

Black's Fine Books & Manuscripts

Rare Books, Archives and Photographs Bought-and-Sold

1.

Mercier, Charles.

Criminal Responsibility.

Oxford: Oxford at The Clarendon Press, 1905. First printing. pp. 232. Royal 8vo. Pebbled dark green cloth boards with gilt rules and lettering to spine. Untrimmed page edges. Light bumping to tail of spine, contents clean and unmarked with tight, sound binding; near fine. Hardcover.

Charles Mercier (1851-1919) was a leading British psychiatrist of the late 19th through to the early 20th century. Often hailed as a pioneer of forensic psychiatry, he was the author of many important works on crime, insanity and psychology. (#142)

2.

Bamford, Frank; Sydney Smith (Foreword).

Poisons: Their Isolation and Identification with 23 Illustrations.

London: J. & A. Churchill Ltd., 1951. Third Revised Edition. pp. viii, 316. 8vo. Green cloth covers with gilt rules and lettering to spine. Black and white photographs and illustrations. Negligible shelfwear, ink name and date to corner of ffep else text-block clean and clear of any marks with tight, sound binding; very good+. Hardcover.

"This book is intended as a laboratory manual for all chemists who have to deal with cases of poisoning. It is devised as a practical handbook..." (#158) \$35.00

3.

McClintock, Walter.

Medicinal And Useful Plants of The Blackfeet Indian (Materia Medica of the Blackfeet). [Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania]: Privately Printed [Originally published by The Berlin Society for Anthropology, Ethnology and History | Zeit-Schrift fur Ethnologie], N.D. [Circa 1909]. pp. 9. 4to. Duo-tang stapled folder. Pages age-toned, the first leaf bears the stamp of the anthropology department of the University of Regina otherwise the contents remain clean and unmarked with sturdy duo-tang type binding. A unique and important historical record. Card Covers.

A copy of a type-written nine-page treatise by noted American photographer and ethnographer Walter McClintock (the original apparently being housed in the Carnegie Museum in Pittsburgh) detailing a collection of herbs and plants with their Indian names, uses and methods as prepared by the women of the Blackfeet Indians as well as where to locate them. A unique and detailed study. At time of cataloguing no copies of this title appear on WorldCat results or on the private market. Rare. See Dempsey & Moir 799. (#234)

4.

Browne, G. Lathom; C.G. Stewart.

Reports of Trials for Murder by Poisoning by Prussic Acid, Strychnia, Antimony, Arsenic, and Aconitia including Trials of Tawell, W. Palmer, Dove, Madeline Smith, Dr. Pritchard, Smethurst, and Dr. Lamson, With Chemical Introduction And Notes on The Poisons Used.

London: Stevens & Sons, Law Publishers and Booksellers, 1883. pp. xvi, 604. Royal 8vo. Bound in 3/4 leather over black cloth boards. Light scuffing to leather, ink name to front pastedown otherwise contents remain clean and unmarked with tight, sound binding; very good+. Leather Bound.

Scarce and interesting title. (#237)

\$175.00

5.

Walker, Alexander.

Intermarriage or The Mode in Which, And The Causes Why, Beauty Health and Intellect Result From Certain Unions, And Deformity Disease and Insanity From Others, etc. etc.

New York: J. & H.G. Langley, 1842. First American edition. pp. xviii, 432. 12mo. Bound in full new light brown 3/4 leather over marbled paper boards, new endpapers; gilt rules and lettering to spine. Many black and white illustrations which seek to demonstrate the theories being put forth. Slightest indication of chipping to the corners of the boards, however, remains a very attractive and presentable copy. Overall, very good+ to near fine. Leather Bound.

Very controversial, scarce. (#290)

\$195.00

Lang, W.R.; Edna Fay Grant; George A. Little; R.C. Chalmers; E.S. Bishop

1950 National Temperance Study Course for Sunday Schools: Intermediate-Senior Lessons (For General Directions, see Page 26).

Toronto, Ontario, Canada: Department of Christian Education, The Canadian Council of Churches, 1947. First printing. pp. 24. 12mo. Stapled card covers. A series of five lessons aimed at Christian men and women with the aim of imparting a message of sobriety or "temperance" in line with Christian morals. Section titles include: 'A Straight Look at the Alcohol Problem'; 'An Automobile Age'; 'Alcohol Slows Up The Brain'; 'Facts and Fallacies'; 'Why People Do and Do Not Drink'; 'The Church Looks at the Liquor Question' etc. No detectable flaws, contents clean and unmarked with tight, sound binding; near fine. Scarce. Fine. Stapled Wraps.

