaac Luria's Tikunei Nephesh] **FIRST EDITION** *ff. 20,1. Lightly stained. Modern calf-backed marbled boards. Sm. 4to* Vinograd, Venice 806; Habermann, di Gara 152.

Venice, Giovanni di Gara, 1595. **\$1000-1500**

• **THE EARLIEST PUBLISHED WORK OF TEACHINGS OF ISAAC LURIA.** With the rare final colophon leaf missing in most all other copies. The earliest published writings of the Arizal were his liturgical hymns published in Yephé Nof (Venice 1575-80). Marpe LaNephesh however, constitutes the Arizal's earliest published teachings as opposed to his mystical poems. The author states in the title and introduction of the present work that the Arizal's Tikunei Nephesh contains secrets "not revealed since the days of R. Shimon Bar Yochai."

A resident of Safed, Abraham Tzahalón, also published at di Gara's Venetian press in 1595 two further works: *Yad Charutzim*, on the Hebrew calendar; and *Yesha Elo-him* commentary to the Book of Esther.

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- 282 VITAL, DAVID BEN SOLOMON.** (The Physician). Kether Torah. **FIRST EDITION.** Title within historiated woodcut border, surmounted by coronet. Illustration of hand (relating to calendar) on f. 14v, illustration of cow's lung (relating to dietary laws) on f. 92v. ff.(128). *Upper and lower portion of title supplied in facsimile with textual loss, light stains, few marginal paper repairs, previous owners' marks. Modern calf. Sm. 4to.* Vinograd, Const. 154; Mehlman 705; Yaari, Const. 120.

Constantinople, Eliezer ben Gershom Soncino, 1536. **\$1500-2500**

David Vital, a Spanish exile, settled in Greece, first in Patras, and following the Turko-Venetian war of 1532, in Arta, where he was welcomed as a pre-eminent halachic authority.

Kether Torah is a rhymed summary of the 613 commandments in accordance with Maimonides's enumeration, together with the seven rabbinical commandments. Hence, the numerical value of the title, "Kether" (620). The work is a commentary to Maimonides's Sefer HaMitzvot - whereby each precept is discussed - commencing with Maimonides's formulation and often concluding with a response to Maimonides's critics. Despite its unusual poetic form, the Kether Torah remains an important halachic source frequently quoted in the rabbinic literature.

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- 283 VOLOZHNER, CHAIM.** Chut Hameshulash. **FIRST EDITION.** THE RABBI YAAKOV YITZCHAK RUDERMAN COPY, with his signature and stamp on front flyleaf and a differing stamp on the two titles, plus bookplate of R. Yaakov S. Weinberg. pp. 18, 292. *Browned. Contemporary boards. Folio.*

Vilna, Y. L. Matz, 1882. **\$200-300**

Responsa from three generations of Volozhin: R. Chaim, his son-in-law R. Hillel and his grandson R. Eliezer Yitzchak.

R. Chaim Volozhin, the principle disciple of the Vilna Gaon, was the acknowledged leader of the Mitnagdic Movement following his establishment of his Yeshiva in 1802. His writings were highly influential within elite scholarly Lithuanian Yeshiva circles. Due to a fire very little of his halachic writings were published.

- 284 WEIZMANN, CHAIM.** Trial and Error. The Autobiography of Chaim Weizmann, First President of Israel. **FIRST EDITION.** Two volumes. Frontispiece photographic portrait of the author. One of 500 Numbered Copies printed on special paper and signed by Weizmann. Vol. I: pp. (4), viii; 264. * Vol. II: pp. vi; 265-493. *Signatures on opening free endpaper of Vol. I. Original printed dust-jackets, light wear. 4to.*

New York, Harper & Brothers, 1949. **\$400-600**

- 285 WESSELY, NAPHTALI HERZ (HARTWIG).** Divrei Shalom VeEmeth [on the education of youth in accordance with the Act of Tolerance proclaimed by Emperor Joseph II of Austria in 1782]. ff. (18).

* **BOUND WITH:** Rav Tov LeBeith Yisrael [response to the rabbis of Trieste]. ff. 41.

* Eyn Mishpat [collection of halachic opinions of the Rabbis of Italy]. ff. 48.

* Rechovoth [in defense of the new educational system]. ff. 76. **ALL FIRST EDITIONS.** Four works in one volume. *Browned. Crudely housed in recent boards. 12mo.* Vinograd, Berlin 309, 310, 324 and 336.

Berlin, Chinuch Ne'arim / Jüdischen Freyhule, 1782-85. **\$700-1000**

* **FIRST HEBREW WORK ON JEWISH EDUCATION IN THE SPIRIT OF THE HASKALAH.**

The Act of Tolerance of 1782 required Jews to establish trade-schools, with German as the language of instruction. Wessely felt this innovation would be of great benefit, arguing in his Divrei Shalom Ve'emeth, that Jewish education should include studies in "human knowledge" that incorporates the totality of secular culture, especially the moral, mathematical and physical sciences. According to Wessely, such general education necessarily precedes religious instruction as it is not possible to understand Divine teachings without secular acculturation. Wessely concludes that one who studies the Torah without acquiring common secular knowledge is indeed a burden upon society. Wessely's pamphlet met with opposition among traditionalist rabbis. These rabbis regarded the Act of Tolerance with skepticism, fearing its implementation would promote assimilation. They were outraged that at such a critical juncture, a fellow Jew would not only urge the unqualified application of the Act's measures but additionally assail the prevalent system of Jewish religious education.

In the three subsequent works bound in, Wessely responds to criticism and defends his new educational program.

See M. Carmilly-Weinberger, *Censorship and Freedom of Expression in Jewish History* (1977), pp. 111-13; A. Altmann, *Moses Mendelssohn, A Biographical Study* (1973), pp. 476-86.

286 (WOMEN). The Rev. H. Pereira Mendes. The Position of Woman in Jewish Law and Custom. *pp.* 23. *Original printed wrappers, spine taped.* 12mo. Singerman 3271.

New York, 1884. **\$150-200**

287 (ZIONISM). Moses Hess. Rom und Jerusalem, die letzte Nationalitätsfrage ["Rome and Jerusalem, the Ultimate National Query"] **FIRST EDITION.** German with occasional Hebrew. The J. J. Speyer copy (private secretary to Baron Wilhelm Carl von Rothschild) *pp.* xvi, 239 (1). *Slightly foxed. Contemporary marbled boards, original front printed wrapper bound in.* 8vo.

Leipzig, Eduard Wengler, 1862. **\$2000-3000**

⚡ **IMPORTANT ZIONIST TREATISE BY THE FATHER OF ZIONIST SOCIALISM.**

Born into a religious household in Bonn in 1812, Hess was greatly influenced by Socialist ideologies, in particular the writings of Karl Marx. His anthropological studies of the liberation movement of oppressed nationalities resulted in his publication of the present text, in which he concluded that the Jewish people needed a national center, around which a nucleus of men devoted to the religious mission of Israel could gather to pursue their ideals. This future Jewish state had to be based on the following foundations: Acquisition of land by the nation as a whole, creation of legal conditions under which work can flourish, and "the founding of Jewish societies of agriculture, industry and trade in accordance with Mosaic, i.e. socialist, principles." (Rom und Jerusalem, Letter 12). The title "Rome and Jerusalem" derives from Hess's notion that there are "two world-historical races:" Aryans and Semites. The Aryans aim to beautify life; the Semites to sanctify it.

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288 (ZIONISM). [Leon Pinsker]. "Autoemancipation!" Mahnruf an seine Stammesgenossen von einem russischen Juden ["A Warning Call of a Russian Jew to His Kinsmen"] **FIRST EDITION.** A Wide-margined copy. *pp.* (4), 36. *Original printed wrappers, trace wear.* Lg. 8vo. *Housed in modern solander-case.*

Berlin, W. Issleib (G. Schuhr), 1882. **\$1000-1500**

⚡ **THE FIRST MODERN CALL FOR A JEWISH HOMELAND.**

Following the government-led pogroms in Russia in 1881, Leon Pinsker (1821-91), hitherto an assimilationist, underwent a dramatic change in outlook. The publication of this famous tract, with its dispassionate analysis of the psychological and social roots of anti-Semitism, provided the stimulus for the Chibath Zion Movement. Despite the derision the work received from some quarters, ultimately it was the direct precursor to Herzlian political Zionism. See EJ, Vol. XIII, cols. 545-8.

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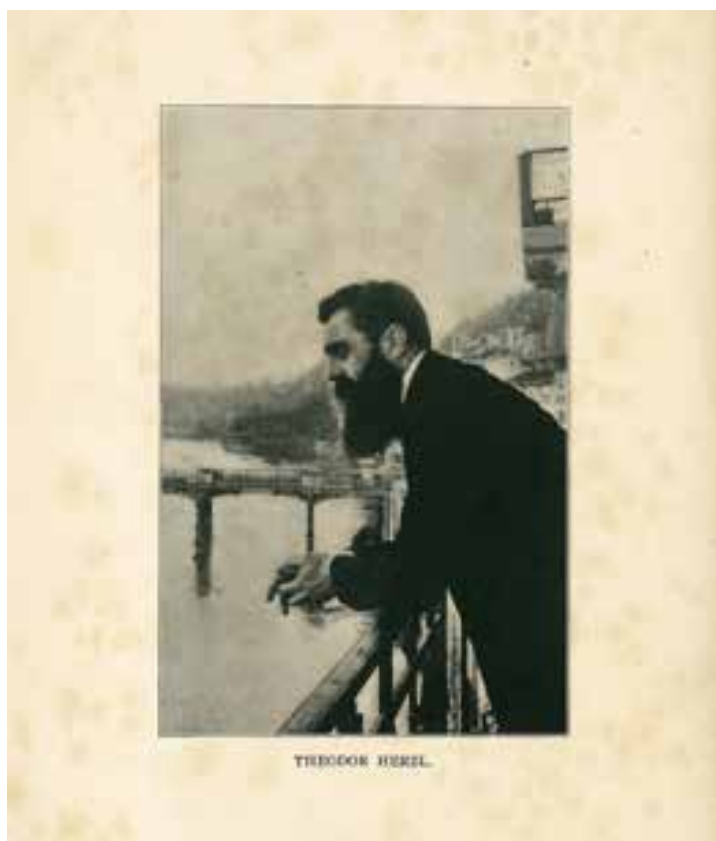
289 (ZIONISM). Herzl, Theodor. Altneuland ["Old-New Land" - a novel] **FIRST EDITION.** *pp.* 343, (5). *Lightly browned, pencil marks on title, opening leaf rehined. Original pictorial boards, rebacked.* 8vo.

Leipzig, Hermann Seemann Nachfolger, (1902). **\$600-900**

⚡ Herzl's Utopian novel in which he envisioned the social and cultural climate of a new Hebrew Nation. The motto of the book became the watchword of the entire Zionist Movement: "If you will it, it is no tale."



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Lot 291

290 (ZIONISM). Herzl, Theodor. Medinat HaYehudim: Der Judenstaat. ["The Jewish State, An Attempt at a Modern Solution to the Jewish Question"] **FIRST HEBREW EDITION.** Partially unopened. Bound in original publisher's boards. *pp.* 82. *Browned with small clean tear on p. 2. Later boards. 8vo.*

Warsaw, Halter And Eisenstadt for Toshiah, 1896. **\$2000-3000**

⚡ **FIRST HEBREW EDITION OF HERZL'S HERALD OF MODERN ZIONISM.**

Theodor Herzl founded political Zionism in this slim tract. An epochal call for the establishment of a Jewish State as a National Home for the Jewish People.

"Herzl's Der Judenstaat has remained the single most important manifesto of modern Zionism and is one of the most important books in the history of the Jewish People." See Michael Heymann, *Bibliotheca Rosenthaliana-Treasures of Jewish Booklore* (1994) no. 46, *pp.* 102-3.

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291 (ZIONISM). Herzl, Theodor. The Jewish State. **FIRST AMERICAN EDITION.** Preface and notes by Jacob de Haas. With celebrated photographic portrait of Herzl leaning over the balcony-rail of the Hotel Les Trois Rois, Basel. *pp.* xxii, 102. *Ex-library, opening leaf loose, foxed in places. Original gilt titled limp boards, covers worn with small tears. Tall 8vo.*

New York, The Maccabean Publishing Co., 1904. **\$1000-1500**

⚡ **FIRST AMERICAN EDITION OF "DER JUDENSTAAT."**

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292 (ZIONISM). Peretz Smolenskin. Nakam Berit. Preface by Reuven Brainin. **FIRST AMERICAN EDITION** Hebrew text. *pp.* 60. *Original printed wrappers, stained. 16mo. Goldman, Hebrew Printing in America, 472.*

New York, Hotsa'at Kadimah, 1918. **\$500-700**

⚡ **THE FIRST ZIONIST NOVEL IN HEBREW.**

Peretz Smolenskin (1840-85) the leading exponent of the Haskalah in Eastern Europe and an early advocate of Jewish nationalism, is best known for the important Hebrew monthly "HaShachar" which he founded in 1868 and edited until his death. In great measure, Smolenskin laid the foundations for the Zionist movement which gradually took shape in the following two decades. At the same time he anticipated the concept of a spiritual center, which was later to be argued so forcibly by Achad Ha'Am. Smolenskin's percipience may be discerned in the repeated warnings expressed, in both his articles and stories, that the pogroms in Russia and the anti-Semitism in Germany were no temporary aberrations, but merely the first manifestations of worse horrors to come. He foresaw danger threatening the entire people, and maintained that only Eretz Israel could offer a real refuge, where all the peoples of the Jewish Exile could be gathered into a single nation.

Nekam Berit, a story describing the return of an assimilated youth to his people following the Russian pogroms, remains a veritable testament to Smolenskin's Jewish nationalism.



Lot 293

293 (ZIONISM). La Palestine [Arab press]. A Special Edition in English Issued on the Occasion of the Visit to Palestine of Lord Balfour, the Statesman with Whose Name is Associated the Declaration Which to the Arabs Signifies the Death Knell of all the Hopes they Cherished When the Victorious British Armies Entered their Country in 1918. English text. Masthead in Arabic. Printed Newspaper Broadsheet. Complete in 4 pages.

Jaffa, Wednesday, March 25th, 1925. **\$1000-1500**

♣ The Arab press seized the opportunity of Lord James Balfour's highly symbolic guest appearance at the dedication ceremony of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem to voice their extreme displeasure with the decidedly pro-Zionist direction Palestine had taken since its conquest by the British in 1918. The newspaper suggests that Jews are exerting control over Britain through financial means with the intention of slowly gaining world domination.

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294 (ZIONISM). Arab Higher Committee. A Collection of Official Documents Relating to the Palestine Question 1917-1947. Submitted to the General Assembly of the United Nations by The Delegation of the Arab Higher Committee for Palestine. Cyclostyled, massive volume in binder. Thick folio, some wear.

New York, 1st October, 1947. **\$1000-1500**

♣ 46 different official documents supporting the Arab cause in Palestine. Presumably this copy was one distributed to members of the General Assembly of the United Nations. Issued shortly prior to the UN vote on Partition (29th November, 1947).

295 (ZIONISM). Sachar, Howard M. (Ed.) The Rise of Israel. A Documentary Record from the Nineteenth Century to 1948. A Facsimile Series Reproducing Over 1,900 Documents in 39 Volumes. Previous owner's marks, lacks vol. 8. Original boards. Sm. folio.

New York & London, Garland Publishing, 1987. **\$3000-5000**

— ILLUSTRATED BOOKS —



Lot 296

- 296 (**BUDKO, JOSEPH**). Heine, Heinrich. Der Rabbi von Bacherach. **ONE OF 120 COPIES**. Five full-page woodcuts by Budko, four of which are signed in pencil by the artist below image. Woodcut title-page and pictorial initials. *Original blue morocco, spine in compartments, gilt, spine sunned. Recent slip-case. Sm. 4to.*

Berlin, Euphorion Verlag, 1921. **\$1000-1500**

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- 297 **GOTTLIEB, MAURICY**. 39 Reproductions of the Artist's Paints [sic]. Portfolio of 39 plates by Gottlieb illustrated in color and black-and-white. Introduction in English by Karol Bernhaut. *Loose as issued in original portfolio-case.*

Tel Aviv, 1961. **\$100-150**

- 298 (**ILLUMINATED MANUSCRIPT**). The Rothschild Miscellany **ONE OF 500 NUMBERED COPIES**. Facsimile Edition. Sumptuously illuminated plates and text. Together two volumes. Mint Condition *Original lavishly blind-tooled calf, clasps and hinges, solander box. Thick 4to.*

London, Facsimile Editions, 1989. **\$4000-6000**

♣ Produced in Northern Italy in 1479, this extraordinary volume contains thirty-seven spectacularly illuminated literary units representing a variety of classical and medieval Hebrew texts.

"The most precious of illuminated Hebrew manuscripts."

See www.facsimile-editions.com/en/rm/.

- 299 (**JEWISH ART**). Cyrus Adler. The Shofar - Its Use and Origin. 1893. * Cyrus Adler & I.M. Casanowicz. Biblical Antiquities. 1898. * Cyrus Adler & I.M. Casanowicz. Descriptive Catalogue of a Collection of Objects of Jewish Ceremonial Deposited in the U.S. National Museum by Hadji Ephraim Benguiat. 1901. Together, three volumes. *Illustrated plates. Original printed wrappers. 8vo.*

Washington, Government Printing Office, **\$120-180**

- 300 (**JEWISH ART**). Rubens, Alfred. A Jewish Iconography. Revised Edition. One of 100 numbered copies bound in red goatskin. Inscribed and signed by Rubens. Thousands of caption illustrations. * **WITH:** Supplementary Volume (1982) and related papers laid in. *Top edge gilt. Sm. folio.*

London, Nonpareil, 1981. **\$500-700**

♣ Essential catalogue of a remarkable private collection, copiously illustrated. Presently housed in The Jewish Museum, London

- 301 (**LILIEN E.M.**). Sein Werk Introduction by Stefan Zweig. Frontispiece portrait of Lilien. Profusely illustrated. *Touch wear, trace foxed, signature on title-page. Original pictorial cloth, rubbed. Sm. folio.*

Berlin & Leipzig, 1903. **\$800-1000**

♣ A scarce volume featuring detailed representations of Lilien's entire artistic oeuvre.

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- 302 (**LILIEN, E.M.**). E.A. Regener. E.M. Lilien: Ein Beitrag zur Geschichte der Zeichnenden Künste. **INSCRIBED, SIGNED AND DATED BY LILIEN** on opening blank. Profusely illustrated. *Original pictorial boards. Sm. folio.*

Berlin-Leipzig, 1905. **\$400-600**

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Lot 301

303 PANN, ABEL Der Traenen Krug 24 tinted lithographs, signed by Pann in the stone. Introductory text by Dr. H.P. Chajes. *Loose as issued in original folding case, gilt-titled with lithographed pictorial label on upper cover. Sm. folio.*

Jerusalem, Wiener Kunstdruck, 1926. **\$600-900**

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304 (PHOTOGRAPHY). Les Juifs. Temiognages de notre Temps French text. Photographic illustrations throughout. *pp. 106. Some wear, few taped repairs. Loose in original pictorial wrappers, spine taped. Sm. folio.*

Paris, 1933. **\$300-500**

⚡ An illustrated survey of the Jewish world, replete with exceptional photographs.

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305 (RABAN, ZE'EV). Shir Hashirim - The Song of Songs. Decorative additional title page and 26 color plates comprising illustrations, illuminations and calligraphic text by Raban. *Margins of endpapers slightly chipped. Original pictorial silver-and gilt-tooled boards, light wear to backstrip. Folio.*

Jerusalem, 1930. **\$150-200**

306 (THEATER). Belmont Theater Program. Warsaw Jewish Troupe. The Yiddishe Bande in "The World Trembles." Text in English and Yiddish. Illustrated. *pp. 8. Original pictorial wrappers. 8vo.*

New York, (1938). **\$100-150**

307 THOMASON, EDWARD. Enamelled Impressions Struck Off from the Splendid Series of Medal Dies, Illustrative of the Holy Scriptures, Engraved by British Artists in the Employ of the Author. Two volumes. 60 inlaid peppermint-green enamelled paper medallions, each with accompanying leaf of Bible text, tissue guards separating each. *Contents hinged to inner spines of burgundy, morocco-backed, cloth-covered, folding book-boxes, blind-tooled and gilt, with brass clasps. Lg. 4to.*

(Birmingham, 1830). **\$800-1200**

⚡ "The allegory of the medals is embodied from the productions of Domenichino, Raphael, Carracci, Leonardo da Vinci, etc." Issued by the silversmith Sir Edward Thomason (1769-1849).

