

## Greenwich Ephemera Fair 2019

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### SCARCE ALASKA MINING PROSPECTUS

1. [Alaska]. *Rampart Mining Company, Rampart, Alaska*. [Worcester, Ma.: Burbank & Co., ca. 1904]. [8]pp. 24mo. Original wrappers, gilt lettered. Light wear and fading to wraps. Internally clean. Very good.

Scarce small prospectus for the Rampart Mining Company of Alaska, published at the beginning of the 20th century. The text advises the area northwest of Fairbanks on the Yukon River under consideration for investment has thus far been worked solely by individuals using "primitive methods," and that commercial mining will inevitably lead to large profits. OCLC locates only two copies, at Berkeley and the University of Alaska. \$375

2. [Alaska]. Beck, Jesse McFall. *Alaska. Series of Letters Descriptive of a Summer Trip*. Centerville, Ia. 1941. 40pp. Original printed wrappers, stapled. Light tanning and wear to wraps. Internally clean. Very good.

A scarce, privately published account of a 1941 journey through Alaska by a native of rural Iowa. Jesse McFall Beck, from Centerville, Iowa, traveled widely through Alaska and into the Yukon, "Including Valdez to Fairbanks over the Richardson Highway, McKinley National Park and up the Yukon River into the Arctic Circle, [with] stops at Dawson and the Klondike, and out by way of the White Pass to Skagway and down the Inside Passage to Seattle." A well written account, with notes on experiences outside of the usual tourist path. OCLC locates two copies, at the University of Alaska and the Iowa Historical Society. \$375

### THE WHITE PASS & YUKON RAIL AND STEAMER ROUTES

3. [Alaska]. [Yukon]. [Railroads]. *Map of White Pass & Yukon Route and Connections [caption title]*. Chicago; Seattle. 1917. Folding map, approximately 21 x 30 inches. Printed in black, red, and blue. Original printed card wrappers. Corners slightly bumped. Internally clean and crisp. Fine.

A beautiful folding map of World War I-era Alaska, delineating the route of the White Pass & Yukon Railroad from Skagway to Whitehorse, and its connections across the territory via White Pass & Yukon and other affiliated steam ship lines. The main map depicts all of Alaska and Yukon, with the routes shown in various red lines. In addition to the rail line between Skagway and Whitehorse, the White Pass & Yukon Company operated steam lines on the Yukon River from Whitehorse to Dawson and across several interconnected lakes from Carcross, Yukon, to Atlin, British Columbia. From Dawson, one could travel by the connected steamship line of the American-Yukon Navigation Company to Fairbanks, Bettles, Iditarod, and as far west as Kotlik, in the Yukon River Delta on the coast of the Bering Sea. A large inset map in the upper right shows a detail of the rail route from Skagway to Carcross and the steamer route from Carcross to Atlin. Scarce on the market, with only one copy appearing in auction records, and not present in several major institutional collections of Railroadiana and Western Americana. A fine copy.

\$300

4. American Portable House Co. *[Blueprints for an Early Portable School House, Designed by a Washington Company]*. [Seattle: 1926]. Six sheets, each approximately 13 x 24 inches. Riveted at left margin. Small contemporary ink stamp on verso of final sheet. Light wear and occasional dampstaining. Very good.

An interesting set of blueprints that show plans for an early portable building designed by a Seattle company. The American Portable Home Company operated out of the Washington city in the early 20th century, and had an exhibition structure at the Lewis and Clark Centennial Fair in St. Louis in 1904. These plans were drawn in 1926, and depict designs for a small school building. The blueprints show the designs for the floor plan, front and side elevations, a cross section, as well as ceiling and roof plans. A neat document of early tiny homes. \$425

"THE MATERIAL INTERESTS OF ARKANSAS AND THE SOUTHWEST"

5. [Arkansas]. *Spirit of Arkansas. A Journal for the Farm Home & Workshop*. Vol. XI No. 9. Little Rock, Ark., July 15, 1882 [caption title]. Little Rock: S.H. Nowlin & Co., 1882. 8pp. Folio newspaper. Previously folded; short separations along fold line; light wear at edges. Light tanning. Unopened. About very good.

An unrecorded 1882 Arkansas land and railway promotional intended to advertise the routes and lands of the St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern Railroad. Disguised as an issue of the "Spirit of Arkansas" newspaper, the text backhandedly disparages the land grants of other railroads, while claiming that, "we already have the best country in the world now open to emigrations, and where cheap lands can be procured" (from the St. Louis and Iron Mountain, naturally). Other articles provide evaluations and statistics of agricultural production, testimonials from individuals and other newspapers, and other news of growth and development. The centerfold is a large, double-page map of the state, with rail lines prominently featured, and the final page is a full-page advertisement for the St. Louis, Iron Mountain, & Southern Railway, with its signature "Bound for the Happy Land" motto at the head. An attractive and unrecorded Arkansas railroad and land item. \$475

"RACE AS AN ISSUE IS THE REFUGE OF DEMAGOGS."

6. [Arkansas]. *This Is a Response to Adkins' Campaign of Hate* [caption title]. Little Rock. [1944]. Printed broadside, 22.5 x 17 inches. Light, even tanning. Very good.

An unrecorded political broadside from the 1944 Arkansas Senate race between Homer Adkins and William Fulbright. Adkins was a member of the Klan, who financed his early political victories, and their unsavory views remained a hallmark of his political goals. Fulbright defeated Adkins in this race, and went on to remain in the Senate for six full terms. The text reads, in part, "Race as an issue is the Refuge of Demagogues [sic], who as Candidates must divert Attention from their Records and from the Greed of Special Interests supporting them for Office," and contains an exposition on the various issues related to racial hatred advanced by the Adkins campaign. Not located by OCLC. \$675

7. Atkinson, William Walker. *Personal Reminiscences and the Soul's Awakening*. Los Angeles: Segnogram Publishing Co., [ca. 1906]. 24pp. 16mo. Original brown wrappers, printed in brown. Minor wear. Near fine.

An apparently unrecorded piece from this industrious author of occult topics. This title was published under the Segnogram imprint of the mysterious Los Angeles thought-wave impresario, A. Victor Segno, who built his fortune in part on the one dollar fees sent to him from subjects the world over in exchange for daily positive brain waves emitted in their names. Atkinson here supplies a brief memoir of how he advanced in the world of sales and business as a young man, followed by a characteristic New Thought essay on the awakening of the divine I AM force. Seemingly complete, though stubs in the rear suggest excision of four leaves, possibly cancelling ads or extraneous blanks. Atkinson published the more extensive 231-page *Dynamic Thought*; or, *The Law of Vibrant Energy* under the Senogram imprint in 1906. This pamphlet may well have been something of a promotion for that presumably more expensive work. \$475

8. [California]. *Map of the Town of Felton* [caption title]. [Felton. ca. 1918?]. Folded blueprint map, 21 x 15.5 inches. Patch of dampstaining at center left, slightly affecting image. Light wear and a few small separations along fold lines. Contemporary manuscript annotations. About very good.

A unique blueprint map of Felton, California, north of Santa Cruz, that depicts lots in the main area of town between Fall Creek and Baldwin Avenue, the present-day Highway 9. The map shows the division of property lots in the area, and manuscripts notes

reference the Hihn Company, a local timber company based in Santa Cruz., whose founder, Frederick A. Hihn, was a major businessman and land developer in the region during the late 19th and early 20th centuries. \$400

#### FAMOUS ST. BERNARDS AND ENCHILADAS IN SAN FRANCISCO

9. [California]. *Souvenir and Book of Information of San Francisco Published by and Compliments of Newman's New Russ House* [cover title]. [San Francisco. 1903]. [70]pp., with numerous half tone illustrations. Oblong octavo. Original pictorial wrapper, string tied. Light dust soiling to wraps. Near Fine.

