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Terms and Abbreviations Used in Descriptions of Autographs

Definition of Terms

**Autograph Letter Signed (ALS):** A complete or large part of manuscript letter with signature, entirely in the hand of the person identified.

**Typed Letter Signed (TLS):** A mechanically typed letter with the autograph signature of the person identified.

**Letter Signed (LS):** A manuscript letter written in another hand, which bears the autograph of the person identified.

**Autograph Document Signed (ADS):** A manuscript document with signature, entirely in the hand of the person identified.

**Document Signed (DS):** A document, either printed or in another's hand, which bears the autograph signature of the person identified.

**Autograph Endorsement Signed (AES):** An endorsement with signature, entirely in the hand of the person identified.

**Autograph Note Signed (ANS):** A note or endorsement with signature, entirely in the hand of the person identified.

**Autograph Musical Quotation Signed (AMQS):** Same as above.

**Signed:** The autograph signature of the person identified, unless otherwise indicated (autopen, secretarial signature, etc.)

Condition

Documents and letters should be expected to have folds, staple holes or minor defects caused by previous mounting. Photographs may have creases at corners or mount remnants on back. **Such faults will be described when they affect the text or signature.**

Estimates

Estimates have been provided as a guide to bidding. Lots may realize more or less than the printed estimates. Reserves, where they exist, will not exceed the estimate.

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Welcome to
The 1994 Manuscript Society Official Auction

Our firm is pleased to present this year’s official Manuscript Society auction, to be held in conjunction with the annual meeting in Atlanta from May 24th to 29th. The auction will take place on Saturday, May 28th, at 2:00 p.m.

This sale has given us a special opportunity to present hundreds of autographs, letters and documents across a wide range of interests. Because Atlanta played such an important role in the war between the states, we have made a special effort to include significant Civil War material in this auction.

For clients who plan to participate in this auction event, please take notice of the following:

• All but a few bulky lots will be brought to Atlanta for the pre-sale exhibition at the hotel from May 25th through the day of sale. Because the viewing and sale room locations are subject to change, please ask for directions when you arrive at The Ritz-Carlton (Buckhead).

• A 15% buyer’s premium will be added to the hammer price of each lot sold in this auction. This premium includes 5% that will be donated to The Manuscript Society for the benefit of all members.

• Lots will be shipped to buyers from New York. Buyers receiving their lots in Georgia will be required to pay Georgia state sales tax. Buyers residing in New York will be required to pay New York state sales tax. Any buyer holding a valid resale certificate in either state will not be charged sales tax.

At a rate of 150-200 lots per hour, this sale should end at approximately 5:30 p.m. Refreshments will be available during the session.

We hope to make this year’s sale fun and successful, and we wish to extend our appreciation to Charles Sachs for his advice and assistance.
SATURDAY, MAY 28, 1994 AT 2:00 P.M.

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NATHANIEL GREENE WRITES FROM VALLEY FORGE AS THE ARMY'S NEW QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

Addressing Nehemiah Hubbart, District Quarter Master General at Hartford, Connecticut, Greene discusses recent and future purchases of the Continental Army, with an eye toward the accountability of everyone under him. He writes (in part): "In your next letter enclose me a return of the number of assistants you have appointed & the conditions on which they are engaged. You will pay particular attention to the Instructions I first gave you that was, not to keep any Assistants or Clerks on pay longer than the service actually demands it. I do not wish you to be deficient in the necessary aid; but to be very careful not to keep any on the pay lists that are not requisite to transact the public business. Useless Agents only serve to prey upon the vitals of the Continental funds eat up our national wealth & give disgust to the Inhabitants who see them supported at the public expense without rendering any considerable services for their Wages.” etc.

General Greene eventually resigned his office, tired of the inefficiency and interference of congress, but here he displays, only three months after accepting the office of Quartermaster General, the efficiency and energy fully recognized and appreciated by Washington, and which saw the American army through the difficult years of 1778-1780. During the time this letter was written, the British were preparing to evacuate Philadelphia; both Greene and Alexander Hamilton urged an attack on the British during their march through New Jersey and on June 28th the Americans struck Clinton at Monmouth Court House, with General Greene commanding the right wing...

| 3005 | Esek Hopkins. 1718-1802. First Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Navy. AES, 7¼ x 5½ in., an invoice for a hogshead of molasses with signature at foot: “Providence Novr. 28th 1753 Recd. the above Contents pr Esek Hopkins.” Fine | E. 750-1,000 |
| 3006 | [Indians]. Order, 7¼ x 4½ in., “Please to issue one quart of whisky for the use of two express Indians from Post Vincennes. T.Lewis A.D.C. The Commissary 5th April 1795” Fine piece | E. 100-125 |
No. 7798

Supervisor's Office, District of Pennsylvania.

I certify that the duties on one case of Geneva, containing three and one-half gallons of the first proof, and marked and numbered as in the margin, have been secured according to law.

Philadelphia,

3/17, 1752

Supervisor of the Revenue for the district of Pennsylvania.

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3003

first gave you that was not to keep any assistants or clarks or pay, longer than the service actually demands it. I do not wish you to be deficient in the manner or act, but to be very careful not to keep any on the pay list that are not requisite to transact the public business. Should agents only serve to pay upon the velles of the Continental funds, out of our national wealth, I give Diego to the inhabitants who see them officiated at the public expense without considering any considerable services for their wages.

The great number of those coming on from the Custom and will render it necessary that the Port at Dumfries have a large supply of teams for the transport of forwarding them.

Jam for,

Your humble servant,

N. E. Greene, 1752

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3007 (Detail)

Your most obedient humble Servant

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3009

Received New York 13 June 1772 of Mr. Thomas Johnson Part for sundry books sent by Capt. John Dunlop

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3007° Henry Knox. LS, 2pp., 8 x 12½ in., headed War Office, Jan. 29th, re payment of Invalid Pensions in Pa., small paper loss at T. and separations at folds ....(Photo) E. 100-150

3008° Marquis de Lafayette. Frank (“LaFayette Mg”) as Major General on folded cover to Governor Thomas Burke of North Carolina, significant docketing by Burke at top left: “Letter from Marq. LaFayette 6th Sept 1781” and a 2nd date “21st Jan. 1782”, the gap in dates is explained by the fact that in Sept. 1781 Gov. Burke was kidnapped by Tories and was held by them until he made his escape Jan. 16, 1782. Kept at Jame Island as a prisoner on parole, he lived in daily fear of assassination, though ironically his violation of this “prisoner on parole” status cost him next year’s election; he died shortly afterwards at the age of 36. Lettersheet with some scattered toned spots not affecting signature, some weakness in central vertical fold, still Fine, an unusual and important example of a Lafayette franked cover ..............(Photo) E. 3,000-4,000

3009 Francis Lewis. Signer. Signature on 6¼ x 3¼ in. receipt, “Received New York 15 June 1772 of Mr. Thos Gardner Fourteen pounds six shillings in full. Frans. Lewis & Son.” Very Fine .. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 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Robert Morris. Signer. LS, 1 page, 7½ x 9 in., to James Carey, regarding the transfer of funds and his need for a proper warrant made out in his favor, etc., bold signature on green stationery, Very Fine .................................................. E. 400-500

William Paca. Signer. DS ("Wm. Paca"), vellum, dated Aug. 9, 1784, land grant for property in Maryland, signed as Governor, also signed by John Rogers as Chancellor of Maryland; toning, wear at folds .......................................................... E. 400-500

[Patriotic Songbook]. Manuscript musical composition book with music and words to various songs including Yankee Doodle, ca. late 18th Century, early 19th (the 4th verse of "Yankee Doodle" refers to President Adams), hand-painted covers with castle vignette and floral design, and decorated with "Maria Dickinson" written numerous times; portions of cover missing. She is believed to be the daughter of John Dickinson, colonial author and Revolutionary War general ................................................. E. 200-300

Timothy Pickering. ALS, 1 page, 7½ x 4¾ in., datedlined Philadelphia April 26, 1784, to Col. John Fitzgerald: "Dr Sir Capt. Brothes has agreed to take on board his vessel (which belongs to Alexandria) the barge destined for General Washington. In a letter I left at New York to be delivered you with the barge, I requested you to pay the freight of her, & draw on me for the amount. Since that, the conveyance in Capt. Brothes has been engaged; and my assistant writes me, that the captain supposes his owners will demand nothing for the freight. You will however be pleased to inquire, and act as they shall determine. On the arrival of the barge you will of course have her delivered where the General shall request. I am dear Sir with great regard your most obedt. Servt. Tim:Pickering Q.M.G." With integral address leaf and free frank of Pickering, latter with tiny abrasion in "Tim" and small hole just affecting "Q", Philadelphia datestamp and matching "Free" hs, Fine ...........................................(Photo) E. 400-500

Timothy Pickering. ALS, 1 page, 7½ x 4¾ in., dated "War Office June 2, 1778" to Col Duer: "Mr. McIntosh who is going with his father, the General, to Fort Pitt, he wishes to see Baron Steuben's instructions & make such extracts as he shall judge most necessary. You took the instructions with you in the morning." Two small holes and toned spots at B., neither affecting text or signature ......................................................... E. 300-400

[Province of West Florida]. Partly printed document (11¼ x 7½ in.) signed by Peter Chester as "Captain General & Commander in Chief in and over His Majesty's Province of West Florida & c.", being a warrant of surveying addressed to Elias Durnford, for "five hundred acres situation on the River Tombigby about Eight three miles from Mobile adjoining the lower line of a tract of five hundred acres," etc., dated June 21, 1776, initialed by Durnford on back, minor toning, small piece out at T.L., still Fine, very scarce ...(Photo) E. 2,500-3,000

[Revolutionary War]. Resolves, June 1779, pages 43-44, mentions dispatching troops for defense of Dartmouth, funding troops, admitting Indians as witnesses in court, etc., small paper loss at T. & B. .............................................................................. E. 200-250

William Stephen Smith. Washington's Aide-de-Camp from July 6, 1781. DS, dated 1804 as Inspector (Port of New York), mends in folds ........................................................................ E. 200-250

Baron Frederick von Steuben. ANS, 1 page, 6¼ x 4¾ in.: "Colonel Walker will please pay the bearer for six cords of hickory [sic] wood, at the market price- Steuben Jany 29th 1785", ms. "Recd Joseph Stark" and docketed on back:"Wood £16.8- No. 37" and (in another hand) "General Baron Steuben", tipped to sheet, Fine, Lt. Col. Benjamin Walker, formerly Steuben's aide-de-camp, became Washington's aide-de-camp beginning in 1781 .......................................................................................(Photo) E. 3,000-3,500

Anthony Wayne. Signature on undated 7¼ x 3½ in. note: "Deliver three hatts, four coats, three vests Eight Shirts Eight pair of linen overalls Ten pair of shoes, three stocks, three Clasps & Six Knapsacks [last is crossed out] as specified in the above return. Anty Wayne." water stains and some toning, matted and framed with engraving ...................................................... E. 500-600
Philadelphia April 26th 1784

Capt. Broder has agreed to take on board his vessel (which belongs to Alex-
ander) the barge destined for General Washington. In a letter I left at New York to be deliv-
ered with the barge, I requested you to pay the freight of her, I draw on you for
the remainder. Since that the conveyance is lost, Broder has been engaged, and
my arrears will only be paid to him, and not to you. The captain
according to his engagement, will not demand any thing
for the conveyance. You will however be pleased to require, and act as they shall determine.
On the arrival of the barge you will of
course have her delivered where the
General shall require.

Yours respectfully
with great regard
Eliz. Pickering

W. P. Drayton

3014

WEST FLORIDA
BY His Excellency Peter Chester Esquire Captain General Governer of Conty. Geo. N.
Chief In and over His Majesty's Province of West Florida &c:

To Elias Durnford Esquire Surveyor General.

YOU are hereby directed and required to measure or cause to be measured and describe:

a Plantation or Tract of Land containing five hundred acres situated on the River Tampa
about twenty five miles from while depandng the lower line of a Tract
of five hundred acres lessen to be granted to the said Isaac McGillivray

in WEST FLORIDA, observing His Majesty's instruction in laying out the same and taking the same
by you: that the same has not been heretofore run out on any warrant or patent, but by
himself, and return a plat thereof hereunto annexed certified by you into the Secretary's Office, within six months
from this date.

Given under my Hand and Seal, this twenty first - Day of June
Sec. of State Geo. N. Anno Domini 1778

Secretary's Office Certified by

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SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES

MAY 28, 1994
3021° George Washington, Thomas Jefferson. Signatures as President ("G. Washington") and Secretary of State ("Thefferson") on 1790 vellum document appointing William Peck "Marshall of and for Rhode Island district;", intact seal at top left corner, usual folds, very minor toning in area of Jefferson's signature, tiny ink smear between "h" and "J", Fine, an attractive example of a First Administration appointment ........................................(Photo) E. 20,000-25,000

3022° George Washington. Free frank ("Free G. Washington") as a private citizen residing at Mount Vernon to James Madison in Virginia, addressed entirely in his hand, neat ALEX, MAY 2 straightline postmark applied at top, docketing in left flap in the hand of Madison: "G. Washington Mt. Vernon May 2, 1788". 1788 was Madison last year as a delegate to the Continental Congress. This was sent shortly after debates in the state convention between Madison and Patrick Henry had ended in the ratification of the constitution, due in large part to Madison's arguments. Cover with minute sealed tear at T. from where it was opened on back (wax seal removed and area smoothly filled in), still Extremely Fine, an incredibly choice example of mail between two future presidents ..........................................................(Photo) E. 7,500-10,000
3023° Georgo Washington. Free frank as Commanding General of the Continental Army ("G. Washington") on folded cover addressed to Brigadier General Edward Hand, docketing on back indicates Washington sent this from Philadelphia, Jan. 1, 1779; some wear at central fold clear of signature, neatly refolded at R. edge, Fine, attractive example ..........................................................(Photo)  E. 5,000-7,500

3024 George Washington. Frank ("Free G. Washington") on Jan. 24, 1799 folded letter to Col. Clement Biddle, with original ALS of his secretary Tobias Lear: "General Washington requests you will be so good as to pay Mr. Fenno's account for newspapers which have been furnished him, whenever the same shall be presented, and charge it to the General's account," etc., ms. postmark of Alexandria, Va., file fold slightly affects signature, Fine ..........................(Photo)  E. 5,000-6,000

3025 [George Washington]. Pamphlet, A SERMON DELIVERED AT TOPSFIELD JANUARY 5, 1800, OCCASIONED BY THE DEATH OF GEORGE WASHINGTON by Asahel Huntington, 32pp. (Joshua Cushing, Salem, 1800), scattered toning ................................. E. 100-150

SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES  – 11 –  MAY 28, 1994
3026°  **John Adams.** Signature as President on 1799 naval appointment, embossed seal at top left corner, some wear along folds, faint water stains along B., clear of signature ...........................................(Photo)  E. 3,000-3,500

3027°  **Thomas Jefferson.** Signature as President ("Th:Jefferson") on portion of part printed document also signed by J. Marshall "acting as Secretary of State, fresh and Fine ..........................................................(Photo)  E. 2,500-3,500

3028°  **James Monroe.** Signature as President with John Quincy Adams as Secretary of State, on portion of document, tiny ink loss in Monroe's signature which is otherwise quite bold ..........................................................(Photo)  E. 300-400

3029°  **James Monroe.** Signature as President on 1817 naval appointment, tipped to larger sheet and framed, soiling and wear ..........................................................  E. 200-250

3030°  **James Monroe.** Two franks on separate covers to William Lowndes, Fredericksburg Va. and Washington postmarks, undated, each silked .................................(Photo)  E. 400-500

SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES  
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John Quincy Adams and Louisa C. Adams. Front portion of address panel with frank at B.L., "J.Q. Adams" and autograph at T.R. corner, "Mrs. L.C. Adams. No. 1" and addressed to their son, Charles Adams, "at Dr. Welsh's Sudbury Street Boston," Washington postmark dated Oct. 1, with "1817" written below it, probably at a later date. It has been theorized that Mrs. Adams signed this believing she had the franking privilege, with her husband legalizing it with the addition of his frank (as Secretary of State). Small stain in Mrs. Adams, corners nicked at top, otherwise Fine, probably a unique usage ...................... (Photo) E. 2,000-2,500

John Quincy Adams. Signature ("J.Q. Adams. 17 June") on back of 1793 writ addressed to the Sheriff of Suffolk County, Mass., toning at folds, none affecting signature .................................................................................................................. E. 350-450

John Quincy Adams. Signature, "John Quincy Adams Massachusetts" on tiny card, with letter from congressman O. Kellogg to his wife dated Feb. 7, 1848, three weeks before Adams died: "I enclose the autograph of Ex President Adams- keep it- I told him it was for my wife." etc., Fine and desirable .................................................................................. (Photo) E. 350-450

John Quincy Adams. Free frank ("J.Q. Adams") on front only, addressed in his hand, tear at T., clear of signature ................................................................. (Photo) E. 200-250

John Quincy Adams. Signature as President on 1826 land grant, some fading and soiling, tiny paper loss at t. ................................................................. E. 200-250

SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES 

MAY 28, 1994
Andrew Jackson. Large bold free frank, probably as President, on undated folded cover, red “City of Washington Oct. 21” dates tamp and matching “Free” hs, some tears and small paper loss entirely on back flaps, still fresh and Very Fine, a choice example .................................................. (Photo) E. 1,500-2,000

[Andrew Jackson]. Three page letter from a Charles Frailey to Genl. Walter Blake dated Mar. 16, 1829 only a few days after Jackson took office: “I visited yesterday our MAN OF THE PEOPLE and now can truly say no man on Earth is so deservedly entitled to the appellation, he was busy in his closet at the time of my arrival, and I was ushered into the parlor by a servant, shortly after the good old man appeared, offered his hand and shook mine cordially, enquiring after my health, and so conducted himself in after conversation, by his affability, frankness and republican manners as almost entirely to dispel the Idea that you saw anyone else in the President of the United States, than an old acquaintance and one who took a lively interest in your health and prosperity,” etc., goes on to mention J.C. Calhoun visiting and the election of Franklin Pierce (“Six candidates of the Jackson party elected...Glorious! Glorious!” etc.), some tiny paper loss and internal mends at folds, still Fine, with integral leaf (Washington postmark), an excellent Old Hickory piece .......................................................... E. 200-250

[Andrew Jackson, Martin Van Buren]. ALS of David Campbell, Governor of Va., dated Apr. 16, 1838 to Jacob Lynch: “I now fear that Mr. Van Buren has no mind of his own and that Mr. Kendall is directing everything, who has evidently for some time past been attempting to ape Genl. Jackson, and without the General’s tact, is substituting mulish obstinacy, for bold and fearless action. You see that Hamer one of the most devoted supporters of Mr. Van Buren on the Sub Treasury question is giving way. The truth is as old Albert Gallatin said, to establish in any country, one currency for the Government and another for the people was impossible. It cannot be done. If the people have nothing but raccoon skins the government must take raccoon skins. In this view of the matter and present state of our currency, the sub treasury scheme is perfect nonsense. The whole north is now openly against it yet the administration hang on.” etc. With integral address leaf. Wonderful content from this period just after the financial crisis of 1837 .......................................................... E. 150-200

Martin Van Buren. ALS, 1 page, 6½ x 8¾ in., dated Sept. 20, 1852: “I have your letter and it will not be my fault if I am not at the appointed time & place. With kind regards to Mrs. Ludlow. Very truly yours M. Van Buren”, additional P.S. in pencil re train schedule for Yonkers, Fine .......................................................... E. 300-350

[William Henry Harrison]. Printed circular dated Aug. 21, 1835, from the Harrison Corresponding Committee of New York, “confident, that with proper exertions, General William H. Harrison can be elected President of the United States,” etc., with integral leaf (New York postmark), bit toned, normal folds in text, Fine, scarce campaign piece .......................................................... E. 100-150


John Tyler. Large bold signature on portion of document dated 1845 with signature of J.C. Calhoun as Secretary of State, fresh and Fine .......................................................... E. 300-400
James K. Polk. Free frank as President ("Free J. K. Polk") on folded cover addressed in his hand to George Bullard, Exeter, N.H., red “Washington City D.C. Feb. 20” datestamp and light matching “Free” hs, reverse with President’s seal, Very Fine, choice example and very scarce ....................................(Photo) E. 2,500-3,500

James K. Polk. ALS, 1 page, 7½ x 10 in., dated Dec. 11, 1828, to the Secretary of the Treasury, regarding arrears of pay for Merrill Little, a soldier in the War of 1812, Fine .............................................................................(Photo) E. 1,000-1,500

James K. Polk. ANS ("J.K.P.") as President on back of ALS of Postmaster Cave Johnson. Polk writes (in part): “Referred to the Secretary of War & request that the secretary will hear his statement: It seems to me that this young man is worthy of the 2nd Lieutenant he asks,” etc. Dated May 13, 1847, Very Fine, fresh and choice ...........................................(Photo) E. 750-1,000
3046  **James K. Polk.** Signature as President on 1847 Naval appointment, trimmed irregularly at T. & B., some fading of text with middle initial “K” the only part of signature showing any loss, Fine appearance, very scarce, Framed ............... (Photo)  E. 1,000-1,500

3047°  **Zachary Taylor.** LS (“Z. Taylor Bt. Br. Genl. U.S.A. Comdg.”), 4pp, 7 1/2 x 9 3/4 in., dated Dec. 13, 1839, all in blue ink, to Secretary of War I.R. Poinsett, good contents about Indian activities in Georgia and Florida: “I have just commenced a minute and systematic search of the country west of the Suwannee River to enable me if possible to ascertain the hiding places of the Indians and to drive them across that river, certainly their women and children, after which the country will be districted and the troops stationed so as to prevent their return to Middle Florida,” etc., file notes in several hands, light toning at folds incl. tiny separations, Fine ............... (Photo)  E. 2,000-2,500

3048  **[Zachary Taylor]**. Fascinating 3 1/2 page letter from a U.S. officer writing from Monterey: “Old Zack has gone up to Saltillo to assume command of Wool’s army there. Nearly all the Regulars have gone to the coast to join Genl. Scott and the small force left in this part of Mexico is much scattered and barely sufficient to hold it. The Mexicans... attack our trains, killing a few here and there and in the last month have captured three companies of volunteer cavalry beyond Saltillo. Old Zack- who has not been very amiable since Scott’s arrival- laughed with rage when informed of the affair... I very much fear that Scott is being used as a tool by the Administration to break down Taylor- who has carried on the war thus far successfully.” The letter goes on to describe their quarters in the Chapel of the College of Our Lady of Guadeloupe (“I have converted the neat little altar into a bed & thus slumber sweetly at the feet of a very ugly figure of the patron saint.”) etc. Signed only “L.G.” who complains that some his letters to friends have been published in papers without his permission- not surprising, as L.G. was a superb writer. With integral address leaf showing bold strike of PT ISABEL FEB. 21 1847 postmark. Very Fine, wonderful Mexican War content .................................................. E. 300-400
Millard Fillmore. Signature ("M. Fillmore"), probably as President, on hand-carried blue envelope to "The Secretary of the Navy", Very Fine ........................................... E. 200-250

Millard Fillmore. Signed and dated calling card, Buffalo, Oct. 29, 1872, Very Fine .... ................................................................. E. 200-250

Franklin Pierce. Free frank on folded cover addressed by his wife Jane with brief note on side flap in her hand, Fine ......................................... (Photo) E. 500-600

Franklin Pierce. Free frank on 7½ x 5¼ in. envelope to Weldon Edwards, Ridgeway, N.C., opening tears, one into "Free", minor toning ........................................ E. 200-250

James Buchanan. Bold free frank on undated folded cover to General Samuel McKean, blue-green Washington postmark and matching "Free", Very Fine. (Photo) E. 250-350

James Buchanan. Free frank on 1841 folded letter addressed in his hand, red "Washington City D.C. Mar. 29" ds and matching "Free" hs, smeared ink in docketing at left, otherwise Very Fine ................................................................. (Photo) E. 300-400

James Buchanan. Free frank as President on cover postmarked "Washington City D.C. Free May 14 1859", Fine ................................................................. (Photo) E. 250-350

James Buchanan. Two covers addressed in his hand to Weldon Edwards, Poplar Mount, N.C., dated 1852 and 1868 in Lancaster, Fine ................................................................. E. 150-200
Abraham Lincoln. Full signature as President on July 1862 military appointment for John Egan as 1st Lieutenant, also signed by Edwin Stanton as Secretary of War, fold through signature which is otherwise quite bold and Fine, accompanied by Egan's Military Academy diploma and Dialectic Society membership. (Photo) E. 4,000-5,000

Abraham Lincoln. Autograph free frank "A. Lincoln" as president on full legal-size cover addressed in his hand to "Major General Hurlbut, New Orleans, Louisiana." and marked "Private", somewhat blurry "Washington D.C. Free" double-circle ds (date unclear); the addressee, Major General Hurlbut, succeeded General Banks in command of the Department of the Gulf, and this cover addressed by President Lincoln was almost certainly sent to Hurlbut during his command at New Orleans; minor wear at edges, Very Fine example, with Goodspeed's letter of authentication (signed Gordon T. Banks) (Photo) E. 4,000-5,000

Abraham Lincoln. Signature on appointment, fading in autograph and document badly damaged; however, the clipped signature would be presentable .......... E. 500-750

Abraham Lincoln. Signature on appointment dated 1863, in frame, stained and faded .................................................. E. 1,000-1,500

SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES - 18 - MAY 28, 1994
[Abraham Lincoln]. Unusual CDV entitled, UNCLE ABES LAST JOKE, with quote, "A Big Thing on currency. For Further Particulars see small Bills." Illustration is a tiny head & shoulders portrait of Lincoln at the center of a collage of fractional currency mostly showing portraits of Washington, minor foxing, Fine and scarce. (Photo) E. 150-200

[Abraham Lincoln]. Familiar 3 x 3½ in. image of Lincoln in profile, reading to his son Tad, oval cut (5¼ x 7½ in.) affixed to photographer's mount with printed lines describing the outer edge of the oval, ca. 1870, penciled note on back, "Shot April 14th 1864 by Wilks [sic] Booth," toning and soiling in mount with missing corner, still attractive ....... E. 250-350

[Abraham Lincoln]. Two unusual documents, both written by individuals who knew Lincoln, includes 1924 letter from Civil War veteran James King: "My father was in the Black hawk war with Lincoln & was on[e] of the very close friends of the great emancipator. I met Lincoln in the Marrarawet House in Atkinson Kans Dec. 2 1859 when he made a tour into that territory & made 2 speeches on the issues of the day... after which he visited my father's trading post where he sold all I gave the great man a fine present of a fine buffalo robe a bow & quiver & some hand made indian mockisons and he in return gave a small blade Barlow knife of the old time variety." etc. Other piece is undated letter to Andrew Boardman from attorney A.J. Vanderpoel inviting him to dine with Judge Usher, "formerly Secretary of Interior under Mr. Lincoln." Attached to this letter are penciled notes, presumably from Boardman, recording comments of Usher that evening, includes Lincoln reading a proposal for a 300 million dollar payment to slave owners as means of ending the war; Grant's habit of writing only short messages while other generals went at length, complaining; Lincoln on Grant's drinking: "I have letters which prove that he is never sober and... letters which prove that he hardly ever drinks"; Seward's drinking habits, Lincoln always searching for excuses not to sign a death warrant, etc., Fine, fascinating pair ......... E. 250-350

[Abraham Lincoln]. Letter from a member of the "Bergen Tunnel Wide Awakes" dated Nov. 7, 1860: "As a slight return for your kindness in sending us the tri-color Ribbon, with the likeness of Lincoln and Hamlin, we respectfully request your acceptance of the accompanying musical instrument, and we hope its strings may always be attuned to harmonize with your feelings, and to give you the pleasure, music always inspires, as much as it affords us, to offer you this humble tribute of respect and esteem." Enclosed in hand-carried Raynor Lincoln-Hamlin campaign envelope (small faults), Fine ................. (Photo) E. 100-150

[Abraham Lincoln]. "Bully for Lincoln," altered patriotic design with first two words of caption added in ms., 3c Rose (65) small pen cancel and tied by "Jackson Mich. Oct. 13, 1862" double-circle ds, soldier's large fancy stencil applied at top right: "L. Butler Co. H," stamp with small faults from placement at edge, very slightly reduced at R. (clear of address) with two minute tears at B., Fine and very attractive .....(Photo) E. 300-400

[Abraham Lincoln]. Patriotic lettersheet, REVIEW OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE POTOMAC BY THE PRESIDENT AND GENERAL McCLELLAN, with woodcut illustration in gray violet, contents dated Apr. 8, 1862 from soldier at "camp curtin" in Harrisburg, Pa., Very Fine, very rare Lincoln stationery design .................(Photo) E. 150-200

SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES – 19 – MAY 28, 1994
[Abraham Lincoln]. The Republican Party's call for campaign contributions in a 2 page letter from J.C Crane of the Quartermaster's Office of Military Railroads, Nashville, Oct. 19, 1864: "The stupendous efforts which are being put forth by the party in opposition to the administration to secure the election of their candidate call for a corresponding effort on the part of the friends of the administration and government to defeat their purposes and to secure to the country the re-election of our present able and worthy President. ...To secure the election in every state beyond the possibility of a doubt not only does it require the patriotic efforts of every man but it also requires money for campaigning purposes. It is expected that you have received the liberal patronage of the government will willingly lend your means to the attainment of the object-named. I am authorized to say Gentlemen to those who respond cheerfully to this call that the patronage heretofore extended to them will without doubt be continued" etc. Very Fine ...... E. 150-200

[Abraham Lincoln]. Pamphlet, ADDRESS ON THE DEATH OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES by John Davison (Reed, 1865), 16pp., with covers, author's brother's copy, dated June 10, 1865, small tear on back, minor wear, Fine, scarce ....... E. 100-150

[Abraham Lincoln]. Printed copy of the poem, "Lincoln, The Man of the People," inscribed and signed by the author, Edwin Markham, accompanied by "The Man with the Hoe," also signed, each with toning at edges from mat, otherwise Fine . E. 100-150

[Mary Todd Lincoln]. Four different CDVs, Fine-Very Fine ................. E. 200-250

Lincoln's Cabinet. Five pieces: Edward Bates ALS (1833), Salmon Chase ALS (1871), Wm. Dennison ALS (ca. 1870s), Hannibal Hamlin ALS (1881), and Gideon Welles DS (May 1861), last with toning and separations, otherwise Fine group ....... E. 250-350

Andrew Johnson. Signature as President on pardon for Mary Catharine Berry, "of very immature age and a proper object of Executive clemency", dated May 9, 1865, separated along horizontal fold, very early example of Johnson's presidential autograph ..............................................(Photo) E. 3,000-3,500

Andrew Johnson. Endorsement as U.S. Senator from Tennessee on cover to his son, postmarked "Washington D.C. Apr. 4" (1875), addressed in his hand, all in pencil, opened at T., partly into signature, envelope mended at T.L. corner, otherwise Fine, very rare, from the last brief period of Johnson's career. Recently elected senator after several unsuccessful attempts, he died less than four months after this cover was posted ..............................................(Photo) E. 750-1,000

Andrew Johnson. Signature as President on pardon, dated Nov. 5, 1866, with seal, mostly separated at center fold, far from signature, otherwise Fine ...... E. 750-1,000

Andrew Johnson. Handstamped signature as President on four military appointments, 1866-67, Fine-Very Fine .................................................. E. 150-200

[Andrew Johnson]. Two printed Proclamations as President, one REMOVING RESTRICTIONS ON TRADE EAST OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER, AND DECLARING INSURRECTION SUPPRESSED IN TENNESSEE, AND CERTAIN DISABILITIES IN THAT STATE REMOVED, JUNE 13, 1865; other REMOVING RESTRICTIONS ON TRADE WEST OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER, 24TH JUNE, 1865, Fine .................................................. E. 200-250

Ulysses S. Grant. ALS ("U.S. Grant"), 2pp., 5 x 7¾ in., dated May 20, 1882 in New York, to the Hon. Roland Worthington: "After my congratulations upon your appointment and confirmation as Collector, matters in which I felt a great interest, allow me to ask of you if consistent with your views and the public good. I have living with me a Butler a colored man by the name of Terrell. He has a son now working his way through Harvard. I believe he is now about entering the junior class. While pursuing his course of studies he has to earn his own living. This he does by work during vacation and earning what he can in the interval, he will present this letter- his name is Robert Terrell- and ask employment in the Custom House such as he can do without interrupting his course. Terrell's letters show him to be a young man of good ability and of the right kind of aspirations. If you can give him a position to help him he will appreciate the kindness and I will also." Very Fine. Accompanied by a CDV showing Grant in uniform with his wife and children ..............................................(Photo) E. 1,000-1,500
In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name, and caused the Seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington, this Ninth day of May, A.D. 1865, and of the Independence of the United States the Eighty-ninth.