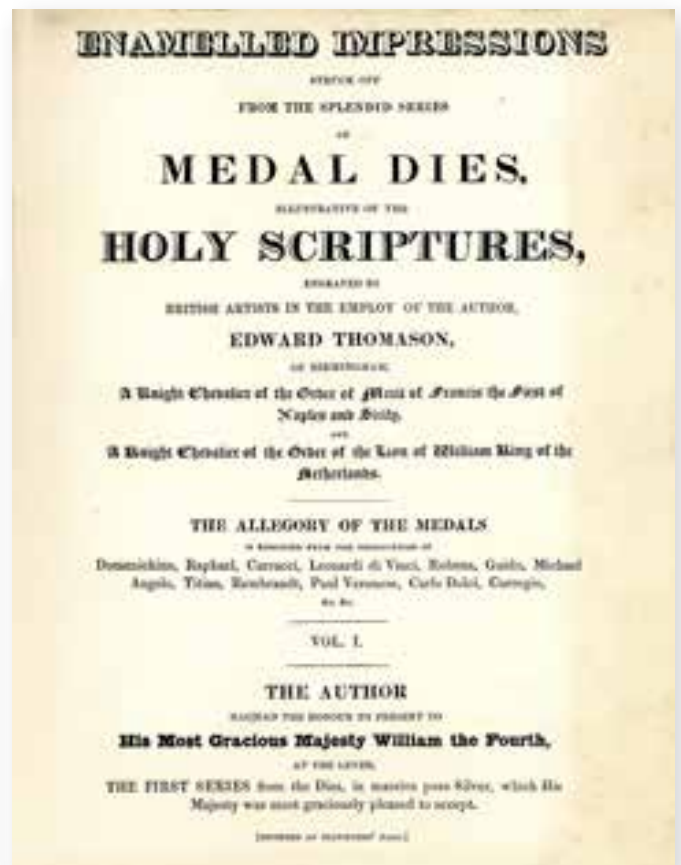
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— HOLY LAND TRAVEL —



Lot 308

308 AUSPITZ, JACOB. Be'er Haluchoth. **FIVE HAND-COLORED FOLDING MAPS IN HEBREW.** Second edition. ff. 8. *Extreme lower corners neatly repaired, maps worn and laid down, some tears at folds, few stains. Contemporary boards, worn. 8vo. Vinograd, Vienna 481; Laor 879A, 881, 882A, 883A and 884.*

Vienna, Georg Holzinger, 1818. **\$10,000-15,000**

♣ **THE FIRST HEBREW ATLAS.** This second edition followed the first produced in Ofen just a year earlier. Both editions are exceptionally rare. "The maps represent: (1) the spread of mankind after the Deluge; (2) the migration of the Hebrew tribes in the desert; (3) their camps; (4) the Mediterranean and the projected division of Palestine; (5) Palestine according to Jewish and Gentile sources." JE, Vol. II p. 317. Cf. E. & G. Wajntraub, *Hebrew Maps of the Holy Land* (1992) pp. 129-37.

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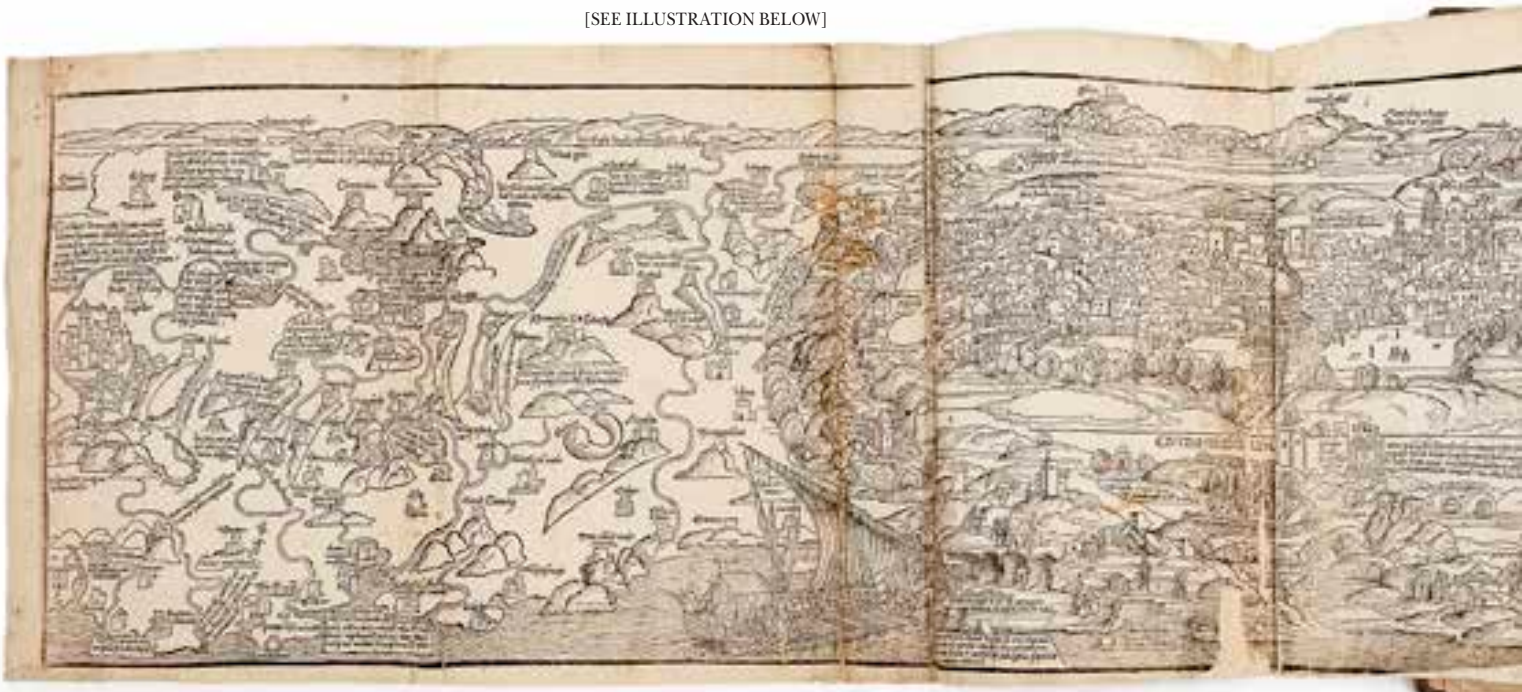
309 BREYDENBACH, BERNHARD VON. Die Heiligen Reysen gein Jherusalem zu dem heiligen Grab ... **THIRD GERMAN EDITION OF THE PEREGRINATIO AD TERRAM SANCTAM.** Seven large folding woodcut plates. Text illustrations including Near-Eastern alphabets, people and costumes. The Pattloch copy. ff. (112). *Occasional wear and stains, marginal repairs, plates creased and neatly strengthened, previous owner's marks, f.1 supplied from another copy, recent image of Breydenbach's tomb in Mainz tipped in front. Vellum-backed thick wooden boards, worn. Folio. Roehricht 401.*

[Speyer, Peter Drach der Jüngere, circa, 1505]. **\$12,000-18,000**

♣ Breydenbach's account of his 1483 pilgrimage from Mainz to the Holy Land is the first illustrated travel book printed. Fellow traveler Erhard Reuwich, the first painter known to have published a book, created its fine woodcuts. His illustrations include the first use of panoramas to depict cities.

Leaving in April 1483 and arriving back in January 1484, Breydenbach and his colleagues traveled first to Venice, where they stayed for three weeks. They then took a ship for Corfu, Modon and Rhodes - all still Venetian possessions. After Jerusalem and Bethlehem and other sights of the Holy Land, they went to Mount Sinai and Cairo. Following a boat down the Nile to Rosetta, they journeyed back to Venice.

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Lot 309

310 BOCHART, SAMUEL. Geographiae Sacrae. **FIRST EDITION.** Two parts in one. Latin text with use of Hebrew and Greek. **TWO FOLDING MAPS WITH HEBREW CAPTIONS** ff. [28], 360, [48], 361-864, pp. (9). *Lightly foxed, ex-library. Recent boards. Folio.* Rohricht 257; See E. & G. Wajntraub, Hebrew Maps of the Holy Land (1992) p.55, no. 22.

Caen, Petri Cardonelli, 1646. **\$1000-1500**

☛ Samuel Bochart (1599-1667), was a French Protestant biblical scholar whose Geographia Sacra seu Phaleg et Canaan exerted a profound influence on seventeenth-century Biblical exegesis. The work seeks to explain the origins of civilization in antiquity based upon the biblical stories of the flood and Tower of Babel. Bochart attempted to match the 70 nations mentioned in the biblical account with the various ethnic groups of Europe, Africa and Asia. Illustrated within are two engraved fold-out maps of the dispersion of the nations following the Tower of Babel and the Aegean Sea with Hebrew and Latin place names.

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311 BRUYN, (BRUN), CORNELIUS DE. Voyage au Levant, c'est à dire dans les principaux endroits de l'Asie Mineure dans les isles de Chio, de Rhodes, de Chypres...D'Egypte, de Syrie et de la Terre Sainte. French text printed in double columns. Historiated initials, headpieces, tailpieces. Additional engraved title. Engraved frontispiece portrait of de Bruyn. Extensive copper-engraved plates, including many fold-out plates. *Penciled collation notes. Lightly browned. Contemporary mottled calf, gilt, worn and scuffed. Folio.* Rohricht 1184; Laor 967; Blackmer Catalogue 47.

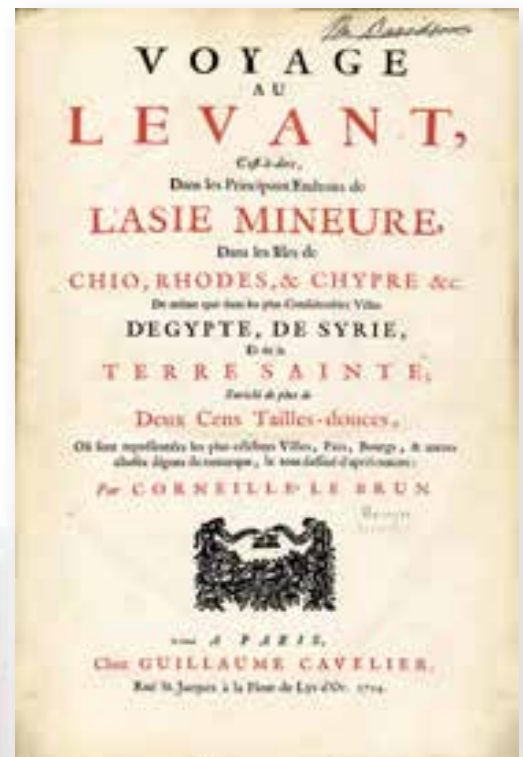
Paris, G. Cavalier, 1714. **\$3000-5000**

☛ The Dutch traveller and painter Cornelius de Bruyn (1652-1726) spent the years 1678-85 in the Levant. Primarily a landscape artist, his many fine panoramas include Smyrna, Constantinople, the Bosphorus, Rhodes, Tyre, Alexandria, Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Aleppo, Palmyra, etc. In addition, the artist was fascinated by the native costume of the Arabs, Greeks and Turks. The Holy Land is extensively described here over 173 pages, with a multitude of illustrations.

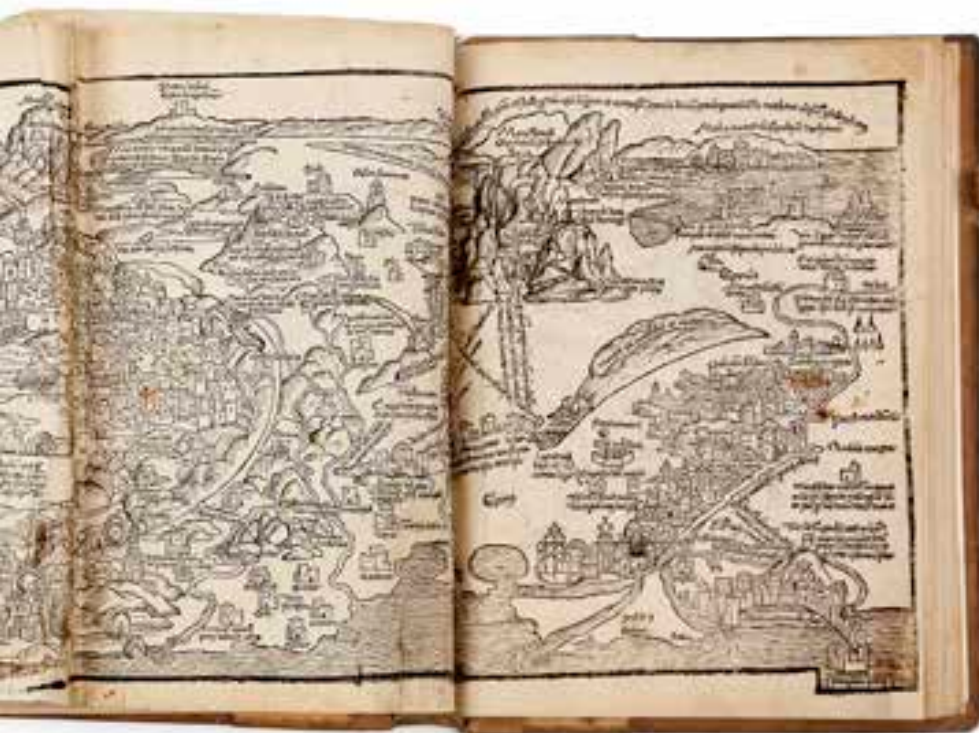
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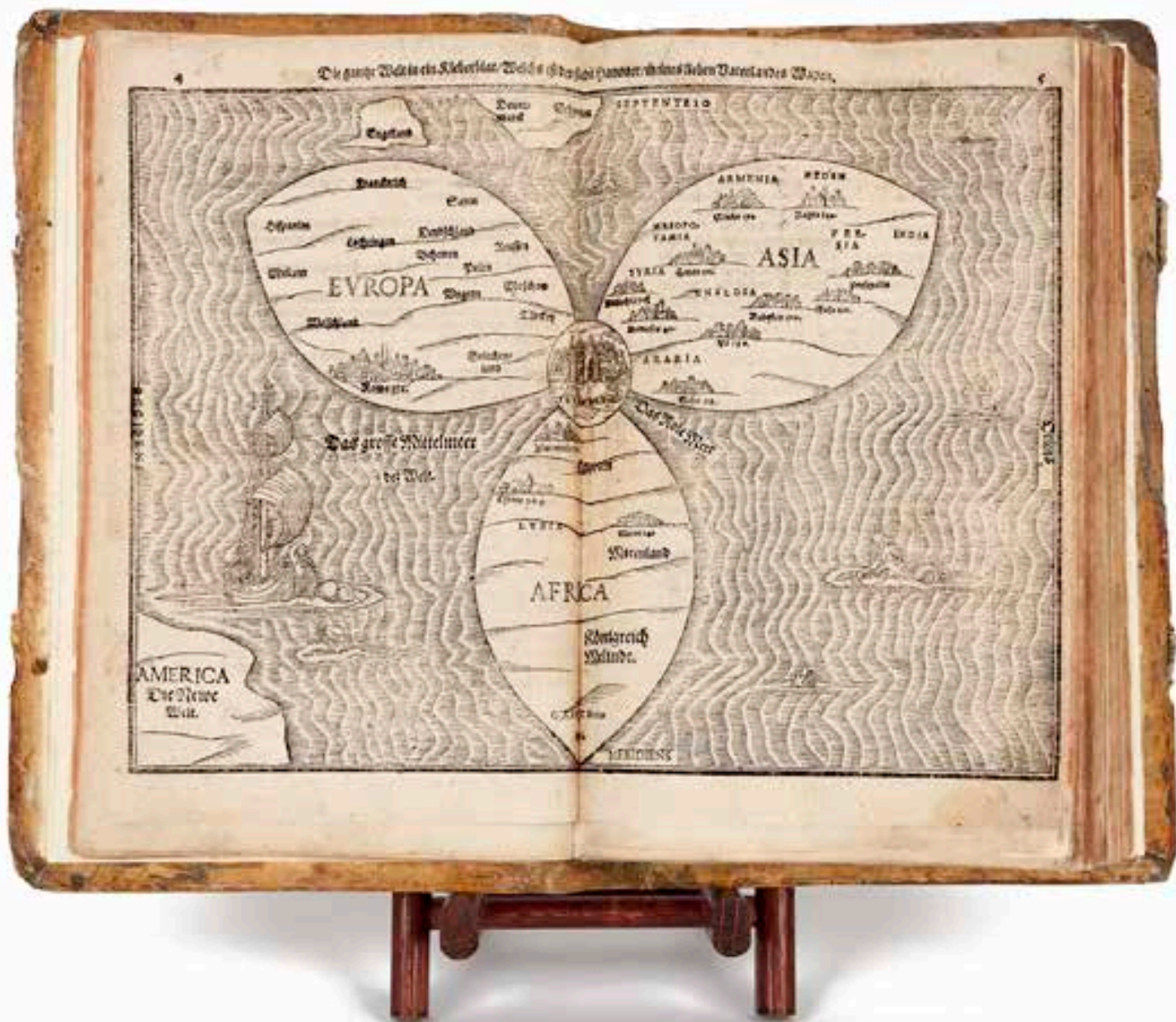


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312 BUENTING, HEINRICH. *Itinerarium Sacrae Scripturae. Das ist Ein Reisebuch, ueber di gantze Heilige Schrift.* ff. (14), 240, (7).

* **BOUND WITH:** *Ber das Buch Joshua.* ff. 34. * *Itinerarium Novi Testamenti.* (4), 102, (14), 15, (3), 14-24. Ten double-page and two single page maps. Title printed in red and black. *Variously lightly stained, few leaves slightly shorter; few neat marginal repairs, marginalia. Contemporary vellum over wooden boards, wormed and rebaked. Folio.*

Magdeburg, 1594. **\$12,000-18,000**

✦ The German theologian Heinrich Bünting (1545-1606) is famed for this work first published in 1581. It provides the most complete summary of biblical geography available and describes the Holy Land by following the travels of various notables from the Bible. In addition to conventional maps (Holy Land, Egypt, and views of Jerusalem and the Temple of Solomon), the book also contains the three celebrated figurative maps: Europe in the form of a crowned and robed woman; Asia as the winged horse Pegasus and most famously a World map showing the three continents of Europe, Asia and Africa on a clover-leaf projection with Jerusalem at the center, with the coast of the New World appearing far left.

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313 CACCIA, FRANCISCUS. Jerusalem, seu, Palaestina nova. **FIRST EDITION.** 29 (of 30) engraved plates (maps and views), some folding. Title page in red & black. *pp.* 8, 162, (6). Worn and lightly stained in places, one folding plate, *pp.* 45-6 and two opening text leaves (unnumbered) provided in facsimile, *pp.* 41-2 and p. 162 frayed with lower lines provided in manuscript, Jerusalem plate and opening three leaves rebaked. Contemporary calf, scuffed and worn. *Sm.* 4to.

Vienna, C. Lercher, 1706. **\$1200-1800**

✦ Rare description of the Holy Land by Franciscus Caccia (1694-1723), well illustrated with interesting engraved plates, especially the schematic map of Jerusalem by Andreas Trost.

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314 CALMET, AUGUSTIN. Dictionarium Historicum, Criticum, Chronologicum, Geographicum, et Literale Sacrae Scripturae, cum Figuris Antiquitates Judaicas Representandibus. Two volumes, complete, bound in one. Engraved double-page and folding maps and plates. *Lightly foxed. Contemporary calf, spine gilt, scuffed. Folio.* Laor 153-57.

Venice, S. Coleti, 1726. **\$1000-1500**

315 CARNE, JOHN. Syria, The Holy Land, Asia Minor. **FIRST EDITION.** Three volumes. Engraved additional titles, two maps and c. 117 steel-engraved plates after W.H. Bartlett, Th. Allom and others. *Lightly foxed or dampstained in a few places. Contemporary half-calf over marbled boards, spines gilt, rubbed. Lg.* 4to. Blackmer Catalogue 458.

London, Fisher, Son & Co, 1836-38. **\$600-900**

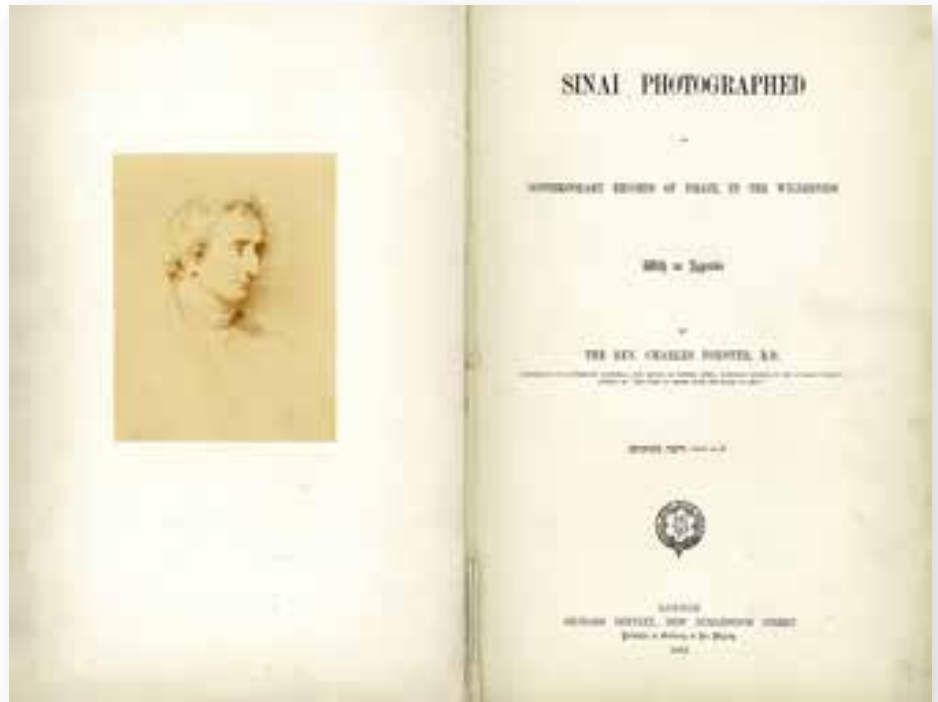
316 FORSTER, CHARLES. Sinai Photographed or Contemporary Records of Israel in the Desert. With an Appendix [The Hamyaritic Inscriptions]

FIRST EDITION. English interspersed with Hebrew and Arabic. **WITH ORIGINAL MOUNTED ALBUMEN PHOTOGRAPHS** by the British photographer A.J. Brown, maps and engravings. Frontispiece photographic portrait *pp.* 20, 352. *Some buckling of plates. Original boards, needs rebinding. Folio.*

London, Richard Bentley, 1862. **\$800-1200**

✦ First edition of Forster's study of the Hebrew inscriptions found in the Sinai Desert, documenting his belief that these were the actual writings of Moses and the Israelites on their flight from Egypt.