A magnificently illustrated and rare prospectus for a San Francisco luxury hotel, the New Russ House, published just after the turn of the 20th century. The hotel provided accommodations at Montgomery and Pine, in the heart of the city's downtown, but was destroyed in the earthquake three years after this promotional was printed. The establishment was famous for its St. Bernard dogs, "Dewey" (named for the Admiral) and "Golden Lion," who charmed guests in the hotel lobby. Numerous half tone illustrations show the popular canines, the interior of the hotel, and views of San Francisco. The proprietor, Charles Newman, is depicted in portrait and in various posed scenes with his group of dogs and with his apparently award-winning horse-and-carriage team. The cooking of his wife, identified only as Mrs. Newman, is celebrated in photos of enchiladas piled high on a silver platter, and being consumed by area newsboys.

The souvenir also includes a facsimile of the hotel's daily menu, information on San Francisco sights, and numerous display advertisements for local businesses and services. The images of the hotel show the billiard room, business offices, and apartments, including two named the "Turkish Room" and the "Bridal Chamber." It further includes photographs of the dining room, kitchen, lunch counter, wine cellar, and attached barber shop and "Gentleman's Cafe."

An enormously vivid commemoration of a San Francisco landmark, and rare; OCLC locates two copies, at the Huntington and the California Historical Society. In remarkably good condition. \$1,250

#### SCARCE PLAT MAP OF MINING CLAIMS IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

10. [California]. [Mining]. *Lava Cap Gold Mining Corp. Properties in the Nevada City-Grass Valley Mining Districts, California*. [Ansonia, Ct.?] 1935. Folding map, approximately 17 x 15.5 inches. Light tanning. Very good.

A well-executed plat map of properties and claims of the Lava Cap Gold Mining Corporation, based in Nevada City, California, in 1935. The corporation, also known as the Banner-Central Group, was a consolidation of 1400 acres that encompassed the Banner, North Banner, and Central mines near Nevada City, and also included timber, water, and other mineral rights. Despite the Depression, the decade was a period of resurgence for mining in the Grass Valley and Nevada City mining districts. The map delineates the properties owned by Lava Cap as of 1935 in the area north of Sacramento, and gives an excellent overview of other mines active in the area as well. Not in OCLC. \$425

11. [California]. [Mining]. *Lava Cap Gold Mining Corporation. Annual Report, December 31, 1938* [cover title]. [Ansonia, Ct.? 1939]. [8]pp. Small quarto. Self wrappers, stapled. Light tanning. Very good.

A brief report on the revenues generated in 1938 by the Lava Cap Gold Mining Corporation, which worked claims in the Nevada City and Grass Valley districts of California prior to World War II. The main offices of the company were in Ansonia, Connecticut. The pamphlet prints the levels of production of each of their mines; the company balance sheet of assets and liabilities; and an overall table of revenue, expenses, and profits. Scarce, we locate only one copy, at Yale. (402) \$200

12. [California]. [Patent Medicine]. *The May Flower. It Does Not Cure Pain for the Present Only, but Has Positively Cured It Entirely When Taken According to Directions...Prepared by E.A. Bethurun & Co.* [caption title]. Redlands, Ca. [ca. 1916]. Broadside printed on heavy card, 11 x 14 inches. Corners slightly chipped, a few small edge tears. Light toning and soiling. Very good.

A handsome display card advertisement for The May Flower, "The Great Stomach and Blood Remedy," prepared by E.A. Bethurun & Co. of Redlands, California. The ad touts the benefits of the medicine and calls for agents to advance its sale. The

medicine claims to have "positively cured all the following complaints such as rheumatism, indigestion, dyspepsia, asthma, eczema, dropsy, kidney trouble, neuralgia, colic, St. Vitus Dance, stomach troubles." In other words, this does it all. Redlands is located west of Los Angeles, next door to San Bernardino. We locate newspaper ads which date Bethurun (or Bethurum) to around 1916. We locate one copy of this broadside in OCLC, at Stanford University. \$500

#### CALIFORNIA CAMELS FOR ALCOHOL

**13. [California]. [Anti-Prohibition].** *The Caravan of Camels Have Crossed the Desert and Are Here [caption title].* San Francisco. 1920. Broadside, 11.75 x 9 inches. Pin hole at top of sheet, several tears at edges with no loss. Very good.

An invitation to join the anti-prohibition Fraternal Order of Camels, a group organized by C. Porter Steen of Milwaukee to advocate the repeal of the Volstead Act. This broadside advertises a meeting in San Francisco at Native Sons' Hall, noting the appearance of prominent speakers. "...stand for your personal liberties and stand for repeal of the drastic and foolish Volstead act. Thousands are joining the Camels daily. ... The framers and supporters of the Volstead act are creating criminals; they are adding to the drug fiends. ... Users of tobacco go next." \$500

**14. [Civil War]. B. Kittredge & Co.'s Breech-loading Rifle, for Water-proof Metallic Cartridges [caption title].** [Cincinnati? 1863]. [3]pp., on a bifolium. Previously folded. Short separations along old folds. Some foxing. Good.

Unrecorded 1863 advertisement for Wesson breech loading rifles and several other firearms for sale from the Cincinnati firm Kittredge & Co. The promotional prints testimonials from several prominent Civil War figures that attest to the efficacy and reliability of the offered products, as well as a short series of directions for operation of the Wesson rifle. The most enjoyable of these is a letter from Gen. Joseph Hooker endorsing a spring-loaded pistol holster, which is addressed from the Government Hospital for the Insane in Washington, D.C. \$325

**15. [Civil War]. [Pennsylvania]. [Soldier's Record. Fremont Rangers. Company I of the 45th Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers].** Cincinnati. 1863. Chromolithograph broadside, 22 x 18 inches. Affixed to foam board. Closed tears, light dampstaining. Good.

Unrecorded commemorative chromolithograph broadside for the 45th Pennsylvania Volunteers, the Fremont Rangers. The color illustrations show several scenes of Civil War battles and episodes, and the text lists all enlisted men and officers, and provides a brief synopsis of their battle record, which included action at Antietam, Fredericksburg, and Vicksburg. Published by the Middleton Strobridge lithography company of Cincinnati in 1863, which made several of these "Soldier's Records" for various Union regiments, none of which are located in more than two or three copies. Unfortunately laid onto a foam board as a means of repair, but not in OCLC. \$150

**16. [Civil War]. [Virginia]. [South Carolina]. [Civil War Letter Sheet with A Bird's Eye View of Fortress Monroe and a Map of the Area].** [Boston? Washington? 1861]. Bifolium, with [3]pp. manuscript letter. Previously folded. A few small separations along old folds. Light tanning and some dampstaining. About very good.

A rare Civil War pictorial letter sheet, comprising a bifolium with a bird's eye view of Fortress Monroe and a map of the Chesapeake Bay and James River region around the fort on the first page. The bird's eye view was composed by the Baltimore lithography firm of Sachse & Co., while the map was originally published by Casimir Bohn, maker of many well-known Civil War maps and views. A small number of larger scale productions of these individual illustrations appear in OCLC and in auction records, but this particular confluence of the two images as a letter sheet seems unrecorded.

The manuscript letter itself is from a Union private who has just arrived at Fort Seward in Port Royal, South Carolina, from Fortress Monroe, and is dated December 12, 1861. It reads, in part:

"Well, here we are, way down on South Carolina's sacred soil. I never thought that I would get down here, but here we are. We are on an island. The regiment has been divided, five companys on Eddings Island, the other five on Otter Island. We are on the

first named; we can see the other island. There is two forts on this island, the one where we are was called fort Beauregard but the name has been changed.... When we came ashore, we had [to] wade about knee deep; it was a very warm day, and when we got ashore, some of the boys went in a swimming. I went in last night and left off my drawers and undershirt; the beach here is all white sand, and when we go out in the moon shine, it looks just like old Delmar."

An engaging letter home from the front on an unrecorded pictorial letter sheet.

\$600

**17. [Confederate Imprint]. [Texas].** *The Tri-Weekly Telegraph*. Vol. XXVIII - No. 109 Houston. Wednesday, November 26, 1862. Whole No. 3604. Houston: E.H. Cushing, Nov. 26, 1862. [2]pp. Newspaper broadsheet. Old folds, some chipping at edges. Contemporary ownership inscription at top edge. Light tanning. About very good.