[Signature]

Acting Secretary of State.
3078° **Ulysses S. Grant.** Signature as President ("U.S. Grant") on 1874 authorization to affix seal to a pardon, matted and framed with portrait, Very Fine .......(Photo) E. 1,000-1,500

3079° **Ulysses S. Grant.** Signature as President on 1875 authorization to affix seal to a pardon, light fold through his signature, Very Fine ..........(Photo) E. 750-1,000

3080° **[Ulysses S. Grant].** Two ALSs of his secretary Culver Sniffen to Jas. N. Tyner, 1st Asst. PMG in the first letter, then Postmaster General, first dated July 11, 1876: "The President directs me to say that he will be pleased to have you call at his office at half past one o'clock this afternoon." The 2nd is dated the next day: "The President will be pleased to have you call at his office at 4 o'clock this afternoon to subscribe to the oath of office." Each with Executive Mansion letterhead, Very Fine pair .......... E. 750-1,000

3081° **Rutherford B. Hayes.** Signature ("R.B. Hayes") on card, pencil note dates this Jan. 1, 1880, Washington, small mount marks on back otherwise quite fresh and Very Fine ...

3082° **Samuel Tilden.** Signature on small card, dated Nov. 26, 1874, accompanied by attractive illustrated ballot ticket for Tilden and Hendricks and two examples of Rutherford B. Hayes signature on small pieces, card with paper adhering to back, Fine and scarce ....

3083° **James A. Garfield.** Signed pencil draft of telegram (Blank No. 2) to J.D. Defree, Congressional Printer: "What will my speech of last Friday cost per thousand in pamphlet? J.A. Garfield." tiny hole at center, Fine ..........(Photo) E. 350-450

3084 **James A. Garfield.** Free frank ("J.A. Garfield MC") on cover to J.D. Cox, 1871 docketing, minor soiling, Fine ..........(Photo) E. 300-400

3085° **[James Garfield].** Signature of his assassin, Charles Guiteau on card, dated April 29, 1882; mounting remnants on back, accompanied by original newspaper dated Jan. 16, 1882 with article about the trial .......(Photo) E. 400-500

3086° **[James Garfield].** Mourning card, "Memorial Service of James Abram Garfield, 9½ x 6 in., handsome oval portrait, creased at R., near from engraving, otherwise fresh .......... E. 100-150

3087° **Chester A. Arthur.** Large bold signature as President, on album page dated Feb. 18, 1882 in his hand, Very Fine .......... E. 100-150

3088° **Grover Cleveland.** Signature as President on 1896 appointment of Notary Public, ink smear in last letter, with seal, Fine .......... E. 150-200

3089° **Grover Cleveland.** Signature in program, ANNUAL DINNER OF THE REFORM CLUB 1897, four cardboard leaves bound with ribbons, signed in pencil on the inside of the cover leaf, Fine .......... E. 150-200

3090° **Grover Cleveland.** Signature on 4½ x 3¼ in. piece dated in his hand Apr. 8, 1897, Very Fine .......... E. 150-200

3091 **Grover Cleveland.** Signature as President on 1889 military appointment, folds far from signature, tiny piece out of seal, otherwise fresh and Fine .......... E. 250-350
Frances F. Cleveland. ALS as First Lady, 4pp., 4 x 6 in., dated Dec. 20, 1896, Executive Mansion letterhead, affectionate letter to Mrs. Don M. Dickinson, inviting her and Mr. Dickinson to a cabinet dinner in January (“I trust you will think seriously of this...the President is so anxious to carry the thing out”), and mentions that “Mr. President has just returned with a good color & reports of a good time,” etc., with original transmittal envelope; accompanying this is a 2nd ALS to Mr. Dickinson, with letterhead cut out (though signature and most of text remains), Very Fine .................. E. 150-200

Benjamin Harrison. TLS, 1 page, dated Mar. 5, 1898, personal letterhead (Indianapolis), to a Mr. Bright: “If I can in any way aid you in your profession I shall be glad to do so, but business at Washington does not often come in my way. Once in a great while some one asks me to look after some matter at Washington, which I invariably decline to do; and possibly something may occur that will enable me to turn some business in your way. I am very much obliged to you for your kind reference to my Chicago address. Very truly yours, Benj. Harrison”, minor toning, Fine .................. E. 250-300

Benjamin Harrison. Signature as President on 1892 postmaster appointment, small edge tears and toning .................................................. E. 100-150

Benjamin Harrison. Dated signature, Jan. 8, 1894 on small card, small mount marks on back, Fine .................................................. E. 150-200

William McKinley. LS as President, dated Dec. 21, 1897 on Executive Mansion stationery, 5½ x 6½ in. “Dear Mr. Crocker: Mrs. McKinley and I deeply appreciate the kind message from Mrs. Crocker and yourself and shall gratefully remember your words of tender sympathy. Sincerely yours, William McKinley” With original transmittal envelope with matching c.c., Fine .................................................. (Photo) E. 500-600

William McKinley. TLS, 1 page, 5½ x 8½ in., Canton Ohio letterhead, Fine .................. E. 150-200

William McKinley. Signature as President on 1898 postmaster appointment, small faults at edges and toning band lightly affecting signature .................................. E. 150-200
THEODORE ROOSEVELT

A Specialized Collection featuring a new find of letters to General S.B.M. Young

**3099**

Theodore Roosevelt. ALS, 1 page, 5½ x 6½ in., dated Nov. 15, 1916 on hotel stationery, to Lt. Gen. Young as president of the Assoc. for National Service: "I most cordially and emphatically approve your efforts, as President of the Association for National Service, to secure the passage of a law making it obligatory upon every male American citizen between the ages of 18 and 21 to serve 6 months or a year - as the case may demand - in the field with the colors. I believe no one should be allowed to vote who as not thus served - poltroons and professional pacifists are out of place in a free Republic. There should be education towards military training along the lines followed in Australia, Argentina, Switzerland and Japan. No man is fit to be a freeman unless he has fitted himself to fight efficiently for his freedom. With all good wishes, I am your fellow-American. Theodore Roosevelt." Very Fine, outstanding ...... (Photo) E. 2,000-2,500

**3100**

Theodore Roosevelt. TLS as Vice President, 1 page, 7½ x 10¾ in., dated Mar. 12, 1901, on "Vice-President's Chamber" stationery, to Genl. Young in Puerto Rico: "I used your letter and did everything I possibly could to secure Howze the West Point position, but the Secretary simply would not appoint another cavalryman. I was greatly disappointed. You may be amused to know that the President said to me, with a laugh, the first thing when I came here to be inaugurated, 'Well, you can't write me any more letters about Young and Wood - they're all right'. I hope it may not be long before I see you." Ms. punctuation corrections. Normal folds otherwise fresh, Very Fine, early and rare example from Roosevelt as Vice President ...... E. 500-600
Theodore Roosevelt. TLS, 1 page, 8½ x 11 in., dated Nov. 4, 1916, with “Metropolitan” letterhead, to General Young: “I will communicate with [Robert] Bacon at once. I am taking the liberty of sending you a copy of a speech I made at Denver, Colorado. Now, my dear fellow, I do not think it would be wise for me or wise for your Association that I should accept the honorary presidency, but I would particularly like to be associated with you at any time in the way of writing you a strong letter to back up your position on any or all points,” etc. [see lot 3099]. Two small corrections in text by Roosevelt, minor toning at top right, includes Young’s copies of 3 letters he sent Roosevelt in Nov. 1916, Fine .................................................. E. 500-600

Theodore Roosevelt. TLS, 1 page, 8½ x 11 in., dated Mar. 13, 1917, with Metropolitan letterhead, to General Young, turning down an invitation from the Mayor of Baton Rouge, last sentence in ms., Fine ... . ... . . ........... ..... . ... ..... ..... .. ........ ... . E. 400-500

Theodore Roosevelt. Oval portrait, 3½ x 5½ in., within 8 x 10 in. sheet, signed “with regards of Theodore Roosevelt Nov. 16th 1903”, presented to Genl. Young, scattered toned spots and tiny edge toning, neither affecting inscription, still Fine. (Photo) E. 750-1,000

William McKinley. Signature (“Wm. McKinley March 1898”) on silk fan, with multicolor illustration of the U.S.S. Massachusetts and crossed flags, torn at top with fraying though colors still fresh and hoop and handle remain intact. Ex General Young . E. 100-150

Executive Office,
CHEROKEE NATION.

I, T.M. Buffington, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation passed at its regular session, 1902, and approved by me in my official capacity as Principal Chief of the Nation, 1902, and I do hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 3, 1903, entitled “An Act making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1902, and for other purposes.”

In witness whereof, I have heretofore signed my name as Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation on this the 4th day of December, 1902, and caused the great seal of the Nation to be affixed.

Attest:

[Signature]

Special Secretary.

EXECUTIVE MANSION.
WASHING[TON].
[SEAL.]

Approved:

Approved:

E. Roosevelt.

Theodore Roosevelt. Signature of approval (“T. Roosevelt”) on part-printed document of the Executive Office, Cherokee Nation dated Feb. 5, 1902 and signed by T.M. Buffington, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, certifying that the attached typed document (also part of this lot) entitled “Senate Bill No. 22”, “An Act making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1902, and for other purposes,” etc. is approved by him. Fresh and Very Fine .......(Photo) E. 1,000-1,500
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3106° **Theodore Roosevelt.** TLS, 7 x 8½ in., on White House stationery, to Irving Putnam: “My dear Putnam: I have your letter of the 13th instant. Curiously enough I used that exact simile of cheating at cards in my talk with the football men, and made the exact statement to them that you make to me. That is just the kind of sentiment that I hope to see created, and I believe that the use of the term ‘honorable obligation,’ by implying that its violation is dishonorable, will tend to improve matters. Faithfully yours, Theodore Roosevelt.” Minor soiling, Fine ......................... E. 600-800

3107° **Theodore Roosevelt.** ANS, dated Nov. 11, 1911, 4½ x 3½ in. Sagamore Hill card: “Dear Putnam, That’s a mighty nice note of yours. Can you lunch with me at the Harvard Club next Wednesday at 1.30? Faithfully yours, Theodore Roosevelt.” minor soiling and tiny ink smear in “I” of Theodore, still Fine .........................................................(Photo) E. 300-400

3108° **Theodore Roosevelt.** TLS as President, 1 page, 7 x 8½ in., dated July 10, 1908, Oyster Bay, on White House stationery, to Prof. Harry Frankenberg of the U.S. Weather Bureau, with original transmittal envelope, Fine, Saggiori cert. accompanies ................................................................. E. 300-400

3109° **Theodore Roosevelt.** TLS, 1 page, 8½ x 11 in., dated Apr. 19, 1918, on Kansas City Star stationery, responding to Kenneth L. Roberts, who had published a comic poem based on a quote attributed to Roosevelt regarding his inability to recall the title or author of a book he had recently finished: “Dear Mr. Roberts: You must give all the credit to my daughter, Ethel Derby, who brought me the poem and then cross-examined me until she found out what the book was. We are immensely amused and pleased with your letter. Now, be sure you let me see you when you come back. Faithfully yours, Theodore Roosevelt.” Tipped to the letter is a copy of the poem clipped from The Evening Sun and a note written by “S.C.D.” a few days earlier identifying the book as THE LONE WOLF by Louis Vance, Fine, appealing content ................................................................. E. 300-400

3110° **Theodore Roosevelt.** Signature as President on 1906 appointment of Notary Public, with seal, Very Fine .......................................................... E. 250-350

3111° **Theodore Roosevelt.** Signature as President on 1906 postmaster appointment, Very Fine ............................................................... E. 250-350

3112° **Theodore Roosevelt.** Signature as President on 1906 postmaster appointment, lightly toned, Fine ............................................................... E. 200-250

3113° **[Theodore Roosevelt].** Two pages from a lengthy typed speech in Roosevelt’s pocket the night he was shot at by a would-be assassin, Oct. 14, 1912. The bullet pierced his coat pocket, passing through pages of a speech he was to give, and ended up being deflected by Roosevelt’s pocket watch. Pages were handed out by him as souvenirs to various supporters including Cecil Lyon, a close friend of the ex-President’s. Included with the two pages is a legal size envelope of the period with corner card of the “Progressive National Committee Hotel LaSalle Chicago, Illinois”, and with this note in pencil, possibly in Lyon’s hand: “Portion of speech in Roosevelt's pocket when shot.” Ironically this speech was never given; Roosevelt instead chose to speak extemporaneously. Both the pages were shown to the Executive Director of the Theodore Roosevelt Association who has written: “I have examined the copy of the page you sent, and I think it is a page from the Oct. 14, 1912 speech ms. that was pierced by the would-be assassin’s bullet at Milwaukee. It seems to compare in type face and size with the page we have at hand from that speech. Moreover the provenance seems convincing. Colonel Cecil Lyon of Texas was with TR on the night of the shooting in Milwaukee,” etc. A letter from Col. Lyon’s daughter, Claudia Lyon, is included with the lot, in which she states that TR and her father “were riding together in an automobile.” Written many years after the fact, her letter contains one eerie memory slip (she refers to the assassination attempt as occurring in Buffalo, N.Y., the site, of course, of McKinley’s assassination) and she concludes: “President Roosevelt gave this to my father and I later gave it to my cousin, Haledy Quincye, who is an attorney of Douglas, Georgia, and I am making this statement in order that posterity may be familiar with its origin.” Very Fine, one of the few remaining souvenirs of this strange event still in private hands ............. E. 4,000-5,000

3114° **[Theodore Roosevelt].** Sepia-toned photograph with informal full-length pose of Roosevelt at Yosemite with naturalist John Muir, 7½ x 9¾ in., Underwood & Underwood imp. at B. and their handstamp on back, from the estate of Henry Fairfield Osborn, Very Fine, great image .................................................................(Photo) E. 400-500
SACAMORE HILL. Nov 11th 1916

Dear Mr. Wilson,

That's a mighty nice note of yours. Can you lend me a lift to Harvard Club next Wednesday at 1:30?

Sincerely yours,

Theodore Roosevelt

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Edith K. Roosevelt. Eight items, includes free franks on three fronts (one is illust. campaign piece, “Hoover For President”, another is additionally franked with stamp), also front only from Italy with address “from Mrs. T. Roosevelt” and another front dated 1904 to Isabelle Hagner at the White House “from Mrs. Roosevelt,” also two covers from her in a secretary’s hand (one with White House c.c.), and one front from Kermit Roosevelt, mostly Fine lot .............................................................. E. 150-200

Edith Roosevelt, Eleanor Roosevelt. First is free franked cover from Oyster Bay, N.Y., n.d., other is signed First Day cover of 3¢ Mothers of America, May 2, 1934, Very Fine ................................................................. E. 100-125

William H. Taft. Program signed as President, 6pp with heavy card stock covers, 5¼ x 8 in., printed likeness of Taft on front with caption in gold, “The Marion Club Indianapolis July 4th 1911, bound with large red ribbon, minor soiling, Fine and handsome piece .................................................. (Photo) E. 300-400

William H. Taft. TLS, 1 page, on his personal stationery, dated Nov. 22, 1915, a letter of recommendation for Anthony Czarnecki, seeking employment as a newspaper correspondent. Addressed “To Whom It May Concern,” he says (in part): “He is a friend of mine, and I am glad to have him known as such. I bespeak for him the kindly consideration of all with whom in his work as a correspondent in Europe he may be thrown.” Minor wear, Fine .............................................. E. 200-250

William H. Taft. Signature as President on 1910 postmaster appointment, toned, Fine ................................................................. E. 150-200

William H. Taft. Signature as President on 1911 Notary Public appointment, with seal, Very Fine ................................................................. E. 200-250

William H. Taft. TLS, 1 page, dated Dec. 3, 1908, declining an invitation, with original transmittal envelope, Fine ................................................................. E. 200-250

William H. Taft. Signature in margin of post card with formal head & shoulders portrait, Very Fine ................................................................. E. 250-350

William H. Taft. Executive Mansion envelope boldly addressed in his hand, “Dr. C.S. Merrill/Wash. Ave.”, Fine ................................................................. E. 100-150

Helen H. Taft. ALS, 2½pp., 4¼ x 5½ in., blue White House stationery & letterhead, dated Jan. 7 1913, to the widow of Hamilton King, with original transmittal envelope and AN on calling card of Elizabeth Terry Taft addressed to Mrs. King. Very Fine ................................................................. E. 100-150

Woodrow Wilson. TLS, 1 page, dated March 18, 1920, to Roland Boyden regarding his going to Paris to “replace Albert Rathbone in the work which he has been doing in respect to questions coming before the Reparation Commission,” etc., matted and framed with Pack Bros. portrait. Very Fine ................................................................. (Photo) E. 1,000-1,250
Woodrow Wilson. TLS shortly after the election (Nov. 9, 1912), to Herman Bernstein: “I need not tell you that I greatly appreciate your message. It has been a source of strength and pleasure to me all through the campaign that you should be so deeply and generously interested in it. I hope we shall be thrown much together. Sincerely yours, Woodrow Wilson.” Accompanied by a wonderful photograph of Wilson at his first inauguration, American Press Assoc. & Wide World Photo handstamps on back. Fine pair ........................................ E. 500-600


Warren G. Harding. Signature on back of 1890 invoice: “Received Marion Ohio Nov. 19/90 of A.H. Kling, son of J.F. Lindsay declared Twenty Two 75/100 Dollars in full for this account. WG Harding.” Fine, excellent association item as Kling was the father of Florence Kling De Wolfe, whom Harding married the following year ........................................ E. 200-250

Warren G. Harding. Signature as President on 1923 postmaster appointment, light even toning, Fine .................................................................................. E. 150-200

Calvin Coolidge. TLS, 1⅓pp., dated Apr. 29, 1930, as Governor of Mass., writing to a New York City judge regarding the arrest of a Northampton boy, Bernard Manning: “He comes of a hard working, thrifty and industrious family. I have never known of his misbehaving himself before and I feel very confident that his people will hereafter take care of him and that he can take care of himself. It appears to me simply a case of a country boy going to a large city and ignoring the restraints of home life and giving himself over to the propensities of youth rather than the exhibition of any criminal intent,” etc., Very Fine, better than usual content from Coolidge ................................................................. E. 250-300

Calvin Coolidge. Striking head & shoulders photo, 9 x 12½ in., with bold inscription in margin, “To Dr. O.M. Laustrum With Regards Calvin Coolidge,” blind stamped Harris & Ewing in B.L. corner, in frame, Very Fine .......................................................... E. 250-300

Calvin Coolidge. Signature on 1929 bank check made out in his hand, Fine .................................................................................. E. 200-250

Calvin Coolidge. TLS, 1 page, dated Nov. 5, 1924, also a 1932 TLS from Plymouth, Vt., Fine .................................................................................. E. 150-200

Calvin Coolidge. Signature as President on 1928 appointment of Notary Public, diagonal crease ending in tear and light even toning ................................................................................. E. 150-200

Calvin Coolidge and Grace Coolidge. Signatures on matching White House cards, accompanied by a portion of a third with “Coolidge” in the President’s hand, glue remnants on back, otherwise clean & Fine .......................................................... (Photo) E. 300-350

Herbert Hoover. TLS as President, 1 page, dated Nov. 19, 1929, on White House stationery, Very Fine, with original transmittal envelope .......................................................... E. 100-150

Herbert Hoover. Two TLSs, dated 1945-46, each with personal letterhead, Very Fine .................................................................................. E. 100-150
3139° **Franklin D. Roosevelt.** Free frank as President on White House envelope sent locally to the Hotel Willard, neat “Washington, D.C. Aug. 31 12 M 1935” postmark, toning from flap gum faintly shows thru, still Very Fine, a beautiful piece and very rare .................(Photo) E. 1,000-1,500

3140° **Franklin D. Roosevelt.** TLS as President, 1 page, 8 x 10¼ in., on White House stationery dated June 14, 1940, to Arthur Spingarn, President of NAACP

ROOSEVELT PLEDGES HIS SUPPORT FOR BLACK AMERICANS AND NAACP

In a lengthy response to his meeting with Spingarn, FDR writes (in part): “Organizations like yours are necessary safeguards in a democracy. You remind us constantly of our principles by calling our attention to our weaknesses and our deficiencies. Therefore, I have followed the activities of your organization over a period of years with much interest and gratification. In strictly an American way you have courageously fought. . . . The adversaries we oppose deny every common right held by the man in the street in America. Here you have the right to organize, to protest and to vote for the protection of your lives and civil liberties and, to make democracy ever more responsive to the needs of all its people. In this way you can help your government, in the midst of our preparations for defense, to maintain the great social gains of recent years. . . Your government has supreme confidence in the unflinching loyalty that the Negro race has shown from Boston Common to Flanders Field. Inspired by such traditions I know our Negro citizens will not hesitate to pledge their allegiance new, in these ominous days, to the cause of human liberty.” etc. Bold signature, Very Fine ............................................... E. 1,000-1,250

3141° **Franklin D. Roosevelt.** Signed copy of THE DEMOCRATIC BOOK 1936, a limited edition campaign book of 384 pages. Advertising space and copies of the book (at $250 each) were sold to various corporations, despite the fact that the corrupt practices act made it unlawful for any corporation to make a contribution to a political party; after the election Republicans demanded an investigation, Very Fine, rarely offered ................. E. 500-750

3142° **Franklin D. Roosevelt.** TLS, 1 page, 7¼ x 10½ in., dated Jan. 1928 to stamp dealer Eugene Klein: “I am very sorry and very apologetic for having kept this Haitian collection so long, but the truth of the matter is that I lost it last summer in transit from Warm Springs, together with all of my personal accounts, income tax papers etc. After a long search occupying many months, the package turned up,” etc., with Klein’s pencil notes showing how much Roosevelt purchased or returned, very faintly toned at edges, Fine, a rare glimpse of an apologetic and embarrassed Roosevelt ................................. E. 300-400

3143° **Franklin D. Roosevelt.** TLS, 1 page, 8½ x 11 in., dated Nov. 3, 1921, letterhead of Emmet, Marvin & Roosevelt, mentions illness, Boy Scouts, etc., Fine ............. E. 250-350

3144° **Franklin D. Roosevelt.** TLS, 7¼ x 10½ in., dated Jan. 6, 1933, to Frank Canaday: “Thank you very much for the gavel which you were good enough to send me. I am very glad indeed to have it. Very sincerely yours, Franklin D. Roosevelt.” With his letterhead, Very Fine ................. E. 200-250

SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES – 30 – MAY 28, 1994
Franklin D. Roosevelt. TLS, 1 page, 7¼ x 9½ in., dated Nov. 26, 1928 at Warm Springs, Ga., to Dwight Hoppingarner of the American Construction Council, Fine. E. 300-400

Franklin D. Roosevelt. TNS, 1 page, dated Nov. 9, 1931, Executive Chamber Albany letterhead, Very Fine ......................................................... E. 200-250

Franklin D. Roosevelt. TLS ("FDR") as Governor, on Executive Chamber stationery, to Arthur Carpenter in Warm Springs, Ga.: "Dear Carp: That is a perfectly pious idea about going to Sam Tate's place. However, if I start going anywhere in Georgia I shall have to go everywhere! Therefore, Warm Springs only seems to be the best bet. Always sincerely, FDR", Very Fine ......................................................... E. 150-200

Franklin D. Roosevelt. TLS as Asst. Secretary of the Navy, 1 page, dated Mar. 4, 1916 to J. Daniels, Secretary of the Navy, regarding a clause in the Naval Bill he wishes inserted, stapled to this letter is a copy of a memorandum sent earlier to FDR, Fine ......................................................... E. 200-250

Franklin D. Roosevelt. TLS, 1 page, "New York State Committee for the Nomination of Governor Alfred E. Smith" letterhead, lightly toned, otherwise Fine ........ E. 150-200

Franklin D. Roosevelt, Eleanor Roosevelt. Signatures of each on Christmas Greetings card with die sunk illustration of Gov. Roosevelt, his wife and dog at the fireplace, Fine ......................................................... E. 200-250

Franklin D. Roosevelt and Eleanor Roosevelt. "Roosevelt For President" envelope in brown red on cream, autographed by Roosevelt and years later franked with signature of his widow along with her handstamped frank and mailed from Hyde Park June 6, 1956 on the 12th Anniversary of D Day, postmark nicely ties UN label, imprint below it, "Human Rights Day- Dec. 9, 1955, addressed to C.C. Hart and accompanied by a copy of his letter to Mrs. Roosevelt requesting she sign and mail the cover back, Fine, interesting and attractive piece ......................................................... E. 150-200

Eleanor Roosevelt. TLS as First Lady, dated Jan. 5, 1937, with White House letterhead, thanking someone for a Christmas gift of dried figs, with original transmittal envelope, Very Fine ......................................................... E. 100-150

Harry S. Truman. Signed etching, 10¾ x 13¾ in.: "To Mathew J. Connelly, friend, political adviser and appreciative [?] with best wishes & thanks Harry Truman U.S.S. Now V.P. Elect Jan. 3, 1945" also signed in pencil by artist Leon Perskio, light wrinkling, soiling at edges, still Fine, unusual piece ......................................................... E. 250-350

Harry S. Truman. Free frank on cover postmarked "Independence Mo. Jul. 4 1967" double circle ds, accompanied by a TLS of Truman and a printed frank on cover, all to C.C. Hart, Very Fine ......................................................... (Photo) E. 300-400
3155* Harry S. Truman. TLS, 1 page, dated June 9, 1960, on his personal stationery, with original transmittal envelope (printed frank), Very Fine ........................................ E. 200-250

3156* Harry S. Truman. Signature, with his comment, “A most pleasant evening,” on menu of the Lotos Club, Nov. 1957, with head & shoulders drawing of Truman, Very Fine ........................................ E. 200-250

3157* Harry S. Truman. TLS, 1 page, on his personal stationery, dated Nov. 9, 1956, brief but warm thanks: “I appreciated your good letter of the 5th. It came at exactly the right time to give me the lift I needed.” Very Fine ........................................ E. 250-350


3159* Harry S. Truman. TLS, 1 page, dated Feb. 9, 1968 with his personal letterhead, suggests the owner of some Masonic pieces donate them to the Truman Library in Independence, Very Fine ........................................ E. 200-250

3160 Bess Truman. ALS, 1 page, 8½ x 10 in., undated on hotel stationery thanking Charles Clark for a gift of roses, creases not affecting signature, Fine ........................................ E. 100-125

3161 Dwight D. Eisenhower. Signed photograph, 7¾ x 9½ in., with bold inscription in brown ink in bottom margin: “For C.D. Jackson- with appreciation of brilliant service in the White House and with the affectionate regard of his friend Dwight D. Eisenhower” In sterling frame decorated by engraved signatures of the White House staff dated April 12, 1954. Fine, attractive piece ........................................ E. 400-500

3162* Dwight D. Eisenhower. TLS as President, dated July 25, 1957, White House stationery, thanking a friend for the gift of a ceramic elephant, small stain at B., far from signature, with original transmittal envelope, Fine ........................................ E. 250-350

3163* Dwight D. Eisenhower. TLS, 1 page, dated Nov. 4, 1953, White House stationery, to the Chief Barker of the Variety Club of Washington, Very Fine ........................................ E. 200-250

3164* Dwight D. Eisenhower. TLS, 1 page, dated Apr. 23, 1964, with his letterhead, with original transmittal envelope, Very Fine ........................................ E. 150-200

3165 [Dwight D. Eisenhower]. TLS of Robert Schulz, Eisenhower’s executive assistant, turning down a request for an autograph; the envelope it was in has Eisenhower’s metered frank dated Nov. 14 1963, but was not recognized by the Kansas City post office which marked it for postage due 8¢ (air); accompanying this is a TLS of Mamie Eisenhower with ms. P.S., dated Dec. 20, 1965, Very Fine lot ........................................ E. 100-150

3166* [Dwight D. Eisenhower]. Collection of 70 covers (and two cards), most addressed to him as President from all over the country, some probably from children (including a peculiarly addressed Christmas greeting), an amusing and varied group, the best being a PPC with chimpanzee sent in 1962 and addressed “Dear Dopey” and signed, “Astigmatoff-famous Soviet Spy”, also includes five covers addressed to Truman as President ........................................ E. 300-400