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Lot 316

317 DAPPER, O[LFERT]. Naukeurige Beschryving van Gantsch Syrie, en Palestyn of Heilige Lant. **FIRST EDITION.** 4 fold-out maps including large folding panorama of Jerusalem; 27 double-page plates of maps, views and illustrations; 31 plates including portraits of the Twelve Sons of Jacob; 34 half-page plates in text. **ENTIRELY HANDCOLORED THROUGHOUT.** Title in red and black. Additional divisional title. Head- and tailpieces. Historiated initials. Printed in double columns. *Lightly foxed. Recased in contemporary calf over thick wooden boards, rebaked. Folio.* Rohricht, Bibliotheca Geographica Palaestinae, pp. 275-6 (no. 1171); cf. Blackmer Catalogue no. 88.

Amsterdam, Jacob van Meurs, 1677. **\$10,000-15,000**

A REMARKABLE COPY. EACH AND EVERY MAP, VIEW AND TEXT ILLUSTRATION FINELY HAND-COLORED THROUGHOUT.

Dutch physician Olfert Dapper (1636-1689) traveled to Africa, China, Persia, Georgia, Arabia, Egypt and the Holy Land, leaving a rich geographical and historical record of his travels. Dapper's work is noted for its objective approach, free of his contemporaries' European ethnocentrism.

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318 FULLER, THOMAS. A Pisgah-Sight of Palestine and the Confines Thereof, with the History of the Old and New Testament Acted Thereon. **FIRST EDITION.** Additional allegorical title, 27 double-paged plates including maps of Israel and a fold-out map of Solomon's Temple, 3 doubled-paged plates of Temple artifacts, a plate of a coat-of-arms, head- and tailpieces historiated initials **ALL HANDCOLORED.** Bookplates, including Walter T. Shirley. *Few light stains in places. Reverse-calf, rubbed. Folio. Housed in folding-case.* Laor 278-295 (individual maps for each of the Twelve Tribes of Israel), 1024-5 (plans of Jerusalem and Holy Temple); K. Nebenzahl, *Maps of the Holy Land*, pp. 128-31.

London, J.F. for John Williams, 1650.

\$10,000-15,000

“Pisgah-Sight is one of the great books on the typography of the Holy Land” (Nebenzahl, *Maps of the Holy Land*).

A REMARKABLE COPY. FINELY HAND-COLORED THROUGHOUT.

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319 GOEREE, WILLEM & DAVID. *Mosaïze Historie der Hebreeuwse Kerke.* **FIRST EDITION.** Four volumes. Engraved title pages and frontispieces, numerous full-page plates, many folding, as well as numerous text illustrations, decorated initials and tailpieces. *Light wear in places. Contemporary sheep, rubbed, spines worn. Folio.*

Amsterdam, 1700. **\$3000-5000**

• First edition of this grand publication by Willem Goeree (1635-1711), an important study on Jewish (and surrounding) antiquities.

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320 FUERER VON HAIMENDORF, CHRISTOPH. *Itinerarium Aegypti, Arabiae, Palaestinae, Syriae aliarumque regionum orientalium.* **FIRST EDITION.** Four folding plates. Engraved portrait of author on verso of title; engraved arms prior. Large woodcut device at end. Additional engraved portrait of author on opening pastedown. Wide margins. (ff. 8), pp. 118, (pp. 113). *Opening leaves stained. Later vellum. 4to. Blackmer Catalogue 126; Roehricht 742.*

Nuremberg, Abraham Wagemann, 1620.
\$1000-1500

• Published posthumously, this work describes a journey by the Nuremberg lawyer Christoph Fuerer von Haimendorff (1541-1610) made in 1565-66. The plates depicting Mt. Sinai, Jerusalem, the Temple, and the Holy Sepulchre. The text also includes a biography of the author in the form of a funeral oration delivered at the University of Altdorf in 1611 and a genealogy of his family. The text on page 2 contains a brief description of the tomb of Vesalius on Zante where Vesalius was buried in October 1564. Fuerer von Haimendorff had visited Zante in 1565, and this is probably the earliest description of the memorial.

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Lot 320

321 HALMA, FRANCOIS. *Kanaan en D'omleggende Landen: Vertoont in en Woordenboek.* Translated into Dutch by J. de Klerk. Additional engraved title-page depicting the division of the Land of Israel. Letterpress title page in red and black. 30 engraved maps and views of the Holy Land, including Mount Carmel, Demascus, Jaffa, Mount Tabor, Temple of Solomon, and a fine, large view of Jerusalem drawn after Dapper Hollar's view on a reduced scale. *Lightly browned, opening fore-edges, touch worn. Contemporary full vellum, rubbed. Lg. 4to.*

Leeuwarden, F. Halma, 1717. **\$1500-2000**

• A collection of aids to the study of Biblical history, by a variety of Christian scholars, including a dictionary of Biblical names and places, and a Biblical time-line.

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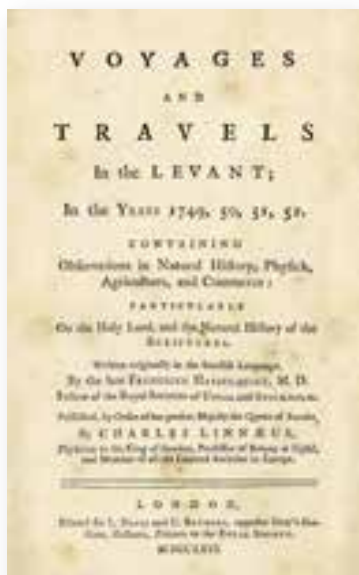
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Lot 323



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322 HARANT, CHRISTOPH. Der Christliche Ulysses. Engraved frontispiece, portraits, folding maps, views and text illustrations. ff. (23), 881, (18). *Lightly browned in places, library withdrawal stamp on title, inner hinge split. Contemporary vellum, light wear. Thick 4to.*

Nuremberg, Wolfgang Moritz Endter, 1678.
\$1000-1500

✠ This richly illustrated work, first issued in Prague in 1608 and titled "Journey from Bohemia to the Holy Land, by way of Venice and the Sea" is likely the first published account of the Near East by a Czech traveler.

The author, Christoph Harant von Polschitz und Weseritz (1564-1621), was a diplomat, composer and humanist and one of the most important personalities in Bohemia in his time.

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323 HASSELQUIST, FREDRIK. Voyages And Travels In The Levant; In the Years 1749, 50, 51, 52. Containing Observations in Natural History, Physick, Agriculture, and Commerce: Particularly on the Holy Land, and the Natural History of the Scriptures. **FIRST ENGLISH EDITION.** Translated from the Swedish. Engraved folding map. Introduction by Charles Linnaeus. pp. (8), viii, 456. *Misaginated, but all complete. Lightly browned, previous owner's embossed stamp, final blank discolored, new endpapers. Contemporary calf, rubbed and rebaked. 8vo. Rohricht 1435; Soulsby (Linnaeus) 3583.*

London, L. Davis and C. Reymers, 1766. **\$800-1200**

✠ "The first systematic natural history of the Holy Land" (Blackmer 792). Linnaeus describes this work (first issued in the author's native Swedish in 1757) as being full of fresh, genuine and precise observations: "So admirable a travel journal has never before appeared."

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324 HEGESIPPUS. Historiographi inter scriptores ecclesiasticos uetustissimi De rebus à Iudaeorum principibus in obsidione fortiter gestis ... libri V. ff. (6), 68, (2). *Lightly discolored, title dampsoiled. Later calf-backed marbled boards, scuffed. Sm. folio.*

Cologne, J. Soter, 1530. **\$600-900**

✠ Saint Hegesippus (c. 110 - c. 180 AD), was a Jewish convert who chronicled the early Church in Jerusalem.

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325 JOLY, JOSEPH-ROMAIN. La Géographie Sacrée, et les Monuments de l'histoire Sainte. **FIRST EDITION.** Maps and plates. *Stamp removed from title-page, lightly stained. Contemporary speckled calf, spine gilt, rubbed. Lg. 4to.*

Paris, Alexandre Jombert, 1784. **\$1000-1500**

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326 KORTEN, JONAS. Reise nach dem weiland gelobten...Lande: Wie auch nach Egypten, dem Berg Libanon, Syrien und Mesopotamien. Second edition. Folding maps and views. * **BOUND WITH Supplement** (Halle, 1746) *Lightly browned. Contemporary calf, spine gilt extra. Thick 8vo.*

Halle, Joh. Christian Grunert, 1743. **\$300-500**

✦ Jonas Korten, an Altona bookseller who visited Jerusalem in 1738, challenged the legitimacy of the traditional placing of many of the Holy Sites.

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Lot 327

327 LAPEYRE, JACQUES D'AUZOLES. La Sainte Géographie, c'est à dire, Exacte Description de la Terre, et Véritable Démonstration du Paradis Terrestre, depuis la Creation du Monde iusques à Maintenant. **FIRST EDITION.** Illustrated throughout. pp. (12), 224, (44). *Light wear, trace wormed. Later vellum, shaken. Folio.*

Paris, Antoine Estienne, 1629. **\$1200-1800**

✦ An atlas of "sacred geography" that focuses upon the morphology of the Earth based upon the text of the Bible. See F. Lestringant, Kabbale et Cosmographie, in: Hebraic Aspects of the Renaissance, edited by Ilana Zinguer, Abraham Melamed, Zur Shalev (2011) pp. 211-34; and J.D. Lyons & K. Wine, Chance Literature and Culture in Early Modern France (2009) p. 39-46.

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328 LYNCH, W. F. Narrative of the United States's Expedition to the River Jordan and the Dead Sea. Revised Edition. Fold-out maps and plates pp. 20, 13-509 + ads. *Some light browning. Original gilt-stamped boards, rubbed. 4to.* Rosenbach 653; Blackmer 1043; Tobler p.176.

Philadelphia, Lea and Blanchard, 1849. **\$300-500**

✦ Entertaining travelogue of the Holy Land, with a stop along the way in Smyrna. The writer describes the dress and demeanor of the various inhabitants: Christians, Jews and Muslims. Detailed maps of the topography with a focus on the Dead Sea region. The scientific survey was undertaken at the behest of the United States Navy.

329 MYLLER, ANGELICUS MARIA. Peregrinus in Jerusalem. Fremdling zu Jerusalem, oder Ausfuehrliche Reiß-Beschreibungen...seine fuenff Haupt-Reissen die er in Europa, Asia und Africa. Second edition. 69 plates, portraits and maps, some fold-out. ff. (12), pp. 964, ff. (9). *Browned, light wear. Contemporary boards, worn and rebaked. Thick 4to.*

Vienna and Nuremberg, Peter Conrad Monath, 1735. **\$1200-1800**

✦ In 1718, German monk, Angelicus Maria Myller made a pilgrimage from Rome to the Holy Land. He also visited Egypt, Syria and Turkey and parts of Bulgaria and Russia. The fold-out engraved plates here include spectacular views of Alexandria, Cairo, Mecca and the Vatican. In addition, Myeller provides illustrations of flora and fauna encountered on his travels, as well as archeological sites. A series of ten bust portraits atop coats-of-arms appear towards the end of the volume, featuring Dieudonné de Gozon, the Grand Master of the Knights of Rhodes and Fr. Foulques de Villaret, the Grand Master of the Sovereign Order of St. John of Jerusalem.

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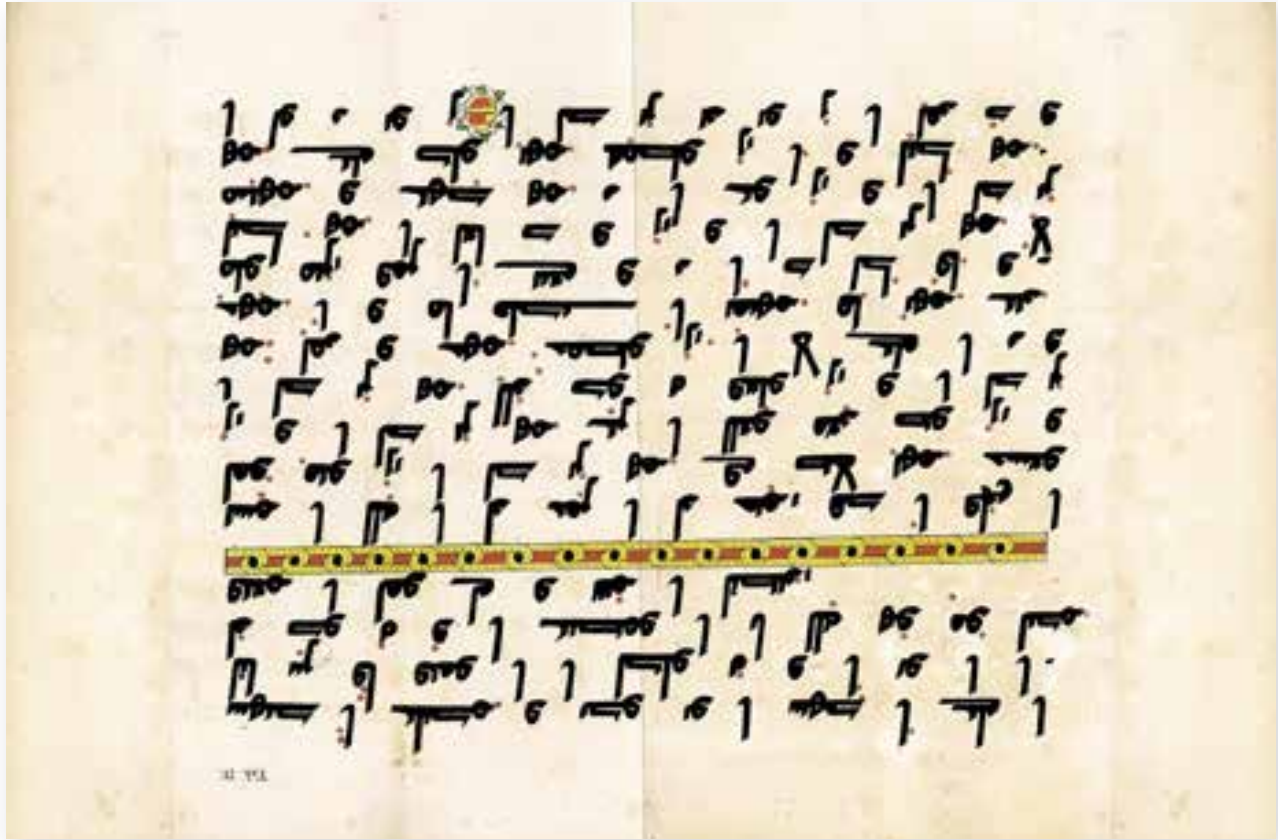
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330 MAYER, LUIGI. Views in Palestine from the Original Drawings of Luigi Mayer, with an Historical and Descriptive Account of the Country, and its Remarkable Places. **FIRST EDITION.** 24 full-page color aquatint plates. Text in English and French. *pp.* 47, (1). *Minimal wear. Contemporary calf-backed marbled boards, gilt-spine scuffed, corners bumped. Elephant folio.* Abbey Travel, 369.

London, T. Bensley for R. Bowyer, 1804. **\$4000-6000**

• A student of Piranesi, Luigi Mayer (1755–1803) was an Italian-German artist and one of the most important late 18th century European artists of the Ottoman Empire.

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331 NIEBUHR, CARSTEN. Description de L'Arabie Faite Sur des observations propres et des avis recueillis dans les lieux memes. pp. xlii, 372, (13). With 25 engraved plates including 8 folding, 4 partially colored and two plates of Arabic calligraphy. Second French edition.

* **BOUND WITH: MICHAELIS, JOHANN DAVID.** Recueil de questions, proposées à une société de savants, qui par ordre de Sa Majesté Danoise font le voyage de l'Arabie. pp. (4), xlv, 256, (16), 38, (14). **FIRST EDITION.** Two works bound in one volume. French text with some Hebrew and Arabic. Some foxing. Contemporary calf, variously worn, front cover detached. Lg. 4to. Brunet IV, 74.

Amsterdam & Utrecht, S. J. Baalde / J. van Schoonhoven, 1774. **\$3000-5000**

✦ Carsten Niebuhr (1733-1815) was a member of King Frederick V of Denmark's scientific exploration of Egypt, Arabia and Syria, 1763-67. A six-man team left from Copenhagen: a cartographer - Neibuhr - a Danish philologist, a Swedish botanist, a Danish physician and zoologist, a German artist and a Swedish dragoon. They landed in Alexandria and proceeded up the Nile to Suez, Mount Sinai, Jeddah, Mocha, Sana. By the time they reached Bombay all but Neibuhr had succumbed to disease and death. Neibuhr returned home after a year in Bombay, via Muscat, Bushire, Shiraz, Persepolis, Baghdad, Mosul and Aleppo. He also visited the Behistun Inscription, Cyprus, Palestine, crossed the Taurus Mountains to Brussa, Constantinople and finally arriving back in Copenhagen in 1767.

A few of the members of the expedition were pupils of Johann Michaelis (1717-91), the most celebrated Orientalist of his day and passionate proponent of the study of Hebrew antiquities. It was to him that Niebuhr turned for a list of subjects to be investigated and questions to be answered. The second volume bound in here is a collection of these scholars' questions and discussions.

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332 REISSNER, ADAM. Jerusalem, Die Alte Hauptstat der Juden. Title in red and black. German with occasional use of Hebrew type. Three parts in one volume. Double-page view of Jerusalem and double-page map of Holy Land. Several woodcut illustrations embedded in text. ff. (14), CXXV, (9); 177, (17); (4), CCXVII, (1). Foxed with light wear, plates neatly repaired on verso, title-page stained. Contemporary elaborately blind-tooled boards, with corner bosses (one lacking), clasps and hinges, rubbed. Folio. Tobler 209.

Frankfurt a/Main, Raben, Feyrabend & Erben, 1574. **\$3000-5000**

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MOSQUE OF OMAR, ON THE ANCIENT SITE OF THE TEMPLE.

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333 ROBERTS, DAVID. The Holy Land, Syria, Idumea, Arabia, Egypt, & Nubia. After Lithographs by Louis Hache from drawings made on the spot by David Roberts, R.A. with historical descriptions by the Reverend George Croly, L.L.D. * Vol. I - Jerusalem and Galilee. * Vol. II - The Jordan and Bethlehem. * Vol. III - Idumea and Petra. * Vol. IV [- Nubia and Egypt]. **FIRST QUARTO EDITION.** Four (of six) volumes bound in two. Pictorial titles, c. 168 tinted lithographs. *Ex-library, trace foxed. Contemporary half calf, spine gilt, broken. Large 4to.* Abbey Travel II 388.

London, Day & 56. **\$5000-7000**

✦ This monumental series of views of ancient sites in the Near and Middle East created by British artist David Roberts work was one of the most important and elaborate ventures of 19th-century publishing, and the apotheosis of the tinted lithograph.

Roberts's intent was to produce lithographs based on his watercolor sketches for sale to the public. Belgian engraver Louis Haghe produced a total of 248 lithographs based on this later series of watercolors, which were published monthly in sets of six, to form two series; The Holy Land (1842-5) and Egypt and Nubia (1846-9). These were a commercial success, and in 1855-6, Day & Son published the entire series together in six volumes.

Roberts published the results of his travels between 1842 and 1849 in six large format volumes, to great critical and popular acclaim. The success of the folio issue was sufficient to persuade Day & Son to take on the publication of the present quarto edition.

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- 334 RELAND, HADRIAN.** Palaestina ex Monumentis Veteribus Illustrata. **FIRST EDITION.** Two volumes bound in one. Titles printed in red and black with engraved devices, additional engraved allegorical title, engraved folding portrait, 8 of 10 engraved maps (few folding), with folding engraved plates including a genealogical tree of Herod and text illustrations. Vol. I: pp. (8), 511, (1). Vol. II: pp. (3), 516-1068, (94). Dampstained in places, few plates browned and foxed, occasionally heavily so. Contemporary calf, rubbed, extremities scuffed. Thick 4to. Blackmer 1406; Laor 643-53.

Utrecht, William Broedelet, 1714. **\$1500-2000**

♣ The Dutch Orientalist Hadrian Reland (1676-1718) was the first scholar to break away from the traditional cartographic view of the Holy Land that was based upon the Bible, thus producing here the first geographically accurate maps of the Land of Israel and surrounding region.

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- 335 (SANDYS, GEORGE).** A Relation of a Journey...Containing a Description of the Turkish Empire, of Aegypt, of the Holy Land, of the Remote Parts of Italy. Fourth edition. Four parts in one. Engraved architectural title page, double-page map of the Eastern Mediterranean, numerous engraved illustrations in the text. pp. (4), 309. Lacks (as often) the engraved view of the Sergalio, lightly worn and stained, bookplate removed. Contemporary calf, spine gilt, rubbed and worn. Sm. folio. Sold not subject to return. Roehricht 923; cf. Laor 681 and cf. Blackmer 1484.