A Confederate dated issue of this scarce Texas newspaper. It contains much news on developments in the Civil War, such as action from Tennessee and Indiana, in which the Texas Partisan Rangers were involved, and the whereabouts of Nathan Bedford Forrest. It also contains slavery-related advertisements, including a reward notice for a supposedly stolen teenage girl and a notice for lumber work in which "15 or 20 good choppers" were needed. OCLC locates copies of the paper from this early date only at Rice and AAS.

\$300

**18. [Confederate Imprint]. [Texas].** *The Tri-Weekly Telegraph*. Vol. XXVIII - No. 110 Houston. Friday, November 28, 1862. Whole No. 3605. Houston: E.H. Cushing, Nov. 28, 1862. [2]pp. Newspaper broadsheet. Old folds, some chipping in margins. Light tanning. About very good.

A Confederate dated issue of this scarce Texas newspaper, rich with Civil War content. It reports on apparent disarray in the North, with the removal of McClellan, which according to the paper, "Nearly caused a revolution among the federal troops." It also provides a long account of the involvement of Texas units at First Bull Run, and briefly notes Confederate losses in Arkansas. OCLC locates copies of the paper from this early date only at Rice and AAS.

\$300

#### LAND TRANSACTIONS OF THE EASTERN AND BOSTON & MAINE RAILROADS

**19. Eastern Railroad. Boston & Maine Railroad.** [*Manuscript Volume Recording Land Purchases Made by the Railroads Throughout the 19th Century*]. [Various locations in Massachusetts. ca. 1890]. 247pp. Small quarto. Late 19th-century tan cloth. Binding lightly worn and soiled. Stamps for the Engineering Department of the B. & M. R.R. on binding and endsheets. Minor soiling to contents. Written in a neat and legible hand. Very good.

The Boston & Maine Railroad and the Eastern Railroad were both founded in 1836 and ran competing lines throughout the 19th century. The B. & M. acquired the Eastern in 1890, ending competition on the rail route from Boston to Portland. This volume describes more than 300 land transactions made by the Eastern and Boston & Maine Railroads, primarily from the early operational years of the 1830s and 1840s. This volume appears to have been copied out neatly at a later date, perhaps after the purchase of the Eastern by the B. & M., and includes transactions ranging from 1836 to 1894. It is indexed by town at the end. Entries include the sellers' names, the bounds of the parcel, the price paid, and the date. The towns involved include Chelsea, Everett, Lynn, Revere, Saugus, Swampscott, Salem, Beverly, Rowley, Hamilton, Wenham, Ipswich, Newbury, Newburyport, and Salisbury.

\$375

#### "AMERICA FIRST" IN 1888

**20. [Election of 1888].** *Protection to American Labor and to American Industry* [caption title]. New York: Ballin & Berman, 1888. Large silk handkerchief, approximately 18.5 x 21.5 inches. Printed in red and blue. Quarter-inch tear at lower right corner, one small pinhole at upper right. A few very small patches of staining, light dust soiling. Very good.

A rare piece of ephemera from the U.S. Presidential election of 1888, touting the protectionist platform of the Republican party and its candidate, Benjamin Harrison. The principal issue of the election was federal tariff policy, with Harrison's Democratic opponent and incumbent, Grover Cleveland, promising a large reduction in tariffs if re-elected and calling the standing policy an unnecessary and unjust taxation. Harrison and the Republicans countered that maintaining the current rate would ensure high

wages and economic growth. Harrison lost the popular vote, but won the Electoral College, and Cleveland retook the White House four years later. An attractive memento of the 1888 election and a reminder of the cyclical nature of American politics. We locate two copies, at Cornell and the Library of Congress. \$500

#### UNRECORDED

**21. [Garfield, James A.].** *Extra. The Falls City [caption title].* Oregon City, Or. 1881. Broadside, 24 x 12 inches. Old folds. Very good plus.

Unrecorded broadside newspaper extra announcing the death of President James A. Garfield, dated September 26, 1881. The broadside, edged and columned in black, advertises the establishment of a monument fund for a memorial, together with details of the funeral ceremonies and the autopsy. A section in the rightmost column headed "Spray of the Falls" gives mostly-local news snippets and advertisements such as, "Mr. W.J. Caldwell is having a new barn built on his premises," "Ethelind Ray, the popular authoress, bought her gossamer at Charman & Son's," and "The Oregon City brass band practiced last Saturday evening at the court house. The boys make some very good music altogether." A final statement in the lower corner proclaims, "Now is the Time to Subscribe for The Falls City." Interestingly, we can find no record of this newspaper. This title not found in the University of Oregon's database of historic Oregon newspapers, nor in *Chronicling America*. Not located in OCLC. An interesting commemorative issue for the President's death. \$500

**22. [Georgia]. [Reconstruction].** *Roster of Officers of the Thirty-third U.S. Infantry [caption title].* Milledgeville. 1868. Broadside, 10 x 8 inches. Old fold lines. Remnant of paper stub pasted to verso. Manuscript annotations. Minor wear and soiling. Very good.

An official roster of officers from Reconstruction Georgia, issued from the 33rd Infantry's Headquarters at Milledgeville. The broadside lists thirty-four men in order of their rank and indicating their current assigned duty, starting with Brigadier General Thomas H. Ruger, on duty serving as Provisional Governor of Georgia and commander of the regiment. It is signed at the bottom by a Lt. Campbell, presumably Second Lieutenant Lafayette E. Campbell, listed above, and by Orson C. Knapp, Captain and Adjutant, serving as commander of the station.

Thomas H. Ruger (1833-1907) graduated from West Point in 1854. He practiced law in Wisconsin until the outbreak of the Civil War, and was appointed Brigadier General in 1862. He served with distinction at Gettysburg and the Battle of Franklin, and at the end of hostilities in 1865 he was given command of the state of North Carolina, a post he held until resigning from volunteer service the next year. He subsequently joined the regular army and served in Georgia and Tennessee until he was given command of the state of Georgia in January 1868. That someone had been "detailed to duty" as governor of Georgia did not sit well with the locals. Ruger only served as provisional governor for six months before moving on to command the Department of Alabama and other similar Reconstruction postings. Georgia was under military rule until 1871 ~ a brief but defining period in the state's history.

We find no copies of this ephemeral piece in OCLC. An interesting piece of Reconstruction history. \$850

#### "HE DID NOT GO INTO POLITICS AS A PATHFINDER OR AS A JOHN THE BAPTIST"

**23. [Harmon, Judson]. [Election of 1912].** *[Archive of Ephemera from Judson Harmon's 1912 Presidential Campaign].* [Columbus, Oh. 1912]. Eight pieces, including one 12pp. pamphlet and seven broadsides and bifolia. Old folds, light wear. Several items evenly tanned. About very good.

An informative group of eight extremely scarce or unrecorded pieces promoting the presidential campaign of Ohio Governor, and former U.S. Attorney General, Judson Harmon in 1912. Harmon eventually lost out to Woodrow Wilson at the Democratic National Convention. The most substantial piece, a twelve-page pamphlet concerning Harmon's "presidential timber," located only at the Ohio History Center, lavishes praise upon his character and provides a lengthy discussion and defense of his legislative record as Governor. The remaining pieces are not recorded by OCLC, and include an endorsement from the late mayor of Cleveland, Tom L. Johnson, a broadside comparing Harmon's record with Wilson's, a four-page endorsement by Charles H. Wirmel, leader of the Ohio Steam Engineers Union, a broadside printing of endorsements from Progressive leaders in the

Democratic Party, and two printings of remarks made by Harmon before Democratic Party gatherings. Scarce and ephemeral material on the Democratic contest for the presidential nomination in 1912. \$450

#### EARLY SURFING REFERENCE

24. [Hawaii]. *Hawaii - Paradise of the Pacific - See the Volcano of Kilauea A Boiling, Spouting, Seething Lake of Fire in All Its Terrific Grandeur...* Chicago: National Printing & Engraving Co., [ca. 1909]. Broadside poster, 41 x 28 inches. Red ink printed on yellow paper. Old folds, minor wear, a few small chips and tears. Very good.