3167* John F. Kennedy. TLS (“Jack”) 1 page, dated Nov. 14, 1955 on Senate stationery, to Sen. John L. McClellan, Very Fine ........................................ E. 1,000-1,250

3168 John F. Kennedy. Signature (“John Kennedy”) in blue ink on 3½ x 2 in. yellow slip from autograph album, tipped to die sunk card, Fine ........................................ E. 100-125

3169* Lyndon B. Johnson. Two signatures as President on two admittance cards for Mr. & Mrs. Jerome Siegel, each with matching gold seal of the President, framed with seating assignment and two dining invitations for the President’s Ball and Vice President’s Ball in Southern Cal., Very Fine ........................................ E. 300-400

3170* Richard Nixon. Photograph of a rather youthful Vice President with his wife and two daughters, signed in the margin by him, his wife and “Patricia” and “Julie”, the last two signatures clearly done as children and confirming the signatures are contemporary with the image; Wide World Photos stamps on back and accompanied by AP wire photos of this image clipped from newspapers and showing how it was made more presentable (a crouching reporter and two heads & someone’s bald spot were all cropped); smearing in “Richard Nixon”, otherwise presentable and very scarce ........................................ E. 300-400
Richard Nixon. TLS ("Dick"), 1 page, dated Jan. 20, 1948 on House of Rep. stationery, to Charles Cooper, a friend: "I obtained a report from the Un-American Activities Committee on Scott Nearing and forwarded it to Herman Perry. I would suggest that you contact him and take a look at it because he has a long record of Communist front activities. I hope that you will be able to iron out the difficulties between the County and State Committees before the campaign gets under way. You will recall the troubles we had two years ago and in the interest of winning the State for the Republican Party, people should certainly drop their personal differences at this time." etc. He also mentions that Cooper's son can use his name for a character reference for a homestead application. Fine .................................................. E. 300-400

Richard Nixon. Signature ("Dick Nixon") on illustrated ad for campaign song, "Hike With Ike", 9 x 12 in., reverse with music for "Lincoln's Gettysburg Address" by W.C. Handy, fold in signature, Fine .................................................. E. 100-150

Richard Nixon. Two pieces: signed calling card with Woodcliff N.J. address, and Official White House photo mounted on card and signed in margin, Fine .................. E. 150-200

Gerald R. Ford. TLS ("Jerry Ford") as congressman, dated Sept. 15, 1966, writing to Mr. and Mrs. John Scott about the death of their son: "There is nothing I can say which can assuage your grief. I can only extend to you my deepest sympathy and understanding at the tragic death of your son, John, in Vietnam. During the past few months you and John have become very close to us through all of our correspondence and contacts with the Marine Corps. I have today written directly to the commandant, General Greene, asking for a full and complete explanation of what happened to John." etc., Very Fine .................................................. E. 350-400


Jimmy Carter. Color photo (8¼ x 10 in.) of Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter with signatures of both just above their heads, Very Fine .................................................. E. 150-200

Ronald Reagan. ALS, 1 page, 6 x 9 in., undated, to Gov. John Chafee, Rhode Island: "Dear John, Please tell your good people on the staff how much I appreciated the wire on Lincoln's Birthday. Having gone through a picket line to get to the office, you imagine how that telegram brightened our day. Bless them one & all. Best Regards Ron." Very Fine, nice content .................................................. (Photo) E. 750-1,000
Ronald Reagan. ALS ("Dutch"), 1 page, dated July 19, 1967, to Samuel Harrod, letting a friend know he is secretly going into the hospital for minor surgery, Very Fine .......................................................... E. 400-500

Ronald Reagan. Signature in copy of Official Program of the 1968 Governors' Conference, also signed by every state & territory governor including Nelson Rockefeller and Spiro Agnew, handsomely bound in leather, gold stamped, with slip case. Extremely Fine .................................................................................. E. 500-750

Ronald Reagan. Four items: ALS ("Ronnie"), 1 page, undated, on his personal letterhead, interesting content regarding recent film work: "the film has met with marked success. 'Opinion Research' has done a survey in depth and finds the film a smash with teen-agers," etc., also signed bookplate with President's seal; part-printed card with multi-color governor's seal; signature on 1980 front cover of "People" (cover story, "The Reagan Kids"), Very Fine lot .................................................................................................. E. 500-750

U.S. Presidents. Four items: TLS of Herbert Hoover dated 1935; signed color photo of Gerald R. Ford; Jimmy Carter on book page taken from his memoirs; George Bush signature on interesting photo showing Bush shaking hands, secret service man looks, Very Fine lot ......................................................................................... E. 200-250

U.S. Presidents. Four: Harry Truman TLS, 1969 with transmittal envelope; Dwight Eisenhower TLS as President, 1954; Lyndon B. Johnson on consul appointment, 1967 (autopen?); Gerald Ford TLS as President, 1976, with transmittal envelope, small faults, Fine lot .................................................................................................. E. 200-250

William Wallace S. Bliss. Asst. adjutant-general of the western military departments, during the Mexican War he served as chief of Staff to Zachary Taylor and later married his youngest daughter while serving as President Taylor's private secretary. 8 ALSs ("W.W.S. Bliss") 24pp., 7¼ x 9¼ in., datelined Feb. 12-May 17, 1841 at Tampa, to Maj. E. A. Hitchcock, all hand-carried, each with integral leaf, good military content throughout re Indians including capture and relocation of various tribes, Fine and interesting group ........................................................................ E. 750-1,000

Ethan Allen Hitchcock. ALS ("E.A.H."), 7pp., 8 x 10 in., datelined "Saint Louis, Nov. 9, 1838," an important letter aboutpeculations by one of the commissioners in the purchase of lands from the Winnebago Indians: "Being perfectly sure that frauds must, from the very nature of the case have been practiced under the mode of payment determined upon by the Commissioners I stood on my orders and... assumed that the proceedings of the Commissioners, if not void, required sanction at least." etc., giving a detailed account of the frauds, includes a 2nd initialized signature, and this interesting penciled note (at a later date) in the docketing: "This letter was not included with Documents published on this subject-Carried my point E.A.H." Very Fine. Despite his misgivings, Hitchcock's integrity was not ignored. Appointed major general of volunteers in 1862, he was an intimate of Stanton and Lincoln and was later commissioner for the exchange of prisoners .......................................................... E. 300-400

John Titcomb Sprague. ALS, 2pp., 7¼ x 9¼ in., datelined "Tampa Fa July 10th 1841" to Maj. E.A. Hitchcock: "This is a strange world and strange people live in it. I am here having just returned from an exploring expedition down the Wyhlaacoche from Fort Dade to Camp Izard. It was a new and wild country through which no white man ever before passed. We saw but one Indian- fired at him, when he took to the swamp and we lost him. We destroyed many villages and corn fields," etc., integral leaf with brief note by Hitchcock, Fine. In 1848 Sprague published Origin, Progress and Conclusion of the Florida War. In June 1865 he was made military governor of Florida .......................................................... E. 150-200

George Wright. ALS ("G. Wright"), 2pp., 8 x 10 in., datelined "Tampa Feb. 27, 1841," to Maj. Hitchcock, refers, in part, to "a delegation from St. Augustine, consisting of the notorious Genl. Brown of Canada...and 4 or 5 others...one of their party laid claim to a Negro woman with the Indians," etc., Very Fine. A brigadier general in the Civil War, Wright drowned off the coast of California in the wreck of the "Brother Jonathan" in July, 1865 .......................................................... E. 150-200
William J. Worth. Active in the War of 1812 and the Florida and Mexican Wars, serving in the latter as second in command to Genl. Taylor. Two military ALSs ("W. J. Worth"), 7½ x 10½ in., datelined "Fort Brooke Sept. 5th 1841" (7½pp.) and "Hd. Qrs. Arm of Florida Ft. Brooke June 1, 1841" (2½pp.), written to Maj. Hitchcock and includes this note by him: "I came to Washn. & recommended Worth for the Command in Florida. . . . By letters from Gen. Scott he must have been informed of my efforts on his behalf. This is his first acknowledgement." Fine and desirable ................................................. E. 250-350

[Indian Massacre]. ALS, 3pp., datelined "Fort Duane March 20th" to Sarah J. Hale from D.E. Hale, who writes (in part): "Gen. G. lost a few men on his march he came to the place of the massacre & buried the officers & men in their graves marching round them to solemn music. The officers & some of the men were scalped & strange to say their watches & money were found on them. . . . The Indians are a vile brutal set with the exception of Powell & a few chiefs. . . . They will kill their own relations without scruple. One of them. . . . saw his son among the hostile party called to him to come near-shot him & then gave a whoop of exaltation!" etc. Very Fine. E. 200-250

[Florida] Letters. Four items, includes 4 page 1836 lettersheet with five different letters to various members of the Dash family in New York (local Florida gossip, etc.), 1839 letter from Zachary Taylor (secretary's copy), 1864 illust. P.O. lettersheet suspending postmaster of occupied Pensacola, 1828 military letter to Maj. James Hawk, minor faults, Fine .......................................................... E. 150-200

MORMONS

The Deseret National Bank of Salt Lake City, Utah Territory. (Ch. 2059). $1.00. Original Series, Allison-Spinner, Plate Pos. A (Friedberg 382). No. D346046. Signature of Brigham Young and unclear counter-signature, quite worn with heavy creases broken at places, good margins on face, the back just in at bottom, still a presentable example of this very rare national bank note with a clear signature of Brigham Young .......................................................... (Photo) E. 500-750

The Kirtland Safety Society Bank, Ohio. Four obsolete bank notes, each with Smith-Rigdon signatures, includes $3.00 Jan. 9, 1837, No. 368, Fine, light folds and toning; $5.00 Feb. 10, 1837, No. 52, Very Fine, full margins; $10.00 Mar. 8, 1837, No. 646, tight margins just touching in places, light fold, Fine; and the exceedingly rare $100.00 Feb. 10, 1837, No. 22 (date and serial number strengthened in pencil), worn, upper left corner a bit charred, still a presentable example of the highest denomination issued by this Mormon bank prior to the exodus of Joseph Smith and his followers .... .......................................................... E. 1,000-1,500
SLAVE DOCUMENTS: A SPECIALIZED COLLECTION

3196° [New York] 1693 Will Freeing Slaves. Will of Christina Cappoens, cousin of Rip Van Dam, freeing "my Nigger woman Isabelle immediately after my decease" etc. Named as executor is Nicholas Bayard (private secretary to Peter Stuyvesant, Mayor of N.Y., etc.) and Rip Van Dam (Exec. head of the Province of New York, merchant, etc.). 11pp., 7½ x 12 in., last page with separations otherwise Fine, rare ........................................... E. 300-400


3198° [North Carolina] Eighteenth Century Suit Concerning the Sale of a Negro. Document of Orange County, N.C., dated 1784 for Mary Connor who sold, through Isaac Buller, her bay horse and sorrel horse and gun to John Pasloch, who was “to deliver to the said Buller a Negro man or woman sound and healthy to the above value of twenty five pounds to be delivered within ten days after the then contract.” Toning, and tiny paper loss at center, otherwise Fine, rare ........................................... E. 200-250

3199° A Territorial Law Suit. Document headed, “Territory of the United States South of the Ohio-February Term 1798,” being a suit against Shadrick Morris by Jacob VanHowzer for purchasing “a negro man named Jack” and then refusing to pay, “and still doth refuse to pay to the said Jacob Vanhovzen the value of said Negro man or any part thereof,” etc., some toning, Fine, Rare piece ........................................... E. 250-350

3200° [Tennessee] Emancipation of a Slave. 1805 Washington County court document for “a female negro slave named Millet about twenty five years of age, who has been a good Servant,” to be Emancipated when she arrives to the age of thirty-five years, etc., some toning and small paper loss, still Fine and desirable ........................................... E. 200-250

3201° [Missouri] Court Document. 1813 Court of Quarter Session of the Peace, charging “a certain negro woman named Sealey a slave” with breaking and entering a home owned by Esther Ambre Backus “a free black woman”, Fine, unusual piece ........................................... E. 150-200

3202° [South Carolina] Estate Inventory. Dated 1815, includes “1 Negroe man Named March. . $400” Very Fine ........................................... E. 150-200

3203° [Georgia] Will Leaving Slaves. 1818 Twiggs County document leaving seven slaves to the sons of Samuel Clampitt, with a special provision leaving “Negroe girl Caroline valued and has the full value of the Negroe girl Caroline unto my granddaughter Martha Jane Clampitt,” etc., toned, some tape stains from old mends ........................................... E. 150-200

3204° Will Bequeathing Slaves. Last Will of William Glenn, 4pp., 7½ x 12½ in., dated 1827, devoting 2 pages to bequeathing a large number of slaves to various family members, Fine, desirable piece ........................................... E. 150-200

3205° [Kentucky] Sale of Slaves. 1836 authorization to sell slaves Joe Horace, Howard, Richard, Susan and “little mulatto girl America,” Fine ........................................... E. 150-200
[Maryland] An Unusual Slave Reference. 1840 letter from Leonardtown, Md. regarding disposition of a charge or lien which the writer could not pay "without selling a Negro for that purpose. I would take it as a great favour if you would let the cases lay over until the Spring at which time I will certainly settle them as I shall have means in hand." etc., some staining and small paper loss .................................................. E. 200-250

[Florida Terr.] Receipt for Slave. The sum of $165 paid for several possessions including "one negro woman named lucky", dated 1841, Florida Territory, toned, very scarce .......... E. 150-200

Receipt. Dated 1847, "Hired at Susan Cameron's one negro man Jerry $110.00/ " Bass-110.00/ woman, Cad-y 60.00/ " Charity 40.00. January 11 1847 for the minor heirs of J. E. Cameron Deed John, Louisa & Caroline Cameron." Fine .................. E. 150-200

[Louisiana] Sale of Slave. 1848 document from the Parish of St. Helena, dated 1848, the sum of $800 for "three certain slaves to wit woman Lizzy of griff color aged about 22 years and her two children harrett aged five years and 6 months and boy Charles aged two years all slaves for life and warranted sound of body and mind and free from all the vices and malices prescribed by law," etc., bit aged and weakened at folds otherwise Fine .................. E. 200-250

[Virginia] For Sale: One Plantation. Two page printed notice, FOR SALE ORANGE ISLAND PLANTATION. Situated 9 miles west of New Iberia, mentions it will be sold, "with or without the following articles, viz: Thirty slaves of different ages and Sexes, 2000 head of horned cattle," etc., with integral address leaf (Petersburg Va. postmark and free frank), ca. 1850s, Fine ......... E. 100-150

Probate Liquidation Sale of Slaves. 2pp, dated Jan. 1854, estate of James Bell, list of 14 "slaves showing the ams for which they were sold and the names of Purchasers," most of whom appear to have been bought by various Bell family members, balance of list devoted to various household goods, Very Fine ........................................ E. 200-250

[Tennessen] Indictment of Land Owner. Document, 7¼ x 12½ in., from the Grand Jurors of the state of Tennessee, stating Henry Boardman of Shelby County on Dec. 25, 1854, "unlawfully and knowingly did permit slaves in unusual numbers, to wit, fourteen or more to hold an assembly on his land and premises without being expressly authorized by the owners of such slaves," etc., some mended separations at folds, still Fine .................. E. 150-250

[Texas] Sale of Slave. A true copy by Oscar Farish, clerk of Galveston County, for sale of "Louisa Adams aged about nineteen years of light complexion sound in body and mind and a slave for life," etc. to J.L. Dauogh, dated 1856, with embossed seal of county clerk. Very Fine, very scarce from Galveston County ........................................... E. 200-250


[South Carolina] Part-Printed Receipt for Slaves. Dated May 10, 1858 at Charleston, $2,500 for 2 slaves named Scott and Antoinette, minor scattered toning and vert. creasing, still Fine ........................................ E. 150-200

[Florida] Bond on Levied Slaves. Part printed document, 8 x 12½ in., being a bond on five slaves for $3200, dated 1858, Jackson County, Very Fine, choice and rare piece ........................................ E. 200-250

[Virginia] Receipt. Dated July , 1860, "Reed of Daniel Lafever Guardian for Catherine M. Hedges & Oliver P. Hedges sixty one Dollars & eleven cents in full as my portion of money Due me from them in the division of the slaves of Mother[']s estate. Sarah Snodgrass". The owner has identified this as Hedgesville, Va., the Catherine and Oliver were descendants of the family for whom the town was named, Fine ........................................ E. 200-250

[Tennessen] Suit Seeking Recovery of a Slave. July 8, 1861 Shelby County document entitling G.S. Burnpass "to the possession of a Negro girl of dark, mulatto color named Elizabeth Jane, about 23 or 24 years old that J.S. Bollen has seized and detained the same. That said property was not subject to such seizure or detention and demands a writ of reform." Separated at B. fold (affecting only last line), light toning, otherwise Fine ........................................ E. 150-200
[South Carolina] A Slave Owner Is Compensated by the Confederate Government. Six pieces, 1863-64, telling the story of Moses O. Talman, who lent his slave Edward to work on area defenses near Charleston; he subsequently died there and Talman was eventually paid $1500 by the State of South Carolina, includes court documents, letter and part-printed receipt of payment, Fine and very desirable group .................. E. 300-400

THE CIVIL WAR

3220 The Battle of Antietam. Seven page letter, datelined “Near the Potomac above Harpers Ferry Sept. 20th 1862”, good contents from George Tillotson of the 89th, N.Y Vols. detailing their movements from Sept. 7th. “We arrived just as a brigade of N.C. rebels were about to charge on an unsupported battery. We had not got fairly filed into line when the rebs poured into our regiment an awful fire. We were in a corn field with woods in front and on our left and only 8 companies of our regiment uncovered by the top of the hill so as to return the fire which we did mighty sharp til we fired some 8 or ten rounds when the rebels found us too tough for them and very wisely left. It was very lucky for us that the first volley of the enemy was a few inches to high for after that we dropped and looked and Jire laying down. We had to fire by guess through the comfire and I do not see how it is that so many men escape in Battle without being killed or seriously. Bill Whitherson in the neck pretty badly but will get over it. Alf Wallace in the right of Union captured by Genl. Banks and accused of being guerrillas, holding them for the murder engaged should be relieved. 
only that it was done by soldiers in the regular service of the Confederate States in honorable warfare. I concur with Major General Taylor in the expression of the opinion, which does him so much honor, that those who are not parties directly or indirectly to the contest in which we are engaged should be relieved. I have in my possession several citizens of the United States who have been arrested and are held only as a measure of just retaliation.” etc. Very Fine contents ................................................................. E. 300-400

3221 Battle of Chickamauga. Soldier’s letter, 4pp., 5 x 8 in., datelined “Camp Near Chatanooga Tenn. Sept. the 29th 1863,” he writes (in part): “It was a hard fought battle and if old Bragg hadent of got heavy Reinforcements from Virginia we would have whiped him Blind, but he had so many more men then we had they out flanked us every time... [we] was exposed to a raking cross fire and I do not see how it is that so many men escape in Battle without being killed or wounded,” also gives description of forming line of defense and waiting, “but the rebs do not seem to be very anxious to open on us.” The last is a reflection of Bragg’s refusal to follow up his victory the following day; the repercussions included internal feuds with his generals and defeat at Chatanooga. Very Fine .......................................................... E. 200-250

3222 Battle of Hanover Court House. Letter, 5pp., dated June 8, 1862 from Confederate soldier whose regiment was separated from their brigade, description of battle, being chased by Yankees, rumors of Stonewall Jackson marching on Baltimore, mention of Fair Oaks, etc., last page with small hand-drawn map of Hanover area incl. battlefield, letter ends with fears that this will be his last letter ("try to meet me in Heaven," etc.). Fine .......................................................... E. 200-250

3223 Battle of Perryville. 4pp., 4½ x 7½ in., dated Oct. 12, 1862: “I suppose you have heard of our fight here at Perryville... Our reg’t [1st Tenn.] has suffered terribly. We lost 191 killed and wounded, 51 killed, 40 wounded of our Shelbyville boys. Dick Kiele was wounded in the hips quite seriously. Bill Whitherson in the neck pretty badly but will get over it. Al Wallace in the right forearm slightly. Emmet Caldwell flesh wounded in the stomach, very slight. ...Dick Steele is the only one that is in any danger of not recovering,” etc., lists losses of Donelson, Maney, and Stewart in Cheatham’s division, his company (B) with the highest losses (29 out of 38) charging a battery three times ("took it every time but were forced back") etc., Fine letter. Although neither side achieved a clear victory, Perryville helped forestall any European recognition of the Confederacy ................................................................. E. 150-200

3224 A Bitter Flag of Truce Letter. Retained copy of a letter from Confederate General J.G. Walker of Louisiana, July 27, 1864, to Maj. Genl. Canby at New Orleans, 6pp, regarding mistreatment of captured Confederate soldiers, namely the Gay brothers who had been captured by Genl. Banks and accused of being guerrillas, holding them for the murder of Union Capt. Dwight. Walker says (in part): "I know nothing as to who killed Capt. Dwight, only that it was done by soldiers in the regular service of the Confederate States in honorable warfare. I concur with Major General Taylor in the expression of the opinion, which does him so much honor, that those who are not parties directly or indirectly to the contest in which we are engaged should be relieved. I have in my possession several citizens of the United States who have been arrested and are held only as a measure of just retaliation," etc. Fine ..... E. 500-600
Bombardment of Fort Sumter. Letter from Georgetown S.C. April 13, 1861 to a sister in Philadelphia: "The war has commenced. We have heard the reports of the cannon for the last 30 hours but we are as yet in the dark as to the result. We have no mail from any quarter. The train passed the depot from Charleston without stopping. It was an express train sent up the road in great haste for more troops. If Fort Sumter has surrendered they have not done so without a serious fight. We hear that Charleston is under martial law. No papers are published, no mails, no telegraphic communication, no one allowed to enter or depart without a pass...We have fitted up a pony express to ride from here to Mt. Pleasant near Sullivan's Island or Fort Moultrie to see what can be seen," etc., with original transmittal envelope (faulty U26) with "Georgetown S.C. Apr. 13" cds and bold "ADVD 1 Ct." (Philadelphia), letter with some splitting at folds, still Fine ........................................................... E. 150-200

Bragg's Army in Tennessee, Dec. 1862. Letter in pencil, 4pp., 7 x 6 in. and 7 x 4½ in., from Confederate soldier Albert Ryall, headed Murfreesboro Dec. 28, 1862: "Our troops have fallen back two or three miles, the generals say they must retake their former positions at all hazards. The enemy are advancing in strong force—said to be 60 or 70,000. Johnson's and Wood's Brigades have come in this morning from Eagleville. Our troops are all along from the Nolinsville pike to the Nashville pike in a straight line. The enemy have crossed Stewarts Creek—a brigade will oppose them down there. Our main force are in line of battle three miles the other side of town—a great many families have been moved...The fight will come off tomorrow perhaps next day. Then again the enemy may not come any farther—I think the object of our falling back is to draw them on. I rode four or five miles this morning with Generals Bragg and Polk. They were selecting the ground for fighting. The ground is very level, and I am a little afraid the enemy will have the advantage...Our generals are sanguine of success. They say they want to get them as far from Nashville as they can. This army is stronger now than it ever has been and better prepared to fight." etc. Excellent content ........................................... E. 250-300

A Captain's Petition to Congress. Post-war manuscript of 30pp, 8 x 12½ in., a "Memorial" petitioning the U.S. Congress for a promotion which gives details of his career and includes copies of letters to him by Admiral Farragut during the siege of Mobile as well as a Civil War Naval Report signed by him, headed, "U.S.S. Flagship off Charleston, S.C., November 4, 1861." Well-written and Fine .............................. E. 250-350

The Confederacy in Kentucky. Two letters from a soldier in the Tennessee vols., first headed, "Camp near Bowling Green" other is from Russellville, both Jan. 1862, camp news, drilling, guard duty, especially the hospitality of the inhabitants of Russellville ("the cleverest people in the world") who had black servants carrying hot meals to those on guard duty, latter with integral leaf (hand-carried to Shelbyville, Tenn.), Fine and scarce .......................................................... E. 150-200

A Confederate Chaplain's Story. Manuscript by the Rev. T.D. Witherspoon, entitled, "Religious History of Davis' Brigade," 16pp., 7½ x 9¾ in., also three smaller ms., entitled, "Prison Life," "Lt. Latane" and "Davis Brigade," each 4 x 6 in., approx. 35pp. consisting of narrative fragments, notes, diary entries, etc., all written apparently in the 1870s (an 1877 letter from a friend mentions, "I noticed in the papers you were writing up the religious history of our old brigade and have been watching for it.") Also includes are several pages of notes written during the war re soldiers and officers wounded, killed, deserted (he noted, in score card fashion, the number of battles fought, how often wounded, etc.) 1864 draft for printed notice of Chaplains Assoc., 2nd & 3rd Corps, etc., Very Fine, fascinating lot .......................................................... E. 1,000-1,500

A Confederate Doctor Receives a Reply to His Insanity Questionnaire. Folded letter to Dr. Davis, Asst. Assistant at the Lunatic Asylum in Staunton Va., with a list of questions Davis had submitted to the friends of Nancy Via (whose family apparently wished to institutionalize her) and now being sent back with each one answered. Sample questions: "Is she noisy, filthy, quarrelsome or destructive?...Is she disposed to injure self or others?...How long has her mind been disordered?...What is probable cause of Insanity? Answer- The cause is supposed to be trouble and sorrow, immediately—remotely, insanity is some what hereditary in her family." etc. The letter ends: "It is a matter of much concern, with her friends, that Mrs. Via's application should succeed; as it is feared that unless she and her daughter can be separated, the mind of the latter will become seriously deranged." With integral address leaf franked with 5c Blue (7) pair and postmarked "Mechums River Va. June 25", top stamp with tear, Fine, fantastic document ............................................. E. 200-250

SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES – 39 – MAY 28, 1994
Confederate Hand-Made Valentines. Three different heart designs in cut-out paper, one with inscription: “Feb. 14, 1863. Miss H.R. McIntosh a Valentine from a friend in the army while at Rocky Mount N.C.” accompanied by original letter dated same day; a 2nd cut-out heart without inscription and accompanied by Valentine poem dated 1864, and finally a response from Miss H.R.M. herself, with different style cut-out which opens up, each side with fancy border inscription, accompanied by 4-line verse on small slip of paper,

Very Fine, rare and choice .......................................................... E. 500-600

A Confederate Prisoner on the Run. Superb eight-page account dated Oct. 16, 1863 from Thomas Ryall of Camp Morton, who escaped by walking out the front gate disguised as a guard, he writes to his father with step-by-step details of gathering money and his disguise including fashioning a wooden bayonet painted black, etc., the letter is written from Clayton, Ind. where he stayed: “I am passing as the son of Thomas Ryall living in Freehold N.J. I ran away from home some nine months ago & am now on my way back, but have not money sufficient to take me there,” etc., asks for details about New Jersey to make his story convincing, also writes about Sutler prices in prison, rebel cavalry disrupting railroad lines between Nashville & Louisville, etc., most remarkable is the original transmittal envelope, a patriotic postmarked “Clayton Ind. Oct. 17” and marked, “Examined & approved Oct. 23”! with Ryall foolish enough to give his exact location in Clayton (the boarding house of a Mr. Buchanan, southern sympathizer from Ky.), though it is obvious this was never read by Union authorities. Very Fine, great letter ............. E. 500-600

The Further Adventures of Thomas Ryall Jr. Six more letters from Ryall to his father after his escape, Sept. 1863 to Sept. 1864, fear that his letters are not reaching him, mentions he is “most willing to avail myself of the offer made by the authorities at Shelbyville of returning home. I feel thankful to them for the course they have pursued in the matter, I am now willing say anxious to lay down all my weapons of oppression to our Government & become once more a loyal subject,” etc., also description of buying clothes in Indianapolis as a doctor from the prison walks in (“luckily for me he did not recognize me”), Ryall made his way to Louisville, Nashville, and eventually Freehold, N.J., contemplates leaving (Sept. ’64), “But I see in the papers that Wheeler is doing damage between here & there”), five with original transmittal envelopes (three marked “approved”), Very Fine, an enjoyable and Very Fine group .......................................................... E. 400-500
Balance of the Ryall Correspondence. Twenty-two letters, nearly all war-dated, mostly between Thomas Ryall and his daughter in New Jersey, the latter group includes images of war such as witnessing a hanging in Freehold & soldiers camped outside hotel in New York City, also such sidelights as viewing Egyptian mummies in a Canadian museum; the former group of letters includes ref. to Battles of Kenesaw Mountain, Lookout Mountain and Missionary Ridge, request his daughter send him report of McClellan's military operations, hand-drawn map of orchard & nursery, also his testimony that despite Thomas Sr.'s southern sympathies, he was well-liked by Union authorities. Also included in the lot are six different passes from the Office of the Provost Marshall (some part printed), army order to make vouchers for Ryall for forage, great CSA receipt for wood cut on his property and for stock killed with list of generals involved (Maney, Polk, etc.), pre-war letters includes warm letter to friend Genl. James Shields in Mexico (1847), fragments of four letters, a group of 4 letterpress copies of orders in the Dept. of the Gulf (1865) and hand-made song book for child with verses about family slave, King Cotton, etc. Very Good-Very Fine ........................................ E. 600-800

The Death of Col. Ellsworth: A Souvenir. Four page letter from Julius Hopkins, a soldier, to his brother Ben in Newton, Mass., dated June 5, 1861 in Washington with nothing out of the ordinary: news of friends being promoted, drills, waiting for a battle, etc., then on the fourth page he writes: "enclosed is a piece of the carpet on which Col. Ellsworth fell when he was killed by Jackson in the Marshall house in Alexandria keep it to remember me by. I send also a piece of the secession Flag staff." Ben was a good brother- three wood pieces and an ancient piece of linoleum in blue & yellowish white were found with this letter, along with the original envelope free franked by E.H. Rollins, latter soiled and a bit worn at the edges, still Fine, a wonderful offering ........................................ E. 500-600

The Death of Stonewall Jackson. Four-page letter dated May 18, 1863 from a Lt. Rice, a paroled prisoner writing to his colonel: "Genl. S. Jackson was buried with great military honors while we were there his death was greatly lamented by all they say his presence on a battle field was equal to 50000 men. It is a good thing for us." etc. He also describes his journey to Richmond and being kept prisoner in the basement of a tobacco warehouse, discusses the prices for goods in the Confederacy, premium paid for U.S. money, and says "our soldiers would not fight on their food a minute. They say they are fighting for their houses, property, niggers &c. & rather than to come back into the Union would go over to a Monarchal government. They all think McClellan our Best general and are down on Lincoln & his proclamation. They don't like the idea of giving up their niggers ... " etc. Excellent content ........................................ E. 200-250