London, for Andrew Crooke, 1637. **\$500-700**

♣ An account of a journey to the Levant in 1610 that first appeared in 1615 and was immediately well received.

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- 336 SCHMID, BALTHASAR.** Das Gantze Gelobt- und Heilige Land. **FIRST EDITION.** Engraved portrait frontispiece, folding map of the Land of Israel and further engraved views. Lacks two plates. Browned. Recent boards. Thick 8vo. Röhricht 1344.

Ulm, Elias Daniel Suess, 1723. **\$600-900**

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337 ROSENMUELLER, ERNST FRIEDRICH KARL Ansichten von Palästina oder dem heiligen Lande, nach Ludwig Mayers Original-Zeichnungen, mit Erläuterungen. 36 engraved plates based on Luigi Mayer. Three parts in one. *pp.* 20, 19, 18. *Foxed throughout. Contemporary marbled boards, front cover detached, backstrip torn. Landscape folio.* Tobler 228.

Leipzig, Baumgärtner, (1810-14). **\$1200-1800**

✦ Johann Georg Rosenmueller (1736-1815) was perfectly suited to write the text to Luigi Mayer's 'Views of Palestine'. In 1796 he became an associate professor in Arabic studies at Leipzig, where in 1813 he was appointed professor of Oriental languages. Rosenmüller was the author of a major exegetical work on the Old Testament titled *Scholia in Vetus Testamentum*.

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338 SCHMIDT, JOHANN JACOB. *Biblischer Geographus.* **FIRST EDITION.** Engraved frontispiece portrait, 15 folding engraved maps and plans **ALL HAND-COLORED.** *pp.* (28), 862, (70). *Foxed. Recent calf. Thick 8vo. * BOUND WITH: George Sarganeck. Ein geringes Zeugniß für die Göttl. Herrlichkeit und Wahrheit. 1740.*

Züllichau, Gottlob Benjamin Frommann, 1740. **\$1500-2000**

✦ First edition of a work divided into six chapters in which the author gives a detailed description of the history, topography, politics, flora and fauna and customs of the Holy Land and surrounding regions.

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339 SHAW, THOMAS. *Travels, or Observations Relating to Several Parts of Barbary and the Levant.* **FIRST EDITION.** English interspersed with Hebrew. 37 copper engraved plates including illustrations, views and 12 maps of which 5 are fold-out and one Rabbinical, two double-page plates and 1 page of sheet music. On p. 357, "Rabbinical" map of the Holy Land with locations in Hebrew and English, based upon the map of R. Elia Mizrahi in his Commentary to the Pentateuch. Title printed in red and black with large engraved vignette of the Oxford Theatre, engraved head- and tail-pieces and initials. *pp.* (4), xv, 442, (1), 60, (8). *Recent endpapers (soiled). Later mottled calf, scuffed, neatly rehinged. Folio.* Blackmer Catalogue 307; Lowndes II, 2372; Röhricht 1352; Tobler p. 123; Laor, 725-6.

Oxford, Printed at the Theatre, 1738. **\$3000-5000**

✦ Shaw travelled to Egypt, Palestine, Cyprus and around North Africa. The present work of his is most valuable for its accurate descriptions of antiquities, geography and natural history specimens observed. As Lowndes notes, "These travels have been universally esteemed, not only for their accuracy and fidelity, but on account of the illustrations they contain of natural history, of the classic authors, and especially of the Scriptures."

"A noble example of typography." (DNB)

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- 340 **SHAW, THOMAS.** A Supplement to a Book Entitled Travels, or Observations, &c. Wherein Some Objections Lately Made Against it are Fully Considered and Answered. With Several Additional Remarks and Dissertations. **FIRST EDITION.** Two engraved folding plates. *pp. xvi, 112.* Contemporary calf-backed marbled boards, gilt, rubbed. Folio. Blackmer Catalogue 307.

Oxford, Printed at the Theatre, 1746. **\$500-700**

❧ The Supplement appeared as a reply to adverse criticism and objections made by Richard Pococke in his "Description of the East" (1743-45.)

- 341 **ZWINNER, ELECTUS.** Blumen Buch des Heiligen Lands Palestinæ **FIRST EDITION.** Additional engraved title, with engraved maps and views of the Holy Land (some folding) *ff. (14), pp. 660., ff. (35).* Light foxing in places. Contemporary blind-tooled vellum, clasps and hinges. Thick 4to. Röhricht 1106.

Munich, Johann Wilhelm Schell, 1661. **\$1200-1800**

[SEE ILLUSTRATION ABOVE]

342 (AMERICAN JUDAICA). Weinberg, Morris (Moshe). HaSepher Tehilim Kethivath Yad ...This Book, the Psalms of King David, Written by Hand. Large Hebrew Manuscript written in clear Aschkenazic rabbinic and square scripts (with Nikud), with accompanying explanatory illustrations of various sizes. Many decorated borders and historiated initial letters. Black ink and colored highlights on thick paper, 116 pages (excluding blanks) each with original protective wax-paper. Bound in original calf, with prominent central Star-of-David on upper cover with title tooled in gilt within. Original protective cover and housed in contemporary fitted valise with two hinged locks.

FEATURED PAGES:

- * Photographic portrait of the artist displaying his manuscript, with stamp below reading 'Morris Wineberg, Chicago Illinois...Nov. 9, 1912.'
- * Decorative Hebrew title-page with scribe's hand at center.
- * Meditative page: Psalm LXVII laid out as a seven-branched candelabrum.
- * Four Hebrew illustrated divisional titles.
- * Two additional title-pages in English each featuring the American flag.
- * Page of Approbations. Original Autograph Letters Signed, all written to Weinberg, 1911-12, from: Rabbi Gavriel Zev "Velvel" Margolis (author of Ginzei Margolios and Toras Gavriel.) * R. Yitzchok Tikochinsky. * R. Chaim Avrohom Liebowitz, Cleveland. * R. Avrohom Menachem Mann, New York. * R. Eliyahu Trotsky, Chicago. * R. Tzvi Hirsch Masliansky ("HaMatif HaLe'umi.") * R. Sender Yarblovsky. * R. Shaul Silber, Chicago.
- * Kriyath Arba: A poetic prayer (techinah) composed in a multi-directional acrostic form of artist's name: Moshe ben Ze'ev.
- * A lengthy Foreword to the Reader, written in a rabbinic Hebrew hand in a shaped-form.
- * "Yehi Ratzon" prayers to be recited prior and following the recitation of the Psalms.
- * List of names of scores of subscribers, organized by synagogue, (includes Dr. Solomon Schechter and J. D. Eisenstein of New York).
- * Elaborately composed memorial, or 'yahrtzeit' chart for parents, with years identified. *Mispaginated, few leaves slightly loose. Sheet size: 12 x 17 inches.*

Chicago, 1910-12. **\$70,000-90,000**



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Lot 342 (detail)



Lot 342 (detail)

AN EXTRAORDINARY AMERICAN ILLUMINATED HEBREW MANUSCRIPT ACCOMPLISHED IN AN EXCEPTIONALLY FINE CALLIGRAPHIC HAND, EMBELLISHED WITH DELIGHTFUL FOLK ILLUSTRATIONS THROUGHOUT.

Provenance: Acquired by the consignor from the artist's family. This manuscript has remained out of public view for a century.

The Hebrew calligraphic arts were far less developed in America in comparison to their sophisticated use in Europe. This Hebrew Book of Psalms created by Moshe Weinberg in Chicago is an outstanding and highly creative example. No doubt the best of its kind.

The artist was born in Kolne a village near Lomza, Poland in 1854. Before he migrated to the United States Weinberg received a solid Jewish education. This is abundantly clear by his insightful use of numerous creative illustrated vignettes within the body of the calligraphic Hebrew text that expand upon the understanding of the verses he created. It took the artist three years (1910-12) to accomplish this outstanding example of American-Jewish Folk Art comprised of numerous delightful illustrations.

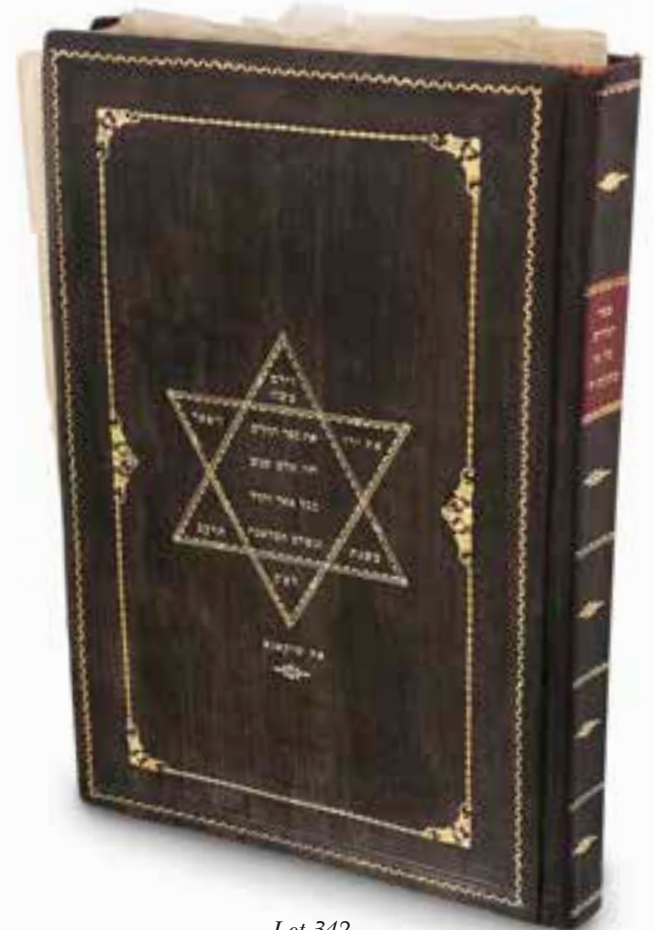
One of the most notable features of this manuscript of calligraphic artistry is Weinberg's extensive use of visual art throughout: At chapter headings, along margins, and embedded within individual words. Although all the illustrations are literal, they are clever, detailed and well executed. The artist includes everyday items - even household gadgets and modern inventions - as a way to explain the text, often in quite striking ways in the context of the Book of Psalms. For example, a suit of armor (to illustrate Chap. 5 verse 13), a beehive (19:11), a razor (52:4), an alarm-clock (55:18), an umbrella (62:9), a hot air balloon (139:8), etc. Certain pages contain more elaborate illustrations: A synagogue, a cemetery, a steam-ship, and many more. Certainly remarkable are the two divisional title-pages that prominently feature the Stars-and-Stripes, an abundantly clear testimony to the patriotic energy that Weinberg had for the United States and the religious freedom it gave him to produce this work of spiritual beauty.

Although nothing more is known of the artistry of Moshe (Morris) Weinberg, he published an edited facsimile of this manuscript in a much reduced format in 1912, omitting the original 1910 title page. See Y. Goldman, Hebrew Printing In America no. 24 (who makes no mention of the whereabouts of the original manuscript).

Also see Jewish Museum Catalogue, The Jewish Heritage in American Folk Art (1984) no. 90; and J. Ungerleider-Mayerson, Jewish Folk Art (1986) p. 34. - Both of which reproduce illustrations from the facsimile edition and not the original manuscript.

A MAGNIFICENT MANUSCRIPT OF EARLY 20TH-CENTURY AMERICAN JEWISH FOLK ART.

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- 343 (AMULET)** Ilan Hakodosh. A finely composed and very lengthy Sefirot-Tree. Incorporating numerous Kabbalistic devices, charts and other displays. Hebrew manuscript composed in a Sephardic square and semi-cursive script in black ink on lengthy, narrow vellum strip (35 x 1.75 inches). * Fitted into circular, engraved case with floral patterns and branches flanking a depiction of the Temple, plus two hanging rings. Height: 2.5 inches. cf. T. Schrire, *Hebrew Magic Amulets* (1982).

Near East, circa, 1900. **\$800-1200**

♣ This lengthy Ilan concludes with the many benefits obtained from possessing it and uncommon instructions for its use: "This Holy Tree is perfect for all purposes - for finding favor, for success, for protection against the evil eye, for a woman undergoing difficult child-birth, to ward off demons, as protection against the plague... It should be housed in a pure silver case and hung [on the person]."

Over the ages, attempts were made by various kabbalists to render into diagram-form the teachings of the Kabbalah concerning the structure of the spiritual universe. Known as the Ilan Hagadol ("great tree") or Ilan Hakadosh ("holy tree") or simply as the Ilan, this arrangement would provide the student of the esoteric lore a clearer notion of the exact layout of this highly complex system as represented by Lurianic cosmogony.

This particular graphic representation of Lurianic doctrine is ascribed on the fourth line to 'R"m' - R. Meir Hakohen Poppers (d. 1662), final editor of the Lurianic writings, later published in Warsaw in 1864 as the Ilan Hagadol. For a somewhat different Aschkenazic example, see EJ, Vol. XIV col. 1105.

[SEE ILLUSTRATION LEFT]

- 344 (ANGLO-JUDAICA)** Manasseh Ben-Israel. To his Highnesse the Lord Protector of the Common Wealth of England, Scotland, and Ireland, the Humble Addresses of Menasseh ben Israel, a Divine, & Doctor of Physick, in Behalfe of the Jewish Nation. pp. [10], 43, [1], title page and last page loose, passe-partout reinforcement to spine, dampstaining to upper gutter of eight folios, inconspicuous tear on p. 32, without loss. Loose in recent cardboard protective wrapper. Sm. 4to.

England, 18th-century. **\$500-700**

♣ A unique calligraphic copy, in a magnificent, copperplate hand characteristic of the mid-18th century, of the case for readmission of the Jews that Manasseh presented to Cromwell upon arriving in London in 1655. The Address begins with Manasseh's declaration of "the motives of his coming into England." Then he proceeds to make two separate arguments: first, "How profitable the nation of the Jewes are," and, second, "How faithfull the nation of the Jewes are." His theological case for readmission he had made already, in his *Esperança de Israel* (1650), which appeared in English as *The Hope of Israel* in 1652. Cromwell was firmly on his side for both religious and pragmatic reasons and Manasseh's mission was to persuade a wider cross-section of English opinion of the economic and political advantages of tolerating Jews. His plans were derailed by "A Short Demurrer to the Jewes Long Discontinued Remitter into England," a rebuttal of Manasseh's Humble Address by the fanatical Puritan pamphleteer William Prynne. Manasseh countered with "Vindiciæ Judæorum, or, A Letter in Answer to Certain Questions Propounded by a Noble and Learned Gentleman, Wherein All Objections Are Candidly, and yet Fully Cleared" (1656), but it was no longer realistic to pursue a definitive resolution, and Cromwell preferred to let the situation remain vague. Rewarded for his efforts with an English state pension, Manasseh returned to the Netherlands where he died disappointed the following year. He need not however have been disappointed, since the result of the publicity that he had managed to generate was that Jews were henceforth tolerated, even if not at first technically. Implicit in the painstaking production of this curious manuscript is that his arguments remained deeply meaningful to at least one enthusiastic English philo-Semite a hundred years later.

- 345 ARIK, MEIR** (Rabbi of Tarnow, 1855-1926). Two Autograph Letters Signed, in Hebrew, on personal letterhead, both written to his future son-in-law R. Baruch Zuckerman. Talmudic novellae concerning gifts to Kohanim in the time of the Temple; and halachic problems in the generation of the Midbar and other matters in Tractate Zevachim. Both with personal greetings to his family. *Each, four pages.*

Tarnow, 1922 and 1923. **\$600-900**

♣ Author of responsa *Imrei Yosher* covering a wide range of contemporary issues, R. Meir Arik was one of the most revered poskim of Galicia. Indeed the Belzer Rebbe directed the most complex halachic matters to him and abided by his decisions.

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346 BERLIN, NAPHTALI TZVI YEHUDA (NETZIV) OF VOLOZHIN (Rosh Yeshiva of Volozhin, 1817-93). Autograph Signed Hebrew Pronouncement. "Moda'ah Raba Le'Oraitha" Concerns the fire in the town of Volozhin, the damage to the yeshiva and subsequent donations received. *Three pages.*

Volozhin, (1886). **\$1000-1500**

• This announcement was apparently published in the newspaper HaMelitz. "Since it is a mitzvah to publicize the names of the donors," the Netziv thanks the people who helped the Yeshiva in its time of need. Contains the names of communities and notables who made significant contributions, including members of the communities of Fuerth, Amsterdam and England. Expresses gratitude for both financial support and resupply of books to the yeshiva library. He notes that the Yeshiva is expected to be repaired in time for the coming Holidays. Students who wish to be enrolled must have to hand a residency permit as per the laws of the land. For more information concerning the fire in Volozhin, see J.J. Schachter, *Haskalah, Secular Studies and the Closing of Volozhin*, in: *Torah U-Madda Journal* (1990) p. 119 n. 43.

Accompanied by an autograph one page incomplete draft in the hand of the Netziv to the gabbaim in Minsk concerning one who is entitled to collect money for the Yeshiva, as well as information concerning letters to Baron Ginzburg, Minister Poliakov and others. (See also lots 370-371).

347 (BIBLE) I Chronicles Chap. 13:3 - 15:9. Two pages on single vellum leaf, black ink, 21 lines per column. Oriental Hebrew script. Vowel points above letters. Masoretic notes in margins. From the Collection of Daniel M. Friedenberg. *Some staining. Matted. 7 x 8.5 inches.*

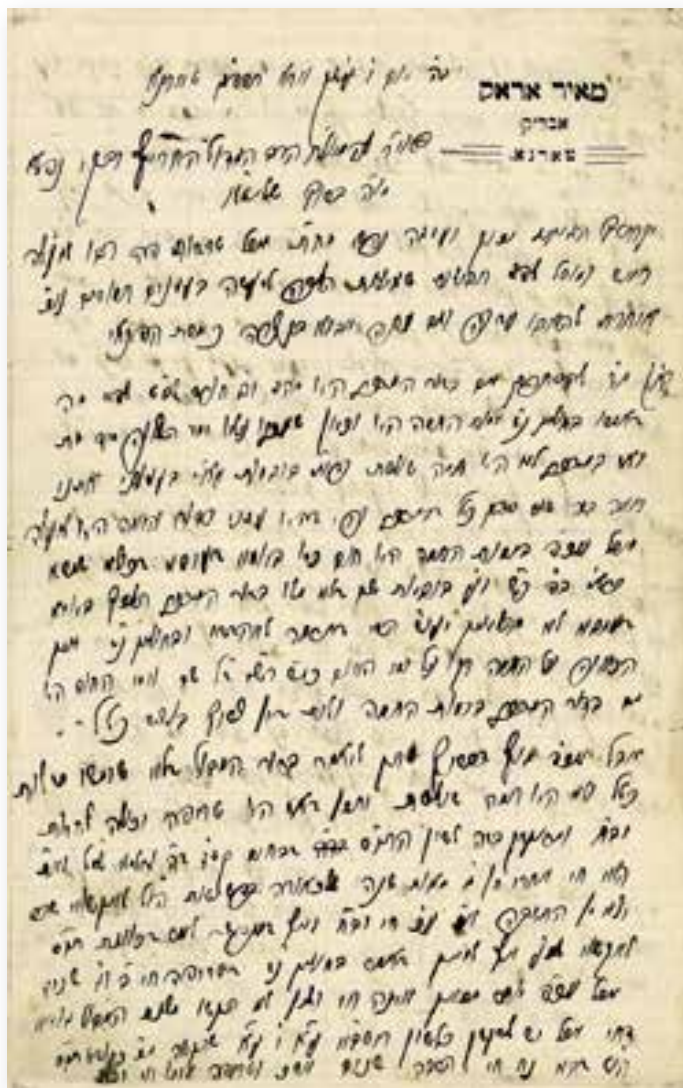
Orient, 10th-11th centuries. **\$800-1200**

• The vowel points are situated above the letters in conformity to the Babylonian system (also adopted in Yemen), as opposed to the Tiberian system prevalent today whereby, for the most part, the vowel points are placed below the letters. See EJ, Vol. II, col. 718, fig. 16 (excerpt from Book of Ezekiel in Babylonian script, 916 c.e., Leningrad Public Library, Firkovitch ms. B.3.)

348 (BIBLE) (Peirush al HaTorah). Anonymous. Yiddish Manuscript written in some 75 note-books. *Approx. 1,000 pages. Various worn. 8vo.*

Warsaw?, circa, 1920. **\$700-900**

• An extensive commentary on the Torah, mostly Bereishith, Shemoth and VaYikra, including translation into Yiddish of Midrashim, Rashi and other commentaries. With excerpts on Bamidbar and Devarim. Includes commentary on Megillath Eichah, and a pamphlet on the Siddur and laws of prayer. An interesting commentary with educational and moralistic overtones, probably intended for women or those not well versed in Hebrew.



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349 (CHASSIDISM) EICHENSTEIN, TZVI HIRSCH OF ZYDITCHOV. Seder Hagadah shel Pesach, with Festival prayers - extracted from the Siddur Reb Asher. Prepared by Asher ben Solomon Zalman Margaliouth (a disciple of R. Chaim of Sanz). **THE R. TZVI HIRSCH EICHENSTEIN OF ZYDITCHOV COPY, WITH LENGTHY KABBALISTIC MARGINAL NOTES ASCRIBED IN HIS AND OTHER HANDS ON A FULL 24 PAGES.** ff. 36 (numbered 64-99 in pencil). Light wear and stains through use, worming expertly repaired. Modern elegantly tooled calf. 8vo. Vinograd, Lemberg 45.