At time of cataloguing this title does not appear amongst the holdings at Peel or BAC/LAC. (#639) \$50.00

7.

Walker, Alexander.

[Walker on] Beauty: Illustrated Chiefly by an Analysis and Classification of Beauty in Woman.

New York: J. & H. G. Langley, 1841. pp. xx, 390 [3 pages of publisher's advertisements]. 8vo. Ribbed black cloth boards embossed with floral decoration and ornaments to spine and front board; gilt rules and lettering to spine. Lightest edgewear, period ink name and date to ffep, very faint foxing to endpapers and the margins of pages (unaffecting text). Text-block remains remarkably bright and clean with tight, sound binding; a very handsome presentation; very good+. Very Good +. Hardcover.

An ill-advised and decidedly sexist exercise wherein the author examines female beauty through an "analysis" of their physical and physiognomic attributes. Walker enjoyed a wide and popular audience during his time and whose work was readily accepted as empirically and philosophically sound. This was the first in a trilogy dedicated to women which included: Intermarriage (originally published in 1838, see our listing for this title) and Woman (published in 1839). Sections titles include: The Elements of Beauty; As To Decency and Morality; Combinations and Transitions of the Three Species of Female Beauty; Proportion, Character, Expression etc.; The Greek Ideal [of] Beauty amongst others. (#692) \$50.00

Van Allen Murphey; Edith.

Indian Uses of Native Plants.

Fort Bragg, California: Mendocino County Historical Society, 1959. pp. viii, 81. 8vo. Illustrated stiff yellow card covers; pictorial and map endpapers. Black and white photographs, illustrations, drawings. Sections include: Basketry; Indian Foods; Famine Foods; Beverages; Feasts; Greens; Meat; Nuts; Medicinal Plants; Ceremonials and Magic; Tanning Hides; Medicinal Plants for Venereal Diseases; Hair, et al. A comprehensive section on medicinal use of plants for alleviating symptoms of colds, sore throats, eye infections; plants used to act as a blood coagulator; heart and tonic; kidney and bladder trouble; poultices; smallpox; wounds; rheumatism; sores and boils and many others. No detectable flaws; contents bright, clean and unmarked with tight, sound binding; fine. Stapled Wraps. Scarce with no copies presently housed at LAC/BAC. (#902) \$45.00

9.

Ross, Allen.

Keeper of the Female Medicine Bundle: Biography of Wihopa (The Oldest Living Member of her tribe.).

Denver, Colorado: Wiconi Waste Publishing, 1998. First printing. ISBN: 9780962197772. pp. 248. 8vo. Illustrated card covers. Many black and white photographs and illustrations. No detectable flaws, contents bright, clean and unmarked with tight, sound binding; very good+. The book is divided into three sections: Part One: Interview with Wihopa (Agnes Ross) with Family Tree; Part Two: Memories of their mother by James Duane, Kenneth, and Allen Ross; Part Three: A Female Medicine Bundle and The Feminine Energy. Paperback.

SIGNED and inscribed by the author to the title page. (#907)

\$35.00

10.

Harris-Zsovan, Jane.

Eugenics and the Firewall: Canada's Nasty Little Secret.

Winnipeg, Manitoba: J. Gordon Shillingford Publishing, 2010. ISBN: 9781897289518. pp. 272. 8vo. Black and white photographs, illustrations. No detectable flaws; near fine. Near Fine. Paperback. (#1021) \$35.00

[General Nursing Council for England and Wales].

Rules framed by the General Nursing Council for England and Wales under the Nurses' Registration Act, 1919, with respect to the uniform and badge which may be worn by registered nurses.

London, United Kingdom: General Nursing Council for England and Wales | Printed by A. & E. Walter Ltd., 1931. Originally published in 1924. Amended Edition of 1931. pp. 4. 12mo., measuring 14 cm. Stapled card covers. A fascinating piece of medical ephemera related to rules and requirements with regard to attire and badges/insignias expected to be worn by nurses. Fine. Fine. Stapled Wraps.

OCLC # 1026454742. We note only one copy of this amongst institutional holdings. Scarce. (#1070) \$100.00

12.

[Manitoba Provincial Board of Health].

Manitoba Mothers' Book.