Debate Urging British Recognition of the Confederacy. 14-page manuscript, 8 x 10 in., a ca. 1870s copy of a British document in which a Mr. Roebuck argues that the House should pass a petition urging the Queen to recognize the CSA. Also included are arguments by a Lord Montagu outlining the consequences of recognition and neutrality, light aging, first page with some soiling ........................................ E. 200-250

A Drawing of Fort Lafayette. Eight-page letter dated Feb. 27, 1862, with tiny pencil sketch, from soldier visiting Manhattan and Staten Island for the first time. From City Hall barracks he can see the Tribune Building, Astor House, Barnum's Museum, etc., describes train ride along the Hudson (partly rendered in verse) and exploring Staten Island: "the most beautiful section of country that I ever saw... we came across a green house, right in the woods and the man who took charge of it invited us in, there we saw an almost endless variety of tropical plants among them the famed lily of the Nile. I picked a Chinese primrose and put it in my pocket... in another place we discovered an old fortification built in the days of the revolution," etc., ending with a drawing of Ft. Lafayette, "the place where the rebel prisoners are confined," Fine, unusual contents ........................................ E. 100-150

Echoes of Fort Donelson. Letter from Walter Ryall, 2pp., 7¼ x 11¾ in., dated Feb. 16, 1862: "I see that the enemy have at last succeeded in getting a foothold on Tennessee soil. We are expecting with the greatest concern to hear from Fort Donelson. Tomorrow past will bring the expected news... I do hope, trust and believe Tennesseans will hear themselves as men there. And hurst death and destruction among the detested Yankee invaders and drive them from the soil of the old volunteer state," etc., also mentions false rumor of Price's victory in Missouri and Walter's desire "to wipe out the foul stain that the NeNairy's [McNair?] cavalry by their cowardice have left upon our formerly unsnatched name. I do think that those Tennesseans who in that Fishing Creek affair, ran away when ordered to charge ought to be hung up by head and heels and scourged to death," etc., stains and small paper loss at folds but good content .......... E. 100-150
1864: Old Abe vs. Little Mac. Soldier's letter from Petersburg, Sept. 5, 1864, 4pp., 5 x 7½ in., he writes (in part): "We had a great time of it here when we heard of the nomination of little Mac the soldiers as a majority all go for him old Abe is completely cast in the shade old Abe's name is seldom mentioned in politics unless it is to curse the hypocrite." The letter also mentions the fall of Atlanta and Ft. Morgan, remarks about the new draft and his home town (Sand Lake, N.Y.): "If I could have my wish there would not be an able bodied man left in Sand Lake. I am glad that there is no $300 clause for them to crawl out of this time," etc., with original attractive transmittal envelope in purple, Very Fine ........................ ........................... E. 100-150

The Fall of Fort Morgan. Letter from one soldier to another, 4pp., 4½ x 7½ in., datelined, "Morgansia's Bend, La., Sept. 19th/64". From his sick bed a friend writes (in part): "seen the siege & surrender of Morgan... afterwards it was a perfect mass of ruins brick walls knocked down magazines blown up & guns break & knocked in every direction. The shell penetrated 3 foot brick wall & 5 feet of Earth it was a strange Fort... Fort Gains surrendered with out much fighting or shelling so was not damaged any. Panel was blown up by the Rebs, so it did them but little good," etc. Also mentions skirmishes with rebels, rumor Grant issued order ending prisoner exchanges ("it seems rough when our prisoners are treated so mean & theirs so well... darn their ornerous low life sneaking soles I feel like shooting every one we get ahold of") etc., Very Fine, original transmittal envelope with Natchez occupation datestamp ........................ ........................... E. 200-250

“For the sake of one old drunken general." 4pp. letter, 5 x 8 in., dated Dec. 25, 1862 at Franklin, Va., headed, “Christmas Christmas Christmas” with interesting derogatory remark about N.C. general Alfred Iversen: "I suppose you have heard of the battle we had at or near Goldsboro on the 17... it was a sad affair anyway you take it, the fight commenced about 9 o'clock and broke up after sundown... with the loss of about 78 men killed and wounded in our Regt. the 52 [N.C.] was pretty much all that was engaged on that day, our Regt. was used up scandalous [sic] just for the sake of one old drunken General that was there, he ordered us to make a charge of about one mile on about 15 or 20 thousand Yankies just in an open field where they were playing on us their artillery... our General Pettigrew did not arrive in time to take command of us and were commanded by Genl. Ivens [sic]" etc. Also mentions Fredericksburg, Christmas toast to his friends and one parting remark: "I am sorry I have no stamps to put on my letters for I know you don’t believe they are worth 10 cts. but I can’t do any better." Very Fine. E. 250-350

GETTYSBURG

Genl. Meade's Circular On the Eve of Gettysburg. Ms. circular with letterhead of the Third Brig. Third Div. Sixth Army Crops, dated June 30 1863: “The commang, General requests that previous to the Engagement soon expected with the enemy, Corps and all other comdg. officers address their troops explaining to them briefly the immense issues involved in the struggle. The enemy are on our soil, the whole country now looks anxiously to this army to deliver it from the presence of the foe... It is believed that it will fight more desperately and bravely than ever if it is addressed in fitting terms. Corps and other commanders are authorized to order the instant death of any soldier who fails in his duty at this hour. By Command of Major Genl. Mead (sgd) S. Williams A.A.G.” Fine ........................... E. 400-500

Gettysburg: Battle Diary of a Union Cavalryman. "Daily Pocket Remembrancer For 1863" with semi-literate but exciting entries from Jan. 1 1863 to Nov. 27th. The author participated in numerous raids and skirmishes and there are descriptions of tearing up tracks & telegraph lines, bridge burnings, eluding Rebel cavalry, good entry on the Battle of Brandy Station (one line confirms historians' opinion that this battle gave enormous confidence to Federal cavalry: "We had a hard fite at Brandy Station... our Rigament they fought like tigers.") The July 2nd entry begins: "This morning we started on for Getersburgh it is 16 miles from hear the Rebs air thair in a larg forse we got within one mile... then the fite comence they air having very heavy canoading this afternoon... I supoose that we shall haf to go in and clean them out." July 3rd: "Firing comence this morning at day brake... I think that is is fool as hard a battle as we had at Fredricksburgh... We took about 9 or 10 thousand prisoners, I think it will bee a day long to bee remembered in Gatersburg," etc. July 4th: "They kept up the fite last nite till 10 o'clock... I think that the Rebs had enough of it yesterday for their loss must bee very heavy for we made them down like grass..." July 5th: "We went into the vilage this morning and comence buring our ded and it was a dreadful site to behold our ded solgers lay all over the ground as thick as they could lay..." etc. Other entries include description of rebel graves washed away by rain, Genl. Meade narrowly missing a sharpshooter's bullet, two deserters carrying their own coffins before execution, etc. Excellent ........................... E. 1,500-2,000
After Gettysburg: A Soldier’s Thoughts. Four page letter from a soldier at Wilmington Hospital to his brother: “I think Meads army is at Warrington junction general lee that is the rebel general he has massed his men at Culpepper court house ready to show another fight if general Meade intends to fight him he then you will hear of another desperate hard and bloody battle again and before long oh brother I do hate to go into another fight for I couldn’t tell you on paper and ink how it goes in such hard battles as long as we are fighting still I don’t care so much but the sight of seeing the field after the fight that is the hardest of all to see so many dead men laying on the ground and the wounded hollering and lamenting for help… An old man that lived at Gettysburg aged 67 1/2 years old he took his gun and stood in ranks and helped us to fight… He still thought 2 hours before the battle was over that hour boys would have to run and still stood their and fought in the blood for the defense of their country and stuck to it till at last they did gain the day that old man was astonished to think how brave our men fought,” Very Fine contents. E. 150-200

Gettysburg: A Patriot’s Thoughts after the Battle. Remarkable and very long ALS of Lt. Howland Gifford, 6pp., 7 1/4 x 10 in., dated July 6, 1863 with letterhead of Army of the Potomac, Com’dt’s Office. Writing to his father he gives an account of Lee’s retreat, descriptions of aftermath skirmishes, recounts how he found a wounded rebel and had the bullet removed as a souvenir of the battle, description of prisoners and those in hospitals with amputated arms & legs, followed by an astonishing burst of patriotic pride: “the anniversary of American Independence of 1863 will ever be cherished by me hereafter as one of the most sacred, not only because on that occasion it was fraught with the proud recollections of the past, but with the bright hopes for one country for the future. Privileged though we were to throw that flag to the breeze, saddened yet exultant thoughts came over me as I was made to remember that, but the day before it floated triumphantly amidst the smoke of battle,” etc. Incredibly, the letter goes on like this for another 2 1/2 pages (approx. 90 more lines)- even Edward Everett would have found this slow going, but nevertheless a remarkable performance (see lot 3272) .................................................................................. E. 750-1,000

Hand-Drawn Lettersheets. Two, both dated 1863, one headed Cape Henry Carolina City with pencil drawing of lighthouse and two buildings, other is headed St. Helena Island with a drawing of a tent behind trees, each with last page apparently missing, otherwise Fine, charming pair …………………………………………………………………………….. E. 100-150

Home-Made Flag. Tiny cloth flag in lilac, blue, red & white with tiny carved wooden staff, accompanied by paper 2 1/2 x 4 in. entitled “Magnolia”, from soldier’s sister: “Lewis Remember this flag it was beneath the ample folds of it that you fought the hard battle of Arkansas post from your Sister”, with printed grade school slip, “The American Flag” glued on back, accompanied by fancy embossed lady’s envelope with three 1c Blue (63) pen canceled, ms. “From Magnolia Ill. July 4” and addressed to Lewis Simpson in the hospital in St. Louis (where he had been since being wounded in Jan.), Very Fine & unique ………………………………………………..(Photo Ex) E. 400-500
A Medal "For Gallant and Meritorious Conduct." Small bronze piece made according to a contemporary news clipping, from a rebel cannon, one side with above quote and facsimile signature of Maj. Genl. Gilmore, other side with "Fort Sumter Aug. 23d 1863" in raised letters and side view of fort, excellent condition. This was presented to Lt. Albert Sharp for offering to lead a picked party "which was to accomplish the blowing up of a portion of the fort." (see lot 3276) ........................................... E. 300-400

The Monitor and Merrimac Revisited. Five patriotic lettersheets written by Asil Stetson of the 148th Reg., Co. G., N.Y. Vols., incl. one with beautiful hand-colored view showing Norfolk and Portsmouth, written at Camp Folger April 4, 1863 and describing the letterhead as follows: "This picture is a perfect one of the places it represents you can see the to [sic] cities that you have read so much about...look to the right of portsmouth...there is where the merrimac was built this river you see is where she come out and attached our gun boat and where the monitor fought and crippled her and she went back for repairs and come out again when she proved a failure and she was blown up by her her crew to keep her from falling into our hands," etc. Letter also contains lengthy comic tale of searching a local "sesh" house for weapons. Other letters with good content incl. Stetson promising his daughter a gift of Confederate stamps. Fine group ........................................... E. 300-400

A Northern Blockade Runner. Letter datelined Sagua La Grande July 5, 1861, frp, Thomas Moore to his brother in Boston: "hope your head does not ache this morning and that you got over yesterday [4th of July] without serious accident to life or limb...It is getting very hot and I wish to be away, I shall sail to morrow morning for Boston, and hope to have a quick passage and keep clear of the privateers, the ship is in good sailing trim and they must sail fast to ketch her." etc. With integral address leaf ("Steamship 10" hs of New York and Boston backstamp), some mended separations, still Fine, unusual .......................... E. 150-200

Notification of Death. 1862 telegram from Rome, N.Y. re soldier's body shipped north: "The body of your dead son is brought to Rome. Come and get it." Terse, yet heartfelt. With original envelope (Morse's American Telegraph), Very Fine .......................... E. 75-100

A Nurse Describe's an Andersonville Prisoner's Last Hours. Three-page letter from Miss H.E. Judkins at St. Johns Hospital, Annapolis, to the mother of Wm. Searle, June 23, 1865: "God has...seen fit to remove your son this morning about sunrise by death that messenger whose summons we all sooner or later must obey," etc. Describes sitting up with him, how he looked layed out and the spot chosen for burial, clipping a lock of hair, etc., then gets to the real nuts & bolts of it: "Your son died with chronic diarrhea, very much reduced like most prisoners." She returns "the little tokens he had" including a "comfort bag from Andersonville with those Beans in it." Sanitary Comm. shield letterhead, Fine moving letter ........................................... E. 150-200

A Patriotic Southerner on the Eve of War. Datelined "Nashville April 20th/61," a son writing to his father: "I think it the duty of every southern man to prepare himself to resist Northern aggression. The volunteer military companies are forming and drilling here every day and night. I have not joined any Company yet but consider it my duty to do...The sons of Temperance are going to form themselves into a Company tonight, I expect to join them. The excitement is very great here. Gen. Barrow made a strong secession speech last night at the capitol. Almost every person and from every part are taking decided Southern grounds." etc., Fine .......................... E. 100-150

A Prisoner's Remarks on Andersonville. 1865 Questionnaire as prepared by the State of New York, filled out by E.R. Sillman of the 85th N.Y. vols., in answer to the question "Given an account of your life in prison, treatment by Confederate Authorities and guards," Sillman writes: "Occupation consisted chiefly in destroying vermin. Bad treatment of guards." For the section, "Give an account of any cases of shooting prisoners by Rebel Guards," he says: "Have seen several shot for speaking to the guards & some for accidently placing hands on the railing comprising 'Dead line' saw one man shot at Andersonville for trying to get some mouldy bread over the dead line. Saw one cripple shot by orders of Wertz." etc. Great document .......................... E. 400-500
3256 **A Proud Father and his Sons.** Outstanding letter from Thomas Ryall, Sr., to his niece, 4pp., undated, discussing the whereabouts and activities of his sons: “[Walter] has been heard much from- was in the Western Va. campaign with Genl. Lee...with Stonewall Jackson in his terrible march thro the snow on Rodney- with Genl. Bragg in his Ky. campaign & the battle of Perrysville...Johnston has not been so fortunate. He joined Forrests cavalry. He had his horse shot dead from under him in a charge at Trenton W. Tenn. & afterwards had his leg badly fractured below the knees while cuttin his way thro the enemy at Parkers X roads. [Thomas] was in the fight at Vicksburg when Grant was repulsed in his last attack & at Port Hudson at the time of Farragut’s bombardment...” etc., there is also a vivid description of Thomas Sr. searching the hospitals and battle field (Perrysville) for his son Walter, mention of Polk, Cheatham, Breckenridge, the fight at Murfreesboro, etc., the letter is unsigned and is possible incomplete, still a Very Fine account, a miniature Who’s Who listing of Civil War figures... E. 250-350

3257 **A Skirmish at Bath, Virginia.** 2pp., dated Jan. 10, 1862: “Our advance guard had a slight skirmish with the enemies picket. They killed one or two and captured 8 prisoners. The yankees only wounded two of our cavalrmen. The next morning we advanced on the town. Our regt. was given the right wing. The post of honor and danger as well. Our cavalry pursued and captured two pieces of artillery. We continued our march right on through Bath to the Potomac...Our object was, I suppose, to destroy the bridges and break down the dams, to cut off supplies from Washington. We succeeded in blowing up the bridges...We suffered a good deal on this march. We were out two nights without a single blanket while the snow was on the ground four or five inches deep...Goodbye, It is growing dark.” Accompanied by original envelope with “Winchester Va. Jan. 12” ds and pencil “Due 10”. Fine E. 100-150

3258 **Soldier’s Drawing of Company B, 109th N.Y. Vols., Camp Dickinson, Va.** Detailed charcoal pencil sketch (8 x 6¾ in.) of camp site showing tents, soldiers dress parade, guard house, railroad tracks in foreground, accompanied by tissue paper overlay dated Dec. 1863 which identifies each building and scene,(the latter includes “Guard examining passes”), etc., Very Fine, a beautiful piece (Photo) E. 300-400

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3259  **Some Remarks on General Butler.** Soldier’s letter from Fort Fisher, Feb. 3, 1865: “You spoke about Gen. Butler, he had ought to be hung he is no more fit to command an army than an infant not three weeks old is. he will do very well to fight old men and women but as to his fighting men he don’t know how to if he had made an assault on the fort when we were here before we could have taken it without half the loss but the old fool got scared...General Terry is in command of the forces here...and if he had command the other time the Fort would have been ours,” etc., mentions Christmas dinner with stolen Va. ham, etc., Very Fine ............. E. 150-200

3260°  **A Surgeon’s List of the Dead and Wounded.** Eight-page manuscript listing the killed and wounded during the Seven Days Campaign in 1862. Gives a break down by battle and signed by Surgeon Benjamin Rohrer at the closing. Brief excerpts as follows: “Battle of Mechanicsville--Corporal Charles Ogle, shot through the wrist by musket ball and back part of head carried away by shell; Henry Case wounded in back of neck and leg by musket ball, Samuel Lesley shot in stomach by musket ball,” etc. Identifies each soldier by name and where he was wounded as well as which company he served in, indicates amputations of legs and arms; approx. 400 killed and wounded soldiers of the 10th Regiment of Pa. Reserve Vols. are listed, excellent Civil War medical document .......... E. 1,800-2,200

3261  **A Tennessee Thru-the-Lines Letter.** Two page letter to Dr. Albert Ryall from his father, who writes (in part): “We hear there is great discontent in the army, particularly among Tennesseans from Genl. Cheatham down...I wish every Tennessean was at his own home in his own state. The South, my son, must yield, and...the only question with her is whether she will elect to remain with the North on terms of political equality or under the North in a dependent state,” etc., mentions soldiers returning daily incl. “Pretty much all of Forrest’s old escort from this neighborhood,” etc., original cover (stamps removed): addressed care of “Brown’s Brigade Stewart’s Division Hill’s Corps”, with ms. examiner’s note (U.S. Provost Marshall), Fine ................................................. E. 150-200

3262  **Third Virginia Regiment, U.S.I., Col. D.T. Hewes.** Regimental envelope with all-over design in brownish purple, 3c Rose (65) tied by fancy cross in circle, matching “Buchannon Va. Jan. 14” ds, original enclosure with matching letterhead (last part of letter is missing), some staining and edge wear, still Fine appearance and attractive, stationery from West Va. regiments is enormously rare ........(Photo) E. 100-150

3263°  **A Union Soldier Deserts Twice.** Partly printed Nov. 17 1862 document from Asst. Quartermaster’s office paying $5 for “apprehension & delivery of Private Michael McKenna, a deserter,” and a Dec. 29, 1862 letter from surgeon informing commander that McKenna “is this day dropped from the Hospital list as consequence of Desertion,” Fine pair E. 150-200

3264  **Union Soldiers Vs. An Alligator.** Patriotic lettersheet with scarce design showing Genl. Butterfield, datelined “On Folly Island August 30th 1863”. A soldier writes (in part): “The other night another charge was made on Fort Wagner they didn’t get the fort but they took eighty of the rebel sharpshooters and also their trenches and held them, in ten paces of the fort. While we were on Longs Island the boys killed a regular alligator five feet long. He showed fight took some of their guns away from them and they couldn’t hold him after they got two bayonets stuck through him and they finally knocked him over the head with a gun and broke it. He was sent over to camp and one of the doctors skinned him and they eat its meat,” etc. Very Fine (Photo) E. 150-200

3265  **A Visit to the Fair Oaks and Seven Days Battlefields.** Wonderful letter datelined “Camp before Richmond, July 24, 1864” from a battle weary Confederate chaplain visiting the site of various battles, 2 years later, detailed descriptions of fortifications, grave sites and ruined countryside, a vivid, eerie paragraph on an abandoned enemy camp with everything of service smashed up (though he was able to rescue some writing paper and envelopes), visits Seven Pines, Savage Station, White Oak Swamp, etc. (Malvern Hill was in Union territory), picking up souvenirs along the way “which may be someday of value to you as a memento of Seven Pines” etc., Very Fine, exceptional content ...... E. 250-350

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UNION SOLDIERS' CORRESPONDENCES

**Correspondence of the Barrus Brothers.** Eighty-seven war-dated letters, mostly from three brothers in the Union army (Mass. vols.), the highlight being several letters re Stonewall Jackson during the Shenandoah Valley campaign, lot includes several pre and post-war letters, medical circulars, an article on Col. Ellsworth, copies of muster rolls, etc., Fine group ................................................................. E. 2,500-3,000

**The Correspondence of Col. Alexander McDougall.** Twenty-five letters to & from the colonel, all war-dated, includes petitions from citizens, ALS of E.D. Morgan ("The bearer seems anxious to go the war as a private soldier. Unless you think he is physically disqualified I hope you will give him a chance."), several well-written, lengthy letters from McDougall praising his troops and his strong reply to someone wishing a commission for a civilian ("I would much sooner be shot, than rob my comrades in battle of a single thing which belongs to them"), heartfelt plea from deserter in Castle William Prison explaining he had left to take care of his wife & children. "If I had seen the presidents proclamation I should have come back. For Gods sake do help me... I always done my duty when in the regiment and will hereafter if I am taken back." etc. Very Fine group................................................................. E. 400-500

**The Letters of Lewis Simpson.** 100+ war dated letters from family & fellow soldiers to Private Simpson, Co. B, 77th Ill. Vol. Reg., some on patriotic stationery (all different designs), many with original envelopes incl. patriotics and ladies envelopes, usual news from the homefront but includes mention of Fredericksburg, Vicksburg, Elisabethtown, Perryville, etc., accompanied by a further group of approx. 30 post-war letters, also several illustrated circulars, ms. portion of a play, etc. Fine group ...... E. 2,000-2,500

**The Letters of Harrison Beardsley.** Twelve letters from a private in the 50th Reg., Pa. vols., 1861-1862, all with original envelopes (most with patriotic designs, a few with stamps removed), mentions pursuing Stonewall Jackson, occupation of Beaufort, seeing the wreck of the Merrimac, etc., Fine group ................................................................. E. 250-350
The Letters of Alfred Carmon. Fifty-eight war-dated letters from a member of the 169th Reg., N.Y. vols., from Oct. 1862 to Apr. 1865, entertaining content throughout, includes a description of a hospital “for the old cavalry horses, it is a great sight to go and see...the dead horses lying around and the dairies a shrinking them and boiling them up for soap grease,” some remarks on talking to a slave, Stuart's cavalry making a raid, “I saw old Abe the other day...& I saw several of the big Generals to, they are the most common looking men,” the citizens of Troy, S.C. presenting his colonel with a silver & gold sword, colored troops replacing white soldiers in Florida, assault at Cold Harbor, seeing Genl. Grant for the first time, usual weather complaints (“hot enough to roast a nigger”), Lee fighting as well cooper up in Petersburg as a year ago in Pa., rebels pickets exchanging paper & tobacco for coffee, good letter re bombardment and capture of Ft. Fisher (admires the defense the rebels put up), derogatory remarks about Lincoln in '64, interesting series of letters as the war winds down with rumors of Lee & Grant, Joe Johnson surrendering to Sheridan, fall of Raleigh, etc., some with patriotic letterheads, includes an additional group of 5 letters from his sister with home news, also 1 pre-war letter, Very Fine group. E. 2,500-3,000

The Letters of James E. Edmonds. Approx. 25 war-dated letters from a Ohio volunteer, fighting mostly in Tennessee, battle content includes charming description to his sister of a wound: “Your beautiful brother had his handsome face spoiled by a shot in or through the upper jaw, the shot entered just below the cheekbone and it lodged I think near the root of the nostrils,” etc., one letter includes a long account of Lookout Mountain, lot includes ordnance reports, forms, muster out rolls, pre and post-war letters, two photos, etc., 85 pieces in all, mixed condition incl. erosion but interesting content.............. E. 600-800

The Letters of Howland Gifford. Twelve letters, June-Nov. 1863, forty-seven closely-written pages, excellent content throughout, the first letter alone mentions Generals Lee, Ewell, Hill, Fitz Hugh Lee, Longstreet, Hooker, Col. Kilpatrick, etc., Very Fine group.......................... E. 2,500-3,000

The Letters of William J. Helsley. Approx. 67 war-dated letters from a member of the 18th Ohio Vols., from Oct. 1861 to Feb. 1865, begins with build-up of troops in Ky., battles at Perryville and Murfreesboro, loss of Genl. Oliver Howard's arm, Wilderness, '64 election (“their only salvation was in the election of little Mac and he is gone up Salt River so dar he will never git back”), Jan. 8, 1865 letter, “the South have called on the slaves to fight and it is my opinion that it will soon fall through...Billey Sherman has let them know that he can go where he wants to,” etc., several on patriotic letterheads, some original transmittal envelopes included, Fine group.................................................. E. 2,500-3,000

Letters of E.G. Kingsley. Twenty-four letters from a member of the 16th Pa. Cavalry, Co. D, some battle content incl. Gettysburg, Deep Bottom and Malvern Hill, references to Mosby and Sheridan, etc., most with original envelopes, includes a 1924 hand-written testimonial from the company he worked for (a dairy), Fine ......................... E. 500-600

The Letters of James McHue. Thirty-two letters 1864-65 from a member of the 15th Cavalry, N.Y., Co. I, four letters makes reference to Mosby, another (as prisoner) is headed “Pemberton Tobacco house Richmond” and two letters refer to the death of Lincoln, two letters with large patriotic letterheads incl. multicolor Magnus “View of Washington,” some letters with tape mends, still Fine ........................................ E. 1,000-1,250

The Letters of Lt. Albert F. Sharp. Thirty-four letters from a member of Co. A, 10th Reg., Conn. Vols. Lt. Sharp wrote well, with details betraying the hand of the amateur poet but he clearly enjoyed describing events to his family. There are many naval references (including an ironclad encounter with the “Nashville”) and such oddities as a souvenir piece of velvet take from a sofa on the gunboat “Fannie” before it sank in the Battle of Roanoke Island (there was also an attempt to take a piano from the home of a CSA commander- not included in this lot), datelines include St. Helena Island, Seabrook Island, St. Augustine, Fort Darling, Bermuda Hundred and Deep Bottom, where he died in battle, Aug. 1864. Lot includes death notification from major, report from hospital, promotion, printed circular, two hand-written poems and a original newspaper clipping on the 10th Conn. at Deep Bottom and the death of Lt. Sharp. Very Fine, outstanding group ....................................................... E. 1,500-2,000
3277 The Letters of Wesley H. Shaw. Forty-nine letters from a member of the 35th Reg., N.Y., Co. H., descriptions of camp life, battles, McClellan reviewing troops, poem on being out of stamps, hit by a bullet at Petersburg, meeting rebels while both are on a fishing & eel expedition, etc., a number with original envelopes, Fine and desirable group E. 1,000-1,250

3278 The Letters of Orange Smith. 13th Conn. Vols., twenty-six letters from New Orleans and Virginia, to his brother Stephen, good contents describing the problems of a displaced Yankee, mentions guerrilla movements, inflation problems and counterfeit money with 5c railroad tickets becoming the most desirable currency, battle of Port Hudson, skirmishes along the Mississippi, Mosby burning supply wagons, good description of the Battle of Winchester, etc., Fine-Very Fine, desirable group E. 750-1,000

3279 The Letters of George Tillotson. A remarkable group of 165 letters from Sgt. Tillotson of the 89th Reg., N.Y vols. to his wife, 1861-64. The 89th fought at Camden, South Mountain, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Cold Harbor, etc., with all these touched on in addition to the usual description of camp life, picket duty, skirmishes, etc. A dozen are on patriotic stationery and a few have their original envelopes. Tillotson enjoyed writing-most are closely-written 4-pagers, unhurried, with philosophical comments including a defense of rebel patriotism capped by a diatribe against the Northern press & censorship. For those with a taste for the macabre there is a description of his men reading letters at night while outside their tent a Private Collar throws an epileptic fit ("I guess you will think we are a heartless set. .besides he dont sense anythin til he comes out of them and we cant help him any."). In addition, there are also twenty letters to George from a soldier friend, 10 late 19th Century covers, mostly from the 114th Reg. but also the 32nd GAR encampment and Womens Relief Corp, all with original printed enclosures incl. excellent GAR broadside. Also included is a muster-out roll, promotion paper, large 4-part photograph entitled "Battles and Battle Flags of the 89th Regiment, N.Y.S. Vols.,” a hand-made ambrotype case created from wood scraps with an image of his wife & three children, and a collection of news-clippings documenting the reunions of the 89th. A wonderful group- one of the highlights of the Stern collection, acquired intact from the Tillotson family a half-century ago and offered for the first time at auction (Photo Ex) E. 3,000-4,000
3280  **The Letters of Thomas Vincent.** Group of approx. 70 letters (and portions of 12 others) from a soldier in the 22nd Michigan, from Sept. 1862 to Oct. 1863, a number are on patriotic lettersheets, all from various camps in Kentucky and Tennessee, the usual marching, drilling and picket duty, impressions of Louisville and Nashville, Genl. Rosencrands, promotions to corporal and sergeant, numerous skirmishes and fights, taking prisoners, good paragraph on execution ("I see him hung till he was dead dead and then cut down...since I have been in the army I do not take any notice of seen a man killed...we do not care for anything, I do not know what we shall be after we have been heard three years"), etc. Last letter is from Richmond, stating that he is a prisoner; a photocopy of a muster roll indicates he died of disease, Jan. 1864, Fine group...............(Photo) E. 3,000-5,500

3281  **A Naval Captain's Letter Book.** 7½ x 12¼ in., with ms. copies of letters from Captain Henry W. Morris, dated Nov. 2, 1861-March 20, 1863 aboard the U.S. Sloop "Pensacola," mostly addressed to Sec. of Navy Gideon Welles, Morris gives appraisals for various ships and cargo captured by Union forces, lists of men deserting and rewards for their return so they can be tried, report one of his men fell overboard and his body never recovered, transport of paroled prisoners, etc., also letters to David Farragut, Generals J. W. Phelps and John Marston, etc., all in a neat attractive hand, covers with wear, still Fine, very scarce and desirable ......................................................... E. 1,000-1,500

3282  **Papers of the 93rd Regiment, Pa. Vols.** Approx. 60 pieces, includes special orders, circulars, memorandums, invoices, etc. also several furloughs with the autographs of Generals John Newton, H.D. Terry, Frank Wheaton, etc. Fine lot ............ E. 500-750