(Lemberg, Solomon Rapaport, 1787). **\$80,000-120,000**

THE HAGADAH EXTRACTED FROM THE REB ASHER SIDDUR. THE PERSONAL COPY BELONGING TO R. TZVI HIRSCH EICHENSTEIN THE FOUNDER OF THE ZYDITCHOV CHASSIDIM WITH HIS NOTES. OF THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE.

The famed R. Asher Siddur, with its many Lurianic Kavanot was held in the very highest esteem by Chassidim and used extensively by the Rebbes of the Zyditchover dynasty, especially on Holidays.

The manuscript notes in this Siddur were published by the Rebbe of Koson, R. Tzvi Elimelech Paneth (Bnei Brak, 2011). Rabbi Paneth explains in his introduction he entitled these notes and comments "Atereth Tzvi" as most are ascribed to R. Tzvi Hirsch Eichenstein, author of the "Atereth Tzvi". Moreover they parallel both the style and exact content of his other works on these topics. Of particular note see f. 86b where he cites comments he personally heard from his teacher the Chozeh of Lublin: "Shamati Me'Adoni Mori VeRabbi HaRav HaTzadik Butzina Kadisha Moreinu HaRav R. Y[aakov] Y[itzchak] Me...Lublin" (I heard from my teacher... the Tzadik, the holy light ... of Lublin). He then proceeds to recount a brilliant insight into the kabbalistic concepts of light and darkness. As for the notes in other hands, R. Paneth attributes them to other Tzadikim who utilized this Hagadah in addition to R. Hershele of Zyditchov.

R. Tzvi Hirsch Eichenstein (1763-1831) founded the Zyditchov Chassidic dynasty. His primary mentor was the Chozeh of Lublin, R. Jacob Isaac Horowitz. Known as the "Sar Beth HaZohar," R. Tzvi Hirsch was considered the outstanding kabbalist of the Chassidim, his most famous work being "Atereth Tzvi" (Lemberg, 1834), a commentary to the Zohar. Two of his major disciples were his nephew R. Isaac Safrin of Komarno and R. Meir Leibush Malbim. He maintained that an understanding of Chassidism was not possible without a deep understanding of Kabbalah. See M. Braver, Tzvi LaTzadik (1931)

PROVENANCE:

R. Yitzchak Isaac Eichenstein the Rebbe of Kviasht, great-grandson of R. Tzvi Hirsch Eichenstein of Zyditchov who meticulously copied these important notes for use by the editor.

HANDWRITTEN MANUSCRIPTS OF R. HERSHELE OF ZYDITCHOV ARE ENTIRELY NOT TO BE FOUND.

[SEE ILLUSTRATION ABOVE]

350 (CHASSIDISM) Ma'amarim (discourses) of first three generations of Chabad Leaders: R. Shneur Zalman of Liadi (Alter Rebbe); R. Dov Baer of Lubavitch (Mitteler Rebbe) and R. Menachem Mendel of Lubavitch (Tzemach Tzedek). Hebrew manuscript (some Yiddish). Many cursive Aschkenazic scripts. With stamp of Rabbi M.B. Rivkin in various places. Scattered notes in pencil in the hand of Rabbi Rivkin comparing the manuscript to the published versions. ff. 95 (mispaginated). Lower corner of final eight leaves defective affecting some text. Later boards. 4to.

Russia (Lubavitch), Mid-19th-century. **\$2000-3000**

✪ An important collection of Chabad Ma'amarim. This particular volume was studied by the Lubavitcher Rebbe R. Menachem Mendel Schneerson who entitled it "Buch Vehayu Hadevarim-Rivkin," after the initial words of the first discourse and the owner's family name. Apparently no copy was made by the Library of Agudath Chassidei Chabad, as whenever this volume is referred to it is simply identified as "Buch VeHayu HaDevarim-Rivkin" without any other mode of identification.

The Ma'amarim here contain many variances and additional material when compared to the standard published versions in Likutei Torah, Ohr HaTorah and other sources; recent notes included here specify. Most of the Ma'amarim were written during the Tzemach Tzedek's lifetime (d. 1866) as the words "sheyichyeh" appear after his name. A few are dated 1836-39 and are noted that they were written in the town of Lubavitch. The name of one of the scribes, Yisrael b. Yeshaiiah is cited on f. 39b (mispaginated as f. 32b), as well as a former owner, Shneur Zalman Brudansky.

A more detailed survey of these manuscript discourses comparing them to published versions is available upon request.

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351 (CHASSIDISM) Sepher Kithvei Kodesh - Ma'amarim (discourses) of R. Chaim Shneur Zalman of Liadi, the son of R. Menachem Mendel of Lubavitch (Tzemach Tzedek) Hebrew manuscript. Many cursive Aschkenazic scripts. With stamp of Rabbi M.B. Rivkin in various places. ff. (151), (1). Later boards. 4to. Alfasi, HaChassiduth p. 80 no. 8d.

Russia (Liadi, Lubavitch), 1870's. **\$800-1200**

✪ R. Chaim Shneur Zalman of Liadi (1814-80) was the third of the seven sons of R. Menachem Mendel of Lubavitch (Tzemach Tzedek). In 1866, he served as Rebbe in the town of Lubavitch for three years before moving to Liadi. His younger brother R. Shmuel (the Mahara"sh) took over the leadership position in Lubavitch.

A few of these discourses are dated Liadi 1871-74 and are unpublished. Most are not dated. There is one which was delivered in Lubavitch in 1870 and although here unidentified, it is from the Rebbe Mahara"sh and is published in Torath Shmuel. On f. 104b is a copy of a letter written by R. Shneur Zalman of Liadi to R. Levi Yitzchak of Berdichev, ff.105a contains a copy of a letter by R. Dov Baer (Mitteler Rebbe) written to his Chassidim concerning his agricultural and other business occupations. On f. 141b is a Ma'amar by the Alter Rebbe entitled Veba'ish Moshe and f. 146a is material from the Tzemach Tzedek.

* **BOUND WITH:** Ma'amar Yetziath Mitzraim by R. Yitzchak Eisik Epstein of Homel (Vilna, 1877). The final leaf contains a manuscript passage citing "Admor...MiLiadi"

352 (CHASSIDISM) Schneersohn, Shmuel (Mahara"sh). Torath Shmuel. Hebrew manuscript written in the beautiful, precise hand of R. Shmuel Sofer. Final two leaves in an earlier hand. Inscribed by Rabbi Sholom Rivkin noting that the manuscript is from his father's library (Rabbi Moshe Dov-Ber Rivkin) and with the latter's stamps. ff. 315. Some stains. Later boards. 4to.

(Lubavitch), Late 19th-century. **\$1000-1500**

✪ A facsimile edition of portions of this very manuscript was published in 1945 under the title Likutei Torah-Torath Shmuel with an introduction by the future Lubavitcher Rebbe R. Menachem Mendel who states that it was written in the hand of "R. Shmuel Sofer, Rosh HaMa'atikim Bezmano." The final two leaves are in an earlier hand and contain a Ma'amar from the Alter Rebbe from 1805.

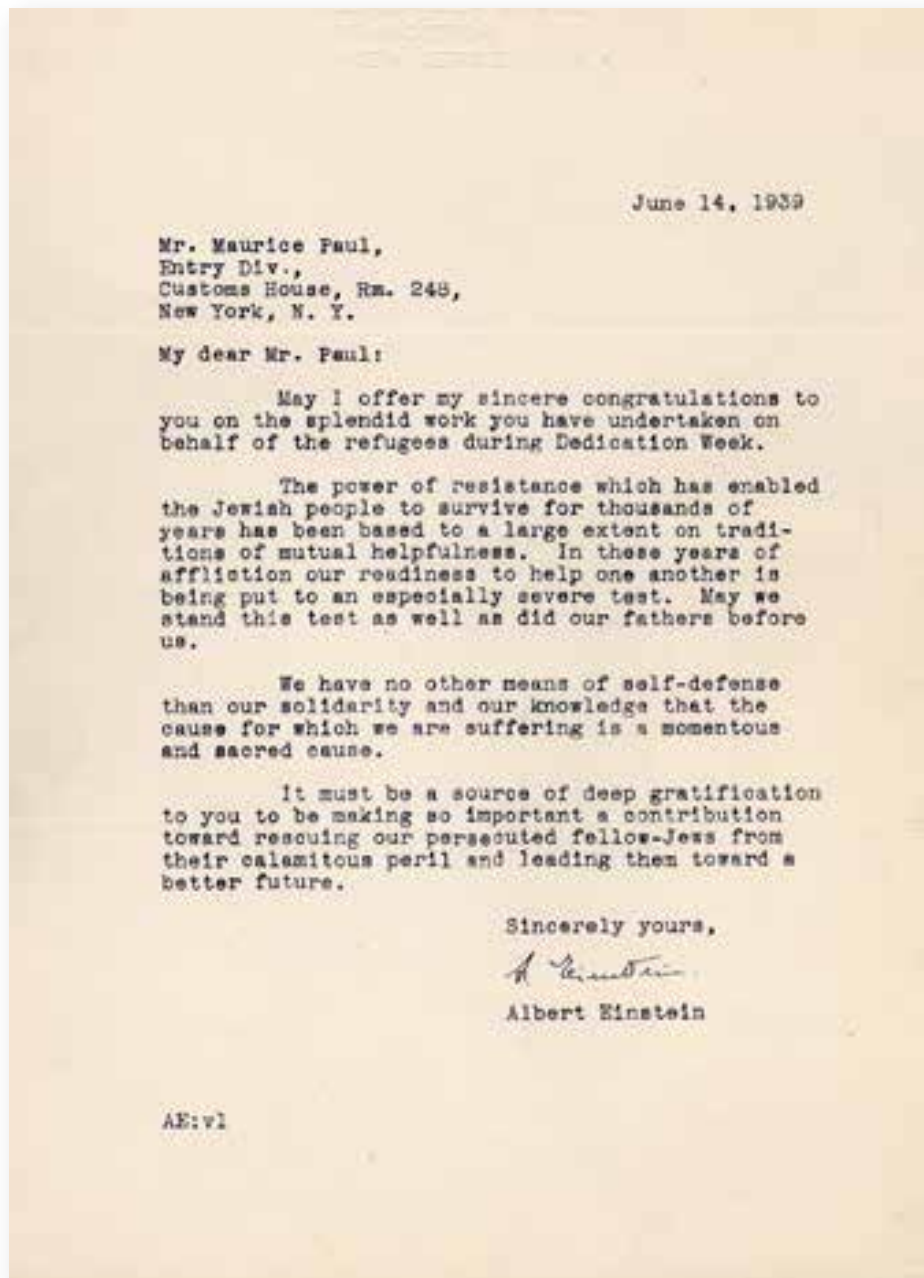
353 (CHASSIDISM) Kithvei Kodesh - Ma'amarim (discourses) of R. Sholom Dov Ber Schneersohn (Rasha"b). Yom Tov Shel Rosh HaShanah 1906-08. Hectograph copy by Zalman Aidel Zislin of Lubavitch (and later Rostov). With marginalia by Rabbi Moshe Dov-Ber Rivkin. ff. (2), 371 (lacking final leaf of corrections). Later boards. Thick 4to.

Lubavitch, (1908). **\$600-900**

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354 EINSTEIN, ALBERT (Physicist and Noble Prize winner. 1879-1955). Typed Letter Signed in English. On personal embossed letterhead. Written to Mr. Maurice Paul, commending him for his rescue work on behalf of Jewish refugees during Dedication Week."

Princeton, New Jersey, 14th June, 1939.
\$2000-3000

• **A BEAUTIFULLY WORDED LETTER:**

"The power of resistance which has enabled the Jewish people to survive for thousands of years has been based to a large extent on traditions of mutual helpfulness. In these years of affliction our readiness to help one another is being put to an especially severe test. May we stand this test as well as did our father before us.

We have no other means of self-defense than our solidarity and our knowledge that the cause for which we are suffering is a momentous and sacred cause.

It must be a source of deep gratification to you to be making so important a contribution toward rescuing our persecuted fellow-Jews from their calamitous peril and leading them toward a better future."

[SEE ILLUSTRATION LEFT]

355 EINSTEIN, ALBERT Typed Letter Signed, to Julien Elfenbein, on personal embossed letterhead, thanking him for the presentation of a tablecloth designed to show the "Gaussian primes" as drawn by Professor Balthasar van der Pol. *WITH: Original tablecloth displaying Gaussian Primes. And: Related correspondence between J.E. van Dissel and Julien Elfenbein (see below).

Princeton, 23rd November, 1954. \$2000-3000

• In October 1954, then-editor of the Haire Publishing Company, Julien Elfenbein, a writer and later professor of journalism at New York University, received a sample tablecloth from J.E. van Dissel, Managing Director of N.V. Linnenfabrieken E.J.F van Dissel & Zonen - a linen manufacturing company in Eindhoven, Holland. The tablecloth was woven by the firm for the occasion of the 1954 International Congress of Mathematicians which took place that year in Amsterdam. The pattern used was based on the formula of a series of integers or, the "Gaussian primes," designed in March, 1954 by Dutch mathematician Professor Balthasar van der Pol in Geneva. Van Dissel included an explanation of the tablecloth showing the Gaussian primes as squares woven into the tablecloth amidst x- and y-axes parallel to the sides of the cloth. Van Dissel believed this "unique and never done before" and sent one to Elfenbein for publication in his periodical: *Linens & Domestics*. Three weeks later Elfenbein acknowledged that a notice of this "special serviette" would appear in the next issue and also suggests sending a second sample for presentation to Dr. Albert Einstein. In mid-November, Elfenbein received a second tablecloth and sent it to Albert Einstein with an attached note, modestly admitting his incomprehension of the mathematical principle: "Even with the explanation included I am still in the dark as to what it means. I am sure you will find it enlightening." Einstein's response asks Elfenbein to send his thanks and appreciation to Mr. van Dissel in Holland.

356 FEINSTEIN, MOSHE (Preeminent American Halachist, 1895-1985). Two Autograph Letters Signed, in Hebrew, on letterhead, written to Rabbi Dov Berish Zuckerman of Buffalo. (p. 1 and pp. 4.) * **WITH:** Follow-up Typed Letter from the Beth Din of the Union of Orthodox Rabbis of the United States and Canada (the Agudas HaRabanim) signed by R. Moshe Feinstein, R. Elkanah Zoberman and R. Chaim Tzvi Krieger (in the name of Rabbi Pollak). Concerns an Agunah and the evidence that her husband was killed during the war.

New York, 1949. **\$1000-1500**

✡ R. Moshe Feinstein writes in the first letter that he has begun to examine this complicated case but time pressures have prevented him from presenting it before the Beth Din. Nonetheless, in order not to keep the lady in question in suspense, he hereby agrees with Rabbi Zuckerman's belief that she can remarry. Two weeks later a second, four-page letter to Rabbi Zuckerman discusses the issue in detail.

Displays the efforts of the American Agudath HaRabanim to resolve complicated Halachic problems involving women who were left Agunos due to the disappearance of their husbands in the Holocaust.

357 FINKEL, ELIEZER YEHUDAH (Rosh Yeshiva, Mir. 1879-1965) Letter signed in German on Hebrew-Polish letterhead of the Mir Yeshiva, along with his stamp. Concerning Theobold Wreschner, a student of the Yeshiva who passed his exams. *One page. With original personal envelope addressed to the student in Bad Homburg, Germany.*

Mir, 23rd October, 1934. **\$200-300**

✡ R. Eliezer Yehudah Finkel was the son of R. Nosson Tzvi Finkel, the founder of the Slabodka Yeshiva ("Der Alter fun Slabodka,") and son-in-law of R. Elijah Baruch Kamai, head of the Mir Yeshiva, whose position he inherited. During the interbellum period, Mir attracted thousands of students, from across Europe and even America. Following World War II, R. Finkel reestablished his Yeshiva in Jerusalem. Today, it boasts a student body of more than 5,000 - the largest yeshiva in the world. See EJ, Vol. VI, cols. 1290-1.

358 (FRENCH-JUDAICA). Tena'im and Tena'im Acharonim. Group of nine engagement and dowry contracts written in various French Alsatian towns including: Phalsbourg, Buschwiller, Hagenau, Landau and Bourbourg. Hebrew manuscripts on paper written in various Ashkenazic cursive scripts. Most documents with notarized French abstract of the documents. Signed by all parties involved in Hebrew and occasionally French, along with witnesses and community officials. *Various sizes*

1738-1805. **\$1000-1500**

✡ The Tena'im and Tena'im Acharonim (dowry and other conditions) agreed upon at or following the marriage provide for surprisingly detailed financial and property transactions. One document (1744) specifies the giving of a set of the Amsterdam Talmud and Mikra'oth Gedoloth. Here, the father of the groom was Elia Schwab, Rabbi of Hagenau. Some of the families in these documents appear to be distinguished in their communities. For example, in the document dated 1738, the father of the groom Meir Weil, is given the title Shtadlan HaMedina ("Mediator of the Province"), in addition to the more common titles of Aluph, Rosh and Katzin, reserved for lesser community leaders and men of means.

359 GIFTER, MORDECHAI (Rosh Yeshiva, Telz, Cleveland 1915-2001). Group of five Autograph Letters Signed, in Hebrew, on letterhead (one on letterhead of R. Baruch Sorotzkin), written to R. Dov Berish Zuckerman. Acknowledging receipt of Rabbi Zuckerman's articles with Talmudic comments, plus personal matters including the publication of Rabbi Zuckerman's works. *Three letters of two pages and two letters of one page.*

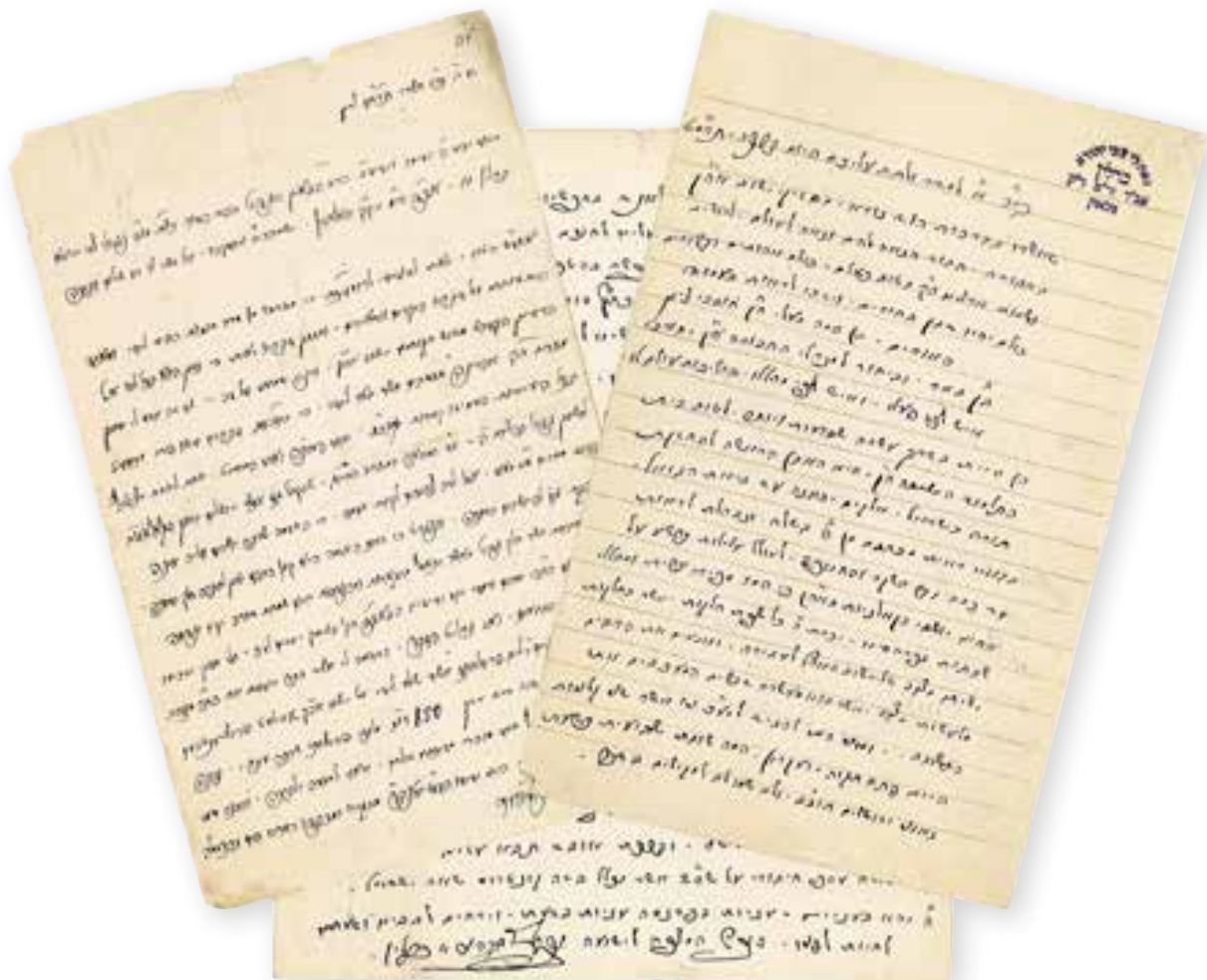
Cleveland-Wickliffe, 1959-73. **\$400-600**

✡ One of the foremost religious leaders of Orthodox Jewry in the late 20th century R. Mordechai Gifter was a prolific writer who published many important rabbinic texts and was a frequent contributor to many scholarly journals.