A large, striking broadside advertising an unidentified Hawaiian show or exhibition – possibly a magic lantern show – printed in vivid red ink on a yellow background. The text continues: "Native Hula-Hula Dance / Surf Board Riding the World's Greatest Water Sport / 100 Other Subjects / Laughable - Interesting - Educational." Unable to locate any institutional examples.

\$1,250

25. [Homesteading]. *The Green Revolution*. Freeland, Md. & York, Pa.: School of Living, 1970-1977. Volumes 8:11, 9:2-5, 34:3. Minor wear, toning. A few small edge tears. Very good.

A small run of this journal published by the School of Living, "an educational organization that explores challenges of living, holds land in trust for present and future generations, promotes personal empowerment, and supports the development of just and sustainable communities" - School of Living website. Still operating today, the School of Living was founded in 1934 as a means to help people live fulfilling, self-sufficient lives. The mission expanded over the years to incorporate many social causes, such as the environment, community rights, and organic agriculture, among others. Articles in the present issues cover such topics as overuse of pesticides, homesteading tips, how to make children's shoes, "liberated childbearing," making cheese, gardening tips, "dyeing with plants," refined vegetable oils, and a wonderful article entitled "Middle Aged Males in Communes." It is a trove of advice and information on how to homestead, and would not be out of place on a Brooklyn coffee table today. A nice representative sampling of the literature of this social movement.

\$100

26. [Illinois]. [Advertising]. *Christian Times Extra. Evarts' Shingle Mill. Patented October 31, 1854 [caption title]*. Chicago: Hays & Thompson, 1854. Broadside, 15 x 6 inches. Minor soiling. Very good plus.

A rare and unusual broadside newspaper extra advertising Evarts' Shingle Mill, with a handsome woodcut illustration of the mill itself occupying a third of the sheet. The *Christian Times* was a Baptist newspaper published in Chicago from 1853 to 1865. Evarts & Butler herein advertise themselves as "proprietors and manufacturers" of the machine, claiming it "makes better shingles, and more of them than any other mill, from any kind of wood," capable of producing "ten thousand in ten hours." Testimonials as to the machine's efficacy and quality of the mill and its shingles occupy the lower third of the broadside. An unrecorded Pre-fire Chicago broadside advertisement.

\$350

27. [Illinois]. [Burlington Railroad]. *Grand Basket Picnic at Burlington Park, Illinois. Nine Miles East of Aurora...[caption title]*. Chicago: Rand McNally, 1892. Broadside, 28 x 10.5 inches. Printed in brown ink. Folded, a few small tears and chips at edges. Very good.

A rare and interesting broadside for the Burlington Railroad. The stated attractions include "music, dancing, boating, photograph galleries, merry-go-rounds, base ball games, and other wholesome and innocent diversions...a splendid lunch at reasonable rates. Orchestra music for dancing. Finest outside dancing floor in America." Not located in OCLC.

\$500

#### UNRECORDED IOWA BANKING AND LAND HANDBILLS

28. [Iowa]. [Land Sales]. *Banking House of Baldwin & Dodge, Council Bluffs, Jan. 8th, 1858 [caption title]*. Council Bluffs, Ia. 1858. [2]pp., on a bifolium. Previously folded, light discoloration and a few short separations along old folds. Contemporary pencil jottings on blank rear verso.

A unrecorded pair of 1858 Iowa land advertisements, printed on one bifolium for the Baldwin & Dodge bank. The first advises that, "The Land Office at this place will re-open for the Entry of Lands on the 23d of February, proximo. There will be subject to Entry some 800,000 acres of Lands, unequalled in fertility, and for farming purposes, by any lands in the Western country." The second advertises, "Special attention given to making Investments for Foreign Capitalists. Our knowledge of the State, and of the Territory, gives us extra facilities for making Investments. Correspondents may rely upon promptness, fidelity, and our personal attention to their Interests." Interesting and unique promotionals for banking and Western land sales. \$350

"HEARING THAT YOU ARE A LEADING FARMER IN YOUR COUNTY..."

29. [Iowa]. **Morrison Bros.** *Morrison Bros. Iowa Plow Works* [caption title]. Fort Madison, Ia. 1881. Folding advertisement, 12.75 x 11.25 inches. Small quarto, folded. Additional old fold. Contemporary pencil ownership initials. Small ink stain at lower corner. Printed in red and black. Very good.

Unrecorded and attractively illustrated advertisement for agricultural equipment produced by the Morrison Bros. firm of Fort Madison, Iowa, published in the early 1880s. This promotional seems to have been aimed at Oregon farmers, as the first leaf advises that the retail agents Seymour, Sabin, & Co., of Portland have been retained to conduct sales there. Several different types of plow, including the "Morrison Sulky Plow," and the "Double Tongue Cultivator," are illustrated and described. Not in OCLC.

\$250

30. **Jeffery, H.B.** *Three Treatments: Prosperity Healing Transcendent*. Fort Worth: Christ Truth League, 1939. 24pp. 12mo. Original pale blue printed wrappers. Minor wear. Near fine.

Second edition. Early tract promoting the prosperity gospel and faith healing, issued by the Christ Truth League in Fort Worth. The work is divided into three sections, Prosperity (the longest of the three), Healing, and Transcendent; each section contains a series of mantras providing the reader with wisdom. The Prosperity Treatment features such gems as, "If you consciously feel that God is the one and only Substance, you will prosper and never be without the outer symbol," and "Place a sense of value upon your work; for, as you value it, others will. If you know within your own mind that what you offer has definite value and is vital to the needs of people, they will lose all fear of cost, come, and find ways and means of compensating you for what they receive." The section on Healing is equally mind-over-matter: "There is no congestion. Everything passes with absolute freedom and ease," "There are no unspiritual or malformed conditions or growths," and "Of necessity then, man is healthful, joyful, peaceful, trustful, powerful, God-full."

An extension of the New Thought ideology, which promoted a belief in the power of the mind to achieve prosperity, the Prosperity Gospel took off in the 1950s, reached peak with the rise of televangelists, and is still popular today.

\$200

SIGNED BY LADY BIRD JOHNSON

31. **Johnson, Lyndon Baines.** *Quotations from Chairman LBJ*. New York: Simon and Schuster, 1968. 189pp. 24mo. Original red printed pictorial card covers. Minor wear. Signed on the title page by Ladybird Johnson. In a custom clamshell box. Very good plus.

Fourth printing of this work, a parody on Chairman Mao's Little Red Book, filled instead with pithy, down-home quotes from President Lyndon Baines Johnson. The half title bears the quote, "Don't spit in the soup. We've all got to eat," and the ending quote is "I'm the only President you've got." The text is divided into themed sections such as "Arduous Struggle," "Unworthy Other Party," "Benign Despotism," "Contagious Optimism," and "White Man's Burden." Not an uncommon work, this copy is particularly interesting for being autographed by the First Lady.

\$250

"YOU WANT A CHEAP BOOK. VERY WELL."

32. [Kansas]. *[Small Group of Samples and Trade Catalogues from the J.M. Padgett Coupon Co. of Topeka]*. Topeka: J.M. Padgett Coupon Co., 1899. Two coupon booklets, one advertising brochure, plus loose coupon and cardboard token, with original transmittal envelope. Minor wear, light tanning. Very good.



A neat group of advertising materials produced by a late 19th-century Topeka firm, the J.M. Padgett Coupon Company. The materials were sent in 1899 to the Amana Society of Amana, Iowa, and include two sample coupon books, a brochure that promotes the Padgett Co.'s coupon system, with testimonials from various Kansas, Nebraska, and Texas companies, as well as loose examples of coupons and tokens. "This is what we offer you as the best, and it is the product of years of experience in this particular line of business, each point being added step by step as fast as actual use has suggested them necessary for the speedy transaction of business and avoidance of loss and contention between dealer and customer." OCLC locates no materials from this firm. \$250

**33. [Kentucky].** *[Archive of Louisville-area Merchants, Consisting of Receipts for Goods Purchased]*. Louisville. 1849-1859. 78 pieces, ranging from folio to smaller slips. Most printed forms completed in manuscripts, primarily a single page. Some wear and soiling. Very good.