3283  **Soldiers' Letters.** Four, includes one on patriotic lettersheet ("What do you think of old England on the Mason & Slidel questions, the prevailing opinion of the boys is that the English are going to pitch in, all I have to say is let them come") etc.; Apr. 2, 1863 letter on the eve of Chancellorsville; letter from Camp Denison stating the camp will be abandoned and the men will go to guard prisoners at Camp Chase; letter from Folly Island re attack on Forts Wagner and Moultrie, Fine lot ......................................................................................... E. 150-200

3284  **Soldiers' Letters.** Approx. Fifty, all from members of the Graham/Hunter families, a number with good content especially descriptions of various battles & skirmishes against Bragg's army, letters during the occupation of Brownsville, Tex., good letter re Genl. Steele's disastrous Red River campaign, guerrilla warfare in Missouri incl. the capture of the steamboat Sam Gaty and the murder of negro contraband on their way to Kansas, etc., lot also includes an additional group of post-war and pre-war letters, the latter incl. a mining letter headed "Clear Creek Rocky Mountains" (1860), most with original envelopes, stamps have usually been removed though we note a caricature "Wait Till the War is Over" with 3¢ Rose (65) and a Flag patriotic with ms. "Bacon Creek" postmark and "Due 3", Very Good-Very Fine, with transcriptions of letters and notes ................................................................. E. 750-1,000

3285  **Soldiers Letters and Related.** Approx. 80 pieces, mostly letters (incl. five correspondences) mostly from members of N.Y. regiments, a number with original envelopes incl. one correspondence with "Death to Copperheads" written on each, some good contents incl. a description of 197 officers escaping from a Richmond prison by tunneling, capturing some of Mosby's men, battle descriptions, etc., a few on attractive patriotic lettersheets, includes two patriotic covers (scarce "Reidenback's Store Pa" ms. postmark, etc.), cover with 12¢ Black (36) on illustrated P.O. cover addressed to Daniel Ruggles, Gideon Welles signature on postal document, etc. Fine-Very Fine, desirable group ... E. 1,000-1,500

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CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS' CORRESPONDENCES

3286 A Confederate Prisoner's Correspondence. Thirty-nine letters incl. 25 from prisoner Walter Ryall, at Camp Chase and Camp Douglas, from July 1863 to Mar. 1865, the letters forming one long anxious wait for parole or exchange, neither of which occurred, with frequent requests for money: "You imagine correctly Pa that I am destitute of almost everything. I have nothing in the world that would be of any service outside of prison" etc., mentions attempts by Union relatives to release him, allusions to rebel raids in Tenn. disrupting mail service, news from home, etc., in addition to the P.O.W. group there are fourteen letters from other family members, some to Walter or about him including two letters from the Provost Marshal's office, "Head-Quarters District of Nashville," letterhead, etc., Fine-Very Fine ............................................. E. 1,000-1,250

3287 The Correspondence of George Lea, 7th Reg., Miss. Vols. Sixty-nine war-dated letters, mostly from George to his father, datelines show an endless list of different camps, from enlistment summer of 1861 to Aug. 1864, "In Line of Battle west side of Atlanta." Fine details of camp life, also one letter devoted to state loyalty vs. Confederate service (many in his brigade refused to be mustered into CSA service), much discussion of skirmishes and battles (Corinth, Pea Ridge, Ship Island, Island No. 10, defeat of the Union blockade squadron ("Hollins plaid Yankey doodle to the Yankeys and made them dance it in double quick time."), etc., references to Generals Beauregard, Chalmers, Forrest, Hardee, Hood, Lovell ("I fear that he has lived too long in New York.") Price, Van Dorn, death of Zollicoffer, etc., the usual rumors about the enemy: "McClellan refuses to obey Lincoln's command- is good if it is true but I fear it is not the case if it is the thing is coming to a close," and "The enemy are deserting by whole regiments owing to Lincoln's Abolition Sentiments & the passage of the Bill to emancipate the slaves...They joined the Army as Union men and not as abolitionists." etc., also fragments of six other war letters, one pre-war and one post-war example, several with hand-carried envelopes, virtually all with typed transcription, mixed condition (some ink erosion and separations- George used a bewildering variety of paper), but overall a Fine group, a rare opportunity. Includes photocopies of muster rolls and illustration of his gravestone (he died at the Battle of Franklin) ............................................. E. 2,500-3,000

3288 Letters of a Confederate Chaplain. Twenty-two letters of the Rev. T.D. Witherspoon, Chaplain of the 2nd, 11th & 42nd Miss. regiments, dated between May 2, 1861 and July 8, 1862, lengthy, well-written including a superb account of First Manassas written on the battle field (4pp., 7/8 x 9/4 in.), another letter has some withering remarks re the enemy: "If we wait until the Federal forces advance to attack us we might as well build houses and buy farms and settle... When we go to try and hunt up a battle with them they rush back across the Potomac like scared sheep. Poor Doodles! They don't fancy fighting much, I had a through contempt for them when I left home but a still more loathing contempt for them now, men who...kill a few peaceful citizens, rob houses, insult women, steal private treasures...without the courage to fire a single round," etc., lot includes a pass from surgeon to draw articles from the Tennessee volunteers, 11pp., all 1863, Ryall describes his capture "near Jackson Miss after fighting the battle of Raymond", working as nurse in hospital, father hoping he'll take the oath rather than be exchanged, news of friends and family in other prisons, etc., three letters have original envelopes (each with Indianapolis postmark and ms. examiner's mark), lot also includes three letters from family members to Thomas while a prisoner, Fine group ............................................. E. 300-400

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The McIntosh Correspondence. Group of 140 war-dated letters from this North Carolina family, to and from family members and friends, most of whom were fighting, letter by letter gives a sense of the war's progression, the highlight being an intense group of letters written at Petersburg from the summer of 1864 into 1865 with descriptions of trench life and many skirmishes, shellings and a growing list of the dead ("one of the company had both eyes shot out... our Col. is mortally wounded in the head" etc.), throughout there are numerous glimpses of camp life incl. illness, punishments, building of fortifications, desertions (includes description of deserter caught, sentenced then pardoned moments before his execution), Pres. Davis meeting with Genl. Pettigrew, POW letters, Genl. Stuart in bloody skirmish, fighting at Wilderness, James Island, Ft. Johnson, Chancellorsville, stealing 2500 cattle from Grant's cavalry, remarks about censorship of newspapers, a couple of letters partly in private code, etc. In addition there are three poems incl. Valentine poem, letter intended to be carried by slave, a hair braid sent by a lover, 14 post-war and 4 pre-war letters, etc. Accompanying the correspondence are photocopies of muster rolls and transcripts or a synopsis of many letters, a very desirable Confederate group .................................................... E. 5,000-6,000

A Tennessee Regiment on the March. Fourteen letters from Walter Ryall of the 1st Tenn., Co. B, to his father, Apr. 1861 to Dec. 1862: joins the Rock City Guards, descriptions of drills and camp life at Camps Harding & Cheatham, rumor (Jul. 30, '61) that Genl. Lee will take charge (in Western Virginia), and wilder rumors like the entire evacuation of Tennessee; mention of Genl. Wise in skirmish, company joining Zollicoffer, and the usual endless marching, etc., original envelopes include blue "10" hs, 9-star patriotic (stamp removed), Winchester Va. cds with pencil "Due 10", ms. Healing Springs with "Paid 10" etc., Fine, readable and worthwhile group .......................................................... E. 500-600

Confederate Soldier's Letters. Seven, 1862-1866 (two are post-war), from Johnston Ryall, beginning with a heartfelt letter to a friend, Capt. Boone: "Long has it been my desire to be with you, & share the burden borne by you... I shall soon learn the soldier's duty, & be prepared for assisting actively... I cannot stay here in comparative safety, while my friends & companions are exposed to danger... If success crown their efforts, let my voice mingle in the joyful sound, if not, let us all rest in one grave together," etc., includes letter describing hiding in slave cabin with a broken leg, etc., Fine lot .................................................... E. 250-350

UNION SOLDIERS' DIARIES

A Lieutenant's Diary. By Daniel Shea, adjutant to General A.J. Smith, 33rd Reg. Wis. Vols. Dated Jan. 1 through May 9, 1865, 58pp., 5¼ x 8¼ in., containing weather info, troop movements and engagements, good entry for May 1: "Received General Field Order No. 29, dated at Mobile April 25, signed E.R.S. Canby announcing the death by assination [sic] of President Lincoln and Secretary [sic] Seward. It has cast a deep gloom over our Army. He was the Soldier's friend and they loved him. The nation has lost an honest man, a fine patriot, and an able Statesman... All business is closed and the Guns are being fired every half hour between Sun rise and Sun down." Spine repaired but original covers. Accompanying this is Shea's "Regimental Descriptive Book," 176pp., large folio, containing a list of commissioned officers, non-com. staff and list of regiment members, list of discharged, sick, "Book of the Dead", etc. After the war a family member began using this as a scrap book- news clippings, poems, etc. are pasted in randomly. A fascinating book. Both housed in custom-made cases .................................................... E. 1,000-1,250

A New Hampshire Soldier's Diary. 1861-1862, 7½ x 12 in., written by Henry Haskell who participated in both land and naval battles, this being an account of his travels while being on board several vessels, includes good descriptions of the Battle of Port Royal, graphic details of rebel soldiers’ jaws and scalps in Ft. Walker, hanging of slaves, account of the Union attack on Pocotaglisco, also amusing description of game involving washtub of flour, a buried half dollar and two blacks with their hands tied, etc., includes company roll, list of deaths, etc., some wear and toning, still Fine, very desirable. E. 750-1,000
A New Hampshire Soldier's Diary: Brother William. 7½ x 11¾ in. book, approx. 87 pp., entries from Sept. 1861 to Jan. 1864, by Wm. Haskell (see lot) mostly in Florida with mention of skirmishes, civilian shot by rebel guerrillas while milking his cow, flag of truce, Genl. Alfred Terry, sighting poirpoises in river, etc., discharged in Sept. '62 because of illness, the balance of the diary records events back home, perhaps dull by today's standards though one gets an excellent sense of daily life in 1860s New Hampshire, spiced up with several amusing entries concerning his father: "Dad threw a chair at Charlotte and struck me in the face with one while I was in bed," and, "Old man was ugly as sin & I wish he was off to war & forgot the way back," etc. with now & then a very discreet sexual reference, if the recurring use of the phrase, "had a good time" is any indication: "Met Fannie...We went up to the Old Place, had a good time," etc., includes some verses, drawings of leaves, etc., covers with some wear & surface loss, still Fine. E. 750-1,000

A Pennsylvania Soldier's Diary. "Daily Memorandum Book for 1862", original calf skin cover, marbled edges, with entries by Sgt. Thomas Hatton of Co. D, 82nd Regt., P.V., "Camp on Queens Farm Near Washington D.C.", excellent day by day account of camp life, details of drills, punishments (the phrase, "guard house" occurs often), a drunken party on Washington's Birthday, etc., also description of the Monitor, mention of Stonewall Jackson, Admiral Porter, etc., entries come to a halt on June 30th: Sgt. Hatton was wounded at Malvern Hill on Jul. 1st, and died on the 4th; some wear, includes transcript and photocopies of widow's pension and various legal documents
E. 600-800

A Pennsylvania Private's Diaries. Three pocket diaries of Thomas Jefferson Oves, of the 49th Pa. Vols., Mar. 1862 to Oct. 1864. Oves served continuously and actively, most significantly as a member of the ambulance corp, through the Peninsula and Seven Days Campaigns, Gettysburg, the Wilderness campaign, Petersburg and in Sheridan's Shenandoah Valley campaign. It also includes such entries as being reviewed by Lincoln, accidently shooting a California soldier while on picket duty and description of an aerial balloon over a rebel fort. In addition the lot includes three books in Oves's possession: By-Laws, Infantry Tactics, and Ritual of the Union Veteran Legions. With transcripts of diaries and copy of muster rolls. Dairies with wear to covers and spine faults but still an outstanding group
E. 2,500-3,000

Sherman's Army: A Diary. Kept by John Derr, Co. A, 103rd Regt., Ohio Vols. from Feb. 1, 1864 to Dec. 31st, 3 x 6 in., entries for the Battles of Atlanta, Franklin and Nashville, with comments such as "I saw 42 dead Rebels in one pile and one cannon bursted," and "Our Regt. come in with 700 prisoners...The rebels got whipped very bad at Franklin" etc., split along binding otherwise Fine
E. 500-750

Union Soldier's Diary. 1865 pocket diary of Sgt. Wm. Shaw, Co. D, 37th Mass. vols., gilt edge with calf skin cover in green, original cloth tie, brief penciled entries for every day of the year: "April 2. Beautiful day. We have had a hard one. We made an assault on the enemy's works this morning and carried them. Our regt. took one fort and 3 guns with rebel battle flag...April 2. Fine day. Then enemy evacuated Petersburg last night and we entered it this morning, the Mayor Surrendering it to our arms. I was one of the first to enter the city...April 8. Still crowding on after Lee...Apr. 9. Fine cool day. Still marching on after Lee. A flag of truce and cessation of peace has come. Oh what a day. Unconditional. Apr. 10. Surrender of Lee and his Army. What shouting. God be praised for this day and occasion and that he has spared me to see it." etc. Also recorded the assassination of Lincoln and his funeral, the surrender of Johnston, etc. Fine condition
E. 750-1,000

Union Soldier's Diary. T.J. Kessler, a member of the 2nd Brigade Band, 1st Div., 9th Army Corp., who from Jan. to Aug. 1865 wrote diary entries in a 3 x 5¼ in. pocket account book. Interesting content with entries concerning a flag of truce being sent to General Grant, the capture of Wilmington and Fort Fisher, Genl. Sherman with possession of Branchville, details of Vice Pres. Stephens passing thru lines under flag of truce, report of Lincoln's assassination, the false rumor of his recovery and two entries mentioning the capture of John Wilkes Booth, also the surrender of Lee and Joe Johnston, etc., also a list of expenses, addresses of two girls from Washington, etc., minor wear, excellent item
E. 750-1,000
The War-Time Diaries of Thomas Huston. Four, dated Sept. 1862-Apr. 30, 1865, in Kansas City, Mo., matching 3 3/4 x 5 7/8 in. leather bound pocket diaries with pencil entries, all dated, Huston did not enlist but there are war-related entries throughout including various Missouri skirmishes & battles, Gettysburg, Vicksburg, capture of Generals Marmaduke & Cabell, surrender of Lee, the death of Lincoln, in addition there are two post-war diaries dated May 1, 1865-Jan. 25, 1868 which includes mention of the capture of Jeff Davis, also an earlier diary (1857), seven diaries in all. Fine group .................................. E. 2,000-2,500

UNION GENERALS

Nathaniel P. Banks. 1816-1894. Maj. Genl. ALS, 2pp., 5 3/4 x 8 in., dated June 28, 1862 at Middletown, Va., to Genl. Crawford: "The sketch is most excellent. It shows the position and country better than anything I have seen. There is no truth in the rumor referred to. A prisoner, one of our own men, escaped from Jackson, brought report that an infantry force was posted about four miles above Woodstock. He limited it to two Brigades. I have seen the officer who talked with him. The prisoner did not himself see anything. A reconnoissance was made yesterday infantry by back road and cavalry on pike-to Woodstock. No troops were found there, though cavalry was there recently. There is no certainty of the presence of the enemy in force this side of New Market." As was usually the case, Stonewall was nowhere to be found. This letter was written one month after Jackson had driven Banks's army across the Potomac; small separation in fold, affecting "N," Fine, accompanied by hand-colored CDV .................................. E. 500-750

William W. Belknap. LS as Secretary of War, 1 1/2pp., dated Nov. 17, 1874, to Chester A. Arthur regarding Col. Addison Ware who had served with Belknap, written out in an attractive calligraphic hand, tiny separations at folds, Fine, written during the Grant administration scandals; Belknap was impeached less than two years later and resigned .................................. E. 200-250

Henry Washington Benham. 1813-1884. Brig. Genl. ALS, 2pp., 7 7/8 x 9 3/4 in., dateline Hilton Head S.C., May 23, 1862, to Captain John Goldsborough: "I am expecting a movement to the North with the troops from my division- and it is of the utmost importance that the attention of the enemy who I fear now suspect it should divert or left in doubt if possible- and you can aid me much with your vessels. ... I would suggest frequent movements from one point to another on the rivers about and above Wapaw. ... Perhaps you will be able to let me know by the bearer if you think you can make pretty imperative demonstrations," etc. This letter was then enclosed in a cover sent to Goldsborough's wife in Mount Holly, N.J., The captain's enclosure is datelined "U.S. Steamer Florida Wapaw (not Wassaw) Sound Ga. May 24 1862", an incredible twelve page letter discussing naval actions, his wish to participate in the recapture of Sumter, references to Admirals Davis and Foote, discusses the career of his brother Louis, once the hero of Roanoke and now criticized by the New York Herald for his "stolid indifference", letting the rebel blockade runner Nashville reach Wilmington and suggesting that if it leaves "I would not at all be surprised if the President relieved & arrested him." etc. Superbly written, with original envelope postmarked Port Royal with red crayon "OK". The "movement" Genl. Benham mentions is most likely his ill-advised attacked against Secessionville on June 16th which resulted in being relieved of command and arrested .................................. E. 750-1,000


Hiram Burnham. Brig. Genl. 1824-1894. Signature as Col. of the 6th Maine Vols. on "Abstract of Articles Received from Officer in the Quarter ending March 31st 1862." He led his regiment through the Peninsula campaign, Fredericksburg, Gettysburg, etc. He was killed at Chafin's Farm in the fall of 1864. Very Fine and scarce ..... E. 100-125

Benjamin F. Butler. 1818-1893. ALS, 1 page, 7 3/4 x 9 3/4, headed "Washington Law Library Jan. 23rd," to Thomas Ewing: "Upon suggestion of the Secretary of War I have called upon you to consult upon a matter that may be of service to the country. Calling at your lodgings at 11 o'clock a.m. I was told you were at the Supreme Courtroom. I have pursued you here and have the misfortune not to find you." etc., Fine .................................. E. 300-400
3308° **Daniel Butterfield.** 1831-1901. Maj. Genl, Meade's Chief of Staff at Gettysburg. Signed CDV of the general in uniform, card clipped at corners, not affecting signature or image, Fine ..................................................(Photo)  E. 500-600

3309 **John A. Dix.** ALS, 2½pp., 5¼ x 8¼ in., Dept. of Va. 7th Army Corp. Fortress Monroe letterhead, dated Dec. 2, 1862, to a Mrs. Londena Comenga, re his son's election as Rector of the Trinity Church of N.Y. and capture of rebel battery, includes two news clippings which he enclosed, letter with toning at fold, well clear of signature which is large and bold, Fine. Lot includes 1862 ALS of Morgan Dix with interesting remark about his father: "although his services are not of a that description which makes a great show and causes men to be talked about, yet they are incessant, and to the country, of great value." ... ............................................. E. 150-200

3310 **John A. Dix.** LS, 1 page, dated Sept. 16, 1863 with Department of the East letterhead, bold signature, Fine .......................................................... E. 100-150

3311 **Winfield Scott Hancock.** Brigadier General, 1824-1886. Twice signed cabinet photo with formal head and shoulders portrait in civilian dress (Mora imprint), with signature in margin on face, reverse inscribed, "For Miss Lulu Perry. With kind regard Winfield Scott Hancock, Governors Island: N.York March 9th 1881". Very Fine .......................... E. 300-400

3312° **Winfield S. Hancock.** Signature as Brig. Genl. on military pass dated Feb. 13, 1862, "Pass Mrs. Tennent outside of the lines to day", toned, otherwise Fine, with steel engraving ......... ............................................. E. 250-350

3313 **Rutherford B. Hayes.** ALS as Lt. Col., headed "Hd Qters 23d Regt Camp Green Meadows Va. July 23 1862", contents regarding appointment of Capt. Drake as recruiting officer, staining in text, well clear of signature .......................................... E. 600-800

3314° **David Hunter.** 1802-1886. Brig. Genl. ALS ("D.H."), 4pp., 5 x 8 in., dated Port Royal Apr. 17, no year, to his wife, describing his pleasant quarters, three souvenir swords taken during the capture of Pulaski, and prematurely praises General Benham: "he is full of life energy and industry and saves me from all the minor details." He felt differently after the fiasco of Secessionville (see lot 3304); he ends by noting his letter would go on the same ship (the Oriental) taking north those prisoners captured at Pulaski, Fine contents ...... ......................................................... E. 100-150

3315° **Phil Kearney.** 1815-1862. Maj. Genl. ALS, 1 page, 5 x 71/2 in., rare letterhead, "Head-Quarters, New Jersey Brigade," to a Col. McReynolds, Lincoln House, asking him to tell his officers he says "thanks for their efficiency & zeal." Signed as Brigadier General, accompanying the lot is a CDV of his grave, a steel engraving of Kearney in uniform, two obituaries and a news clipping announcing his appointment as Brigadier. Fine and desirable lot ............................................................. E. 1,000-1,500
3316° John A. Logan. Maj. Genl. 1826-1886. ALS, 1 page, 5½ x 7¾ in., datelined, "Head Qrs. 15 A.C. Dec. 24/1863", a warm thank you to Col. Alexander McDougall "for the many kindnesses I have received at your hands," etc., Fine ................................................ E. 150-200

3317° George McClellan. 1826-1885. General-in-Chief of the Armies of the United States. ALS, 2pp., 8 x 10 in., dated May 23, 1871, Department of Docks letterhead, re "the best system of steam navigation for canals," etc., Fine, accompanied by familiar full figure pose with binoculars ................................................ E. 300-400

3318° George McClellan. ALS, 1¾pp., 5 x 8 in., dated May 4, 1884, to N.Y. Governor Cleveland, superbly matted and framed with brass name plate, Very Fine . E. 400-500

3319° George McClellan. Brady CDV with Anthony imprint, attached to it is a signature of the General; laminated ................................................................. E. 100-150

3320° [George McClellan]. Campaign envelope for the 1864 election, addressed to Middleville N.Y., design at L. with 3¢ Rose (65) pasted over McClellan’s head and well-tied by indistinct double circle postmark ("...ville N.Y.") , most likely sender equated the general’s career with George Washington, a notion that McClellan himself might have endorsed; in any case, a notoriously difficult design to get in used Very Fine condition ................................................................. (Photo) E. 600-800

George G. Meade. ALS, 2pp., 4¼ x 6½ in., dated Aug. 4, 1865, “Head-Quarters, Military Division of the Atlantic” letterhead, to a Dr. Mifflin, explaining his absence from Washington: “It was absolutely necessary I should return here [Philadelphia] as I found many questions awaiting my action. I am glad to hear the party did justice to your generous hospitality which Mrs. Meade, my son & myself will ever hold in grateful remembrance.” etc. There is also a comment regarding Grant: “Grant I see has left Boston otherwise, I would advise him to pay you a visit.” Very Fine, accompanied by July 11, 1865 issue of Harper’s Weekly with large litho portrait of Meade as the new commander ......................... E. 750-1,000

George G. Meade. ALS (“Geo. Meade”), 1 page, 4⅛ x 6½ in., dated Apr. 7, 1873, to Genl. Sickel, acknowledging receipt of minutes which he has “made a few corrections”, Fine ......................................................... E. 200-250

George Meade. Two pieces from the personal scrapbook of John C. Babcock, one of the “secret service” men worked with Pinkerton and General Meade at Gettysburg. Includes ANS of Meade to Babcock: “I send a rebel mail from Honey Creek captured this P.M. Please examine it and report if any information is extracted. Geo. G. Meade Maj. Gen.” Also a photo (unmounted CDV) of Meade with this notation in Babcock’s hand: “Presented to J.CB. 1862, who was his confidential agent, from his appointment 1863 to close of war.” Accompanied by two news clippings of Babcock’s obituary, Fine, Civil War material related to the Secret Service is very scarce ......................................................... E. 2,000-2,500

Nelson A. Miles. 1839-1925. Maj. Genl. ALS, 2pp., 7¼ x 10 in., dated Feb. 11, 1865, to Senator Wilson: “I have a young friend, Lt. Edward [sic] Zalinski (the youngest officer in the army) who has been here since November and is very desirous of obtaining an appointment (at large) to the West Point Academy. His papers were presented to the President by the Hon. Isaac Newton, Commissioner of Agriculture. He is a young man of fine education and excellent character, has been under fire with me, and I can vouch for his bravery. Any assistance you can afford him will greatly oblige me. I see you have a large number of appointments before the Senate for confirmation among the list. I understand that there is an effort being made to have the rank of one or two general officers dated back so that they may rank me. My appointment dates from the battle when I am supposed to have earned it, as I believe every brevet [sic] should. By giving my case a little of your attention you will do me a favor, which I hope to be able to return. I remain Very Truly your obt. svt. Nelson A. Miles. Bt. Major Genl.” Very Fine.

Shortly after this letter was written, fifteen-year-old Edmund Zalinski was commissioned a 2nd lieutenant. Although he never went to West Point, his important army career included teaching military science at MIT and fame as an inventor of numerous military devices. For his conduct at Chancellorville, Miles was made a brevet brigadier general of the Regular Army in 1867 and awarded the Medal of Honor in 1892. His long career included being custodian to Jefferson Davis and accepting the surrender of Geronimo. An important letter from one of the most illustrious of American generals E. 500-600

Robert H. Milroy. Maj. Genl. 1816-1890. LS as Brigadier General, 1 page, 7½ x 9½ in., datelined “Head Quarters Independent Brigade Camp near Woodville Va. August 4 1862,” regarding the use of Mr. Slaughter’s farm and the forage and subsistence left behind for his use which was subsequently taken by other brigades. “Can you not give Mr. Slaughter an order that will reserve to him what little forage and subsistence he has remaining for his own use?” Very Fine ................................................................. E. 250-350


Fitz John Porter. ALS, 1½pp, 5½ x 8¼ in., dated July 26, 1895, New York Post Office letterhead, also another ALS, 1 page, dated March 20, 1895, to Col. Diddle: “I have replied to the accompanying letter and also has Gen. [?] through me- both trying calmly & by careful assertion of fact & opinion to correct Ropes impression of derelictions which he assumes.” etc. Very Fine ................................................................. E. 150-200

Fitz John Porter. Maj. Genl. 1822-1901. ALS (“F.J. Porter”), 1 page, 8½ x 11 in., to Col. Horatio King: “Many & warm thanks for the proceedings of the Society of the Army of the Potomac received today & which I shall read with great interest & pleasure.” Letterhead of the N.Y. Police Dept. (Commissioner’s Office), Fine ................................................................. E. 100-150
James Schofield. Maj. Genl. 1831-1906. ALS, 1 page, 6 x 9 in., dated Mar. 9, 1887, "Headquarters Division of the Atlantic" letterhead, affirming his middle name is McAllister, after his mother's family name, Fine ........................................... E. 100-150

William Tecumseh Sherman. ALS, 1 page, 5 1/2 x 8 3/4 in., datelined St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 14, 1885, in frame, Fine ........................................... E. 300-400


Henry Warner Slocum. Maj. Genl. 1827-1894. ALS, 2pp., 7 1/2 x 9 3/4 in., letterhead, "Head Quarters Twelfth Corps, Army of the Potomac," datelined Tullahoma Feb. 11, 1864, addressed to "Col." (probably A.S. McDougall), he writes (in part): "give the names of all guerrillas known to you- also the names of all who have at any time harbored them, with a statement as to their wealth. I wish to caution you against an attack or ambushade on your return. Col. Ketchum lost two men killed today while returning. It is evident the guerrillas intended to kill the Col. Take good care of yourself." etc., Very Fine ........................................... E. 150-200

Henry Warner Slocum. ALS ("H.W. Slocum"), 1 page, 5 x 8 in., letterhead of Headquarters 12th Corps D'Armee, Army of Potomac, last word deleted with "Tullahoma June 23, 1864" added, to Col. McDougal, asks status of a Sergt. Smith on the staff of Genl. Hooker, Fine ........................................... E. 100-150


James S. Wadsworth. 1807-1864. Maj. Genl. ALS as Brig. Genl., 1 1/2pp., dated April 18, 1863, to Brig. Genl. Patrick, regarding some cattle taken from a contraband named William. Written 2 1/2 months before Gettysburg (for which he was breveted Major General), Fine, very scarce ........................................... (Photo) E. 1,000-1,250

Godfrey Weitzel. 1835-1884. Brig. Genl. Signed message in his hand on U.S. Military Telegraph sheet dated April 3, 1865 to the Provost Marshal at Norfolk: "I took Richmond at 8:15 this A.M. G. Weitzel Maj. Gen." Some soiling and small hole at B., far from text, slight fading in ink, still Fine

WEITZEL'S RETAINED DRAFT OF THE TELEGRAM CARRYING THE NEWS THAT RICHMOND HAS BEEN CAPTURED

In the final days of the war General Weitzel commanded all the Federal troops north of the Appomattox River. This is Weitzel's autograph draft of the famous message which "electrified the nation" (Warner), and referred to by Secretary of War Stanton in his message to Genl. Dix which was widely reprinted: "It appears from a dispatch of Gen. Weitzel, just received by this Department, that our forces under his command are in Richmond! having taken it at 8:15 this morning." A more modest version of Weitzel's message is quoted in Generals in Blue: "We entered Richmond at eight o'clock this morning." A unique and important document ........................................... (Photo) E. 1,000-1,500
Francis H. West. Breveted general. DS, part-printed appointment for a corporal in the 31st Wisconsin who had rallied his troops during the Battle of Atlanta, dated Nov. 14, 1864, light even toning, Fine, attractive .................................................. E. 250-350

A Middle Military Division Document Signed by Three Union Generals. Letter dated April 12, 1865 from an adjutant of Genl. Chapman to Genl. Tibbit, "to forward to these Hd Qrs. at once the return of yr. brigade for Jan. corrected by the insertion of the return of 22 Penna Cavalry." Forwarded and signed by Generals George Henry Chapman, Wm. Badger Tibbits and A.T.A. Torbert as Chief of Cavalry, in addition to assistants signing for Hancock and Hayes, includes part-printed label of the Middle Military Div. mounted in bottom right corner, last signature dated Apr. 22nd. Fine late piece ........ E. 300-400

Union Generals. Three: Silas Casey on undated ANS; S.R. Curtis signed 4-line note on 1863 army file sheet on colonel charged with various infractions; Edward Hincks 1875 ANS, Fine lot .................... E. 150-200

Union Generals and Admirals. Collection of 116 different signatures. Includes Banks, Doubleday, Hooker, Meade, Scott, Sickel, Siegel, etc., on card or clipped, some minor tape stains, Very Good-Very Fine, great starter collection .. E. 3,000-4,000

JEFFERSON DAVIS

Jefferson Davis. ALS, 2pp., 5 x 7¾ in., dated Aug. 2, 1876, to a Dr. M. Davis: "Enclosed please find the papers in regard to the Postage stamps. You will see that the inventor offers carte blanche as to terms, & I thought he should have half and any one who would take the invention in hand and push it through should divide with me the other half. The inventor is a friend of mine and I am unwilling to think less of his invention than he does, but to not expect as much as I wish. As ever truly yours Jefferson Davis," Fine .........................(Photo) E. 2,000-2,500

Jefferson Davis. Free frank as Senator on cover to Aberdeen, Miss., toned, scuff marks affecting signature .......................... E. 250-350

Jefferson Davis. Signature taken from the closing of a letter, in purple ink, Fine ...... E. 300-350

Jefferson Davis. Signature clipped from letter (tiny bit of text on reverse), Fine .... E. 100-150

Jefferson Davis. Civilian's letter dated Sept. 6, 1861: "There has been a report round for a day or two that Jef Davis is dead, folks don't believe there is any such good news, but they say he has a cancer in his eye and that as soon as it spreads on the brain he must die, the papers seem to say that the south almost worship him." etc. The usual wishful thinking, early in the war, though more imaginative than most, Fine .................. E. 100-150
[Jefferson Davis]. Letter from Erastus Blair of the 4th Michigan Cavalry to his cousin Amanda describing the capture of President Davis.