360 (GREECE) Sepher HaTakanot MeHevrat Talmud Torah. Hebrew manuscript on paper. Stamp of the Hevrat Talmud Torah of Ioannina in Hebrew and Greek characters on title page. *pp. 24 (eleven blank). Top margin of title page removed not affecting text. Unbound. 8vo.*

Ioannina (Janina), 13th Nissan, 1875. **\$1000-1500**

✡ In the great port cities of the Aegean (Istanbul, Salonika, and Izmir) the influx of large numbers of Iberian refugees in and after 1492 resulted in the absorption into the immigrants' Spanish-speaking Sephardic culture of the Greek-speaking indigenous Jewish population, together with their Byzantine ("Romaniot") traditions. Inland, however, in northern Greece, in the more isolated, less prosperous city of Ioannina, the Greek-speaking locals remained the majority and their Romaniot rite prevailed. Both Spanish- and Greek-speaking Ottoman Jews retained the use of Hebrew script for their respective languages (Judeo-Spanish and Judeo-Greek), and by 1875, the situation in Ioannina sounds rather dire, to judge from this manuscript constitution and bylaws of this newly founded group of concerned citizens, which had already recruited 60 paying members: "Because, here in our town, Jewish youth have hitherto had no advantages, they have succeeded neither in Torah nor in secular studies, which are the precondition for Torah, as the ancient rabbi said: "No livelihood, no Torah." And they have learned neither Hebrew grammar nor how to write and read Greek, the language of this land of ours, and all the more so have they not learned any other languages. But God has inspired some members of our community to say "How much longer are we to remain the people that time forgot (or words to that effect)? Let us wake up and organize things properly in accordance with the spirit of our time, so as to bestow the blessings of progress on our youth by teaching them to read and write in the vernacular." The idea is not to start a new school but to coordinate the existing traditional schools and help or cajole the teachers to improve their standards. Oral examinations in Hebrew and other languages are to be held once a year over the course of four days during Chol Hamoed Sukoth, and the mayor is to receive an invitation to drop by. Further, the society proposes to establish a free lending library for the community. Membership in the society is open to anyone willing to pay the annual fee of one-half Turkish lira and to adhere to these bylaws, which are to be printed in a Hebrew and Greek bilingual edition as soon as a Greek translation has been prepared. It was to that end, according to a note in French, by someone very likely with an Alliance education, that alternate pages in this manuscript have been left blank by the scribe. The trouble was, and this was the main reason for founding the society, the Ioannina Jews, unlike those in Corfu, spoke but did not write Greek. Those alternate pages, therefore, remain blank to this day.



Lot 361

361 (ISRAEL, LAND OF). A group of 13 Autograph Letters Signed of important correspondence between R. Naftali Tzvi Yehudah Berlin (The Netziv), R. Samuel Mohilever, R. Yechiel Michel Pines and Dr. Leon Pinsker concerning Chovevei Zion activities and the religious character of the recently established colonies in Eretz Israel. See I. Rivkind, *Igroth Zion*, in: *Sepher Shmuel* (Mohilever Festschrift) 1923; A. Druyanow, *Kethavim LeToldoth Chibath Zion*, Vol. II, 1928; M. Berlin, *Raban shel Yisrael*, 1943.

v.p., 1887-1889. **\$5000-7000**

DRAMATIS-PERSONAE:

Following the government-led pogroms in Southern Russia in 1881, **DR. LEON PINSKER** (1821-91), a passionate assimilationist underwent a dramatic change in weltanschauung: 'Judaophobia' would only disappear once a Jewish national center was established. Thus Pinsker became a leader of the Chibath Zion movement. **R. NAFTALI TZVI YEHUDAH BERLIN** (the Netziv, 1817-93) was the Rosh Yeshiva of Volozhin, the foremost Talmudic Academy in 19th-century Russia. Due to his sterling character and radiant personality, the Chibath Zion movement elected the Netziv as a "counseling member" of its Executive Committee in 1887. Pinsker kept the Netziv informed of all major activities, developments and appointments and respectfully entitles him "Me'or HaGolah" (the Light of the Exile). The Netziv acted as a conduit to Orthodox Jewry for the movement, writing many letters on their behalf. Most of his letters usually contain the eloquent phrase "Amus Be'Avodah" (overburdened with work) before his signature. In addition to his Chovevei Zion activity, **R. SAMUEL MOHILEVER** (1824-98) was considered one of the great rabbis of Russia, being an outstanding student of the Volozhin Yeshiva. **R. YECHIEL MICHEL PINES** (1843-1913) was an early exponent of religious Zionism and a leader of the Chovevei Zion movement.

BACKGROUND:

Many of the new colonies established in Eretz Israel such as Petach Tikvah, Akron and Yesod HaMa'alalah were inhabited by religious Jews. The small colony of Gederah however, was populated by a group of young, irreligious members of the Bilu movement from Russia. Unlike other settlements, it was not directly supported by Baron Rothschild but dependent on aid from the Chovevei Zion movement. The Netziv and Rabbi Mohilever were concerned with the irreligious behavior found in Gederah and the deleterious effect it would have for support of the movement among the religious Jews of Russia and Poland.

THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THE CONTENTS OF THIS HISTORICAL CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE NETZIV OF VOLOZHIN:

I. Autograph Letter Signed from R. Samuel Mohilever to the Netziv. Concerns the collection of funds for the settlement of the Land of Israel and the suggestion of the Netziv to include the people of Jerusalem in the colonies. He agrees in principle but there is not enough land presently. More funds are needed to purchase new land. One page. 25th Tishrei, 1887.

2. Autograph Letter Signed from R. Samuel Mohilever to the Netziv. Concerning the appointment of a Mr. Katz as the administrator of the new colony of Gederah. "He is very distant from the fear of God and if he will become leader of the Biluim what will become of them?" Mohilever makes a recommendation of an individual who is both religious and a professional in the area of farming, having trained the colonists presently in Akron who are all religious. "It would be best if the Bilu group leave Gederah as they bring suspicion and distrust to the movement. Even the Baron did not want to be responsible for them. What can we do since people regard them as idealists? But at least their administrator must be religious!" pp. 2. 10th Mar-Cheshvan, 1887.

3. Autograph Letter Signed from R. Samuel Mohilever to the Netziv. R. Mohilever is very disturbed that the Netziv suspects the Chovevei Zion of Libau forged his signature on certain letters. "I am surprised that Pinsker states that you approved Mr. Katz to be administrator of Gederah... Appointing R. Naftali Hertz will also not help as he is old and weak and will not be able to control them. They are not little children who are afraid of a teacher." pp. 2. 23rd Mar-Cheshvan, 1887.

4. Letter Signed from Leon Pinsker to the Netziv. "Your encouragement will unify all groups to support the movement. The contention that support is dwindling because of the reports that the colonists are not religious is not true... Now that we have appointed R. Yechiel Michel Pines (a disciple of R. Mordechai Gimpel Jaffe and a beloved close friend of R. Samuel Salant) this will improve matters in Gederah. Your suggestion to include the Jews of Jerusalem is problematic. pp. 2. Odessa, 12th Mar-Cheshvan, 1887.

5. Letter Signed from Pinsker to the Netziv. "Nothing was forged in the letters sent from Libau. As to my statement that you approved the appointment of Katz as administrator of Gederah, I meant as general administrator dealing with distribution of funds, the courts and taxes. He will not do actual farming not during the week and of course not on the Sabbath. He knows French which is important for dealing with the authorities. His appointment does not contradict the appointment of an administrator for religious needs. These are two separate kingdoms. Frumkin is not popular or well liked even in Petach Tikvah. No one there desecrates the Sabbath, they give Maaser to a Levite by the name of Horowitz and they will not work during the coming Shemitah year." pp. 4. Odessa, 28th Mar-Cheshvan, 1887.

6. Letter Signed from Pinsker to the Netziv. Defends the religiosity of the colonists of Gederah. "According to Pines, they will not want to eat meat until a Shochet is hired. This indicates that they want kosher meat. Don't rely on unsubstantiated rumors, only on reliable witnesses in a Beth Din. Your honor states that he and the other Rabbis cannot concede on matters which are Da'ath Torah. I will concede to you, but there are many groups involved and not everybody will concede unanimously... The Rabbis should try to be more lenient." pp. 4. Odessa, 8th Kislev, 1887.

7. Autograph Letter Signed from the Netziv to Pinsker. Explaining the view of the Rabbis that the Chovevei Zion movement must ensure that the colonists are religious and cites many instances from Jewish history supporting this view. Disagrees with Pinsker that we cannot supervise the colonists in their religious practice. "Since they depend upon us for their livelihood it is equally incumbent upon us to ensure that they do not stray from the path of the Torah as Nechemia did when the Jews resettled the land. If they rebel do not support them. You and the new generation may not understand these words but this is the path to gain support of the religious Jews of Lithuania." pp. 4. Volozhin, 20th Tevet, 1887.

8. Autograph Letter Signed from R. Samuel Mohilever to the Netziv. "Your proposal not to support Gederah so that they will leave, will not work. They will not listen and may publicly leave the path of the Torah anyway. I agree with Pinsker to appoint Pines over them. Hundreds of colonists in Petach Tikva and Yesod HaMa'alah are religious. We cannot destroy them and the rest of the Yishuv just because of ten sinners in Gederah. R. Yehosua of Kutna wrote to me that we should ignore those who slander and defame the Yishuv as they have their own interests in mind. As for Zichron Yaakov they hail from Rumania and are under the jurisdiction of the Baron. We are responsible only for those who are from Russia and Poland." pp. 2. 1st Vayishlach, 1888.

9. Letter Signed from Pinsker to the Netziv. "You misunderstand me. I agree that the colonists should be religious. Therefore I appointed Pines as their religious supervisor plus a Shochet. But I do not believe that Gederah needs a Chazan and Baal Koreh nor does Yesod HaMa'alah need a special "Darshan." Although Zichron Ya'akov and Petach Tikvah have Rabbis, they are larger communities but Gederah and Yesod HaMa'alah are still small, even in Russia not all small villages have a Rabbi. In addition there are some people in Gederah that are religious and know how to learn in contrast to what you were informed." pp. 4. Odessa, 4th Shevat, 1888.

10. Letter Signed from R. Samuel Mohilever, with a few lines in his hand, to the Netziv. Complains about Pinsker's decision to buy more land for Gederah which has only ten unmarried people while Petach Tikvah which has over thirty families could starve. He checked with Erlanger in Paris who stated that the Baron is only providing a fraction of the needs of Petach Tikvah. pp. 2. 16th Shevat, 1888.

11. Letter Signed from Yechiel Michel Pines to the Netziv. "The conditions for individuals buying land are problematic... Rabbi Hertz of Jaffa should get a salary as Jaffa is the center of all the settlements... As for Shemitah, the people of Gederah will not work on their own land, but on neighboring land belonging to Gentiles as daily hired workers. They will also work in the vineyards as per the instructions of the Rabbis of Jerusalem." (The final few lines are in the hand of the shochet of Gederah thanking and blessing the Netziv). pp. 2. Gederah, 12th Tishrei, 1889.

12. Autograph Letter Signed from the Netziv to the supporters of the Yishuv in the Holy Land in the town of Bar. "It is wicked, cruel slander to state that the colonist desecrate the Sabbath publicly. May God cut all the slippery tongues who turn the Mitzvah of Yishuv Eretz Israel into a sin and deter people from doing repentance. Petach Tikvah and Akron do not work during Shemitah without any leniency whatsoever as instructed by the Gedolim of Jerusalem. Although the people of Gederah were accused of being irreligious they did not eat meat until I sent them a God-fearing shochet. They are lenient in Shemitah as instructed by certain Gedolim. Send your support for Petach Tikvah and Akron to Rabbi Hertz of Jaffa with instructions to distribute the funds directly to those who do not work during Shemitah." pp. 2. 1889.

13. Letter Signed letter from Pinsker to the Netziv. Explains why he is presently withholding support from Petach Tikvah and Akron. Also concerns adherence to Shmitah in Gederah. p. 1. Odessa, 17th Adar, 1889.

362 GOTTLOBER, ABRAHAM BER. Igroth Bikoreth. Hebrew manuscript on paper. Various Ashkenazic hands, some portions apparently in the author's hand with his signature. *ff. (149) text not consecutive. Some leaves loose. Contemporary boards, loose. 4to.*

1857-61. **\$1000-1500**

✦ Manuscript containing scholarly letters and book reviews written to various literary figures and leaders of the Haskalah movement. The author, Abraham Gottlob (1810-99) was an historian and poet who often wrote under the pseudonyms "Abag" and "Mahalalel." Originally from a Chassidic background, Gottlob was increasingly attracted to the Haskalah movement and eventually divorced his more religious wife for that reason.

Among the correspondents here are Isaac Ber Levinson, E. L. Silberman (editor of HaMagid), S.D. Luzzato, Ludwig Phillpson, Baron H. Ginzberg, Baron S. Rothschild, Mendele Mocher Seform, E. Zweifel, S.Y. Funn, J. Kohen Tsedek, M. Letteris, S. Pinsker, E. Zederbaum (editor of HaMelitz) and many others. In addition to scholarship, many letters are of a personal nature. Also contains anti-Kabbalah and anti-Chassidic material.

See M. Waxman, History of Jewish Literature Vol. III pp. 255-58; EJ Vol. VII col. 827-28.

363 HALSTOCK, YECHÉZKEL (Ostrovitz Rebbe, 1887-1942). Autograph Letter Signed, in Hebrew, written to R. Meir Arik of Tarnow. Concerning the "Tzitz" of the Kohen Gadol and other aspects of the Avodah on Yom Kippur. *11 pages. T. M. Rabinowicz, Encyclopedia of Hasidism pp. 182-83; Y. Alfasi, Encyclopedia Le-Chassiduth (letter Yud) col. 170-71.*

Nashelsk, 1922. **\$600-900**

✦ R. Yechezkel of Ostrovitz was known as one of the greatest Rabbinical scholars among pre-war Chassidic Rebbes. R. Yechezkel succeeded his father, the saintly R. Meir Yechiel, as Rebbe in 1928. He and his family were murdered by the Nazis in 1942.

364 HENKIN, YOSEPH ELIYAHU (Preeminent American Posek, 1881-1973). Group of c. 50 Autograph Letters Signed, in Hebrew, on Ezrath Torah letterhead, mostly written to Rabbi Dov Berish Zuckerman of Buffalo, a few written to Rabbi Sholom Rivkin of Seattle and St. Louis. * **ACCOMPANIED BY** two of Rabbi Sholom Rivkin's original Halachic inquiries concerning prayer in public schools and kashruth of cheese. Mostly concerning various halachic matters, especially in the area of Gittin and Agunoth, plus personal greetings.

New York, 1943-68. **\$1200-1800**

✦ Rabbi Henkin was one of the great Poskim of the 20th century and published works of novellae, responsa and homiletic essays under the title Peirushei Ivra and Lev Ivra. Born in Belarus R. Henkin studied at the Slutzker Yeshiva under Rabbi Isser Zalman Meltzer from whom he received rabbinical ordination. He was also ordained by Rabbis Yaakov Dovid Wilovsky (the Ridvaz), Boruch Ber Leibowitz and Yechiel Michel Epstein (the Aruch HaShulchan). After serving as rabbi in a number of Russian towns, R. Henkin emigrated to America in 1922, and soon after become the indefatigable director of the charitable Ezrath Torah organization which provided support to thousands of scholars, widows and orphans across the globe. He served in that capacity until his death.

Rabbi Henkin had a close relationship with Rabbi Zuckerman and obviously felt that he learned much from their correspondence, indeed in many letters here R. Henkin entitles R. Zuckerman as "Aluphi" (my master).

365 HUTNER, ISAAC (Rosh Yeshiva of Yeshiva Rabbi Chaim Berlin, 1906-1980). Group of three Typed Letters Signed, in Hebrew, on letterhead, written to Rabbi Moshe Dov-Ber Rivkin. * **WITH:** Autograph Signed response from Rabbi Rivkin (three pages). With envelopes. *Four pages, three pages and one page.*

New York, 1966-70. **\$300-500**

✦ Comments to Rabbi Rivkin's kuntreisim on the topics of Ba'al Tosif, Meilah and Ma'aser Sheni. Rabbi Hutner praises Rabbi Rivkin's deep understanding and logical thought process.

366 (ISRAEL, LAND OF) A varied miscellany of c. 25 printed and manuscript documents, letters and ephemera from the 19th and 20th centuries pertaining to various organizations, events and personalities in the Holy Land. Includes: Tephilah LeMoshe [in honor of Moses Montefiore's birthday]. Jerusalem, 1885. * Prayer in the Synagogues of the United Congregations on the occasion of Moses Montefiore's departure for the Holy Land. London, 1866. * Manuscript appeal to Baron Edmond Rothschild. Safed, 1887. * Lemaan Zion Lo Ehchsheh. Printed and manuscript pamphlet from the Committee fuer die Sammlung zum Synagogenbau in Jerusalem. Posen, 1858. * Typed Letter Signed by Dr. M. Wallach of Jerusalem to Rabbi Leo Jung. 1938. * Large printed share warrant for "PAGI" Financial Corp of Agudath Israel laborers. 1947. * Letter from the Agudath Torah organization of Batei Achva signed by R. Abraham Yisrael Moshe Solomon, Meir Hachohen Kaplan, Samuel Kleinerman and Joseph Rivlin. 1940. * Printed Appeal from Eitz Chaim Torah Center: "Hitler, Mousolini [sic] and the Arab terrorists never will succeed to annihilate the Jewish people as long as we hold fast to our Holy Torah." c. 1940. * Letter from The Jewish Colonial Trust to M. Lutzki transferring funds from their Whitechapel branch to Rabbi Zular of Luniniec. 1927. * Contract for rights to reside in Batei Nathan, Jerusalem, 1925. * Folding chart of Eretz Israel, noting the new colonies, their founders and owners along with related vital statistics. c. 1915. *Variously worn.*

\$1000-1500

367 (LITURGY) Sephirath Ha'Omer [counting of the Omer]. Sephardic rite. With song for the night of the 33rd day of the Omer Manuscript in Hebrew. Square Hebrew on paper. Title within architectural columns, illuminated in red, blue, yellow and black. Colophon: "Libro Ebraico, Del Sig. Michele Levi, Marco di Mondovi, Li 28 Maggio." *ff. 30. One leaf loose. Recent marbled boards. 12mo.*

Italy, 1838. **\$300-500**

368 (ISRAEL, LAND OF) Letter Signed, by Akiva Joseph Schlesinger, Yitzchak Tzvi Rivlin and seven others, written in Hebrew to the Netziv of Volozhin. With stamp in Hebrew and German of the “Chevrath Shalom Yerushalayim Comite zur Beforderung Colonisation Palastinas”. *Two pages, tears at folds.*

Jerusalem, n.d. **\$600-900**

♣ An impassioned plea from this group of idealists in Jerusalem to the Netziv. They state they represent one hundred families who aspire to work the land in order not have to depend on the “chalukah” charity. Indeed they are willing to invest their own funds to assist in the endeavor. The letter suggests that since the Chovevei Zion Movement is deferring to the wisdom of the Netziv and other sages, perhaps now the Jews of Jerusalem will no longer be stranded and treated as “banished, stray sheep.”

A longtime resident of Jerusalem, R. Akiva Joseph Schlesinger (1838-1922) was born in Pressburg, where his Mohel was R. Moses Schreiber (the Chasam Sofer) and he later studied in the Pressburg Yeshiva of R. Abraham Samuel Benjamin Schreiber (the Kesav Sofer). Schlesinger wrote “Lev Ivri,” a commentary to the ethical will of the Chasam Sofer, calling for unswerving adherence to tradition. Nonetheless, Schlesinger could be innovative too - within the confines of Jewish law. Thus, he wore the recently discovered blue thread of techeileth and he also blew the shofar on the Sabbath in the Old City of Jerusalem. He called for the urgent resettlement of the Land of Israel based upon the traditions of Torah, to which end he was instrumental in establishing the new colony of Petach Tikvah.

See M.A.Z. Kinstlicher, *HeChasam Sopher VeTalmidav* (2005) p. 534; Benjamin Mintz in: L. Jung, *Men of the Spirit* (1964) pp. 85-105; N.Z. Friedmann, *Otzar Harabanim*, A-16803.

369 (ITALY) Papal Decree regarding the Jewish Community of Rome. Brown ink on vellum. Single sheet, 21.5 in. wide x 17 in. high, dampsoiled and partially split at folds with minor loss of text.

