
2. BAILEY, H. C. Mr. Fortune's Trials. E. P. Dutton and Co.: New York. 1926. First Edition. Wilkins dustjacket art. Rare mystery featuring Reggie Fortune, the humorous and quick-witted medico detective expert of Scotland Yard. Near Fine, small contemporary ownership name stamp at front free endpaper, in attractive Very Good or Near Fine dustjacket with few nicks and tiny closed tears. $350.00


5. [HOLLYWOOD FICTION] STARR, Jimmy. *365 Nights in Hollywood*. David Graham Fischer Corporation Publisher: Hollywood. 1926. First Edition, Limited Edition of 1,000 copies on untrimmed India Paper and signed by the author. Victor Mall dustjacket art. Starr's humorous collection of short stories dealing with Hollywood including a polite putdown of director Fred Niblo. The collection served as the basis for the 1934 Fox Film Corporation comedy musical directed by George Marshall and starring James Dunn and Alice Faye. This copy inscribed at limitation page to Hollywood director and producer Arthur Lubin, who Universal entrusted the comedy team of Bud Abbott and Lou Costello. Lubin had over 80 films to his credit including several episodes of the Mister Ed television show. A firmly bound volume despite signs of considerable use to cloth and paper labels at spine and front cover, in a Very Good dustjacket with some very shallow chips and light edge wear- we assume the original owner(s) set the wonderfully illustrated dustjacket aside while manhandling the book. An extremely scarce title be found in jacket. $6,000.00

6. LEROUX, Gaston. *The Phantom of the Opera*. Bobbs-Merrill Co.: Indianapolis. 1911. First Edition. Andre Castaigne dustjacket art and color illustrations. Original red cloth, octavo. A seminal work and cornerstone of the horror and mystery genres and exceptionally scarce in original publisher's dustjacket. This copy features the presumed first issue variant dustjacket artwork with the Phantom on the bell tower and not the stairwell and is one of only two known copies of this variant and one of only three or four total known copies of the book to have retained its dustjacket. Basis for the 1925 Universal Pictures horror classic directed by Rupert Julian and starring Lon Chaney and Mary Philbin. Also translated to film in 1943 starring Nelson Eddy and Claude Rains. The stage version presented by Andrew Lloyd Webber is one of the most popular performances of all time. As unique a title as one is likely to encounter in the horror genre. Near Fine bright copy with lettering crisp, soiling to top page edge, in Very Good dustjacket, about four square cm of loss at lower front panel, closed horizontal tear at lower spine area, top spine end with few centimeter sized chip and smaller chip. $25,000.00

7. SUDERMANN, Hermann. *The Excursion to Tilsit*. Horace Liveright: New York. 1930. First American Edition. Sugar dustjacket art. Collection of four stories dealing with Lithuanian peasant life, superstitions, incantations, and even murder. The title story served as the basis for perhaps the most important production of Hollywood's silent era of cinema, *Sunrise: A Song of Two Humans*, starring Janet Gaynor and George O'Brien and directed by German expressionist, F. W. Murnau. Long considered the greatest production of the silent movie era, it was the only film to win the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Science's Best Picture award in the category of “Artistic Quality of Production”. In 2007, the American Film Institute ranked this as the #82 Greatest Movie of All Time. The film was remade with less lyrical and more realistic tones, under the auspices of Nazi Germany, by Veit Harlan, in 1939. Ownership signature of Communist author, Conrad Komorowski. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket, shallow chipping along top edge of jacket, centimeter sized chip at lower front panel, inch closed tear at top front panel. $5,000.00


13. [AVIATION MYSTERY] BONNELL, James Francis. Death Flies West. Charles Scribner’s Sons: New York. 1941. First Edition. Cobblelick dustjacket art. Aviation themed mystery of a trans-Atlantic clipper in which several unfortunate members of the cast of characters aboard, including two journalists, wind up murdered. Near Fine but for abrasions to pastedowns from where flaps were lightly glued down, in Very Good dustjacket, some fading to spine color, shallow chips at spine ends, few scotch tape mends at verso, scotch tape covering abrasion to verso of flaps. $75.00

14. [AVIATOR FICTION] ROLLINS, Kathleen. Tryst With the Stars. Arcadia House: New York. 1937. First Edition. Scarce contemporary romance novel of a young woman who aspires to be a pilot like her father and who falls in love with a fellow aviator. Near Fine but for some fading to spine ends, Sunday school gift bookplate at front endpaper, in Very Good dustjacket, few small edge chips, few centimeter chip at lower rear panel, half inch chip at lower spine end. $125.00


bent on luring men to her, only to break their hearts. Near Fine in Very Good plus dustjacket, chipping at spine ends. $65.00