Archive of merchants Joseph, Eli, and W. Perry, documenting the life of a general goods store in the Louisville area. All the receipts present here are from wholesalers in Louisville Kentucky around 1850. Though there are a few later pieces, the bulk of the receipts are from 1849-1852, providing a nice documentation of the store's business needs. Over a dozen vendors are represented, including those providing shoes, boots, dishes, pitchers, tea, salt, indigo, cloth of various kinds, coats, hats, umbrellas, pencils, ribbon, and more. The Perrys also have several receipts from Todd's Tobacco Warehouse. Delivery address is noted in several places, variously as Clover Hill and East Fork. Likewise the firm's name seems to shift, with receipts being addressed to J & E Perry, E & W Perry, Joseph Perry, and Eli Perry. It was, presumably, a family concern which may have changed forms at various phases of its life. \$500

**34. Mevis, Greenly.** *Beginning and Ending, or, Spiritual Childhood and Manhood*. Waukesha, Wi. 1890. 14,[1]pp. Original self-wrappers, stitched. Light wear and soiling, some wrinkling. Very good.

"Popular education has become a mighty god, and he that will not bow down to it and its votaries, may expect the fiery furnace, which some are passing through today." A rare holiness or even proto-Pentecostal tract (given the emphasis on rebirth in the Holy Spirit) from a prolific lay author. Mevis (1818-1894) was, per his obituary, a cooper in Waukesha who had "written, published at his own expense, and distributed free thousands of tracts on religious subjects." This tract has sharp words on college-educated preachers and praise for continuing revelation. Despite the posthumous claim of prolific publication, OCLC notes only a single title by Mevis; this title is unrecorded. \$375

#### STRIKING MINSTREL BROADSIDE

**35. [Minstrel Broadside].** *Harrington's Opera House! Monday Evening Mar. 24th Harry Bloodgood's Minstrel and Burlesque Combination* [caption title]. [Providence? 1873?]. Illustrated broadside, printed on yellow paper, comprised of two joined sheets, measuring 22 x 9.5 inches total. Previously folded. Small pencil annotation under title. A few very small areas of loss; two short internal tears. Light dust soiling. About very good.

A striking illustrated broadside advertising a performance of blackface minstrel Harry Bloodgood, and his troupe, the Minstrel and Burlesque Combination at the short-lived Harrington's Opera House in Providence, Rhode Island. The present broadside is an interesting printing and theatrical artifact, being made up of two joined sheets in order to promote an altered program for the evening's entertainment. The upper sheet is illustrated by a reclining blackface figure and a rather limber acrobat, and advertises performances of Charley Walters and Johnny Morton, "a combination of all that is ludicrous and funny, together with the elements of beautiful music and singing." The lower sheet, which cancels a portion of the upper, promotes several supporting musical and theatrical acts, and the performance of several acts by Bloodgood himself, "the Emperor of Ethiopians." An illustration of a man falling headlong from a hot-air balloon, somewhat disjointed because of the pairing of the two leaves, runs down the left side of the bill. The venue for the show, Harrington's Opera House, opened in Providence under that name in the renovated City Hall theater, but closed in 1874.

"Harry Bloodgood (Carlos Moran, 1845-1886) was one of the most accomplished and versatile performers that ever blacked his face; good in everything he undertook; he could sing, dance, and act.... In May 1866, he joined Boyce and Mudge's Minstrels; subsequently appearing with Sam Sharpley's, and later with Joseph Trowbridge, he had the Bloodgood and Trowbridge's

Minstrels; their season ended July 16, 1871; Mr. Bloodgood then taking his own show, with which he travelled intermittently for several seasons" - Rice.

A scarce and attractive "combination" broadside for this "Minstrel and Burlesque Combination."

Edward Rice, "Monarchs of Minstrely" (New York, 1911), pp.176-178.

\$750

"THE WORLD OPPOSES NEW IDEAS" ... SO DRINK THIS NIGHTSHADE

36. [Missouri]. [Patent Medicine]. *Dr. S. A. Richmond & Co's World's Epileptic Institute* [caption title]. St. Joseph, Mo. 1882. 8pp. Newspaper folio. Previously folded. Very minor loss at intersection of folds, slightly affecting text. Minor wear at edges. Unopened at top edge. Very good.

A wonderfully illustrated and rare newspaper promotional for S.A. Richmond & Co.'s patent medicine, Samaritan Nervine. Samuel Richmond came to St. Joseph, Missouri, in the late 1870s, and established this "World Epileptic Institute," mostly to sell his elixir, which was in fact diluted nightshade. His elaborate advertisements, of which this is an example, claimed that it not only cured cases of epilepsy, but also treated ill-behaved children and sexually dysfunctional elderly men, and soothed many other maladies of the nerves. Eventually, he was attacked in print by a local newspaper, at which point he promptly shot the editor, and after being found not guilty by reason of insanity, removed to Tuscola, Illinois, where he continued to produce the potion. This newsprint advertisement provides a vigorous defense of Richmond's product, supported by numerous lengthy testimonials. Several illustrations also depict the grounds and offices of his epilepsy institute, including, strangely, though perhaps not surprisingly, the press room. OCLC locates only copy, at the University of Rochester.

\$750

"FAVORITE DRINK IS GIN RICKEY."

37. [Montana]. *Wanted for Forgery. Man about 40 Years Old, Square Jawed; Has German Accent...* [caption title]. Red Lodge, Mt. December 3, 1915. Broadside, 11 x 8 inches. Light toning and wear, a few small edge tears. Contemporary pencil scribbles near title. Very good.

Wanted poster for one George Hilger of Cleveland, Ohio, for forgery of checks in Red Lodge, Montana. The poster describes Hilger thus: "Man about 40 years old, square jawed; has German accent. About 5 feet 7 or 8 inches tall, stocky build, smooth shaven when last seen on November 24. Weight about 175. Think eyes are dark; hair dark, probably streaked with gray. When last seen wore a loose fitting salt and pepper overcoat and high crowned black crusher hat, fedora. Has quiet, unassuming, dignified manner. Favorite drink is gin rickey."

Hilger posed as a varnish salesman with Glidden Varnish and passed a fake check drawn on Seaboard National Bank in New York. The 1915-1916 American Bankers Association Journal reports a man matching Hilger's description but calling himself George Doarn and George Howet, forging checks from the Glidden Varnish Company in Washington and Utah around the same time. Presumably all three are aliases for the same man.

The sheriff of Red Lodge and Carbon County is one W.H. Gebo, who made national headlines in 1901 when he attempted to arrest the leader of a group of Finnish coal miners from Rocky Fork Coal Company at a wedding celebration; the man resisted arrest, and Gebo shot and killed him. An unusual and ephemeral piece, particularly interesting for its very specific cocktail reference.

\$450

38. [Nebraska]. [Freemasons]. *Constitutions of Grand and Subordinate Encampments, and By-Laws of Apollo Encampment, No. 22, of Fremont, Nebr.* Fremont: Fremont Tribune, 1893. 32pp. Original green printed wrappers. Light wear and dust soiling. Very good plus.

A scarce pamphlet publishing the rules of the local chapter of Freemasons in Fremont, Nebraska, as of 1893, and an interesting document of this outpost of the Odd Fellows in the rural eastern part of the state. OCLC locates one copy, at Yale.

\$175

GRAPEVINE: NETWORKING MAGAZINE OF COLLECTIVE LIVING

**39. New Families.** *Communal Grapevine*. Oakland. 1980. Broadsheet, 11 x 8.5 inches. Previously folded and mailed. Light wear. Very good.