Rome, 1615. **\$3000-5000**

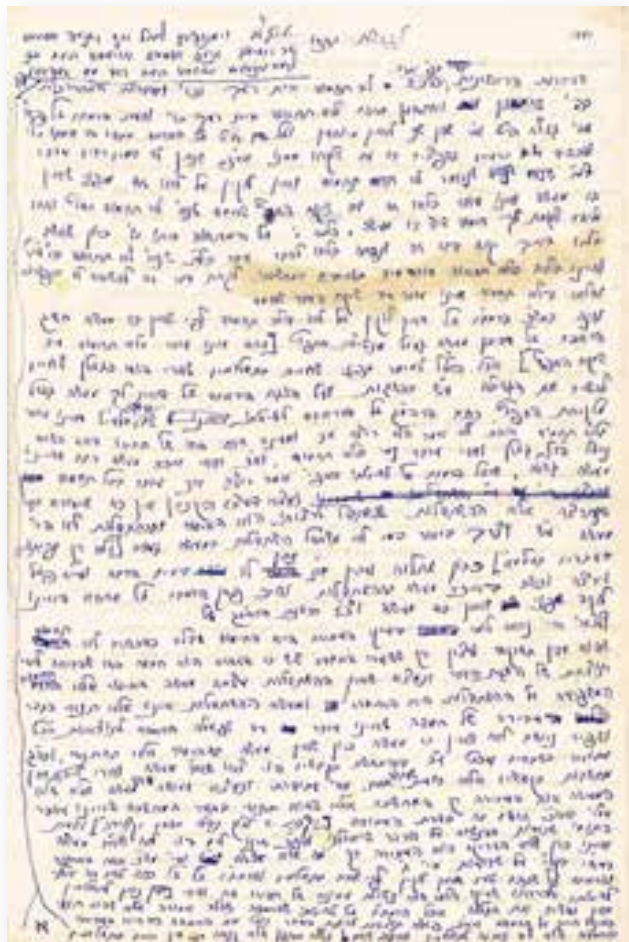
♣ This “chirograph,” or decree of the Roman Curia, clarifies for the Jewish community of Rome (Universitatis Hebreorum) the extent of the autonomy in the administration of justice accorded it by the Pope, as ruler of the city.

The document was issued by the Genoese churchman and diplomat Jacopo Cardinal Serra, whose name is emblazoned across the top of the document and whose signature appears at the bottom of it. Chancellor and chamberlain of the papal court and former papal nuncio to Hungary, he is remembered now as an influential patron of baroque painting, who championed Peter Paul Rubens when he was young, unknown, and a foreigner in Rome.

Cardinal Serra spells out the Vatican’s understanding of the distinctions established by the previous pope, Clement VIII, in 1604 and now upheld by Serra in the name of the current pope, Paul V. The Jewish courts are authorized to handle misdemeanors and felonies within the community, with the exception of homicide, sacrilege, counterfeiting, lèse-majesté, and rebellion - the jurisdiction in these cases being reserved to the Most Holy Office of the Roman Inquisition. In language that fluctuates between Latin and Italian, Serra proceeds to address questions relating to punishments, fines, and the adjudication of civil cases, all in significant detail, in a document running to 49 lines.

[SEE ILLUSTRATION BELOW]





Lot 371

370 (ITALY) Hebrew Manuscript broadside against synagogue absenteeism. Single sheet, Sepia ink on rag paper. Stained and heavily creased, holes and tears where document was affixed to wall, with no loss of text. 20 x 17 inches.

Late 18th- / early 19th-century. **\$1000-1500**

♣ Polemical broadsides (or pasquinades- “pas(h)kvilim” in Hebrew), caustic or satirical in tone and often anonymous, are nowadays almost a defining feature of the most highly traditional of Jewish neighborhoods. But while ubiquitous in printed form, their manuscript predecessors from before the age of inexpensive printing are extremely uncommon - naturally so in view of their ephemeral nature. Here, though, is a rare survivor. In the “melitsah,” or highly wrought biblical-pastiche Hebrew of the time, the writer laments the scarcity of genuine spiritual beings, willing to rise early and come to the synagogue to form a daily quorum for morning prayers. Those who do not participate, he argues, have thrown in their lot with the mockers within the local Jewish community, who “scoff at us saying ‘You are wasting your breath asking people to appear without payment or compensation. Is not the need to earn the one thing that makes people rise early? Offer wine or beer, though, and even we would show up - whenever you like, wherever you like.’” This attitude, says the writer, has become demoralizingly widespread. The time, he feels, has come to urge the faithful of the community to put an end to this scandal. To further that end, he proposes to cite “the pure words of our holy rabbis who speak to us from the grave,” and he goes on to quote thirteen talmudic passages that make his point (see BT Berachoth 6b): R. Johanan says “Whenever the Holy One Blessed Be He enters a synagogue and does not find ten men there, He becomes instantly furious. That is what it means when it says it says (Isaiah 50:2) ‘Wherefore, when I came, was there no man? When I called, was there none to answer?’”

371 (KANIEVSKY, YAAKOV YISRAEL) (The Steipler Gaon). (Birkath Peretz) novellae on the Torah (Parshath Yithro, Re’eh, Shemini and Kedoshim). Autograph Manuscript in Hebrew, written on the back of typewritten pages of the Steipler’s “Kehiloth Ya’akov.” The typewritten pages also contain a number of corrections in the author’s hand. *Five leaves. Bound into boards. Folio.*

(Bnei Brak), c. , 1970. **\$2000-2500**

♣ R. Yaakov Yisrael Kanievsky (1899-1985), was known as the “Steipeler Gaon” after his hometown of Hornosteipel in the Ukraine. He briefly served as Rosh Yeshivah of the Novardok Yeshivah before he settled in Bnei Brak where he devoted himself entirely to an uninterrupted life of study. Renowned both for his Talmudic genius, as witnessed in the many volumes of Kehilath Ya’akov on the Talmud, and his piety, many sought out his blessings. He yielded enormous influence within the Torah world and yet held no official office.

[SEE ILLUSTRATION ABOVE]

372 KAMENETZKY, YAAKOV (Author of Emeth LeYa’akov, 1891-1986). Autograph Letter Signed in Hebrew, written to Rabbi Moshe Dov-Ber Rivkin. Personal letter of thanks and Passover greetings following receipt of Rabbi Rivkin’s pamphlet. *One page, small marginal tear at bottom not affecting text. With envelope.*

Monsey , 7th Nissan, 1970. **\$400-600**

♣ Rabbi Yaakov Kamenetzky was one of the most prominent Roshei Yeshiva, Poskim and communal leaders in the post-World War II Orthodox American Jewish community. Along with Rabbi Moshe Feinstein, he led American Jewry in issues of halachic and spiritual guidance until 1986, when both men died, barely two weeks apart. Rabbi Yaakov Kamenetzky studied for 21 years in Slabodka yeshiva under Rabbi Nossan Tzvi Finkel which was where he met his lifelong friend Rabbi Aharon Kotler, who would later go on to establish the Lakewood yeshiva. Rabbi Kamenetzky was appointed rabbi of Tzituviyan in 1926 and moved to North America in 1937, where he took rabbinical positions in Seattle and Toronto. From 1948 to 1968 he headed Mesivta Torah Vodaath in Brooklyn, New York.

Rabbi Kamenetzky’s wry humor and character is evident even in this small letter. He remarks on the different styles in his handwriting from the first few lines of the letter to the end. He states Hayu li Ha’Alim LeTrufah “your leaves were a medicine for me as I was bedridden with a temperature of 103.5... Although the doctor locked me up for eight days (more than the Kohen Gadol)... Your honor will notice that in the middle of this letter I began to write at a table.” Seemingly Rabbi Kamenetzky began to write the letter while in bed and was later able to continue while sitting at a table - thus the change in handwriting.

373 (KARLSBURG) Pinkas HaKahal. Hebrew manuscript on paper. Various hands in Hebrew, Yiddish, Hungarian and Romanian. With signatures of communal leaders and Rabbis including **RABBI YECHESKEL PANETH** (p. 8), his wife Chaya Rachel (p. 119) and his successor Rabbi Avraham Friedman (p. 118). With wax stamp seals to official documents. Artistic title-page. 413 pages. *Contemporary calf, variously worn. Folio.*

Karlsburg, 1835-70. **\$4000-6000**

• Pinkas (ledger) of the Jewish community of Karlsburg, Transylvania. Contains rules and regulations of communal and religious affairs, minutes of meetings, summaries of arbitrations, contracts and official documents.

This Pinkas contains much historical material of interest pertaining to the economic, social and religious life of the Jews in Karlsburg. Highlights: On pp. 23-31 are records of Din Torah arbitration pertaining to divorce, inheritance proceedings, conflicts between business partners and other matters. These are signed by the Rosh Hakahal, one of the Tuvei Hakahal and the Dayan. * Terms of contract for an individual hired to serve as Chazan and Shochet (p. 37). Delineates his duties as Chazan along with his responsibility to train a choir. The contract also notes the extra income the Chazan is entitled to for such occasions as singing at weddings and memorial services. In addition to his synagogue duties, he is to share Shechitah responsibilities and the manuscript even notes which cuts of meat he is entitled to. However, during the holidays from Selichoth until after Sukoth he is not permitted to slaughter. * An important Rabbinical contract dated 1846 with the newly elected Chief Rabbi Avraham Friedman. Contains clauses and conditions recording the Rabbi's professional responsibilities and the duty of the community to support a Yeshiva. Another paragraph cites their responsibility to provide for R. Yechezkel Paneth's widow and her daughter. Signed by Rabbi Friedman, 17 communal leaders and Rebbetzin Paneth (pp. 118-119). * A further paragraph relates an incident of an individual who took issue with a halachic ruling of the Rabbi. The Beth Din penalized this show of disrespect by removing from the gentleman his title of "Moreinu" until such time that he appeases the Rabbi. * Regulations concerning taxing kosher meat distribution, and the relationship between the Rabbi, the community and the ritual slaughterers is on p. 129. * Education curricula for children in the year 1861 are discussed on p. 256.

Karlsburg's celebrated Rabbi at this time was R. Yechezkel Paneth (1783-1845), a disciple of R. Baruch Frankel Teumim of Leipnik and R. Samuel Landau, son of the famed Noda B'Yehudah and chief dayan of Prague. He developed an interest in Chassidism following visits to the Chozeh of Lublin and the Maggid of Koznitz and then became a disciple of R. Menachem Mendel of Rymanow. In 1823, R. Yechezkel Paneth was appointed Rabbi of Karlsburg and subsequently transformed Transylvania into a thriving base of Chassidic activity.

Also known as Alba Iulia, Karlsburg, was regarded as the Jewish capital of Transylvania. See EJ vol II col. 518-519. An in-depth study of the material in this ledger is essential for an understanding of Transylvanian Jewry in the 19th century.

[SEE ILLUSTRATION ABOVE]

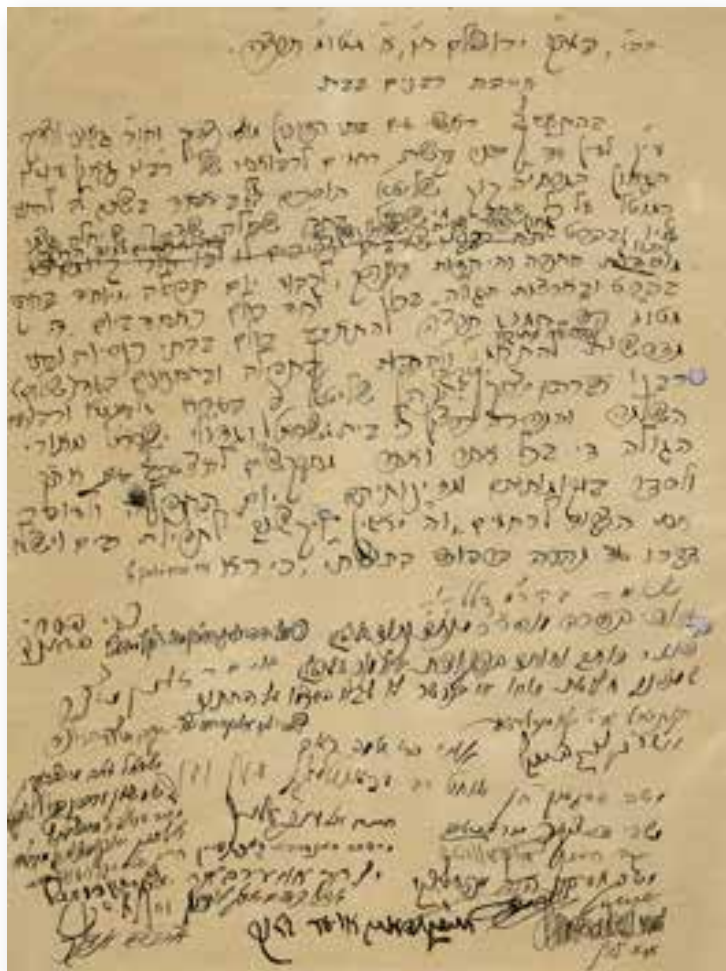


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374 KLATZKIN, ELIJAHU (Rabbi of Lublin, 1852-1932). Autograph Letter Signed, in Hebrew on personal letterhead, written to R. Baruch Zuckerman (son-in-law of R. Meir Arik). Rabbinic ordination (Semichah letter). A very enthusiastic ordination letter. "It was a pleasure for me to see his great erudition in Shas and Poskim." *One page.* J. Klatzkin in: L. Jung (ed.) Jewish Leaders (1953) bpp. 317-41.

Lublin, 3rd Teveth, 1924. **\$400-600**

• R. Elijah Klatzkin was a child prodigy, multi-lingual, endowed with a photographic memory. As a Rabbi he was famed for his innovative solutions in relation to Agunah issues and published many works of responsa and homiletics. R. Klatzkin was also expertly versed in the sciences, his son, Jacob Klatzkin relates that he could recite by heart the chemical composition of every drug listed in the pharmacopoeia.



Lot 375

375 KOOK, ABRAHAM ISAAC Original manuscript proclamation individually signed by 46 Rabbis, Chassidic Rebbes, Roshei Yeshivoth and Dayanim for a Worldwide Day of Prayer on the 24th of Tamuz for the recovery and restoration to health of “Gaon Yisroel Ukedosh” Rabbi Abraham Isaac Yechezkiyahu Hakohen Kook (first Aschkenazi Chief Rabbi of Israel, 1865-1935.) Written by R. Samuel Aaron Weber, followed by 46 individual signatures. *Two pages. 12.5 x 9 inches. Housed in calf folder.*

Jerusalem, 1st Parshath Matoth-Masei (20th Tammuz), 1935.

\$25,000-30,000

A MOST IMPORTANT, HISTORICAL PROCLAMATION DISPLAYING THE UNPARALLELED ESTEEM WITH WHICH THE VAST (AND TO CONTEMPORARY MINDS, MOST SURPRISING) MAJORITY OF RABBINICAL LEADERS AND CHASSIDIC REBBES RESIDING IN JERUSALEM AND OTHER PARTS OF ERETZ ISRAEL HAD FOR RABBI KOOK.

Because of the seriousness of his medical condition, the extra name Yechezkiyahu (“he should be strengthened”) was added to Rabbi Kook’s name. “It is incumbent upon every Jewish person regardless where he resides to pray

on behalf of Rabbi Kook upon whom the whole house of Israel depends upon.” The signatories represent the widest gamut of both Chassidic and non-Chassidic esteemed Rabbinical personalities beseeching all to pray for Rabbi Kook’s well-being (contrary to a vocal minority who opposed Rabbi Kook).

Among the important signatories are the Chassidic Rebbes R. Shlomo Goldman of Zevil (Reb Shloimkeh Zeviller); the Rebbes of Rachmistrivka - R. Zev b. R. Yochanan and R. Menachem Nachum Twersky, signed by his son R. David; R. Saul Yedidiah Elazar of Modzhitz; the Chassidic Beth Din: R. Yisrael Zev Mintzberg, R. Yerucham Fishel Bernstein and R. Shmuel Pesach Heilprin; the Beth Din of the Perushim: R. Tzvi Pesach Frank, R. Yoseph Gershon Horowitz and R. Eliayhu Rom; R. Isser Zalman Meltzer, Rosh Yeshiva Eitz Chaim; R. Shimson Aaron Polonsky, the Chassidic Rabbi of Teplik; R. Chaim Yehuda Leib Auerbach of the Kabbalist Yeshiva Sha’ar HaShamayim; the Kabbalist R. Shimon Tzvi Horowitz; Sephardic Chief Rabbi R. Ben Zion Chai Uziel; R. Yechezkel Sarna, Rosh Yeshiva Chevron; R. Shlomo Leib Eliezrov; R. Moshe Leib Shapiro and R. Alter Simchowitz, Roshei Yeshiva of Chabad Yeshiva Torath Emeth; R. Yaakov Henschel Senkewitz; Rosh Yeshiva of Ger-Sefath Emeth; R. Aryeh Levin of Eitz Chaim; R. Morechai Sender Kopstein of Radin; R. Simcha Vinograd, Rosh Yeshiva Torath Chaim; R. Reuven Katz, Chief Rabbi of Petach Tikva; and many others.

Written just a few weeks prior to Rabbi Kook’s death (3rd Ellul, 1935) this most unusual and heartfelt proclamation to world-wide Jewry to plead to God in heaven for the great Rabbi’s recovery bestows honorifics and titles upon Rav Kook reserved for only the very greatest of scholars and Tzadikim. These leaders whose respective spiritual legacies have shaped thousands of their followers toward radically different approaches to Jewish life all unite here to pray for the return to health of Rav Kook. This original manuscript proclamation was subsequently printed and issued as a public broadside (with some variance in the signatories).

[SEE ILLUSTRATION ABOVE]



Lot 376

376 (LUBAVITCH) Important collection of letters from the Courts of the past two Lubavitcher Rebbes (and their assistants and relatives), written to Rabbis Dov-Berish Zuckerman, Moshe Dov-Ber Rivkin (his mechutan) and Sholom Rivkin.

* Joseph Isaac Schneerson. Nine Typed Letters Signed on personal letterhead. Warsaw, Riga, Brooklyn, 1934-49.

* Menachem Mendel Schneerson. Four Typed Letters Signed on personal letterhead. Brooklyn, 1949-68.

* Nechama-Dina Schneerson. One Typed Letter Signed on personal letterhead, also signed by her two sons-in-law, Menachem Mendel Schneerson and Shemaryahu Gurary. Ellul, 1950.

* Shterna Sora Schneerson. One Autograph Postcard Signed. Warsaw, 25th April, 1934.

* Shemaryahu Gurary. Seven Typed Letters Signed on various letterheads. Brooklyn and Tel Aviv, 1949-71.

* Chaim Mordechai Isaac Chodokov. Six Typed Letters Signed on personal letterhead. Brooklyn, 1949-51.

* Chaim Lieberman. Six Typed Letters Signed on various letterheads. Brooklyn, 1943-50.

* Open Letters (a few from the crucial year of 1950-51), various receipts, etc. Including many original envelopes.

\$6000-9000

♣ Select highlights include:

An historical letter from R. Joseph Isaac Schneerson, Riga, 1940 concerning Rabbi Rivkin's assistance in "taking us out of distress and organizing our trip to your shores." Also urges help in arranging for the emigration of fifty students to the United States. * Letter from R. Joseph Isaac Schneerson, guiding R. Sholom Rivkin in his studies and how to be an effective public speaker. * Letter from R. Shemaryahu Gurary dated 1949 concerning his negotiations with the Israeli government in placing 100 Chabad refugee families in a farming settlement in the Arab village Sifriya (later to become Kfar Chabad). * Letters from the crucial interim period (1950) before the appointment of a new Rebbe, some on the stationery of Nechama Dina Schneerson and other general letters in Hebrew, Yiddish and English issued together or separately by R. Menachem Mendel Schneerson and R. Shemaryahu Gurary. * Significant mimeographed letter dated 27th Shevat 1950 to R. Sholom Rivkin asking him to attend an important meeting at 770 Eastern Parkway concerning "our responsibilities at this time following the unexpected loss of the Rebbe." Signed by six of the most senior elder Chassidim.

A MULTI-DIMENSIONAL ARCHIVE OF GREAT HISTORIC INTEREST.

[SEE ILLUSTRATION ABOVE]

377 MODON, SAMSON COHEN (Author of Kol Mussar, 1679-1727). Autograph signed poetic sonnet. Shirah Chadasha Shibchu Yisra'elim [against an apostate who embraced Christianity]. Hebrew manuscript. *One page. Fourteen lines. Neat Italian semi-cursive script. Heading in square script.*

(Mantua), circa, 1700. **\$500-700**

✡ Cecil Roth gives high marks to the poetic achievement of Modon, "renewer of the Hebrew sonnet, who won golden opinions when he was sent on a congratulatory mission to the Emperor Charles VI." His Kol Mussar (Mantua, 1725) contains fifty similar types of sonnets (poems of fourteen lines). See C. Roth, *The History of the Jews of Italy* (1946), p. 400; D. Bregman & A. Brener, *The Emergence of the Hebrew Sonnet*, in: *Prooftexts*. Vol. 11, no. 3 (1991), pp. 231-39.

378 MONTEFIORE, SIR MOSES Letter Signed, written to Member of Parliament Mr. J. A. Smith reporting on the successful outcome of his "Mission sent out to relieve the unfortunate and persecuted Jews at Damascus," known as the Damascus Affair. Letter and address panel signed by Montefiore. *2 pp., folded into envelope, tears with two words affected. Partial red wax seal (of the Rothschild family coat of arms) reading "Concordia, Integritas, Industria."*

Alexandria (Egypt), September 11th, 1840. **\$2000-3000**

✡ An important mission was undertaken by philanthropist and humanitarian Sir Moses Montefiore following a charge of ritual murder against the Jewish Community in Damascus after the disappearance of a Franciscan friar and his servant. This important letter, likely carried by special diplomatic messenger from Egypt to London refers to the declaration that "Jews should have the same protection as other subjects" and thanks the British Member of Parliament for his actions on behalf of the Jews in the East.