AN ACCOUNT OF JEFFERSON DAVIS'S CAPTURE WHILE WEARING A DRESS

Autograph letter, 16pp., 5 x 7% in., datelined “Camp 4th Mich. Cav Near Macon Ga. May 22d 1865.” Beginning with a description of the Battle of Selma under General James Wilson, Blair goes on to list the capture of Montgomery, Columbus, West Point, the destruction of arsenals and cotton, the rounding up of arms and prisoners, Genl. Cobb's flag of truce, etc. Blair was on picket duty on May 7th when part of the 4th Michigan left in pursuit of Davis, and by the morning of May 10th his regiment caught up with the rest of the 4th at Abbieville to find that “we (our regt.) had got the great prize.” He then gives the following account: “Col. Pritchard made a detail of 150 of the best horses in the Regiment and started in pursuit. Between 2 and 3 the next morning it being about 4 p.m. when he started he came within a mile of the much coveted prize, he found out by a slave who they chanced to meet who had been to their camp. The Col. went up within 1/2 mile, halted then sent about 1/2 of his men to surround the camp, these were on foot, the horses being kept back, about 3[r]d of the camp was entirely surrounded when that was complete the men who were not holding horses rode into camp. There was no stir anywhere except ourselves, the advance rode boldly on expecting to meet a guard...to their surprise found that they were within 15 rods of the tents...They, of the advance guard, gave a yell and in an instant the grounds was covered with our men. The yell aroused the camp who came out of their tents just as they left their beds, Mrs. Davis herself one of the number. Whether Mr. Davis had his clothes on or not I don’t know but soon two persons came out of a tent both carrying pails, one having a stick and walking bent over, they moved off a short distance when discovered and were halted, when Mrs. Davis made her appearance and said that those were her two servants going after water...but one man not liking the appearance of the stooping figure rode up to them, at the same time 4 others nearby came and all about the (?) said pull off that disguise you are known, the stooping figure was much confused but after seeing 3 spewed carbines leveled at him yielded and pulled off an old dress and shawl and there stood before them Mr. Jefferson Davis.”

The balance of the account mentions escorting Davis to Atlanta, speculation of when the 4th would be mustered out, etc., accompanied by a 4pp letter from Blair in 1863 while convalescing and a cabinet photo of Blair & friends, both letters with transcription, Very Fine, a wonderful account of the apprehension of Jeff Davis in drag, sometimes dismissed as a witty creation of the northern press, though this letter by a member of the 4th Michigan cavalry shows that this controversial incident clearly had a basis in fact

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3350  [Jefferson Davis]. ALS from Judge John C. Underwood to his daughter, dated Richmond May 18, 1867, concerning the trial of Davis. He writes (in part): "I suppose you saw by the papers that we had Jefferson Davis in court & let him out on bail of $100,000. Some people find fault with me for being too severe and some for not being severe enough but as I cannot please everybody I am trying to please myself by doing as near right as I know how & by tempering justice with mercy. It is true we treat Davis with much more kindness than he treated our poor soldiers when they fell into his hands but we should be barbarous & no Christians if we did not." etc. Very Fine, desirable content ........................................................................................................... E. 200-250

CONFEDERATE GENERALS

3351*  E.P. Alexander and Josiah Gorgas. Orange cover addressed in the hand of Genl. Gorgas to: "Genl. E.P. Alexander Washington Georgia" with docketing at left: "From Gen. J. Gorgas" in the hand of Alexander, at top is ms. "Express-Paid 2/-", barest trace of stamp having been removed at top right, probably the rescue of an uncanceled stamp by either party, as this express cover clearly did not pass through the regular mails, flap partly torn away, horiz. fold along top, Fine, great usage .................................................................................................................. E. 500-600


3353*  Pierre G.T. Beauregard. General, 1818-1893. ALS, 1 page, 5½ x 9 in., dated March 31, 1873, "Office New Orleans and Carrollton R.R. Co." letterhead, to Genl. William Walker congratulating him on his association with N.O. Mutual Insurance and regretting he knows of no positions in railroads for two former officers Walker recommended, Very Fine .......................................................................................................................................................... E. 750-1,000

3354*  Pierre G. T. Beauregard. Calling card given to Stephen Dill Lee and inscribed: "Genl. S.D. Lee at the St. Charles Hotel with the compliments of Genl. Beauregard", lightly toned, Fine piece .................................................................................................................................................. E. 200-250

3355*  Howell Cobb. LS, 1 page, as Secretary of Treasury under Buchanan, Aug. 22, 1860, with engraving, faint toning bands at sides not affecting signature, Fine ........................................................................................................................................ E. 250-350

3356*  Howell Cobb. Maj. Genl. 1815-1868. Signature as Secretary of the Treasury on 1859 check, Fine ........................................................................................................................................ E. 200-250

Jubal A. Early. Signature at the age of 15 in copy of Titii Livii Patavini's HISTORIUM published in 1821: "Jubal A. Early's book May 10 1831", signed on front free endpaper (toned), book with wear; puns aside, this is one of the earliest examples of his signature ................................................. E. 300-400

Samuel Wragg Ferguson. Brig. Genl. 1834-1917. ALS ("S.W. Ferguson Aide de Camp"), 1 page, 5½ x 9 in., datelined "Hd Qrs. Army of the Potomac Manassas Junction July 16 '61", to Maj. Walton: "I am instructed by the Genl. Comdg. [Beauregard] to inform you that your battery may be required tomorrow morning as per statement herewith enclosed. It is probable that the four pieces required for Genl. Ewell's command will be needed at an early hour." Very Fine content, just days before First Manassas .......................................................... E. 300-400

Nathan Bedford Forrest. Lt. General. 1821-1877. $1,000 bond signed twice in uncharacteristic purple ink ("N.B. Forrest") as President of the Selma, Marion and Memphis R.R. Co., dated 1869, with bronze seal, seven coupons removed, Fine and attractive example .................................................. E. 1,000-1,250

[Nathan Bedford Forrest]. Two letters with brief references to the general, one headed, "Camp near Columbia, Dec. 11, 1862" which begins, "John Smith arrived this evening, bringing Forest's wife & some Negroes," the other (1864) is from a father talking about his sons: Johnson was with Forrest, & Henry with Polk, both in Miss.,", etc., the latter also mentions, "The negroes here & I get along very well now...Genl. Grant has issued an order that all able bodied negro men who leave their masters shall be mustered into the U.S. service & all others with the women shall be hired out. This will keep the darkies at their homes. He has also directed the commanders of the posts to administer Lincoln's amnesty oath to all who wish to take it," etc., Fine .......................................................... E. 150-200


John B. Gordon. Maj. Genl. 1832-1904. Signature on card ("J.B. Gordon Ga.") together with signature of Union General Francis Barlow, (with rank), handsomely matted and framed with oval portraits of each general, image of Gettysburg showing Barlow's Knoll and brass plate. At Gettysburg Gordon's brigade struck Barlow's line- his troops broke and ran. Riding after the retreating Federals, Gordon saw Barlow wounded on the ground. He dismounted, gave him water and at Barlow's request scribbled a note to his wife which Gordon sent through the lines under a white flag. When they met by chance after the war, they became lifelong friends .......................................................... E. 300-400

John B. Gordon. ANS as Georgia senator, 1 page, dated Dec. 27, 1873: "My residence is the Imperial Hotel- No ladies." Fine .......................................................... E. 150-200
3366° Paul Octave Herbert. 1818-1880. Brig. Genl. ALS in pencil, 8½ x 11 in., dated June 29, 1878, good contents addressed to the Chief of Engineers, Washington attacking proposal to enlarge the Mississippi river traffic into New Orleans by building parallel jetties at the mouth of the Mississippi: “To say nothing of the cost and time necessary to accomplish Capt. Eads vague and indefinite plan to obtain a 200-foot channel from Cairo to the mouth of the Red River it is no heresy in the physics of the Mississippi to assert that when he puts Cairo on a hill he will put the lower basin just where it was some 4,000 years ago— that is, under water.” etc. Fine and important post-war letter …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………E. 400-500

3367° A.P. Hill. 1825-1865. Lt. General. Signature (“A.P. Hill, 1st Lieutenant, 1st Artillery”) on manuscript map of the U.S. Coast Survey Office, being Hill’s copy of “Sketch of York River” originally made in 1856 by J.P. Roy and here dated Jan. 5, 1857. In this office he served briefly before resigning to enter Confederate service as Colonel of the 13th Va., with war-date CDV, wonderful showpiece ………………………(Photo) E. 10,000-12,000


3369 [Joseph E. Johnston]. Bitter letter from the Rev. T.D. Witherspoon, a Miss. chaplain, “In camp near Winchester, Va., July 18d, 1861.” He writes (in part): “I think Johnson utterly incompetent to command a Southern Army. He believes in pursuing the old routine to which the enemy are accustomed and in which they can anticipate every movement. The times, the state of the public mind, and especially the character of Johnson’s Army calls for some bold master stroke. Such a man as old Jackson or Francis Marion or Putnam would have long since been upon the enemy in a dozen different directions. Johnson is too slow, his blood is too cold, he is not capable of anything brilliant or daring.” etc., also mentions Generals Jackson, Bee and Elzey, 4pp., 7¼ x 9¾ in., minor toning, excellent content 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3371°  **Fitzhugh Lee.** Hand-carried cover addressed in pencil to "Gen. R.E. Lee comdg: -", imprint at top right: HEAD QUARTERS CAVALRY CORPS, ARMY OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA with pencil "special" beneath it, pencil docketing in left margin: "Forwarded by Capt. Randolph recd. at 12 o'clock" on back flap, in faint pencil only partly legible is this note in the hand of Fitz Lee "I am at Auburn with my command on Gen. S's left, watching began Weaversville, pickets at Carletts & c... Fitz Lee M.G.", in addition there is an "All quiet" written on the flap, handstamped on back "War Records 1861-1865 Copied", Fine. Skirmishes occurred at Weaversville Aug. 27th and Oct. 31st, 1863, the latter involving riding into Genl. Mead's headquarters and capturing several of his staff. Carletts may refer to a private residence in the area. An intriguing usage .............................................  E. 750-1,000

3372  **George Washington Custis Lee.** Maj. Genl. 1832-1913. Eldest son of Robert E. Lee. ALS ("G.W.C. Lee"), 1 pp., 4¼ x 6½ in., dated Nov. 19, 1906, acknowledging a copy of "Lyrics of the Gray": "I shall doubtless find much that is interesting in the Lyrics, and heartily thank you for them. When I have read and digested them, will send them to library of the camp of Confederate Veterans in Alexandria, Va. where they will be preserved for the use of the veterans of that association." etc. Fine ..........................................................  E. 300-400

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**ROBERT E. LEE**

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3373°  **Robert E. Lee.** Confederate general and commander of the Army of Northern Virginia. AUTOGRAPH FIELD LETTER ENDORSEMENT ON ENVELOPE TO GENERAL ALEXANDER LAWTON

Bold endorsement ("R.E. Lee Genl.") on white envelope addressed in his hand to "Genl. Lawton Qtrmtr. Gen." Lawton was placed in command of the quartermaster general's department in the fall of 1863, after being wounded at Sharpsburg. He remained there until the end of the war. Cover with tiny embossed allegorical scene on flap (torn upon opening) and minute edge nicks at L. and B., otherwise a remarkably fresh and choice example. Very Fine, first time offered at public auction ..........(Photo)  E. 6,000-8,000

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RARE AUTOGRAPH FIELD ENDORSEMENT DURING LEE'S SHORT TENURE AT SAVANNAH

Autograph endorsement, “Official business R.E. Lee Genl. Commg.” on orange cover addressed in his hand to “Honble Wm. Porcher Miles Charleston S.C.” Mailed shortly after Lee arrived in Savannah to supervise coastal defenses (Nov. 8, 1861), the cover is postmarked “Savannah Geo. Nov.” (small style datestamp with stars, date not legible) and “Paid 5” in oval, then returned from Charleston to Savannah with Nov. 24th postmark and red crayon “fw 5”, readdressed by the Post Office to Richmond Va. in early 1862 with large style “Savannah Ga. Paid” datestamp applied over first datestamp, red “Due 5” in oval applied but then struck out by black grid, flap missing, mended nicks at T. from opening (clear of endorsement and markings) otherwise fresh, Fine, possibly the only available example from this period of Lee’s career. First time offered at public auction .................................................................(Photo) E. 5,000-6,000
Robert E. Lee. ALS, 2pp., 5 x 8 in., datelined “Lexington Va. 9 July 1866” as President of Washington College, writing to a Mrs. Carson regarding her sons: “Your two younger sons have been here some time. They are eligibly located in a private family just outside of Lexington & are prepared to pursue their studies during the vacation. Their course has been marked out to them by the several Professors under whom they will pursue them & arrangements made by which they may have such recitations as they may require. I hope therefore they will diligently improve their time. I read the letter from Genl. Breckenridge to which you refer & it will give me great pleasure to do anything for your sons that I can. I need not tell you however that their progress & advancement will depend upon themselves, & that your influence & advice will prevail with them more than that of any one else. With great respect your obtServt R.E. Lee”, small tape stains clear of text and signature, otherwise fresh, Fine, with original transmittal envelope addressed in his hand

Robert E. Lee. Signature on 5 x 2¼ in. slip, “For Col: Preston with the regards of R.E. Lee”, light vert. crease through “R”, Fine ...........................................(Photo)  E. 6,000-8,000

Robert E. Lee. Signature on 5 x 2¼ in. slip, “For Col: Preston with the regards of R.E. Lee”, light vert. crease through “R”, Fine ...........................................(Photo)  E. 1,500-2,000
Robert E. Lee. Signature in pencil on 3¾ x 2-1/16 in. card, “For/Mrs. Chevis R.E. Lee.”
Very Fine ..................................................(Photo) E. 1,000-1,250

Robert E. Lee. Signature (“R.E. Lee”) taken from the closing of a letter, small toned spot affect “Lee” .................................................................(Photo) E. 750-1,000

Robert E. Lee. Faded signature on 3 x 2 in. card. Good ..................(Photo) E. 300-400

[Robert E. Lee]. CDV showing a head & shoulders portrait of a dark-haired, beardless Lee, Fine .................................................................(Photo) E. 150-200

[Robert E. Lee]. Three letters written by his cousin, Lizza Lee, two are war-dated (Tuscaloosa), including one with exceptional war content: Bedford Forrest capturing cavalry force near Rome, Ga., comment on Chancellorsville: “We are rejoicing and sorrowing over our last great victory, I never imagined any harm would befall Jackson and thought he was one of God’s instruments to work out our independence for us but we must remember that God can give us victories as easily without Jackson as with him and surely that is a great comfort,” etc., also one letter from 1866, Fine .................. E. 150-200

Lunsford L. Lomax. Maj. Genl. 1835-1913. ALS, 1 page, dated June 12, 1895 on War Records Office stationery, answering request for information on generals (“Willis & Pegram were killed before their commissions were confirmed,” etc.), Fine ........... E. 150-200

Mansfield Lovell. Confederate envelope addressed in his hand to “Mrs. General Lovell” in Columbia, S.C., 10c Blue Die A (11) tied by army grid over Dept. No. 1 imprint, piece out at T.L. from opening, otherwise clean and Fine .................. E. 150-200

William Mackall. 1817-1891. Brig. Genl. Signature on 1857 printed orders for the Dept. of the Pacific, concerning the financial administration of troops stationed in California during the Mormon uprising, Very Fine ................................. E. 350-450
3385° **Lafayette McLaws.** 1821-1897. Maj. Genl. ALS, 1 page, 7¼ x 9¾ in., dated Nov. 4, 1866, to Charles Jenkins, Governor of Georgia: “I have the honor to inform you that a full pardon has been issued to me by President Johnson thereby removing the disability created by military order which prevented me from exercising the duties of a clerk of the superior and inferior court of Richmond County, an office which I held under your commission.”, small ink stains at R. edge, not affecting signature .......................................................... E. 600-800

3386° **John B. Magruder.** Brig. Genl. 1807-1871. Signature (“J. Bankhead Magruder”) on large part of 1859 requisition, accompanied by excellent Confederate soldier's letter dated April 13, 1862: “McClellan has thrown all of his forces upon the Peninsula to attack McGruder [sic]” etc., also a reference to Shiloh: The great battle which you predicted would take place soon in Tennessee has actually occurred and we have achieved a great victory but our joy is saddened by the death of the great & gallant Gen. A.S. Johnston the loss truly irreparable,” etc. Fine .......... E. 300-400

3387° **John Hunt Morgan.** 1825-1864. Signature as Brigadier General on prisoner of war cover to Morgan’s wife in Danville, Va., franked with uncanceled 3c Rose (65) and four-margin 10c Blue Die A (11) tied by bold “Richmond Va. Oct. 31 1863”, endorsed in his hand, “Flag of Truce Boat via City Point” with ms. examiner’s mark at L., Extremely Fine, incredibly fresh and choice ..................................................(Photo) E. 1,000-1,500

3388° **John Hunt Morgan.** Specialized collection of 23 covers, most addressed to Morgan’s wife, includes three covers addressed entirely in Morgan’s hand (war dated), three POW covers with his autograph endorsement as Brigadier General (also two with endorsements cut off- not figured in evaluation), also a group of fourteen covers, war and post-war dated, all to Mrs. Morgan incl. one with ms. note on back, “With congratulations on Genl. Morgan's escape. Mrs. Preston Johnson”, also cover addressed in the hand of Jefferson Davis, with imprint of Executive Dept., some faults incl. covers with CSA stamps torn off and then put back (neatly), only one autograph is affected by this, otherwise Fine, a remarkable specialized collection of one general, with extensive write-up and notes ................................................................................. E. 2,500-3,500


3391° **John C. Pemberton.** Lt. Genl. 1814-1881. Signed document entirely in his hand, appointing B.P. Loyall, his attorney, to represent “my interest in the Dismal Swamp Land Company” etc., dated Nov. 10, 1866, with revenue stamps affixed below his name. Fine ............................................................... E. 250-350

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Leonidas Polk. Lt. Genl. 1806-1864. ALS (“Leonidas Polk”), 3½pp., 8 x 9½ in., dated Sept. 28, 1842, to Duncan Camden, contents relates to the sale of property, with mention of “the purchase of a family of negroes,” with integral address leaf and ms. “Ashwood T. Sept. 30” postmark, Fine and very scarce ........................................ E. 1,000-1,250

Matt Whitaker Ransom]. Collection of twenty-six railroad passes, 1880s, all different, includes one from 1895 for Eagle Pass Route in Mexico (Ransom was appointed Minister to Mexico by Pres. Cleveland), some illustrated, mostly Very Fine, attractive lot ...................... E. 150-200

Paul J. Semmes. 1815-1863. Brig. Genl. Three page manuscript draft of militia orders entirely in his hand, not signed, dated June 30, 1853, listing maneuvers, formations, etc. for July 4th encampment and parade, Fine, interesting content ..................... E. 250-350

Paul J. Semmes. Four page draft of militia orders entirely in his hand, not signed, dated June 30, 1835, similar to previous lot ............................... E. 250-350


David E. Twiggs. ALS, 1½pp., dated Nov. 3, 1838, Fort Heileman (Republic of Texas) to Capt. Monroe, Indian Territory, concerning Capt. Beall and a mixup in their military correspondence as follows: “I requested Capt. Jarrett to write the letters for me, he did so by candle light, I signed them in a hurry,” Very Fine and scarce. Twiggs was the oldest General in the Confederacy and died to old age early in the war ......................... E. 350-450

[Henry H. Walker]. Interesting Union soldier’s letter with story about General Walker, headed Bermuda Hundred Va., May 22 (64), he writes (in part): “Day before yesterday our forces captured the rebel Major Genl. Walker, when they were agoing to take him he started to run the men fired in to him and brought him down and then brought him in to camp. I hear that he was wounded so badly that he has since died. . . . we captured about 200 prisoners the same time that they captured the Genl.” etc. Although severely wounded at Spotsylvania, Walker in fact lived on until 1912; rumors of generals dying were common, but this story of his capture & attempted escape is intriguing, Very Fine ........................................... E. 150-200
Richard Waterhouse. Brig. Genl. 1832-1876. ALS, 1 page, 7½ x 12½ in., datelined San Augustine Texas, July 14, 1860, addressed to “Dear Rose,” good contents concerning the Yellow fever epidemic: “I found all in deep distress from the loss of Byron but there is at least some little consolation left for us and that is that he was apprised of his condition and the near approach of his end and said he was prepared to die.” etc. Very Fine (Photo) E. 500-600


Joseph Wheeler. LS, 2 pp., dated Nov. 6, 1895 on House of Representatives stationery, to Robert Stockwell Hatcher: “I am delighted to hear that you will probably be our Reading Clerk in Congress this winter. I have the pleasure of knowing Mr. Heth also Mrs. Heth’s uncle, General Reynolds, who was an instructor at West Point when I was a cadet. If it is possible for me to aid you in any way I would gladly do so, but don’t think a Democrat will have much weight in the matter.” etc., Very Fine .......................................................... E. 350-450


[Felix K. Zollicoffer]. Two Jan. 1862 letters from Union soldier to his wife, incl. one headed Camp Green with eagle & snake letterhead, each with reference to this general: “Our men have had a fight with old Zollicoffer and the report is that our men have killed the old devil,” etc., the 2nd repeats this, with the rumor they’d “broke up his army,” mentions 500 dead rebels, 1000 prisoners, etc., Very Fine, very scarce reference ... E. 150-200

Confederate Generals and Officers. Collection of 22 different, includes Beauregard, Bragg, Johnston, Fitzhugh Lee, Longstreet, Mosby, Wheeler, etc., cards or clips, some mounting stains (small), Very Good-Very Fine .................................................. E. 750-1,000

Confederate Generals. Four, includes two clipped signatures: S.W. Ferguson and J.M. Hawes, former with light waterstains, also free frank of Thomas Clingman on pre-war cover, and Robert Vance, on 1880 large cover, latter with cover faults not affecting autographs ................................................................. E. 150-200

[Confederate Generals]. Eight covers addressed to different generals during the war: Joseph R. Anderson, Braxton Bragg (with CSA No. 1 from Jackson Miss.), James Chalmers, George Gordon, Humphrey Marshall, Daniel Ruggles (No. 4 pair from New Orleans), William B. Taliaferro, and Perce Manning B. Young (No. 12 with Ga. postmark), some faults, generally Fine group ........................................ E. 300-400
CIVIL WAR FIGURES

Clara Barton. ALS, 1 1/2 pp., 5 1/4 x 8 1/4 in., dated Aug. 29, 1867, an exceptionally charming and warm response to Col. Merriman, a friend who had requested her autograph. After explaining the delay in replying, she says, "Pardon me, but I cannot send an 'autograph' to you Col.- let me hope that for the dear memory of the old and sad days never to return, that you will class me among your friends, and write me sometimes, when you will be always sure to get my autograph in return, though long coming and poor. Hoping to hear Always of your good health and prosperity. I remain as ever Your sincere friend Clara Barton." Fine (Photo) E. 750-1,000

Clara Barton. ALS, 3 pp., 5 1/4 x 6 1/2 in., datelined "Glen Echo. Sunday Nov. 25, 1906," addressed to "My dear President," informal contents regarding Red Cross colleagues, gentle disparagement of her own poetry, etc., small piece out at T., affecting one word, Fine .................................................. Fine (Photo) E. 300-400

Judah P. Benjamin. 1811-1884. CSA Secretary of State, Secretary of War. Fleeing to England after the surrender, he became Queen Victoria's Counsel in 1872. ALS ("J.P. Benjamin"), 5 pp., datelined "London 30 November 1865", to General John Breckenridge: "The accounts that reach us from the other side are by no means so satisfactory as I had hoped, and I await with much anxiety the news of the proceedings of Congress- on them every thing depends, and no one seems able to forecast what they will be. As regards my own future it is as yet quite undecided, for I cannot yet learn whether it is possible to obtain admission to the bar here without a delay of two or three years, which would be quite out the question. If this resource fail me, I shall have to accept a situation in favor of the large financial establishments here, where I can turn my business habits and experiences to some account." The remainder of the letter is a confidential matter re Jacob Thompson, who worked on behalf of the Confederate government, and who now claimed the right to retain all the money left in his hands after the collapse of the Richmond government: "This money he had been ordered to remit, and £25,000 of it had been appropriated... to the payment of a bill of Exchange drawn by the state Department and held by a London banker. This bill was protested in consequence of Thompson's failure to remit. I had a somewhat stormy interview with him, at which Mr. Slidell was present, and finally was forced to compromise by taking £12,000 which were at once remitted to the London banker... Thompson said that he had paid or become responsible for some money to be expended for the use of Mr. Davis, but he gave me no account and I knew from previous professional advice relieved here that by law I could not force him to pay the money to Confederate creditors, and that it would all go into Yankee hands if the Federal officials learned of its existence. It was for this reason that it was thought best to secure the appropriation of £12,000 to the payment of an honest debt of our Govt. rather than lose the whole, besides creating a public scandal. This is a most repulsive subject, and I would not have this letter communicated to any one in the world, except Mr. Davis if he succeed in escaping from his present unfortunate condition." etc. Very Fine, superb contents .................................................. (Photo) E. 2,000-2,500

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3411  **Judah P. Benjamin.** Three autograph letters signed ("J. P. Benjamin"), 3pp., each 4½ x 7⅝ in., dated Feb. 12, May 22 & 29, 1867, London, all to John Breckenridge, two in anticipation of the general’s visit, another regarding a financial matter, each with docketing in his hand, Very Fine .......................................................... E. 1,500-2,000

3412°  **[John Wilkes Booth].** Two pieces, a Brady CDV of Sgt. Boston Corbett, the man who shot John Wilkes Booth, matted and framed with a large bold signature of Corbett, with rank, also in his hand, on 7 x 2½ in. piece, desirable and scarce pair ......................................................... (Photo)  E. 1,500-2,000

3413  **John C. Calhoun.** ALS, 2pp., dated Jan. 1, 1842, to Maryland governor W. Grayson. In addition to asking the outgoing governor about the appointment of Silas Brown as clerk of Carroll County court, he writes (in part): "We have the exchequer scheme under consideration in the Senate. It receives in its present form, no favor from any side. The Clay Whigs are exceedingly bitter against it as well as against Mr. Tyler & his administration, especially Mr. Webster. I regard the party as utterly proscribed. The division in their ranks can never be healed, and if it could, they can never rise under their present name, nor on the measures they support. All we have to do is to see that the fruits of our great victory be not lost," etc., with integral address leaf entirely in his hand with matching free frank, some internal separations, still Fine .......................................................... E. 500-600
Dorothea Dix. ALS, 1 page, 5 x 8 in., dated Nov. 6, 1862, Surgeon General’s Office letterhead, to an unknown male recipient: “Do not at present send more Nurses. I am greatly embarrassed by failing to receive matronly persons who are needed and sought for.” etc. As superintendent of women nurses, Dix was responsible for filling the ranks of the military hospitals with qualified staff. Unfortunately, their patients too often looked to nurses as a romantic opportunity. Later, in a famous edict, Dix would bar applicants younger than thirty and declare that all nurses were required to be plain-looking women, Fine, an important letter ......................................................... E. 500-600


Henry A. du Pont. Signature on Wilmington & Northern RR bond certificate dated 1887, Very Fine .................................................................. E. 250-350

Edward Everett. Statesman and abolitionist, best remembered for his 2½ hour speech preceding President Lincoln’s more modest effort at Gettysburg, ALS, 1 page, datelined Paris 2 Sep. 1818, written while studying in Europe (he was the first American to receive a Ph.D.), letter of introduction for Mr. Cogswell, probably Joseph Green Cogswell, future librarian of Harvard, etc. Accompanied by a second piece in Everett’s hand, “With Mr. Everett’s compliments.” Fine lot ......................................................... E. 150-200

Edward Everett. Signature as chairman on receipt, 8½ x 5¾ in., AUXILIARY MOUNT VERNON FUND for “the purchase of Mount Vernon,” dated Jan. 12, 1859, showing two vignettes of the homestead, Fine and attractive ...................................................... E. 150-200

Horace Greeley. ALS, 1 page, 5 x 8 in., dated Dec. 12, 1864, Tribune letterhead, to a Col. Bradley, originally accompanying a letter of introduction, apparently an acquaintance seeking a military appointment: “I would not ask you to appoint any one on his personal staff. I would not ask this for my own brother, however capable and worthy. I can only commend you to his regard and esteem, as I do in the accompanying letter.” Very Fine .... E. 250-350


Hugh McCulluch. Lincoln’s last Secretary of the Treasury, appointed just before his death. ALS, 1 page, 5 x 7½ in., dated Dec. 4, 1865, to the Rev. W.B. Sprague, announcing the election of Schuyler Colfax as Speaker of the House and E.D. McPherson as Clerk, Fine .......................................................... E. 100-150

Christopher Memminger. Secretary of the Treasury from Feb. 1861 to June 1864. Seven covers, includes two covers addressed in his hand to “Mrs. C.G. Memminger,” (one with choice Rathbone forwarder’s oval on back), one cover to him in Flat Rock, N.C., also four covers addressed to Dr. Thos. Memminger, Good-Very Fine .................................................. E. 100-150

John Mosby. TLS (“Jno: S. Mosby”), 2pp., 8 x 10 in., dated Washington, D.C. Sept. 23, 1904, to Frank Pemberton: “Your letter just received. You take exception to my allusion in my published letter to Mrs. Lyons, the widow of your wife’s grandfather, having been a clerk under Mathews, a New York negro, appointed by Mr. Cleveland. I did not refer to it as in any way reflecting either on Mrs. Lyons, or on Mr. Cleveland. I always called to see Mrs. Lyons when I came to Washington, and either I, or any of her friends, considered her any less of a lady on account of the position she held. You had been a warm supporter of Mr. Cleveland; and in your letter to me he had criticized Mr. Roosevelt with great severity on account of his alleged affiliation with Negroes. It was perfectly legitimate for me to retort that in regard to their treatment of the negro I could see no difference between Roosevelt and Cleveland. You speak of the clerkship as being ‘humiliating employment’ for Mrs. Lyons; and excuse her for accepting it— not on the ground of necessity but because she was a fanatical Catholic. I think you do Mrs. Lyons great injustice and that necessity and not fanaticism made her accept the place. Her official duties did not demand any religious devotion and were not connected with her church. As a clerk she stood as high in Washington as when she was a social queen in Richmond. Our difference is that you judge by one standard while I judge by another. You are a doctor who won’t take his own medicine; I don’t think that Mrs. Lyons family should be ashamed of her. If she were living now I am sure she would read my letter with more pleasure than she would yours.” Superb contents ................................ E. 600-800

[William Quantrill]. Four page letter from Almon Hunter of the 2nd Reg., Kansas vols., to his mother, datelined Leavenworth Apr. 3, 1862: "a skirmish...took place near little Santoffee in the edge of Missourie between a small detachment of our regiment and Quantrells band of Jayhawkers...Our boys surprised them at night in a house which they surrounded and demanded a surrender which was answered by a volley of rifle balls doing no damage however. They were then told to send out their women and children and that they would be protected and all that came out and laid down their arms should be treated as prisoners of war. This again was answered by shots unfortunately with better success dangerously wounding Major Pomeroy and mortaly one private who died the next day..." etc. The writer goes on to describe setting the house on fire with Quantrell's men using the smoke and confusion as a means of escape, etc., Fine contents ..................................................... E. 200-250

John H. Reagan. Signature on pay draft to the postmaster at Newton, N.C., dated Mar. 28, 1865 and received one day before Lee's surrender, pretty vignette of steamboat and train, lightly toned, Fine, very late war-dated example of Reagan's signature ..................................................... (Photo) E. 400-600

John H. Reagan. ALS, 1 page, 7 1/2 x 10 in., dated Palestine Texas Aug. 18th 1859, discusses organizing a Democratic paper in Paris, Texas, ink smear in signature, Fine .....................................................