A 1980 "Communal Grapevine" news sheet, with announcements for classes, want ads for housing in the Oakland Utopian community, and fundraising requests. \$25

SUSQUEHANNA, THE FINAL FRONTIER. THIS IS THE STEAMBOAT ENTERPRISE...

**40. [New York]. [Travel].** *Steamboat Excursion! The Splendid New Steamer Enterprise, Capt. G. Converse, Will Make Several Pleasure Excursions to Corbin's Mills [caption title]*. Bainbridge, N.Y.: Chenango Free Democrat Office, 1850 Broadside, 15.75 x 12 inches. Matted. Light, even tanning. Very good.

An attractive illustrated broadside, dated August 10, 1850, advertising a short trip up the Susquehanna River from Bainbridge to Corbin's Mills, scheduled for August 14. "Ladies and gentlemen are invited to attend - fare 25 cents each way." This broadside was printed at the office of the Chenango Free Democrat, a free soil paper that would last from 1849 to 1850. The wonderful, large wood engraving, signed "Clarkson," shows the steamboat, smoke billowing from her stacks, the American flag fluttering in the breeze behind, and passengers on the upper and lower decks. The Susquehanna flows through the center of Bainbridge, but we could not locate a place named Corbin's Mills in the area at that time, though the Corbins were a prominent family in the area and a lumber mill by the same name appeared about two decades later. Scarce, with no listings in OCLC for this or similar items. \$850

**41. [North Carolina]. [African Americana].** *Program of the Church School Convention of the Winston-Salem District Will Convene at Cedar Hill A.M.E. Zion Church Enon, N.C. July 12-14, 1933 [cover title]*. [Winston-Salem, N.C.: 1933]. [4]pp. Previously folded. Light wear. About very good.

Scarce program for a church school convention held by the Cedar Hill African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church in Enon, North Carolina during 1933. The A.M.E. Zion Church was organized in 1821 in New York, and played a significant role in the abolitionist movement there. The church gained popularity in North Carolina in the late 19th century due to the work of prominent African-American Bishop James Walker Hood. This pamphlet lays out three days of events in July 1933 regarding the church schools in the area of Winston-Salem and provides a table for donations requested of the various local churches. Not in OCLC. \$100

**42. [Printing Advertisements]. [Nebraska].** *Stencil Seals, Checks Badges, Rubber Stamps Manufactured by the J.P. Cooke Co. Omaha, Neb. [cover title]*. Omaha. [1910].

An extensively illustrated and unrecorded brochure for ink stamps, rubber type, stencils, badges, signs, and other related materials from the J.P. Cooke Co. of Omaha, Nebraska. With many detailed examples of the products offered on every page, and a very straight forward sales pitch: "We have no story to tell. Our good speak for themselves. We guarantee our work." With the original transmittal envelope, addressed to an individual at Fort Barry, California, and postmarked 1910. Not in OCLC. \$350

ALCESTER, SOUTH DAKOTA, AND ITS CAPTAINS OF INDUSTRY

**43. [South Dakota].** *Souvenir Album of Alcester and Union County S. Dak. Showing Its Industries, Resources and Possibilities*. Alcester, S.D.: Alcester Union, 1907. [58]pp. Original printed wrappers, stapled. Text block separated from wraps. Occasional contemporary annotations. Otherwise, internally clean. About very good.

An unrecorded early 20th century promotional for the tiny town of Alcester, South Dakota, located in the country directly between Sioux Falls and Sioux City, Iowa, on the eastern edge of the state. The text is an unreasonably extensive encomium to the area, its "captains of industry," and all of its benefits, with photographic illustrations of local features, architecture, and leading public figures on the recto of every leaf. Printed at the offices of the local newspaper, the Alcester Union. Not in OCLC.

\$650

**44. [South Dakota].** *A Souvenir of Aberdeen the Railroad Hub of the Dakotas [cover title]*. Aberdeen, S.D. 1907. [162]pp., with numerous photographic reproductions. Oblong octavo. Original pictorial wrappers. Wraps with light wear and a few small chips. Very good.

Scarce promotional for the town of Aberdeen, South Dakota, located in the northeastern corner of the state. Known as "the Hub City of the Dakotas," Aberdeen was a confluence of four railroad lines, which supported a burgeoning population and business boom. The town, its residences, businesses, railroads, artesian wells, and municipal buildings are all extensively illustrated, together with portraits of local officials. Today, only one railroad line travels through Aberdeen, but it remains the third most populous city in the state (population a whopping 28,000), after Pierre and Sioux Falls. We locate copies at New York Public, California State Library, SMU, and four more in South Dakota. \$600

#### WITH SPEECHES BY AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN WOMAN

**45. [Temperance]. [Illinois].** *"A School House on Every Hill Top and No Saloon in the Valley." First Grand National Prohibition Camp Meeting! [caption title]*. Decatur: Powner, Ackerman & Co., 1884. Broadside, 17.5 x 11.75 inches. Old fold lines, minor wear. Very good.

Broadside advertising the First Grand National Prohibition Camp Meeting at Decatur, Illinois, to be held the first ten days of July, 1884. The lower half of the broadside provides the program of events for the ten days, noting that, "The singing will be conducted by Prof. Lutz and a thousand trained voices." Grand Opening Day events include prayer meetings and several speeches, including an address by Francis Murphy "the Great Blue Ribbon Reformer," and a final address by Frances Willard of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Speakers later in the week include Mrs. Lucy Simpson of Detroit, an African-American member of the WCTU. Numerous other members of the WCTU are also listed as presenters. The final event of the week is a "Grand Re-union of Old Settlers of Central Illinois," led by the citizens of Decatur. A handsome piece advertising many of the premier voices in the temperance movement. Not in OCLC. \$650

#### THE HATFIELDS MOVE TO NORTH TEXAS

**46. [Texas].** *[Large Archive of the Hatfield and Dillingham Families from Kentucky and Texas]*. [Various locations in Kentucky and Texas, including Hardin County; Kentuckytown, Sherman, and Commerce, Tx. 1855-1935]. Approximately sixty manuscript documents of various lengths and sizes, together with approximately 180 photographs of different sizes, processes, and periods. Some wear to documents, several photographic mounts chipped. Many photographs captioned in ink on the image. Very good.

Extensive archive of photographs, manuscripts, and family documents for the Hatfield and Dillingham families, who intermarried and relocated from Hardin County, Kentucky to the area around Dallas, Texas in 1870. These are, indeed, some of the Hatfields of "Hatfields & McCoys" fame. Settling at the aptly-named Kentuckytown, Texas, they eventually migrated to Hunt County and settled in Commerce, Texas. This archive documents their time in Texas, providing a particularly thorough photographic family record.

Included in the archive are approximately sixty manuscript documents, consisting of receipts, legal documents, letters, and some later school papers. One receipt dated 1862 is for "lumber and 4 ½ yds of black cloath, and making box and coffin \$16.00." There are several estate documents for Hood County, Texas, land deeds and documents, as well as a family marriage license. Several of the receipts involve court fees for lawsuits the family was involved in, specifically a B.A. Hatfield. In all, they provide an interesting view of one family's attempts to establish themselves in North Texas. The beginnings of a Hatfield family history, begun in 1980 by Sara Dillingham W. Sheldon, is also present.

There are also nearly 200 photographs documenting the family and its homesteads. These range from a daguerreotype, to several tin types, to cabinet cards, to later silver gelatin prints from the 1920s and '30s. Many of these are labeled as to location and subjects. They show family members both old and young, including a handsome cabinet card of the pater familias, Henry Clay Dillingham, taken at Commerce. The bulk of the photographs seem to date from the 1910s to 1930s, showing the family's life in and around Texas. A nice archive documenting one family's life from Kentucky to Texas. \$950

47. [Texas]. *Wright's Playhouse News. Wrestling. Stage Plays [caption title]*. Waco. 1944. 4pp., on a bifolium. Light, even tanning. Very good.