Winnipeg, Manitoba: Manitoba Department of Health | Provincial Board of Health under the authority of Hon. D.L. McLeod, Minister of Health, [N.D. Circa 1910-1925]. First printing. pp. 11. Small 8vo. Stapled card covers. Instructional booklet produced for the benefit of expectant mothers with much advice on all manner of medical aspects of pregnancy. The booklet commences with a preface on the virtues of motherhood: "Happy motherhood is founded on right living, right thinking, right loving; Right living means the care of the mothers' health, that the child may have the previous heritage of strength; Right thinking means a clean, wholesome, cheerful attitude toward motherhood, its privileges and joys, as well as its duties; Right loving means the belief that parenthood is a Divine gift and that little children are the crowning joy of living". Sections include: "Signs of Pregnancy", "Mental Attitude", "Personal Hygiene Diet", "Rest", "Exercise", "Discomforts and Complications of Pregnancy: Nausea and Vomiting, Heartburn, Varicose Veins, Hemorrhoids of Piles, Leucorrhoea", "Miscarriage". Lightest rubbing to the cover, contents clean and unmarked with fine stapled binding; very good+. Stapled Wraps.

Scarce. At time of cataloguing not in Peel, University of Manitoba Archives and Special Collections, McGill University, Osler Library of Medicine. (#1080) \$75.00

13.

Metropolitan Life Insurance Company [of Canada].

Overweight and Underweight

Metropolitan Life Insurance Company; Canadian Head Office - Ottawa. Ottawa, Ontario, Canada: Metropolitan Life Insurance Company [of Canada], N.D. [Circa 1953]. First printing. pp. 32. Small 8vo., measuring 20 cm tall. Illustrated stapled card covers bearing an image of a scale to the front cover with small illustration of the headquarters of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company of Canada to centre of rear cover. Black and white charts, tables, illustrations et al. Sections include: 'The Causes of Overweight', 'The Dangers of Overweight', 'Danger in Using Reducing Drugs', 'Low-Calorie Menus', 'What is Correct Weight', 'High-Calorie Menus', 'Food Tables', et al. No detectable flaws, contents bright, clean and unmarked with tight, sound stapled binding; near fine. Scarce with no known copies of this title with Ottawa as the place of publication housed among any known institutions including: McGill University, Osler Library of Medicine, Guelph University: Archives and Special Collections. Stapled Wraps.

From the Foreword: "This booklet has been prepared for those people who are either too fat or too thin because of certain ways of living which can be changed safely". (#1081)

14.

[Clark-Leatherdale Co. Ltd., Funeral Home].

Funeral Etiquette and Ceremonies.

Winnipeg, Manitoba: Clark-Leatherdale Co. Ltd., Funeral Home, 1950. First printing. pp. 20. Small 16mo., measuring 6.25" x 4". Cream stapled card covers with the crest of the Clark-Leatherdale Co. embossed in raised gilt to the front cover. A handy booklet issued to those attending funerals with the stated aim of imparting a code of conduct by which mourners should abide by. Contents include: "Suggestions Concerning Dress", "Offerings to Help", "Greeting the Family", "When to Visit" etc. Section II provides information relevant to those of the Catholic, Protestant or Jewish faiths with an overview of the manner of services offered as well expected conduct. Section III offers a variety of services by the named firm to those in need of funeral arrangements including: "What to do in case of a death in the immediate family", "Appointments for Consultation", "Classified and Obituary Notices", "Hours of Services", "Clothing and Merchandise", "Services", "Cemetery", "Clergy" et al. The rear section provides a "Code of Ethics" by which the funeral home abides by and the names of the relevant governing trade bodies to which they belong to. A fascinating piece of historical ephemera. No detectable flaws; near fine. Stapled Wraps.

At time of cataloguing not in BAC/LAC. (#1126)

\$135.00

15.

[Manitoba Pool Elevators | Co-operative Life Insurance Company].

Employees' Group Insurance and Other Benefits.

Winnipeg, Manitoba: Manitoba Pool Elevators | Co-operative Life Insurance Company, April, 1954. First printing. pp. 13. Small 16mo., measuring 6.75" x 5". Textured cream stapled card covers bearing a photographic image of a grain elevator to the front cover. A booklet issued to all eligible employees of Manitoba Pool Elevators setting out the conditions of eligibility, details of group insurance benefits, death benefits, permanent disability benefits, supplementary retirement allowance et al. A fascinating look into the early insurance industry particularly as it relates to Western Canadian/Prairie agricultural workers. No detectable flaws; fine. Stapled Wraps.

At time of cataloguing not in Peel, BAC/LAC, University of Manitoba Archives & Special Collections. (#1128) \$45.00

16.

Bourcier, Paul; Julie Elaine Roy; Manuel Pinto (Illust.); Michel Lamarre; Nicole Panet-Raymond Roy.

La Langue Des Signes [Quebecois] (LSQ) Plus de 1700 photos.