William H. Seward. Clipped signature with 5 1/2 x 7 1/2 in. engraving, matted & frame, Fine, very attractive ..................................................... E. 200-250

William H. Seward. ALS, 1 page, 6 1/2 x 8 in., dated Sept. 23, 1853, to Alexander Boteler: "I thank you sincerely for your kind attention in sending me the petition of Richard Seward for a commission in the Revolutionary Army of the United States. The family from which I am derived was in New Jersey during the war of independence and the father of my father was a Colonel of the Militia in active service. The petitioner Richard was...think his brother. The ardor of his patriotism is pleasing to me and will be equally so to the other members of the family," Very Fine, excellent content ..................................................... E. 150-200

Edwin Stanton. Free frank as Secretary of War on three covers, each with different imprint, one with Washington Apr. 20, 1864 postmark, cover tear at T., others are defective (not affecting signatures) and should probably be reduced to attractive clips ..................................................... E. 200-250

Thaddeus Stevens. Free-franked cover addressed in his hand, accompanied by original ALS, 1 page, dated Lancaster Nov. 3, 1851, to Rep. Edward McPerson, then the editor of the Harrisburg American, re anti-slavery newspaper he is starting up, includes McPherson's reply, "Upon the Slavery question, I stand where Gov. Johnson has planted himself. I think the position he has taken is correct and more fitted to strengthen Gen. Scott & the whig party," etc., Fine. McPherson did become editor of the new paper, The Independent Whig, in Lancaster. The reference to Andrew Johnson may have had a positive effect on Stevens in 1851, but in 1868 he initiated the impeachment proceedings against President Johnson. Ex Edward Stern ..................................................... E. 200-250

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Roger B. Taney, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, swore Lincoln into office. ALS, 2pp., 8 x 10 in., dated July 22, 1834, to Wm. Beall, regarding a public dinner in Taney's honor, toned and silked, with integral address leaf ........................................ E. 200-250

CIVIL WAR LITERATURE AND PHOTOGRAPHS

[Confederate Broadside]. Advertising “The Army and Navy Messenger,” 8 x 10¼ in., published by THE EVANGELICAL TRACT SOCIETY OF THE SOUTHERN CONFEDERACY, DESIGNED CHEIFLY TO MINISTER TO THE SPIRITUAL NEED OF OUR NICE DEFENDERS, etc., announcing its headquarters are at Petersburg, Va., portion of text reads: “When it is considered that the choicest portion of the country is found in the Army, which will, of necessity, give character to the Confederacy, and control its destiny for years to come, the importance of sustaining this Institution, which seeks to consecrate to Christ this mighty influence, cannot be over estimated.” Accompanied by a slighter smaller piece, probably mailed at the same time, CHRISTIANITY AND SLAVERY, Very Fine and choice .......................................................... E. 100-150

Frank Leslie’s Illustrated Newspaper. 311 issues from June 2, 1860 to Mar. 17, 1866, complete and bound in four volumes. Bindings worn but the issues themselves are intact; in Fine condition. A great run .......................................................... E. 2,000-2,500


Harper’s Weekly. Issue of July 11, 1863 with large portrait of General Meade, articles incl. The siege of Vicksburg, Port Hudson, invasion of the North and the cover story, complete and Very Fine .......................................................... E. 75-100

Harper’s Weekly. Issue of July 2, 1864 with full-length litho portrait of Robert E. Lee, articles include Sherman’s campaign, Chicago convention, Hall’s arctic expedition, siege of Petersburg, etc., complete and Very Fine, in handsome custom made folder .......................................................... E. 100-150

Regulations For the Army of the Confederate States, 1864. Published by Randolph, Richmond, 424pp, paper; original marble wraps with black & gold label, front cover mostly detached, considerable wear and last few pages nibbled at edges, Fair-Good ..... .......................................................... E. 75-100

An Updated Test Oath. Part printed document, 7¼ x 9¾ in., “to be administered to every voter offering to vote, by the Judges of the Election,” beginning: “You do swear (or affirm) that you are a citizen of the United States, that you have never given any aid, countenance or support to those in armed hostility to the United States,” etc. In ms. at bottom someone has brought it up to date: “Have you on any occasion among those with whom you associate and are on terms of friendship, expressed any sympathy for the South, as such, now in rebellion to the Govt. of the United States?” Mounted on card, soiling, still suitable for framing- a marvelous relic ...(Photo) .......................................................... E. 150-200
3440° [Tintype]. Soldier in uniform, 9th plate, with gilt frame in original Union thermoplastic case of Peck & Co. with military cross motif, posed with revolver & knife, accompanied by an 3¾ x 6 in. albumen print of same soldier in different pose, latter with some stains, case is Very Fine and choice .................................................. E. 250-350

3441 [Tintypes]. Six Civil War period examples, all but one in original case, four showing men in uniform (Union), best is ¼ plate with hand-colored image of Zoave posed with gun in front of camp and flag (studio backdrop), Fine group ...........(Photo Ex) E. 200-250

CIVIL WAR COLLECTIONS AND BALANCES

3442° Christian Commission, Sanitary Fair and Related. Lot of six items, includes FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE UNITED STATES CHRISTIAN COMMISSION (128pp, original wraps); ALS of Elizabeth Ferris, Sec. of the Womens Assoc for the Relief of the Freedman, sending a box of clothing to the colored people on St. Simon's Island (with receipt from captain for “these destitute contrabands”); newspaper: “Hospital Register” for Oct. 17, 1863, with Philadelphia postmark; newspaper: “The Drum Beat” published by the Brooklyn & Long Island Fair “for the Benefit of the U.S. Sanitary Commission”, Feb. 25, 1864; glazed card for Christian Comm. in New Orleans with address of Maine soldier written on back; part-printed letter from Missionary Society (the usual plea for money) in 1863; Fine and scarce lot ............................................................................. E. 200-250

3443 Civil War Poems, Love Tokens and Songs. Group of nine items, all in ms., sent by family members to a Union soldier incl. poem from girlfriend beginning, “O, if the land of battles,” 3pp. ms. song, “I'm Going To fight mit Siegle”, a poem from his sister entitled, “The Fallen Soldier,” also hand-drawn valentine, 4pp. ms., “Three Scenes in a Soldier's Life,” love letter & poem with rose petals enclosure, etc., Fine-Very Fine, very attractive lot, from the Simpson correspondence ................................................................. E. 300-400

3444° Patriotic Lettersheets. Ten different, all used, includes two multicolor Magnus including one with Post Office and Naval vignettes; letterhead showing “Charge at Battle of Winchester”; one Zoave & flag design used 1867 as receipt, etc. Fine lot. E. 300-400

3445° Patriotic Lettersheets and Song Sheets. Fifteen items, all unused, includes rare Magnus songsheet, “The 195th Pa. Volunteers”; two Lincoln Magnus sheets, “The Nation Mourns” and “Abe Lincoln's Union Wagon” and two covers: Lincoln & Halleck (bronze) and Lincoln & McClellan (multicolor); rare and very choice Kimmel lettersheet showing Liberty and Washington vignette, etc., Fine-Very Fine, please view .......... E. 300-400
3446  Slavery Documents and Related. Seven pieces, includes 1825 payment for recovery of a runaway slave; indenture for three slaves, 1864 claim for slave lost to public service; 1813 receipt for a negro girl sold at sheriff's sale; 1789 memorandum listing dates of slave acquisitions, etc., Very Good-Fine ............................................. E. 300-400

3447* Vermont. Group of 22 drafts of telegrams from Vermont Gov. Erastus Fairbanks, most in his hand and signed or initialed by him, regarding various Vt. regs. and related, includes messages to Generals Henry Baxter and Wm. "Baldy" Smith, Fine lot .......................................................... E. 100-150

3448  Autograph Balance. Fourteen pieces. Civil War items includes one Union soldier's letter and signatures of A.H. Foote and H. Hamlin on calling cards; 18th century ms. agreement to build a spermaceti works, LS of Levi Woodbury as Sec. of Treasury, ALS of James Lee Carroll as Gov. of Maryland, two ALSs of Judah Touro, signed sketch of cartoonist Gus Edson, etc., Fine-Very Fine .......................................................... E. 150-200

3449  Civil War Balance. Includes approx. 30 letters from Wm. Wilbur, a Pa. lawyer in the Elk Mountaineers, 11 general and special orders from Grant, Meade, Sheridan, etc., also striking racist broadside aimed against Rep. Governor John Geary and his support of negro suffrage, latter faulty otherwise Fine lot .................................................. E. 200-250

3450* Confederate Ephemera Balance. 50+ items, includes RR pass, currency, medical invoice, bundle of unused invoices, a few stamps, etc., please view ............................................. E. 200-250

3451  Civil War Balance. 16 pieces. Includes ANS of W.T. Sherman (tape stains); two unused Citizens Vol Hospital envelopes; CSA Mail Line Way Bill; letter of William Brown, Rep. from Va. and West Va. re Lincoln being born near New Market Va. and not Ky., letter headed "Camp Horror Virginia"; CSA tax return for tax on 8000 pounds of pork; letter from Col. George Cobham of the 111th Pa.; Helena Ark. letter re property taxes (Nov. 1861); engraving of the New Jersey Abolition Society; two CSA $1000 bonds, group of patriotic designs clipped from stationery; Fine group ............................................. E. 250-350

AUTOGRAPHS AND EPHEMERA

3452  [Actors, Actresses and Directors]. Twenty-nine different, mostly signed photos, includes Robert DeNiro, Nanette Fabray (ALS), Frederico Fellini, Milos Forman (ANS), Katherine Hepburn (TNS), Dustin Hoffman, Lawrence Olivier, Vincent Price (ANS), Tony Randall (SP & ANS), Leni Rifenstahl, etc., an attractive lot free of clips or grubby pages pulled from autograph albums, Very Fine .................................................. E. 500-750

3453* Waldorf Astor. ALS ("W.W. Astor"), 1 1/2pp., dated Oct. 10, 1889, mourning stationery, to Geo. Childs declining an invitation, Very Fine ............................................. E. 75-100

3454* [Astronauts]. Five signatures, each on different cacheted first day or event cover: Buzz Aldrin, Scott Carpenter, Scott Crossfield, James Irwin and Scott Carpenter, Very Fine .................................................. E. 150-200

3455* [Aviators and Explorers]. Thirteen signatures, mostly on magazine photos: M. Bellonte, Richard Byrd, Clarence Chamberlin, D. Coste, Juan de la Cierva, Rene Fonck (on card), Herman Koehl, Donald MacMillan (ALS and FDC), Robert and Josephine Peary (separate clipped signatures), Wolfgang von Gounau and Eddie Rickenbacker, Fine lot .................................................. E. 400-500

3456* Frederic Auguste Bartholdi. French sculptor. ALS ("A. Bartholdi"), 2pp., 4 1/2 x 7 in., dated 1888, apologizing for not being able to meet with a Mr. Spaulding, minor foxing on first page, 2nd with small hole in margin and mount remnants on back, Fine .................................................. E. 600-800

3457  [Boxers]. Five items, includes ANS and SP of Muhammad Ali and TLS and SP of Max Schmeling, Very Fine .................................................. E. 75-100

3458  [Boxers]. Five picture postcards, two are real photo cards of Jess Willard (with trainers in Cuba), one real photo card of Jack Johnson and cards picturing James J. Corbett and Jess Willard, Fine-Very Fine, the Johnson is exceptionally choice ................................ E. 75-100

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3459° [British]. Old-time collection with 300+ items: ALSs, DS, clips, covers, all of British Royalty, political, medical and military notables, includes George IV, William IV (2 page, ALS), Prime Ministers Salisbury, Palmerston, Derby, etc. In two albums ... E. 400-500

3460  **William Jennings Bryan.** Bold signature ("W. J. Bryan") on unusual post card from England addressed only with photo of Bryan attached to card with grommets and no further address other than "Esq." and "New York, America." Message on back reads: "Dear Sir, May I ask you to kindly return this card to the above address and add your autograph on the other side, pardon my addressing you by photo but I want this card for my postal collection," etc. Postmarked Christmas Day, 1900, minor toning and some creasing in card, neither affecting signature, Fine ...........................................(Photo)  E. 250-350

3461°  **Aaron Burr.** Clipped signature ("A. Burr") mounted on 4¼ x 2½ in. slip, accompanied by original 1807 newspaper (Columbian Centinel) with article on Burr's treason trial (sample remark: "Mr. Lewis, of Philadelphia, is engaged as additional Counsel for Mr. Burr. If there is truth in the adage that in a multitude of Counsel there is safety, Col. Burr is safe enough.") ................................................................. E. 250-300

3462  **[Cartoonists].** Collection of approx. 65 covers (cacheted FDCs, events, etc.), each autographed by a different editorial cartoonist of the 1940s-50s, a few have included tiny sketches and a printed sample of their newspaper work is attached on back, includes Crockett Johnson, J.R. Williams and New Yorker artist Helen Hokinson ... E. 300-400

3463°  **Carrie Chapman Catt.** Full signature in margin of photo, 5 x 7 in., Fine  E. 100-150

3464°  **Henry Clay.** Free frank ("H. Clay") as Secretary of State on folded cover with red Washington postmark and matching "Free", Oct. 1828 docketing, Very Fine .............. E. 100-150

3465  **Henry Clay.** ALS, 1 page, dated Jan. 3, 1835 to the Cashier of the U.S. Bank, Baltimore, tipped to sheet, toned, small paper loss from signature and text........... E. 75-100

3466  **Henry Clay and Daniel Webster.** Free frank of each, on separate covers, Clay evenly toned on front, otherwise Fine lot ................................................. E. 100-150

3467°  **William F. Cody.** Telegram with message in his hand (unsigned): "You go to Denver to meet Nellie and wait there for Ridges love to all: Brother." Dated Mar. 7, 1905, with contemporary news clipping tipped to it, identifying Ridgeley as his attorney, H.S. Ridgeley ("Who is that man with the white hat who is always with W.F. Cody?"); telegram mounted on heavy card ................................................................. E. 200-250

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Lou Costello. Signature on bank check dated Sept. 18, 1946 also made out in his hand, Very Fine .............................................................. E. 150-200

Michael Dukakis. TLS as Governor, 1 page, dated Dec. 21, 1988, on Executive Dept. stationery, interesting contents regarding his feelings the morning after the election, Very Fine .............................................................. E. 50-75

[Florida]. Group of eight letters from Pensacola, dated Nov. 1850 to Mar. 1851, from a Dr. Alex Rice dying of an unnamed illness, the last letter is from a friend to the doctor's brother; to ill to write, "the prospect of getting [him] home diminishes daily." Each with original envelope with Pensacola postmark and ms. "10" rate, Fine group. Throughout the doctor remains cheerful, able to write of his illness with a professional detachment that gives these letters a grim fascination .............................................................. E. 400-500

Milton Friedman. Economist. ALS, 1 page, undated, replying to the question, "Can we catch up to Japan in world trade?" Fine .............................................................. E. 50-75

Albert Gallatin. LS as Secretary of the Treasury, dated Oct. 15, 1806 with integral address leaf with his free frank, Fine .............................................................. E. 150-200

Pat Garrett. ALS ("P.F. Garrett"), 1 page, 6 x 11 in., dated May 29, 1898, on Sturges European Hotel stationery, Albuquerque, to his wife: "I will go from here to Santa Fe to night have important business with the Governor and will have to go up and see it looks now as if I will have to go the war [?] will be home Wednesday morning yours truly P F Garrett". Garrett's business may have involved the trailing of the killer of Albert Fountain, Billy the Kid's lawyer, some creasing and pinhole in letterhead, still Fine and attractive .............................................................. (Photo) E. 3,000-4,000

William J. Gaynor. Jurist. ALS and TLS, 2pp. (1907) and 1 page (1909) respectively, to Robert Ludlow Fowler, first letter refers to a decision, latter expresses his feelings on running for Mayor of New York, Very Fine .............................................................. E. 100-150

J. Paul Getty. Signature in blue green ink on Oklahoma Oil Corp. stock certificate dated 1933 with vignette of oil rigs & RR oil tankers, etc., Very Fine .............................................................. E. 1,500-2,000

J. Paul Getty. Signature on bank check dated Jan. 23, 1942, Fine .............................................................. E. 150-200

Horace Greeley. Telegram with message entirely in his hand, dated June 3, 1872, six months before his death: "John R. Stewart, at Mr. Greeley's farm chappaqua, N.Y. I would not run the new fence across the road up the hill, but up the north side. Horace Greeley." on Union Telegraph's "Blank No. 2" (form retained by the telegraph co.), small hole affecting part of "Stewart", Fine .............................................................. E. 200-250

Leona M. Helmsley. TLS, 1 page, dated May 2, 1990, on Helmsley Hotels letterhead, good contents re "the sensationalism and hype created by the media. Their sole objective is to sell papers, and it doesn't matter whose lives they destroy," etc. Very Fine .............................................................. E. 75-100

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J. Edgar Hoover. TLS, 1½pp., dated Jul. 26, 1939, responding to an invitation to speak at YMCA dinner and suggesting that one of his “representatives” would be happy to speak in his place, noting of course that members of the FBI “do not accept fees or expenses” in addition to returning the stamped envelope the sender had provided. Fine .............. E. 100-150

Sam Houston. An example of his glazed calling card with bold facsimile signature, and written in pencil in his own hand, “For Mrs. Bragg” Very Fine ............... E. 150-200

[Isthmus of Panama]. Letter written on board ship at Chagres Mar. 24, 1849 from Isaac Kirkland, who states that he is working on a survey of the Isthmus, with integral address leaf postmarked “New-York Ship 12cts”, addressed to Mobile, postmarked there with additional Adv 2 hs, readdressed to Pleasant Hill with “Forwd 5” and the rate in the New York datestamp deleted and changed to “19” (12c + 5c + 2c advertising), Fine, very scarce auxiliary marking from Mobile ......................... E. 300-400

[Judicial]. Seven, Hugo Black, L. W. Douglas (TLS), Felix Frankfurter (ALS, damaged), Oliver Wendell Holmes, John Bassett Moore (TLS), Fred Vinson (TLS) and Earl Warren (on front of JFK Eulogies also signed by Mike Mansfield and John McCormack), Fine lot ..................... E. 250-350

Abigail Princess David Kawananakoa. TLS (“Abigail Princess David Kawananakoa of Hawaii”), 4pp., 8½ x 11 in., dated July 31, 1916, to Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels.

AN HISTORICAL LETTER AND HEARTFELT PLEA FROM ONE OF THE LAST MEMBERS OF THE HAWAIIAN MONARCHY.

The Princess writes (in part): “May I be permitted to suggest that one of the new battleships or cruisers to be constructed be named ‘Hawaii’? Should there be a war with either an Asiatic or European power, naval authorities all agree that Hawaii would be of greatest importance. Pearl harbor has for many years received considerable attention by the Navy Department, and I understand that before a great while we will have one of the greatest Navy Yards in the country. Suffice it to say that should war occur, the name ‘Hawaii’ would be quite as widely known as that of Verdun today. Perhaps, too, the naming of one of these vessels after the Territory might, in some degree at least, tend to impress the large foreign population now resident there with the idea that the Federal Government is paying more and more attention to the Islands. Amongst the natives to whom the word ‘Hawaii’ meant everything, annexation was not altogether popular, but as the years have rolled by, the American form of Government has come to be more fully understood, the Hawaiian people have come to recognize that annexation is a blessing and not a curse. That recognition has borne fruit, for I venture to say that nowhere on Continental United States can be found a people more loyal to the Government than are the Hawaiians. In the event of difficulty, there would be no laggards. The naming of one of our vessels after the Island they loved would be treated by them as a grateful recognition of their loyalty,” etc. Very Fine. Despite her sincerity and the passionate logic of her argument, the reply (copy enclosed) is nothing more than a bureaucrat’s chilly acknowledgement and thanks for the letter .................. (Photo) E. 1,500-2,000
Helen Keller. TLS, 1 page, dated Jan. 11, 1954, to Nancy Hamilton: “You were a darling to think of Polly and me this Christmas, with a thousand details buzzing through your mind, and we loved your beautiful Remembrance. Those silver peppers are a delight, and so handsome to my touch! We shall enjoy using them both for seasoning and for the cultivation of a ‘peppery’ tongue,” etc., with original transmittal envelope. Very Fine .................................................. E. 400-600

Helen Keller. Typed form letter signed, 1 page, dated Feb. 1, 1957, being an appeal for donations to the American Foundation for the Blind, with her letterhead in dark blue on pale blue. Very Fine .................................................. E. 100-150

Helen Keller. Inscribed copy of THE STORY OF MY LIFE, “Cordially yours, Helen Keller” in purple pencil, spine faults .................................................. E. 100-150

Thomas Butler King. Member of Congress from Georgia, commissioner to Europe during the war. Three covers addressed to him in “San Francisco, Upper California” while serving as collector of the port of San Francisco, 1849-1851, two with ms. “Frederica Ga.” postmark, one endorsed care of “Howard & Son, No. 73 South St. New York. To be sent in Steam Ship Crescent City,” edge flaws and scattered toned spots, otherwise Fine, early transatlantic mail out of Georgia .................................................. E. 100-150


Louis B. Mayer. Signature as Vice President of MGM, on 1929 service contract for fire alarm. Fine .................................................. E. 150-200

Mercury Astronauts. Group photo, 10 x 8 in., signed in margin by all seven: Alan B. Shepard, Jr. Walter Schirra, John A. Glenn Jr., Virgil I. Grissom, M. Scott Carpenter, Donald K. Slayton, Leroy G. Cooper Jr., with inscription above their names: “To Nettie and Percy chandler with Best Wishes From the Mercury Astronauts.” Very Fine, especially desirable with Grissom’s signature ..................................................(Photo) E. 2,000-2,500

Claude Monet. ALS, 3pp., 5¼ x 8 in., dated May 27, 1907, in French, to art critic Gustave Geffroy. He writes (in part): “Thank you for the book, which I find very beautiful. I read it with great pleasure... I hope that the emilioration and the truth of your heart will continue... with the nice weather you will completely find again the truth.” etc., attractively written in purple ink with large bold signature and accompanied by original envelope addressed in his hand, Very Fine ..................................................(Photo) E. 2,000-2,500

Alphonse Mucha. ANS (“Mucha”) on 4½ x 3½ in. card, in French, with 3 lines and signature on back, light even toning, with some soiling on face, Fine .................................................. E. 150-200

Thomas Nast. Signature (“Th: Nast.”) on small piece dated May 10, 1875, mounted on thin card .................................................. E. 100-150

[National Debt]. Group of approx. 40 cable transmissions (partly in code ) and letters, etc. as received by Charles Conant, Asst. Secretary of the Treasury, mostly from John Sherman, and regarding the investment and transfer of funds between the House of Rothschild and the U.S. government during the Hayes administration, lot includes four 4% coupon bonds signed by N.M Rothschild Sons and J.S. Morgan & Co. Fine and interesting lot .................................................. E. 500-750

Gus Pasquerella. Signature on his photo of the Hindenburg burning, dated 5/6/37, various penciled notes in different hands on back incl. “Mus Modern Art wants 30 x 40 enlargement”, tiny scrape does not detract .................................................. E. 250-350

George Petty. American illustrator, signature with inscription on copy of his “Bothered by a Beach-Bore!”, Fine .................................................. E. 100-125

Basil Rathbone. ALS, 1½ pp., 6¼ x 10 in., dated Jan. 28, 1963, interesting contents concerning performance he was to give in Bridgeport, Ct., Fine .................................................. E. 400-500

Frederick Remington. Signed card and Silver print (4½ x 6 in.) showing ¾ length formal portrait, matted, small faults from tape strips on back .................................................. E. 250-300

Norman Rockwell. Inscribed photo signed, accompanied by TLS (“Norman”), 1 page, dated Nov. 4, 1969, to George Carlisle, a friend: “I was in Hollywood a week or so ago, working on an hour TV show, which will appear November 12th at 10 p.m. on NBC. I had hoped to see you but I didn’t have a minute to myself. They darn near killed me,” etc., with his letterhead and original transmittal envelope, letter with some wear, still Fine .................................................. E. 200-250
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3501 Norman Rockwell. Unconventional ANS on 10 1/4 x 7 in. cardboard with Christmas and New Years greetings, accompanied by original transmittal envelope with 2nd autograph in return address, Fine .......................................................... E. 100-150

3502° Babe Ruth. Bold signature ("GA Ruth") on bank check dated Dec. 31, 1945, Very Fine ..........................................................(Photo) E. 1,500-2,000

3503° Earl of Sandwich (John Montagu). ALS ("Sandwich"), 1 page, 7 1/4 x 9 1/4 in., datelined Blackheath Nov. 20, 1781: "I am really well disposed towards Mr. Lewis & think he deserves promotion, and I am very desirous of obliging you & others of his friends who interest themselves warmly in his behalf, but for particular reasons it is absolutely necessary for me to remain firm on the ground of not having made a promise to any one relative to the time of Mr. Lewis' preferment." etc., Very Fine ..........................................................(Photo) E. 400-500

3504 No Lot

3505° [Sports]. Eight autographs, includes Joe DiMaggio signed photo, Ty Cobb on album leaf, Casey Stengel on Yankees program, Mel Allen on program, Mel Ott on program, etc. .......................................................... E. 300-400

3506 [Sports]. Twenty-eight different autographs, mostly signed photos, includes Kareem Abdul-Jabbar (signed Sports Illustrated cover), Yogi Berra, Bob Doerr, Tommy Lasorda (SP & ANS), John McEnroe, Stan Musial, Bobby Orr, Arnold Palmer (TLS), Peli, Nolan Ryan, Brooks Robinson, etc., Very Fine lot .......................................................... E. 600-800

3507° Henry Morton Stanley. Signature on fancy embossed card, mounting traces on back, otherwise Very Fine .......................................................... E. 100-150
3508° Alfred Stieglitz. Bold signed inscription on 6 x 4½ in. album page: "Why any one should want this autograph is beyond my understanding. Alfred Stieglitz. Lake George Aug. 8 1941" Very Fine ................................................................. E. 100-150

3509° [Stereo Views]. Fifty different, including group of Western parks, Rocky Mountain communities, Mr. & Mrs. Tom Thumb, "Our Martyred President, William McKinley", etc., Fine-Very Fine ................................................................. E. 75-100

3510 Supreme Court Justices. Group photograph by Harris & Ewing, signed in margin by Harlan F. Stone, J.C. McReynolds, Charles E. Hughes, Pierce Butler, Owen J. Roberts, Felix Frankfurter, Hugo L. Black, Stanley Reed, and Wm. O. Douglas, 13 x 9 in. sepia-toned image die sunk on 16½ x 11¼ in. card, in photographer's folder, tiny ink smear in Douglas's signature, Very Fine ................................................................. E. 1,000-1,250

3511 Supreme Court Justices. Group photograph by Harris & Ewing, signed in margin by Owen Roberts, J.C. McReynolds, Charles E. Hughes, Harlan F. Stone, Hugo L. Black, Wm. O. Douglas, Stanley Reed, Felix Frankfurter, and Frank Murphy, 13½ x 8 in. image die sunk of 16½ x 11¼ in. card, in photographer's folder, Very Fine, handsome piece .................................................................(Photo) E. 1,000-1,250

3512° Roger Taney. American jurist. His most famous decision was in the Dred Scott case. LS as Secretary of the Treasury, 1 page, 7¼ x 10 in., light age-toning, Fine. E. 150-200

3513° Thomas T. Tucker. Free frank and printed notice signed as Treasurer of the U.S., Fine ................................................................. E. 75-100

3514 Johnny Unitas. ALS, 1 page, dated Sept. 13, 1988, giving his advice on becoming a professional athlete, Very Fine ................................................................. E. 150-200

3515° Booker T. Washington. TLS, 1 page, dated Oct. 14, 1915, on Tuskegee Normal stationery, large bold signature in blue ink, Fine ................................................................. E. 200-250

3516° [Benjamin West]. Folded letter addressed to West as President of the Royal Academy in London, 1819, from a Seth Hunter in New York, Very Fine ................................................................. E. 100-150