Unrecorded promotional for a night of wrestling to take place at a theater in Waco during the summer of 1944. The main event was a "nothing barred, no time limit" return match between Nell Stewart and Rose Evans, both of whom are pictured in the flyer. Of the previous encounter, Stewart is recorded as saying, "[I] was robbed out of the match as the referee allowed Rose to kick her down while she was outside the ropes.... I'll pull all her hair out and give her the darndest beating she ever got." The undercard features two male matches, and the flyer includes advertising for Democratic candidates in upcoming municipal elections. Not in OCLC.

\$175

#### THE OFFICIAL FALLOUT OF THE BROWNSVILLE AFFAIR

48. [Texas]. [African-Americana]. *Special Orders No. 266. War Department, Washington, November 9, 1906*. [Brownsville, Tx.?] 1906. [3]pp. Typescript, previously folded. Light tanning. Very good.

A contemporary typescript of Army Special Orders No. 266, dated November 9, 1906, which dishonorably discharged 167 African-American soldiers from the 25th Infantry Regiment in the wake of the Brownsville Affair. Theodore Roosevelt ordered the men to be discharged in the wake of a murder at a saloon near their barracks at Fort Brown. The military unit had not been stationed there long before local anger over their presence resulted in the unit being blamed for an assault on a white woman and then a killing of a white bartender in August 1906. Evidence was fabricated to implicate twelve members of the regiment in the crimes, despite numerous attestations of the men's presence on the base at the time of the incident. When other enlisted men refused to name names in the face of local investigation by the Texas Rangers, Roosevelt ordered the discharge of the twelve under suspicion and over 150 others in the unit for a "conspiracy of silence." The present document puts the blame on three companies of the 25th regiment for "participation in the riotous disturbance," and individually names all those to be dishonorably discharged. An fascinating primary document of a shameful racial episode of the first Roosevelt's presidency that engendered resentment against the Republican Party in many African-American communities for years to come.

\$675

#### BUILDING THE AMERICAN DAM IN EL PASO

49. [Texas]. [Colorado]. *[Photo Album of Dam Construction Around El Paso and Railroad Construction in Colorado, Containing Nearly 290 Photographs]*. [Various places, including El Paso; Idaho Springs, Colorado; New Mexico; Arizona. 1936-1938]. 289 silver gelatin photographs, on twenty large, loose album leaves. Most photos 2.5 x 4.5 to 3.5 x 5.5 inches; a small handful captioned in the negative; many captioned in manuscript in the image. Clean and sharp images, in corner mounts. Very good.

A large collection of nearly three hundred excellent photographs depicting activities surrounding the construction of the American Dam and Canal in El Paso and the pursuits of the employees engaged on the project in the Southwest, principally in Texas and Colorado in the mid-1930s. Approximately half of the images depict the construction of the dam on the Rio Grande in 1937 and 1938. The dam was built in order to divert water from the river along the American Canal in order to irrigate the El Paso valley, and to regulate the share of river water between the United States and Mexico based upon an agreement in a 1906 treaty. The photos show various aspects of work on the system, including shots of blasting, mechanical digging, and individuals from a number of backgrounds hard at manual labor. Also included in this group are further portraits of the men on the job and at leisure, as well as several shots of their homes and the landscape around El Paso. Overall, the series provides a wonderful photographic profile of the project as well as a good understanding of what this corner of West Texas was like prior to World War II.

Another approximately seventy images show construction of railroads near Estes Park and Idaho Springs, Colorado in 1936 and 1937. The images depict heavy machinery, blasting, the inchoate road bed, and several locomotives on a narrow-gauge line bringing up supplies, as well as several scenes of the towns. One supposes that the compiler(s) of this album worked construction on all of these projects. A final series of images comprise vacation photos across California, principally in Los Angeles, and the Southwest, at the Grand Canyon, Hoover Dam, Lake Mead, and several locations in New Mexico. Two of the men repeatedly identified as "Fred" and "Lionel" can also be seen in several of the American Dam photographs.

Outstanding images of a Depression-era dam construction project on the Texas-Mexico Border, with additional photographs of Colorado and the Southwest from the same period.

\$1,250

50. [Texas]. [Newspapers]. *The Rio Grande Courier*. Volume I. No. 184. Brownsville, Texas, Wednesday, September 5, 1886. = *Le Courier Du Rio-Grande*. Vol. I. No. 184. Mercredi [sic], 5 Septembre 1866 [caption title]. Brownsville, Tx. 1866. [4]pp. Large newspaper folio. Folded. A few short separations along folds. Light wear and a few patches of dampstaining. Good plus.

Unrecorded issue of a rare bilingual newspaper, printed in early Reconstruction-era Brownsville, Texas. The paper prints three pages in English and one in French, no doubt due to the short-lived reign of Maximilian across the river in Mexico, which was nearing its end at this time. The English section prints several critical articles about Reconstruction efforts in Texas and neighboring states, as well as a number of local news items and many advertisements for local businesses. Inside the fold is an unflattering story about Northerners and their ill-treatment of Southern visitors. The French section discusses American interventions in conflicts between the monarchists and Juarez supporters along the U.S.-Mexico border, and contemplates the rights of France in Mexico should Maximilian be removed. A rare survival, OCLC locates two single physical copies of any issue, at Duke and AAS. \$975

"DON'T THROW A STONE AT A DOG UNTIL YOU ARE CERTAIN IT WILL RUN..."

51. [Texas]. [Newspapers]. *Rio Grande News*. Vol. 2, No. 8. Eagle Pass, Texas. Eagle Pass, Tx. 1907. [16]pp. Small folio, stapled. Light wear worming at edges, not affecting text. Contemporary ownership inscription. Light tanning. Good plus.

Scarce early 20th-century newspaper, published in Eagle Pass, Texas. Prints many news items of local interest, from a report on trade with Mexico going through the town and a piece on improvements to local coal mines, to a short article about a recent bullfight ("The bull flights last Sunday were a grand success. One of the fighters got tossed on the horns of a bull and was carried from the ring in a comatose condition"). The editorial page exudes a particularly Texas flavor, and contains statements such as, "Eagle Pass has more good things in it than any other town in the State ~ and this does not wholly refer to the female population," and touts the paper as, "A one-horse sheet printed at Eagle Pass on a cider press and edited by a mental gymnast who thinks himself funny." Also with numerous advertisements for local businesses, some illustrated. OCLC locates copies only at the University of Texas. \$450

52. [Texas Oil]. *Texas-Louisiana Gulf Oil Fields*. Published as a Supplement to *WORLD OIL* issue of June, 1950. Houston. 1950. Map, 22 x 17 inches. Folded. Light wear and soiling. Very good.

Map of the Louisiana and southern Texas oil fields along the Gulf of Mexico. Each county is outlined, with oil fields noted in green and gas fields noted in red. \$100

53. [Utopias]. Furchgott, Eve. *Sexual Economics and the Utopian Dream* [cover title]. [San Francisco? 1980? [4]pp., on a bifolium. Previously folded. Light wear and minor soiling. Very good.

Entertaining pseudoscholarship on the connections between socialism and "polyfidelity," i.e. having multiple loyal partners, in communal living situations. According to the author bio, Furchgott was "a founding member of Kerista Village, an egalitarian, Utopian intentional community based in San Francisco," as well as a participant in the Purple Submarine, "a polyfidelitous family group." \$25

TIMBER AND AGRICULTURE LABOR IN 1850s AROOSTOOK

54. [Wisconsin] Upton, James; Doyle, Matthew. [Three Letters Written Between Two Friends from Aroostook, Maine, Seeking Their Fortunes in Lumber Boom in Oshkosh, Wisconsin]. Oshkosh. 1856-1857. Three letters, [10]pp. total. Scattered browning and staining, minor tears and fading at few of the folds, penmanship practice or doodles on two rear blanks. Very good.

A wonderful group of three letters, illuminating the continual push westward for economic opportunity and the development of the lumber industry in Wisconsin, one by Matthew Doyle (23 years old), and two by James Upton (32 years old), friends from Aroostook, Maine, written to family back east between the few years following the 1853 incorporation of Oshkosh, and the establishment of the rail system in 1859. The men, working on the river and as lumber men, write about going "into the woods", crop conditions, and note the dramatic increase in population, buildings, and sawmills.