FEW MONTEFIORE LETTERS APPEAR AT AUCTION DEALING WITH MATTERS OF SUCH IMPORTANCE.

379 PERLOW, ABRAHAM ELIMELECH OF KARLIN-PINSK. Letter Signed with a few words in his hand. In Hebrew on personal stamped letterhead. Concerning receipt of funds from R. Yitzchak Levita and blessings. One page with slight hole at fold not affecting text. Karlin-Pinsk, n.d.

* WITH: Bruchah Sheindel Perlow (Rebbetzin of the "Yenukah" of Stolin). Letter signed in Hebrew on personal letterhead of her husband, plus her personal stamp. Concerning receipt of funds and blessings. One page. Some stains on lower margin. Stolin, n.d. Together, two letters.

\$300-500

✡ Rabbi Abraham Elimelech Perlow of Karlin-Pinsk (1891-1942) succeeded his father, R. Yisroel, the "Yenukah" of Stolin, as Rebbe in 1921. He visited Eretz Israel a number of times where he established a Yeshiva and attracted a large following. Despite the entreaties of his Chassidim to stay in the Holy Land, he returned to Poland in 1939 just prior to the outbreak of World War II. He stated that although he saw dark clouds looming he felt obligated to return to Poland be with his family and his Chassidim.

380 PLOTZKI, MEIR DON RAPHAEL (The Ostrover Rav, 1867-1928). Autograph Letter Signed, in Hebrew, written to R. Baruch Zuckerman, son-in-law of R. Meir Arik. Talmudic comments on various aspects of Terumah. *Two pages.*

Ostrav, 1924. **\$400-600**

✡ Known as the "Klei Chemdah" after his famed pilpulistic work on the Torah, Rabbi Plotski was one of the leading Rabbis of Poland. He was part of the delegation of Agudath Israel that visited America in 1927.

381 (RABBINIC LEADERS) An extensive collection of Autograph and Signed Letters also postcards, visiting cards, photographs and telegrams from many Rabbis from various countries all over the world (Poland, Russia, Germany, Hungary, Holland, England, France, Italy, Switzerland, Sweden, Israel, Lebanon, Morocco, Tunisia, Iran, China, USA, Argentina, Uruguay, etc). Concerning halachic and scholarly matters, community affairs, post-Holocaust problems, Rabbinical meetings (including committee meetings of the Vaad HaRabbanim 1933-37), charity issues, congratulatory letters, etc. Includes: Rabbis Nathan Adler, J. H. Hertz, Israel Brodie, Tzvi Pesach Frank, Nechemia Tzvi Nobel, Bernard Revel, Samuel Belkin, Abraham M. Gorelik, Menachem M. Kasher, Joseph Z. Carlebach, Chanoch Zvi Lewin, S.D. Kahana, Jacob Perlow of Novominsk-Williamsburg, Nachum Mordechai Perlow of Novominsk-Crown Heights, Herbert S. Goldstein, Ben-Zion Eisenstadt, Chaim Y. Bloch, Nissan Telushkin, Ben-Zion Yadler, J. L. Maimon, Judah Aryeh Wohlgemuth, Joseph Kapach, Meshulam Roth, H. Pereira Mendes, Joseph Breuer, Yaakov Meir Biderman, Alexander Zusha Friedman, Y. M. Lewin, Shimshon Aaron Polonsky, Moshe Blau, Joseph Reinitz, Joseph Jonah Horowitz, Elijah Botschko, W. Felichenfeld, Yekuthiel Yehudah Greenwald, Menachem Polk of Serentc, Naftali Herzig, Simon Hevesi, Tzvi H. Perls, Gershon Goldberger, Chaim Fishel Epstein, Eliyahu E. Mishkowsy, David Obadia, Moshe Jonah Zweig, Yitzchak Unna, Joseph Unna, David Prato, Zev Gold, Yitzchak H. (Zeidel) Semiatycki, Solomon David Sassoon, J. H. Senkewitz, Marcus Melchior, Abraham S. Katz, Yisrael Moshe Duschinky, Moshe Braun, B. Z. Lechtman, S. A. Sneig, David Tzvi Karelinstein, Abraham Chaim Noeh, Raphael Baruch Toledano, Shoshan Cohen, Mordechai M. Hacohen, and many others.

19th and 20th centuries. **\$4000-6000**

382 RABINOWITZ, MOSHE. Autograph Letter Signed, in Hebrew, written to his brother R. Eliyahu David Rabinowitz-Teomim (Adereth), the Rabbi of Jerusalem, Mir and Ponovezh (1843-1905). Refers to the Spanish-American War, Torah and family matters. *Four pages on single sheet. Slight tear along folds.*

San Francisco, Rosh Chodesh Menachem Av, 1898. **\$500-700**

✡ The Adereth had a well-known twin brother R. Tzvi Yehudah, but little is known of this second brother, Moshe Rabinowitz, who apparently emigrated to America. Among other matters, the letter comments on the death of "the accursed Leah who will surely be brought before the Heavenly Court and confront our parents for falsely accusing our mother of poisoning her."

383 (SCHWADRON, SHALOM MORDECHAI (MAHARSHAM) OF BERZHAN (BEREZHANY)) Tana Devei Eliahu with commentary Yeshuoth Yaakov. **THE SHALOM MORDECHAI SCHWADRON (MAHARSHAM) OF BERZHAN COPY** with his signatures and inscriptions on the title and front flyleaf. ff. 128. Some staining, slight worming in places. Unbound. 8vo. Vinograd, Lemberg 173 (not in JNUL.)

(Lemberg), 1799. \$4000-6000

✦ R. Shalom Mordechai HaCohen (Schwadron) known as the Maharsham of Berzhan (1835-1911) was the foremost Halachic decisor of Galica. He responded to questions posed from across the world which were later published in multiple volumes under the title Shailoth U'Teshuvot Maharsham. He also authored many other renowned works including Daath Torah, Mishpat Shalom and Techeleth Mordechai. On the title he writes that he inherited this book from the estate of his father and he records the value it was assigned.

[SEE ILLUSTRATION RIGHT]

384 ROSENBLUM, ELCHANAN YAAKOV BEN SHMUEL DOV OF PINSK Novellae and responsa on various Talmudic and halachic topics, with comments on Rambam Mishneh Torah and Shulchan Aruch (Hilchoth Megilah). Manuscript in Hebrew. Various cursive Aschkenazic scripts. ff. (80). Later boards. 4to.

Karlin-Pinsk, 1836-74. \$800-1200

✦ The author originally lived in Yanowitz and later in Karlin-Pinsk. He corresponded with many of the great Rabbis of his generation including R. Yaakov Meir of Karlin (and Brisk), R. Yoseph Raisin of Slonim, R. Meir Marim of Kobrin, R. Elazar Moshe Horowitz of Pinsk and others. Most of the present volume is written in the hands of various copyists, however the final leaf is in the author's own hand. Also inserted are five leaves with two original responsa by R. Yaakov Meir of Karlin and one by R. Joseph Raisin of Slonim.



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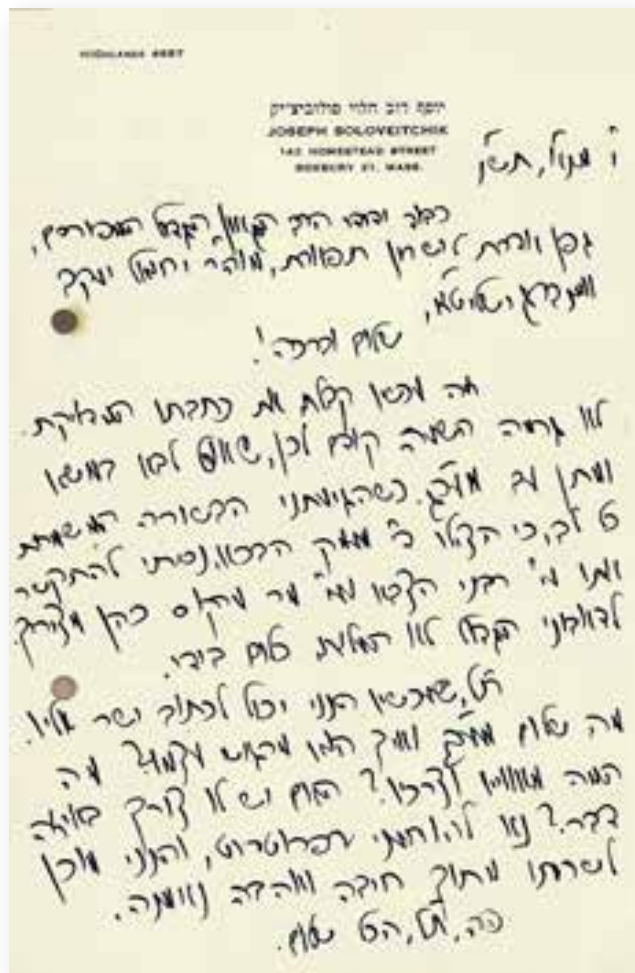
385 (SCHWAB, LOEB) Autograph Manuscript on paper, Hebrew with some Judeo-German. ff. 45. Modern calf-backed marbled boards. 4to. M. A. Z. Kinstlicher, HaChasam Sofer UBnei Doro (1993) p. 150.

(Prossnitz-Gewitsch, 1823-26). \$2500-3000

✦ R. Schwab had a traditional upbringing and studied in his youth at the Yeshivah of Mordechai Bennet and the Chasam Sofer, and was later educated by Rabbi Joachim Deutschmann. Schwab served as a Rabbi in Gewitsch, Prossnitz and as Oberrabbiner in Budapest. He was a conservative and sanctioned only those reforms in the religious services which, in view of changes in esthetic standards, were absolutely necessary to prevent the better-educated classes of the community from becoming alienated from the synagogue. He was the first rabbi in Moravia to preach in German and to perform the wedding ceremony in the synagogue (1832). Despite this, even the more traditional Chasam Sofer entitled R. Schwab: HaMaor HaGadol HaMuflag ("the great light and scholar") when corresponding with him concerning a bill of divorce (see Responsa Even Ha'ezer, Part 2, no. 11.)

Present here are a collection of unpublished homiletic notes and sermons for the holidays and various occasions delivered during his time in Prossnitz. Alongside the Hebrew notes he added dates and names in Latin letters – likely occasions where the sermon was delivered. He also added his own names multiple times in different forms: Leopold Schwabe, Lew Schwab, Löw Schwab (all in Latin letters.)

Among names recorded is Veith Ehrenstamm (f. 19a). Ehrnstamm was a Jewish industrialist from Prossnitz who supplied the Austrian army with goods during the Napoleonic War. In 1821, Schwab was employed as Ehrnstamm's private Rabbi and provided religious education (Hauslehrer) for his children in Prossnitz. On f. 19b contains a draft of a letter to an apparently wealthy individual, "Chaim Hersh" concerning the studies of his son. He beseeches him to support his son and not leave him to his own devices in a strange land. If he receives help, he will surely grow in Torah.



Lot 386

386 SOLOVEITCHIK, JOSEPH B. (Leading American Modern Orthodox Rabbi, 1903-1993). Autograph Letter Signed, in Hebrew on personal letterhead **WRITTEN TO RABBI YECHIEL YAAKOV WEINBERG**. Heartfelt letter for “the good tidings which gladdens all hearts that God has rescued (you) from the Holocaust.” *Two pages.*

Roxbury, Mass., 6th Menachem-Av, 1946. **\$3000-5000**

❖ **IMPORTANT LETTER REUNITING TWO OF THE GREAT TORAH SCHOLARS OF THE 20TH CENTURY IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE HOLOCAUST.**

R. Yechiel Yaakov Weinberg (1884-1966) was the renowned rector of the Hildesheimer Seminary of Berlin and author of the multi-volumed responsa “Seridei Esh.” One of the very great Torah scholars of his generation, he developed a close relationship with a wide variety of the religious scholars who resided in Berlin in pursuit of their university studies.

Joseph B. Soloveitchik was among those who attended R. Weinberg’s lectures - along with other disparate luminaries such as R. Yitzhak Hutner and R. Menachem Mendel Schneerson, the future Lubavitcher Rebbe.

As Nazism grew, Weinberg’s Seminary was forced closed in 1938. Eventually deported and later trapped in the Warsaw Ghetto, R. Weinberg nonetheless survived the War and after lengthy hospitalization in Germany settled in Montreux, Switzerland in the summer of 1946 where he lived out the rest of his life.

R. Soloveitchik was evidently close to R. Weinberg and in the present letter writes to him with the greatest respect and honor, extending assistance for all possible need. He apologizes for not reaching him until now, as he did not know where R. Weinberg could be found. “Thank God, I can now correspond directly. How do you feel? What are your desires and needs? ...Please inform me of every detail. I am ready to serve you with compassion and faithful love.”

A year after Hitlerism was eradicated in Europe, this letter reunites two highly significant modern Jewish thinkers. In retrospect it is striking to compare how very differently the two Rabbis respectively negotiated the tremendous challenges that faced the Orthodox world following the ravages of the Holocaust and the destruction of the traditional bastions of learning in Europe. Although both advocated an approach that synthesized Torah and Western scholarship, it was R. Soloveitchik who met with broad public success. In contrast, despite being an extraordinary tower of learning, R. Weinberg was less able to reorient himself within the Orthodox world post-war and its direction toward a more narrowly scoped communal and religious particularism. For despite visitors and much correspondence, R. Weinberg’s weltanschauung left him intensely isolated. Indeed for the final two decades left of his life he remained secluded in his home alongside Lake Geneva and visited neither Israel nor the United States, the two new major grow-centers of post-war world Jewry.

For a full biographical treatment of the Seridei Esh, see M. B. Shapiro, *Between the Yeshiva World and Modern Orthodoxy: The Life and Works of Rabbi Jehiel Jacob Weinberg* (1999).

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Lot 387

387 WORMSER, YITZCHAK ARYEH ZEKEL LEIB The Baal Shem of Michelstadt (1768-1847) Autograph Manuscript in Hebrew. Interspersed with a few words in Yiddish. Composed in a precise Ashkenazic hand on paper. Two pages. *Few words crossed out, small clean tear at central crease.* Unbound. 12mo.

(Michelstadt), n.d. **\$15,000-18,000**

AN IMPORTANT MANUSCRIPT FROM A MASTER KABBALIST.

Yitzchak Aryeh Zekel Leib Wormser, known as the Baal Shem of Michelstadt, evokes a sense of awe among a great many of the pious communities of Aschkenazic Jewry, down to this very day. His scholarship, devotion and reputation as a miracle-worker far transcended the bounds of his provincial residence in Germany. Penitents flocked to him from across Europe to benefit from his miraculous cures and spiritual insights. Even such eminent figures as the Chasam Sofer and the Chiddushei HaRi"m consulted the Baal Shem.

Extant manuscripts from the Baal Shem of Michelstadt are extremely rare. A disastrous fire broke out in his home in 1825 consuming all his possessions, including his entire library containing his extensive scholarly manuscripts, all unpublished. The little that did survive was later published by his descendants - pedagogic guides entitled *Kuntrass HaYedi'oth* and *Darkei HaLimud* plus marginal Talmudic notes.

The present autograph manuscript leaf is entitled "Darkei Hora'ah," which discusses the appropriate methodology for instruction of older students studying Halacha. A portion of the text has been published, but much of the marginalia as well as the comments adjacent to the title remain unpublished. Also unpublished is guidance to the commentaries on the Aggaddoth Hashas and information pertaining to measurements. The other side of the leaf entitled "Hoda'ah" pertains to the study of other disciplines. The final few lines entitled "Yediah" are unpublished. See: Baal Shem Me'Michelstadt (Jerusalem, 1983) pp. 38-39 and 43-44.

AN IMPORTANT MANUSCRIPT BY THIS DESCENDENT OF R. ELIYAHU BAAL SHEM OF WORMS AND DISCIPLE OF R. NATHAN ADLER OF FRANKFURT.

[SEE ILLUSTRATION ABOVE]

388 SONNENFELD, YOSEPH CHAIM (Rabbi of the Eidah Charedith, Jerusalem, 1849-1932). Kollel Shomrei HaChomoth - Oestereich-Ungarn...Gemeinde. Receipt for donation. Signed by R. Yoseph Chaim Sonnenfeld, R. Moshe Nachum Wallerstein and Aryeh Goldberger. Large formal receipt with illustrated vignettes of the Western Wall, Mearath HaMachpelah, Kever Malchei Beth David. *Envelope panel (addressed to Paris) on reverse. One leaf, 9 x 11 inches.*

Jerusalem, 21st Nissan, 1901. **\$500-700**

⚡ These famed Rabbis were Dayanim in Jerusalem and also served as trustees of the Kollel Shomrei HaChomoth. Rabbi Sonnenfeld later became the Rabbi of the Eidah Hachareidith of Jerusalem.

389 STEINBERG, ABRAHAM MENACHEM MENDEL (Rabbi of Brody 1847-1928). Autograph Letter Signed, in Hebrew, with his stamp, written to R. Baruch Zuckerman. Rabbinic ordination (Semichah letter). *One page.*

Brody, 1924. **\$400-600**

⚡ The Broder Rav, author of responsa Machzeh Abraham (1927) was one of the foremost Poskim of his time.

390 WEIDENFELD, DOV BERISH (Tchebiner Rav, 1881-1966). Group of five Letters Signed with a few lines in his hand, in Hebrew, on various letterheads, two with his stamp from Tchebin. Four written to R. Dov Berish Zuckerman and one to R. Sholom Rivkin. Two letters of responsa, one letter of recommendation, two letters of thanks for assisting the Yeshiva (see below). *One letter with a tear and taped repair.*

Tchebin and Jerusalem, 1936-61. **\$1000-1500**

⚡ The Tchebiner Rav was one of the greatest Galician rabbinic leaders of the 20th century, particularly celebrated for his work of responsa "Dovev Meisharim." He reached the Land of Israel in 1946 having escaped the terrors of the Holocaust in Siberia and Bukharia.

The responsa here include a lengthy letter from (Tchebin, 1936) to Rabbi Zuckerman mostly concerning "Nisuch HaMayim" the water libation service at the Temple. * The responsa to R. Shalom Rivkin (dated 1961) contains novellae pertaining to Maimonides's Hilchoth Mikva'oth and encourages Rabbi Rivkin's efforts to build a new modern Mikvah in his city. * The letter of recommendation for Rabbi Zuckerman (Tchebin, 1938) is highly laudatory with extremely honorific titles. "Blessed will be the community that will benefit from such a shining diamond... whose light will shine far and wide."

391 WEIDENFELD, NACHUM (Rabbi of Dombrova, 1875-1939). Group of three Autograph Letters Signed, in Hebrew, written to R. Baruch Zuckerman. Concerning various Talmudic topics and novellae to Tractates Menachoth, Yoma, and Shabbath. Pertaining to Ma'aser Sheni, building in order to destroy, a Cohen who served in the Beth HaMikdash while not entirely pure and other related topics. In one letter he writes: "I believe this is a particularly important comment, I would like to hear what your father-in-law [R. Meir Arik] has to say concerning this. pp. 4, 4 and 6. *Light wear, one torn below.*

Dombrova, 1924. **\$800-1200**

⚡ Born in Harimlov, Poland, R. Nachum Weidenfeld received his early education from his father R. Yaakov (author of Kochav MiYa'akov) and grew to become one of the great Galician Torah scholars. Following the death of their father, he supervised the studies of his younger brother, R. Dov Berish who later became the Tchebiner Rav. R. Nachum is renowned for his responsa Chazon Nachum which was published in 1939 just months before he suffered a fatal heart attack soon after the German invasion of Poland. Many unpublished manuscripts of his were destroyed during the Holocaust.

392 YUDELEWITZ, ABRAHAM AARON. Supplements to his works Mishan Lechem, Beth Marzeach, Tapuchei Zahav. Hebrew manuscript on paper. *ff. 170 leaves. Some wear. Unbound. 4to.*

Volpe / Selov / Kuznitza, 1873-76. **\$1000-1500**

⚡ Contains much unpublished material, including R. Yudelewitz's commentary to Koheleth and Tehilim, halachic comments on Mishnayoth and Shulchan Aruch and a eulogy for R. Samuel Strashun. Portions published include eulogies for his uncle R. Meir Marim of Kobrin and R. Eizel of Slonim.

Rabbi A.A. Yudelewitz (1850-1930) studied in Volozhin and served as a rabbi in many communities in Russia including Selov and Kuznitza. A prolific author, he published various halachic and aggadic works, especially his multi-volume responsa Beth Av and sermons entitled Derash Av. Yudelewitz served as rabbi for two decades in Manchester, England, before moving to Boston and then New York. In 1927, he published Av Bechochma which contained a controversial responsum allowing a messenger to perform Chalitzah for a woman living in Kiev while her deceased husband's brother lived in New York. This decision aroused the opposition of most of the great rabbis of the era and hounded him until his end. For a biography of Rabbi Yudelewitz by M. Tz. Berger see Yeshurun Vol. II, pp. 686-93.

393 (ZIONISM) Postcard sent home by a delegate from the Poale Zion Convention in Vienna, signed by several luminaries. Written to Benny Pomerantz of London from his father: "Best regards from Daddy and from..." With signatures of David Ben-Gurion, Yitzhak Ben-Zvi, Berl Locker, Zrubavel, Leon Hazanwitsch, Shlomo Kaplansky and nine others.

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