Montreal, QC, Canada: Association des sourds du Montreal-Metropolitain, [1985]. First printing. pp. viii, 239. 4to. Stiff card covers held with yellow plastic spiral binding. Profusely illustrated with 1700 photographs of various hand-signs arranged according to subject matter including: "La famille", "La nourriture", "L'education", "Le nature", "Les sports et les loisirs", "L'anatomie", "Les arts", amongst many others. Light rubbing to covers, contents bright, clean and unmarked with tight, sound binding; very good+. Spiral Bound. (#1136) \$50.00

17.

Woodsworth, J.S. [James Shaver] (1874-1942).

My Neighbor; A Study of City Conditions, A Plea for Social Service; Text-Book, No. 7.

Toronto: The Missionary Society of the Methodist Church, January, 1913. Second Edition. pp. 341. Small 8vo., measuring 8" x 5.5". Teal cloth over boards with white rules, lettering to spine, and front board. Black and white photographic frontispiece accompanied with original tissue-guard. Replete with black and white photographs, charts, tables et al. Light bumping to corners, a few small specks to the spine, neat ink name to corner of front pastedown. Contents remain bright, clean, and unmarked with tight, sound binding; very good+. Hardcover.

Accompanying the book is a small type-written letter (measuring 8" x 5") on official Canadian House of Commons stationary dated "Ottawa, January 16, 1937", from J.S. Woodsworth wherein he writes, "I should like to give you this copy of a book I

wrote twenty-five years ago. Recently, I discovered a stock of these, which I understand could not be sold since I had left the church and been involved in the Winnipeg general strike. It occurred to me that a few friends might still be interested in having a copy, as the book shows (a) the social conditions at that period - which have in many respects not changed very greatly - and also (b) the lines about which I was then working." Signed (typed) "J.S. Woodsworth." (#1173) \$245.00

18.

Carbin, Clifton F.; Dorothy L. Smith (Ed.)

Deaf Heritage in Canada: A Distinctive, Diverse, and Enduring Culture [A Canadian Cultural Society of the Deaf Project].

Toronto: McGraw-Hill Ryerson, 1996. First printing. ISBN: 9780075513780. pp. xix, 622. 4to. Light blue hardcover boards with silver lettering to spine. Replete with nearly 500 black and white photographs, portraits, maps, illustrations et al. Slightest edgewear, contents clean and free of any marks with tight, sound binding and housed in very good+ lightly rubbed dustjacket. Overall, very good+ to near fine. Near Fine in dust jacket. Hardcover.

"The story of the Canadian Deaf experience is the story of men and women, both hearing and deaf. Some have achieved recognition for their feats of bravery, for their pioneering spirit, for their courage in the face of adversity, for their determination to succeed regardless of the situation in which they found themselves. Others have added colour and texture to the Canadian tapestry through accomplishments in education, the arts, religion, science, writing and publishing, business and sports. The pages of Deaf Heritage in Canada bring to life the stories of these people." (#1192)

19.

Simmons [Bedding Company] Limited, Canada; The London Life Insurance Company.

Employees' Sickness and Accident Plan [for employees of] Simmons Limited, Canada.

[Toronto & Montreal]: Simmons [Bedding Company] Limited, Canada, 1955. pp. 12. Small 8vo., measuring 7.5" x 5.5". Illustrated stapled card covers bearing the Simmons Limited logo to rear cover. Published and distributed by the Simmons [Bedding Company] Limited, of Canada and the London Life Insurance Company to employees detailing various aspects of the group health and insurance benefits afforded to them as employees. Included are specific details relating to weekly income benefits (in the case of disability or while under the care of a physician). Remarkably - though unsurprisingly - the insurance plan offers different (generally lower) weekly income benefits to their female employees in contrast to benefits

afforded to their male counterparts. Three pages entitled, "Schedule of Operations", exhaustively lists all manner of medical operations and procedures accompanied with their precise costs. Sections include: Amputations (ranges from \$10.00 for a finger to \$180.00 for thigh-at hip), Abdomen, Breast (mastectomies, biopsies, abscess), Chest, Dislocations, Eye, Treatment of Fractures, Genito-Urinary (removal of kidney, tumours of bladder, prostatectomy), Obstetrical, Orthopedic Operations, Varicose Veins, Tumours and Cysts et al. An important ephemeral document published prior to the establishment of a national health care framework and preceded the struggles by Tommy Douglas and the CCF which eventually culminated with the passage of the National Health Act of 1984. No detectable flaws, fine. Stapled Wraps.

We note that there are no known copies of this housed amongst any institutional holdings. Scarce. (#1195) \$85.00

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