Doyle writes: "I have hired to work on the river for a dollar and a half per day. I intend to work a month and then there will be a chance to go to the woods." He suggests that his brothers do not follow until he can check out more on the land situation, as "I like the appearance of the country very well, It appears to be a fine farming country, but the land is all entered in this part of the country and there is no state land as I can hear of within 50 or 60 miles over toward the Mississippi." But in any case he reports that Oshkosh is booming: "The country round here is very low and level, principally heavy oak openings. Oshkosh is situated near a large lake and is a great business place. There is about 15 steam sawmills and a great deal of other works, with a population of 10 thousand inhabitants. And ten years ago, there was not a house here. There was 500 buildings put up this summer and the place seems to be in a flourishing condition."

Upton, the older of the two, writes a year later after he has married: "I can do very well here, but I may go to Kansas if accounts continue favorable from there as there is always a better claim for a poor man to make a name in a new country than an old one. This is a good farming country, but land is very high." Two months later he continues: "The weather is fine and crops look well and everything seems to promise a good year. Wages is fair but money scarce. It seems to be the best time for farmers for there is quick sale and high prices for all their produce. The fact is that a man that owns 40 acres of good land in this country, he is well off....It seems that some of our Aroostook folks does not think much of the west, but I have never found any great difficulty to get along. I have agreed to go in the woods and stay till spring for \$40 per month....I do not think I could content myself to live on Aroostook." He ends by suggesting that his brother, who has had a failed affair come out here where "he can't fail to please himself in the choice of a dutch girl for there is any quantity of them here."

\$650

**55. [Women]. [World War II]. [Propaganda].** *La Donna Negli Stati Uniti*. 36pp. Quarto. Original printed pictorial wrappers. Minor wear and soiling. Very good.

A pictorial, magazine-style essay that seeks to explain the "American Woman" to other countries overseas, here in an Italian-language version. The presentation is similar to Life magazine, with chapters on the life of the American housewife, the rural woman, women in sports, "from school to work," and in various occupations such as politics, the arts, Hollywood, and industries related to the war. A concluding statement by the American Ambassador to the United Kingdom, John Winant, notes that he finds it significant that the four Great Powers (Russia, the UK, China, and the US) have given significant power and responsibilities to the women of their nations, while the countries they fight against have not. A splendid piece of wartime propaganda with a vaguely feminist spin.

\$75

#### LETTERS CONCERNING CALIFORNIA HIGH SOCIETY AND EARLY YOSEMITE TOURISM

**56. Worden, G.B.** [*Two Letters Written by G.B. Worden Describing Life in California, Including Mentions of Early Yosemite Tourism*]. Jacksonville, Ca. 1868-1869. [8]pp. on folded folio sheets. Old folds, light soiling and wear. Very good.

Two letters written by G.B. Worden to his niece, Martha. Both written from Jacksonville, California, the first is mostly devoted to a vivid description of a ball held in Jacksonville attended by people from neighboring towns ~ Sonora, Columbia, Poverty Hill, Algerine, Jim Town, Scraperville, and Springfield ~ about thirty people in all. He writes,

"Some of the ladies were quite pretty and dressed to death, flashing in jewels and floating laces but I thought they had lost something very valuable, as they were all half stooped and appeared to be looking for something on the floor. So I enquired of a gentleman of my acquaintance who had not been in the mountains, what they were looking for; he gave me a pitiful glance and said that I had got far behind the times by living so long in the woods ~ that it was the latest and most graceful style, just imported from Paris by the way of Saratoga and he believed they called it the Grecian Bend. I overheard an Irish girl remark that 'digin turf and pickin' praties in the ould country was nothing on the back to this new-fangled yanky grashun bind.' ... [The men were all so old] many of them were round shouldered (what we used to call hump back), but they could pass off with the Grecian Benders you know."

The second letter discusses his work running a ferry crossing the Tuolumne River, which includes mentions of tourism in Yosemite Valley. He writes:

"I am still attending the ferry that crosses the Tuolumne River; the rainy season has set in, and I for one am not sorry, for it has been a long hot summer; we have had no rain since the first of May, and the thermomiter [sic] has ranged from 100° to 112° in

the shade, all summer. There has been about three thousand people by here, from the Atlantic states on their way to the Yosemite Valley this season, and it is thought there will be many more in the coming season. Many renowned men & women too have passed. Vice President Colfax & George Francis Train were perhaps the most so of any. The latter delivered a lecture at Chinese Camp, and I was present. He is a remarkable man, full of intellect [sic], and eloquence, tells many truths, but I think is more than half crazy on some of his theories."

A nice pair of letters from California, written with an intent to entertain as well as inform the reader.

\$850

57. [World War I]. [Kansas]. *WAR!! The Navy Needs 800 Men from Kansas and Missouri at Once!* [caption title]. [N.p., but possibly Kansas City. 1917]. Broadside, 8 x 6 inches. Old folds, minor wear. Very good.

Recruitment broadside from the Great War, admonishing men from Kansas and Missouri to enlist and defend their country. The rest of the text reads, "President Wilson is calling on YOU to serve your country! The Navy is our first line of Defense. Enlist now ~ protect your flag!" The United States entered World War I early in April 1917. The present broadside, printed on flimsy paper, conveys a sense of urgency and immediacy as America called up troops to join the fight which had been raging in Europe for three years. Likely printed at a local newspaper office, as the paper stock is similar. A nice piece of Western ephemera from this tumultuous period.

\$250

#### AMERICAN NURSES IN INDIA DURING WORLD WAR II

58. [World War II Photographica]. [Women]. [India]. [*Photograph Album Containing Over 150 Images of the India-China Theater of World War II, Taken and Compiled by an Army Nurse*]. Margherita and Ledo, India. 1945. 156 original photographs, most 3.5 x 5 inches. Green cloth album, string tied, with hand painted front board. Light wear to boards. Photos in corner mounts, most captioned on album leaves, a few loose and laid in. Very good.

A photo album created by a member of the Army Nurse Corps who probably served with the 20th General Hospital in Margherita and was certainly in Ledo. A contingent of Army Nurse Corps nurses were sent to this region in the China-Burma-India Theater to provide medical support to those who were there to build the Ledo Road—an essential supply line into China. Several captions reference the 20th General Hospital which was located in Margherita and was overseen by faculty of the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine and staffed with nurses from Philadelphia area hospitals.

The anonymous photographer, pictured several times in the album, was quite talented, as evidenced by many outstanding shots of the setting and of locals living around Ledo and Margherita as well as street scenes in Karachi, Calcutta and elsewhere in India. The album also includes posed shots of nurses and other military, pictures depicting their living areas and others show nurses posing with locals. There are several great pictures along the Irrawaddy River and a small number show the women nurses as a group in a truck convoy as they began the journey home. There are also a few images of bomb damage and the American military cemetery.

An excellent document of American women's experience in an oft overlooked theater of World War II.

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#### GOOD LUCK IS GOOD PLUCK! WILL YOU JOIN OUR CROWD?

59. [Wyoming. [Oil]]. *A Sure Thing! A Big Thing!* [caption title]. Chicago. 1902. Folded broadsheet, 28 x 18.75 inches, with several photographic reproductions. A couple of small separations along folds. Very good.

A very scarce promotional from the early Wyoming oil boom. The Chicago firm of Charles O. Richardson here urges potential investors to "Get in at Bed Rock," and in particular promotes Richardson's interests in the Spring Valley, Wyoming, oil fields. Both sides of the large broadsheet reproduce numerous newspaper articles reporting new oil strikes across the state, most in the area of Evanston, with the dates and locations of the articles added in manuscript. Serious efforts to find oil began in Wyoming after statehood in 1890, with the first major oil boom not hitting until 1908; the present broadsheet therefore represents a rare and fascinating advertisement for the early industry in the state. OCLC locates only three copies, at Yale, the University of Oklahoma, and SMU.

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