3517° Orville Wright. Cut signature from check, as provided by the Wright Estate after a request for an autograph made shortly before Wright's death; also included: check signed by Charles Taylor, one of the engineers who worked on the Wright Bros. first aircraft engine, Fine ................................................................. E. 200-250

3518° [Zeppelins]. Seven pieces. Includes 3 TLSs, 2 telegrams and one onion skin TL copy, describing efforts of government and private industry in the 1910s to fund dirigible building (the 1916 estimated cost of producing one dirigible was $750,000), also 1916 TLS from National Aerial Coast Patrol Comm. inviting Sec. of Navy to inspect the Curtiss military tractor ("Two experienced aviators are in charge of the machine and will be glad to explain it fully."), Fine lot ................................................................. E. 100-150

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Horatio Alger Jr. Signature taken from closing of letter, mounted on piece, scarce ............................................. E. 150-200

Charles Dickens. Bold signature on 4¼ x 3½ in. piece mounted on larger embossed page, “Faithfully yours Charles Dickens Carlton House, New York. Twentieth February 1842.” Gum staining along L. & T. edges lightly shows thru, far from signature, Fine, attractive and scarce example from his first American tour ...................(Photo) E. 400-500

Havelock Ellis. Eleven page manuscript entirely in the hand of the author, entitled, THE PLACE OF THE GRANDPARENTS, 8 x 10 in., undated, apparently complete with a number of changes and deletions indicating this was an early draft, first and last pages with paper clip mark in corner, Fine and scarce, with Mary Benjamin guarantee ... E. 400-500

William Faulkner. Signed 1st edition of NOTES ON A HORSETHIEF (Levee Press, 1950), No. 811 of 975, Very Fine, very scarce ....................................................... E. 600-800

Robert Frost. Quotation signed: “They could not find me changed from him they knew-Only more sure of all I thought was true.”, name in blue ink, on card, Fine .............. E. 200-250

Zane Grey. TLS, 1 page, dated Nov. 15, 1920, replying to a woman who wondered if they were related (they were), signed in purple ink, with transmittal envelope, Fine ............................................................. E. 100-150

Thomas Hardy. Bold signature dated Aug. 28, 1924, on small card, Very Fine .............. E. 100-150

Ernest Hemingway. TLS, 1 page, dated Feb. 26, 1956 on “Finca Vigia, San Francisco De Paula, Cuba” blue stationery: “Dear Dawn Marie: You are clever girl to think of sending people pot-holders, instead of merely asking them for something, and as you say in your letter, your idea has been most effective. I hope you will continue to be as successful in other, later enterprises, whatever they may be; and thank you very much for this blue and yellow pair of pot-holders, which we will use in our kitchen with pleasure. Sincerely, [signed] Ernest Hemingway (Ernest Hemingway).” In addition, “Mary Hemingway” has been added in Ernest’s own hand just above his own name. The public response to Hemingway winning the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1954, plus the amount of time he devoted to working with the film crew of The Old Man and the Sea in 1955, did not endear him to strangers; the amused and friendly tone of this letter, although characteristic of the man, is something of a surprise in this period. However, the signing of his wife’s name in his own hand is most unusual, and possibly unique. Extremely Fine and choice ...................(Photo) E. 1,500-2,000

Oliver Wendell Holmes. ALS, 2 pp., 5 x 6½ in., dated Boston Dec. 8, 1880, good contents from an overwhelmed Holmes thanking an author for his book of poems but complaining that he receives two or three books daily in addition to having to prepare lectures: “I ought to have a secretary, they tell me, but I am doing the best I can, I put in two letters last evening and here I am at work again. What can a poor creature do but thank you for poems which have at least the merit of aspiring originality and which I wish I had the time to do justice to. Very truly yours, O.W. Holmes.” Tiny blotting in signature otherwise fresh and Very Fine ....................................................... E. 250-350

Oliver Wendell Holmes. ANS, 1 page, undated, replying to a lecture inquiry from Paterson, N.J. with “I do not lecture out of Boston during the winter season,” etc., with original transmittal envelope, ca. 1868, Fine ....................................................... E. 100-150

Aldous Huxley. Signed 14-line message (“Aldous”) on picture postcard to Anita Loos: “We are in Italy after several thousand miles of travel in S.America (saw Gigi) in Rio- without, alas, understanding one word- Portuguese being an incomprehensible language. I go on to London tomorrow where L. joins me later. Hope all is as well, with Happy B. Love from us both. Aldous.” In blue & red inks. Very Fine .................................................................................................. E. 200-250

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. ALS, 1 page, 4½ x 7 in., dated Jan. 18, 1860 suggesting the title for a painting, toned, otherwise Fine ....................................................... E. 300-400

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Dear Dawn Marie -

You are a clever girl to think of sending people pot-holders, instead of merely asking them for something, and as you say in your letter, your idea has been most effective.

I hope you will continue to be as successful in other, later enterprises, whatever they may be; and thank you very much for this blue and yellow pair of pot-holders, which we will use in our kitchen with pleasure.

Sincerely,

(Ernest Hemingway)

February 26th, 1956.
W. Somerset Maugham. TLS (“W. S. Maugham”), 1 page, dated Jan. 20, 1959, with Villa Mauresque letterhead, Fine .................................................. E. 100-150

H. L. Mencken. Two TLSs, each 1 page, 8 1/2 x 5 1/2 in., 1920 and 1929, with his letterhead, first with some remarks on Irish politics, ending letter, “Are you going to the conventions? Don’t miss them! They will be the damndest ever.” Very Fine .................................................. E. 250-350

Anais Nin. ALS (“Anais”), 2pp., 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 in., Barbizon Plaza letterhead, to Belvina Slottnikoff: “You must not interpret your lack of reaction as a personal failure. It was merely impatience, and getting discouraged too soon in your case. All you need is time. Slowly you will believe, and feel differently. Don’t consider analysis ended...The greatest conflict is lack of faith...Your fear of failure is deep seated,” etc., accompanied by original transmittal envelope (Mar. 1 1936 postmark), letter with small tears at T., Fine, unusual content as this was written nearly a year after Nin noted (in her diary) that she had quit the field of psychoanalysis .......................................................... E. 200-250

Otto Rank. 1884-1939. Psychologist, author, Freud’s closest associate for two decades. TLS (“Dr. Otto Rank”), 7 x 11 in., from New York, dated Apr. 30, 1930, to Dr. George Wilbur, mentions conference in Washington (the International Mental Hygiene Conference, which marked his final departure from the psychoanalytic movement), etc. Very Fine .......................................................... E. 200-250

Otto Rank. TLS (“D Rank”) 1 page, dated Apr. 1, 1932, on Gramercy Park Hotel stationery, to Dr. George Wilbur, regarding his schedule, Fine, accompanied by article, “The Rank-Wilbur Correspondence,” Fine .............................................. E.

James Whitcomb Riley. ALS, 1 page, dated Jan. 9, 1890, on Indianapolis Journal stationery, refers to a speaking tour in Indiana, with original transmittal envelope in his hand, Fine .......................................................... E. 100-150

Sax Rohmer. ALS, 1 page, 6 x 9 1/2 in., dated July 29, 1926, in greenish ink, to The Duchess de Richelieu presenting a copy of his Brood of the White Queen, including this comment: “It doesn’t look exactly new, but it is one of the stories which I should like you to read.” With original transmittal envelope (Hotel Algonquin corner card). Very Fine and attractive .......................................................... E. 150-200

Philip Roth. 8pp typed interview conducted by Ian Hamilton in 1989 with additions, deletions and corrections in the hand of Roth himself, accompanied by TLS from Ian Hamilton confirming this, Very Fine. The interview concerns itself with Roth’s first three books about Nathan Zuckerman, as well as public reaction to his early short story, “Defender of the Faith” .......................................................... E. 300-400

William M. Thackery. ALS, 1 page, dated Jan. 14, 1858, requesting a check, matted and framed with colored portrait, Fine .......................................................... E. 300-400

[Mark Twain]. Collection of six sepia-toned photographs showing the author playing pool, in bed writing, playing cards with his daughter, on his porch in cap & gown, etc., also photos showing his gravestone, statue of Tom & Huck, shot of his Stormfield, Ct. home, etc., each with Underwood handstamp on back, last is damaged otherwise Fine .......................................................... (Photo Ex) E. 500-750

[Authors]. Three: James Dickey (AQS), Arthur Hailey (SP) and Alex Haley (SP), Very Fine .......................................................... E. 50-75
[Autograph Album]. Approx. 260, all clips, all glued to pages, majority are literary figures, includes Lewis Carroll (as Dodgson), Agatha Christie, Charles Dickens, Albert Einstein, T.S. Eliot, Kenneth Grahame, Henry James, Rudyard Kipling, A.A. Milne, Eugene O’Neill, etc., mixed condition incl. soiling but all appear genuine, should be viewed .................................................. E. 1,000-1,500

COMPOSERS AND MUSIC RELATED

3543° Louis Armstrong. Inscription on cover of his Columbia album, AMBASSADOR SATCHEL: “To my great artist Anita of Hollywood Louis Armstrong,” splitting at edges and soiling .......................................................... E. 100-150

3544° Irving Berlin. TLS, 1 page, on his personal stationery, 5¾ x 7¾ in., dated Nov. 9, 1927, to Nat Shilkret: “First let me thank you for your kindly attitude regarding my request not to go through with the idea you had in mind for next week’s show at the Strand. I would like to see you for a few minutes and explain my reasons for not wishing this done. They are purely personal reasons, and I know when you hear them you will not alone understand, but agree with me thoroughly. I need not tell you how much I regretted doing this, knowing how good a friend you have been to the firm and especially to me personally. I have already told Dave Dryer that I will do everything I can to cooperate with you on some idea, in connection with my songs, that we will both feel happy about.” etc. Fine, desirable content .......................................................... E. 600-800


3546° Billie Holliday. Signature on AGVA contract to perform at the Academy of Music in Philadelphia for $1,000, dated Sept. 21, 1956, Fine, accompanied by 8 x 10 photo ...... ............................................................................................................. E. 500-600

3547° Franz Liszt. Large bold signature (“F. Liszt”) on card affixed to album leaf, Fine and scarce .................................................................................................................(Photo) E. 250-350

3548° Sergei Rachmaninoff. Signature on 6 x 4¼ in. yellow leaf from autograph album, small stain clear of signature, Fine ..........................................................(Photo) E. 100-150

3549° John Phillip Sousa. ANS, 1 page, on illustrated hotel stationery, in tiny hand in the upper right corner: “Dear Sir: I will try to play the march as an encore to No. 5 at the matinee. Sincerely John Phillip Sousa.” With portion of original transmittal envelope dated Nov. 1913, Fine ..................................................................................................... E. 250-350

3550° John Phillip Sousa. Pencil signature on 3 x 7¼ in. cardboard flyer for Sousa and His Band at the Steel Pier Ballroom, Sep. 2, 1930, with head & shoulders shot of Sousa, folded at center, Fine .........................................................................................(Photo) E. 100-150

3551° Oscar Strauss. Inscription on ms. of “Slow Waltz (oh, fleur d’amour)”, “To Mr. L. Gensler/with all good wishes for a big success/Oscar Strauss/New York/20 of December 1930”, additional signature opposite title of composition, tiny edge toning, Fine .. E. 150-200

3552° Arturo Toscanini. ALS, dated Apr. 25, 1944, to Mrs. Edward Cushing, thanking her for a photograph of woman friend who had fallen ill, in bold red ink on his personal stationery, with original transmittal envelope entirely in his hand, Very Fine and attractive ............................................................................................................. E. 300-400

3553° Singers and Composers. Group of 27 different, mostly signed photos. includes Paul Anka, Joan Baez, Roger Daltry, Sammy Davis Jr., Marvin Hamlish (ANS), Mick Jagger, Liza Minelli (TNS), Bobby Rydell (ALS), Grace Slick (amusing ANS on sheet music of “Freedom”), Isaac Stern (MQS), Pete Townsend, Frank Zappa, and others, all Very Fine ............................................................................................................. E. 400-500

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CONTRACT SUBJECT TO APPROVAL
& SIGNATURE OF ARTIST.

1. $1.00 per person per engagement per day
2. $2.50 per person per week of six days or more
3. $1.50 per person per week for ice skating, roller skating, swimming, indoor circus, fairs, etc.

11. All claims other than commission claims that may arise out of this contract must be presented to AGVA in writing, within 30 days, otherwise AGVA will not assume any responsibility for processing same.
12. Agent failing to ascertain artist's membership status before signing of contract, shall be subject to prompt disciplinary action.
13. A copy of this contract must be filed with AGVA prior to the opening of engagement date stated above.
14. In WITNESS WHEREOF, we have signed this agreement on the day and year first above written.

OPERATOR: [Signature]
ARTIST: [Signature]
AGENT: [Signature]

This is to certify that [Name of Artist] appearing at [Location] from [Date] to [Date] is protected by the AGVA WELFARE PLAN, commencing on [Date], for which the undersigned assumes responsibility for the contributions.

Operator's copy to be retained by him and mailed each week with check to Branch Office of AGVA.

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Composers, Singers and Related. A specialized collection of autographs: includes Eugene Albert, Max Bruch, Willy Burmester (AMQS), Ferruccio Busoni, Teresa Carreno (two ALS, quotation & Signature, ANS), Louis Diermer (AMQS), Johanna Gadski, Eulalia Gerster, Jean Gerardy, Leopold Godowsky, Otto Hegner (AMQS), Karel Hoffman (AMQS), Joseph Joachim, Johann Lauterbach (three ANS and two ALS), Lilli Lehmann, Henri Marteau (AMQS), Dame Nellie Melba, Moritz Moszkowski (ALS), Arthur Nikisch (AMQS), Ignace Paderewski (AMQS), Morz Rosenthal, Sherwood Percy (AMQS), Paloma Schrann (AMQS), Karla Schrann (AMQS), Joseph Sliwinski (ANS), Artur Schnabel (ANS), Felix Weingartner, August Wilhelmy, and Hanus Wiihan (AMQS), Fine-Very Fine

Richard E. Byrd. Copies of LITTLE AMERICA (1930) and DISCOVERY (1935), each inscribed & signed by the author, latter is 1st Edition, minor wear ......................... E. 100-150

Mark Clark. TLS and inscribed signed photograph, Mar. 1, 1973 letter with Citadel Military College letterhead, to Peter Thayer; refers to questions raised by Thayer in a book: "I believe that Japan still fears the Russians and knows first hand of their deceitful ways. I don't believe there is still any of our Americans held by the North Koreans resulting from the Korean War. They just murdered many of our people at the time of their capture or immediately following, and never accounted for them. I am sure the same applies for those who are unaccounted for in Vietnam. I believe President Rhee was right in most cases. He hated communism and was willing to die fighting it, and sparked his people to feel the same way. I think he will go down in history as a great leader. He was unscrupulous, as are so many of the orientals," etc., letter with one holographic addition, photo inscribed to Thayer, Very Fine, exceptional content from this general .................................................... E. 300-400

George Dewey. Two ALSs, 6pp., on hotel stationery, ca. 1902, to his private secretary Mr. Crawford re personal business, owner's name & hs clear of text & signature, Fine ...................... E. 150-200

Richmond Pearson Hobson. Admiral. Boldly signed cabinet photo, Mee Cheung, Hong Kong imprint in margin, Fine ................................................................. E. 100-125

Douglas MacArthur. Signature with inscription: "Renewed best wishes to Marucie W. O'Connell" on back of 1925 Christmas card from MacArthur to Mr. O'Connell, who had the General sign it Dec. 25, 1961, accompanied by original transmittal envelope, tape marks and soiling .............................................. E. 100-150

Mathew C. Perry. ALS ("M.C. Perry"), 1½pp., 8 x 9½ in., datelined Brooklyn May 20, 1843, in his last months of shore duty before leaving for Africa, writing to a Mrs. Rodgers, mentions keeping a watchful eye on her son, and ending: "of all occupations that of the farmer is to me the most agreeable," with integral address leaf, Very Fine. Perry's sister Anna Maria, married George Washington Rodgers, and this letter was probably to a member of that illustrious naval family .................................................. E. 300-400

Oliver Hazard Perry. Note in his hand on back of 1815 bill for coat purchased in New York, also one other clothing receipt and 1819 subscription receipt for the CHRONICLE AND PATRIOT paid by his widow, also a 1812 LS from officer John A. Shaw to Perry re alternative to "corporal punishment" for three sailors, and a 1799 ALS from his father, Christopher Perry in part about the launching of a ship in Rhode Island; 5 pieces, with engraving, Fine .......................................................... E. 150-200

Zebulon M. Pike. Signature ("The A.Q.M. Will please to discharge the above account Z.M. Pike") on Mar. 17, 1813 accounting sheet on loan of house at Sacketts Harbor to Generals Martin and Brown, also signed by Genl. James Brown, some aging and tiny paper loss at B., still Fine, rare late signature. Pike was promoted to brigadier general on Mar. 12, 1813. Selected to command an expedition against York in upper Canada, he died on Apr. 27th, when stones from the fort fell on him ......................... E. 400-500

MILITARY

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3564  **Eddie Rickenbacker.** TLS, 1 page, dated Apr. 1, 1943, to artist Sally Clark concerning photos of him for a sculpture she was contemplating, lot includes two photos of Rickenbacker posing with Clark and her completed work, also an unrelated 1971 TLS. Fine .......................................................................................................................... E. 100-150

3565°  **Charles Dwight Sigsbee.** Commander of the battleship **Maine** when it was blown up in Havana harbor. Signature on 5 x 4 in. piece: “U.S.S. Texas, Navy Yard, New York September 14th, 1898 C.D. Sigsbee Capt., U.S.N. Commanding,” Fine .......................... E. 100-150

3566°  **[War of 1812].** ALS of Alexander Boyd, a representative from New York, writes (in part) to a friend: “we have not had a mail from New orleans for some time...believe that the British are in possession of it a gentleman or member of this house received a letter this Day stating that the British where at Batten rogue...The speaker of this house received a letter from a gentleman from Savannah which he read and it stated that the British had landed three thousand troops on [??] island in Georgia.” etc. Dated Jan. 25, 1815, Washington, with integral address leaf with his frank, Fine .................................................................................................................. E. 100-150

3567  **Stewart L. Woodford.** LS, 1½pp., 5x 8 in., U.S. Legation, Madrid, dated Mar. 22, 1898, to John Hegeman, only a few weeks before Pres. McKinley sent his war message to Congress: “I shall work for peace with justice and honor and shall believe that peace is possible until the guns actually open fire.” etc., with original transmittal envelope, Very Fine ......... .................................................................................................................. E. 150-200

3568°  **U.S. Military Collection.** Specialized collection of eleven items, dated 1962-63, all to Col. J.T. Knight regarding a dinner for General Troy Middleton, who was stepping down as President of Louisiana State University. Includes two TLSs from **Dwight Eisenhower,** who first met Middleton in 1925. He also states he hasn’t seen Knight “since my graduation in 1915”; TLS ("Brad") from **Omar Bradley** and typed testimonial on Middleton with Bradley’s signature in full; TLS and typed testimonial by **Mark Clark;** two TLSs of **A.C. McAuliffe** ("Tony McAuliffe"), the general famous for his answer to the Germans at the Battle of the Bulge ("Nuts"); three TLSs ("Dick") of **Richard Stillwell** as Commandant of West Point; all with good contents, all Very Fine, choice group ........ E. 750-1,000

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**SCIENTISTS AND INVENTORS**

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3569°  **Charles Darwin.** ALS, 1 page, dated Dec. 28, 1875. He writes (in full): “My Dear Wallace I am very glad that you will attend, as it seems to me an occasion where every man of science should help another. You will be able to return at night, as Lankester will be the first man balloted for. I hope you are getting nearly to the end of your work. Yrs very sincerely Ch. Darwin,” minor soiling, Fine. Sir Edwin Ray Lankester established the Plymouth Marine Laboratory and was later Director of the Natural History Museum ...............Photo) E. 2,000-2,500

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Lee de Forest. "The father of radio," inventor of the vacuum tube and pioneer in the development of wireless telegraphy and sound in motion pictures. TLS, 1 page, on "Lee de Forest Laboratories" letterhead, dated July 7, 1939 in Los Angeles, to marching band leader Dr. Edwin Franko Goldman. He writes (in part): I suppose you are now back in the home town [New York] longing for the 'unendurable cold' of Treasure Island, where you were so long marooned; but midst all the heat of New York City you at least have the consolation of immense and appreciative audiences, something that was shamefully lacking in San Francisco. ...Mrs. de Forest and I expect to be in New York for Lee de Forest Day at the Fair, Sept. 22nd," etc., fresh, Very Fine, attractively matted and framed ........................................ E. 1,000-1,250

Thomas A. Edison. Two pieces. Signature in pencil on small card with matching "Jess" and cut-to-outline picture of flowers mounted on it, also 1885 cover addressed in his hand to: "W.T. King Esq. Edison's Expert Railroad Office Clifton Staten Island", opened bit irregularly at R., small faults ..................................................(Photo Ex) E. 250-350

Albert Einstein. TLS ("A. Einstein"), in blue ink, 1⅛pp., 8½ x 11 in. dated April 7, 1949, on "Institute For Advanced Study" letterhead, to Professor Jacque Hadamard.

EINSTEIN REVEALS HIS DISTASTE FOR SOVIET POLICY

"I was deeply moved reading the address you delivered over the radio on the occasion of my 70th birthday. In answer to your cable concerning the congress taking place in Paris on the 20th of April I have to confess openly that after my experiences with the first congress of this kind at Wroclaw last August and from what I have observed concerning the recent congress in New York. I have the strong impression that this kind of procedure is not really serving the cause of international understanding. The reason is simply that is more or less a Soviet enterprise and that everything is managed accordingly. This in itself would not be so bad if the Russians and the men coming from the countries affiliated with Russia would be really free to express their personal opinion and would not have to present official Russian point of view as it is at the moment. Therefore the impression of most people is characterized by the word 'Soviet-Propaganda'. The speakers from the Western countries are chosen from the point of view not to disturb the pattern of the whole. So the result is rather a sharpening of the silly controversies and polemics which characterize the international situation of today. You might be assured that I should gladly give my name to an enterprise aimed at an honest discussion of the possibilities to reach understanding and international security." An exceptional and important letter ..................................................(Photo) E. 3,000-3,500
Michael Faraday. Founder of Electrochemistry. ALS, 1¼pp, 4½ x 7 in., dated May 14, 1861, declining an invitation at Manchester, Fine ........................................... E. 200-250

Edward Jenner. Famed English physician who laid the foundations of modern immunology as a science with his discovery of a vaccination for smallpox. ALS, 2½pp., 8¼ x 10½ in., dated Jan. 16, 1807 at Cheltenham, to a Mr. Phillips: “I congratulate you & Mrs. Phillips on the addition to the your Flock. It is my intention to be in Town soon; but how soon I cannot at the present moment positively say. My movement will be regulated by those of the College of Physicians & the House of Commons. The former have not yet finished their inquiry, which will, when completed, be laid before the House. This inquiry will lay all those troublesome ghosts which have so long haunted the Metropolis with their ox-faces & dismal hootings against Vaccination. However, ‘tis all for the best- you may depend upon it the new Investigation will prove the touchstone of the vaccine discovery. I have not yet seen your Monthly Mag: for the present month. Probably you may have not inserted the very curious & interesting piece of intelligence issued from Madrid. This supposition induces me to enclose it. What a glorious enterprize! I have made Peace with Spain, and quite adore her philanthropic Monarch. Could not this be touched upon by some of those who, thro’ you, introduce pathetic stories into the world? A word more respecting your Little one altho’ I should be happy to shield it myself from the Speckled Monster, yet I would advise you not long to wish my coming to Town. I will just add that I consider the Vaccine lancet in the hand of John Ring just as safe as in my own. Pray present my best wishes to Mrs. Phillips & tell her I have not forgotten her civilities—Yr very faithful svt E. Jenner.”

Simon Lake. ALS, 1 page, 8½ x 11 in., dated Sept. 12, 1901 with very rare letterhead: THE LAKE TORPEDO BOAT COMPANY and “Designers and Builders of Submarine Torpedo Boats”, writing to a Mr. G.B. Wheeler, applying for the position of bookkeeper, Lake ends the letter: “Yours truly/The Lake Torpedo Boat/Simon Lake Pres.”, small paper loss at B.R. and some staining, fair condition but desirable ............................................... E. 750-1,000
3576° **Joseph Lister.** Founder of modern antiseptic surgery. ALS, 1 page, 4 x 6 in., dated July 20, 1894 on mourning stationery, apologizes for not responding sooner to a letter, Fine............................................. E. 300-400

3577° **Guglielmo Marconi.** 1874-1937. Inventor of wireless telegraphy. Bold signature on card dated Rome, 1933, with printed mourning card from his wife, and Marconi’s calling card with Italian inscription in his hand, along with cacheted First Day of 1973 Marconi issue, each matted, in single frame, first card with tape stain (clear of signature), Fine ............. E. 150-200

3578° **Samuel F.B. Morse.** ALS, 1 page, 7½ x 7¾ in., datelined Jone’s Hotel, Sept. 14, 1849, to Prof. J.F. Frazer: “I forgot to say to you when you had the interview with me this morning, that I called at Pennington’s to purchase a copy of Monigono’s TAKTE DE TELEGRAPHIC, and to my regret learned he had not another copy but could easily procure one from France. In this emergency I am going to solicit the favor from you that you will permit me to purchase your copy, at the price of the cost to you of supplying its place. The work may be of the greatest importance to me on the trial next month.”

During the 1840s Morse spent considerable time and money defending his patents for the telegraph. By 1846 his rights had been upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court and he had been granted an extension of his patent. At the same time however, his system was being adopted in Europe; his urgent need for a book by a French author in time for an upcoming trial suggest Morse’s close scrutiny of patent rights was now focused on European violations of his invention.

Very Fine and fresh, superbly matted and framed with contemporary engraving ..................................................(Photo) E. 2,500-3,000

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3579° **Winston S. Churchill.** Formal portrait of a youthful Churchill, 3 x 4¼ in., tipped to slightly larger sheet which is signed at bottom, with fancy embossed border and matting, framed, foxing in sheet, slightly affecting signature which is otherwise Fine and attractive .................................................. (Photo)  E. 1,000-1,500

3580° **Benjamin Disraeli.** ALS ("D"), 4pp., 4⅝ x 6⅜ in., dated Aug. 11, 1876, on mourning stationery, warm casual letter to a family member and which opens: "I won’t leave London without sending you a line, but it will be a very stupid one, & the best part of it will be to thank you for your letter," and goes on to describe the wedding of Lady Louise Montague: "There were no tears, but a great deal of laughter: a merrie bride without any superfluous sentiment." etc. Very Fine ..................................................  E. 300-400

3581° **Benjamin Disraeli.** ALS ("D"), 4pp., 4⅝ x 6⅜ in., dated Sept. 7, 1877 on mourning stationery, amusing contents to an unknown recipient: "I am getting on rather well, pursuing exactly the reverse course to that which I have followed for three years & a half! I drink very old port wine. ...No doubt it may all end in a sharp fit of the gout, but prefer that occasional affliction to a chest complaint which prevents me walking uphill or from addressing a public assembly. And it must be remembered that the old system never saved me from gout after all. etc., Very Fine ... ..................................................  E. 300-400

3582 **Hubert Humphrey.** TLS as Vice President, 1 page, dated June 7, 1968, on official stationery, honoring a request to autograph a block of four of the 6c “Law and Order” commemorative which accompanies this lot, with original transmittal envelope, Very Fine ..................................................  E. 75-100

3583° **Robert Kennedy.** TLS, 1 page, Senate letterhead, sheet with waterstains slightly affecting signature ..................................................  E. 150-200

3584 **Walter Momper.** Mayor of Berlin. TLS, 1 page, dated Sept. 1, 1990, expressing his feelings on the removal of the Berlin Wall and the future of Germany and Europe, in German, Very Fine ..................................................  E. 50-75
3585° Benito Mussolini. TLS, 1 page, dated Feb. 28, 1923, to General Alberto Stendardo, Fine, with 1992 Saggiori certificate of authenticity ..................(Photo) E. 500-600

3586 J. Broz Tito. Signed photo, 5½ x 7¼ in., Very Fine ......................... E. 100-150

3587° Victoria. DS, dated April 29, 1885, military commission for George Fraser Phillips as Lt. in the Prince of Wales's own West Yorkshire regiment, separated at far right along fold and silked ..................................................(Photo) E. 300-400

3588 20th Century World Leaders and Related. Thirty-four different, includes Menachem Begin (SP), Mario Cuomo (TLS), Dwight Eisenhower (TNS), King Fahd, (SP), King Faisal (SP), John Glenn (TLS), Hubert Humphrey (SP & TLS), Lee Iacocca (TLS), Ed Koch (TLS), Kurt Waldheim (SP), Wolfgang Wagner (TLS), etc., Very Fine lot. E. 750-1,000
AUTOGRAPH COLLECTIONS AND BALANCES

3589° **Autograph Collection.** 100+ items, a life-time accumulation, areas incl. political (Dwight Eisenhower on Columbia University program, etc.), entertainers (Helen Hayes ALS and signed photo, Heifetz signed childhood photo dated 1912, Mary Pickford, Rudy Valee (TLS), authors (W.H. Auden ALS, Pearl Buck signed copy of GOOD EARTH, Thomas Mann), etc., signed photos incl. Werner Von Braun, Marian Anderson, etc., Fine group, please examine ............................................. E. 1,500-2,000

3590° **Autograph Balance.** Eight items, mostly free franks including Stephen Douglas, Alexander Stephens (two incl. 1 front), Helen Taft and Daniel Webster, mixed condition .......................................................... E. 250-350

3591° **Autograph Balance.** Four items, includes Free franks of Edward Everett and Nath. Mason on separate covers, also Jenny Lind Goldschmidt on small piece and card with “Mrs. Charles S. Stratton Com Nutt Minnie Warren Genl. Tom Thumb” in purple ink apparently traced over pencil .......................................................... E. 100-150

3592 **Autograph Accumulation.** Fifty-five pieces, names include George Dewey (TLS), Salmon P. Chase (two DS), David Porter (TLS), Winfield Scott, H. Hamlin (ALS), Alvin York, Jimmy Doolittle, Marc Chagall, John Morton, Dewitt Clinton, Francis Hopkinson, George Marshall, etc., also a group of documents signed Frederick IV, Charles XI, Louis XIV, Carl XII, etc., Fine-Very Fine, viewing essential ............................................. E. 1,000-1,500

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