17. BARNES, Geoffrey. Party Husband. Grosset and Dunlap: New York. 1930. First Photoplay Edition, illustrated with scenes from the First National and Vitaphone Production starring Dorothy Mackaill. “Party Husband is a gay and bitter story in which there are the elements of comedy and tragedy. It moves in a brilliant circle of artists, writers, radio broadcasters and cocktail hostesses”. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket, small chip at top front panel, nicking at top spine end. $125.00


19. BEEDING, Francis. Murdered: One by One. Harper and Brothers: New York. 1937. First Edition stated. Bibliomystery in which a popular author of romances is brutally murdered, her face mutilated beyond recognition. Could the members of Hampstead Literary Club who stood to gain from her will be behind such an act? Near Fine in Very Good plus dustjacket, light fading to spine, narrow abrasion at lower front flap. $125.00

20. BENTLEY, E. C. and H. Warner ALLEN. Trent’s Own Case. Constable and Co: London. 1936. First Edition. Very scarce Bentley title, a sequel that took over twenty years to appear. Near Fine, some fading at lower spine end in nearly Very Good dustjacket, lower spine end chipped half inch deep, shallow chips at flap corners and top spine end, lower rear panel with about three square centimeters of loss, rubbing to panels. $250.00

21. BERGMAN, Hjalmar. God’s Orchid. Alfred A. Knopf: New York. 1924. First American Edition. Swedish novel in which the “author has selected one single, eventful day in the annals of a little Swedish town, and between sunrise and sunset, a story is unfolded which is lacking in no element of humor, suspense and surprise”. Near Fine in Very Good plus dustjacket, some soiling mostly to rear panel. $175.00

22. BLOCHMAN, Lawrence G. Blow-Down. Harcourt, Brace and Co.: New York. 1939. First Edition. MacDonald dustjacket art. Author’s second book and Central American set mystery novel of German and American spies and a cast of curious characters including a strange assortment of business men. This copy signed by author at title page and inscribed and signed again at front free endpaper: “For Lucile and Myron / in recognition of the / fact that the cocktails / at the cantina de los / Dos Klingers are / 50% better than those / at the Cantina de los / Dos Tecolotes (on page 57) / and 100% better than / Mrs. Alcott’s / on page 190) / With the cousinly / affections of the / author / Larry / Beverly Hills, Calif. / March 7, 1939”. Near Fine in Very Good price-clipped dustjacket with colors lightly faded at spine. $250.00


Kid’. “Crossing the Rio Grande to rescue a peon who was being unmercifully whipped, the Kid found himself trapped. With $20,000 on his head, with dozens of rurales searching for him feverishly”. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket, few inch split at lower front flap edge, crease at lower front panel area, few nicks and short closed tears. $150.00

25. BRENNING, L. H. The Butterfly of Paris. W. J. Watt and Co: New York. 1925. First Edition. Paris set novel in which our heroine has only one year to live and who sets out to become a famous performer. Her reckless lifestyle causes her to be nearly raped, her attacker murdered and when it is discovered that she will live after all, she abandons her stage name and starts a new life as a married woman. “If you were young and beautiful, wealthy, daring, romantic, talented and suddenly found that you had but one year to live, what would you do?” Near Fine in a nearly Very Good dustjacket, narrow loss at front flap edge, shallow edge chipping, lower spine end with quarter sized chip. $175.00


29. BURT, Katharine Newlin. This Woman and This Man. Charles Scribner’s Sons: New York. 1934. First Edition. Stafford Gand dustjacket art. Love and adventure set in the Wyoming Mountains by this author of several Hubin mystery titles. Burt lived in Wyoming during the summers and drew much of the background for her books during her stays. Seven of her stories were made into silent films. Nice Gand illustration at dustjacket. Near Fine in Very Good plus dustjacket, few tiny chips at top spine end. $75.00


31. CANNAN, Joanna. Orphan of Mars. Bobbs-Merrill Co.: Indianapolis. 1930. First Edition stated. Slina dustjacket art. World War One themed novel of “the educated civilian who dashed to the Front without pausing to ask whether he was too good for cannon-fodder - and returned to live among those who had grown fat through the asking”. Near Fine in Very Good price-clipped dustjacket with short closed tears and shallow chipping. $225.00
32. **CARCO, Francis. The Hounded Man.**

33. **CHAMBERS, Robert W. The Common Law.**

34. [**CHURCHILL, Hon. Winston S.**]
**MCKENNA, Marthe. I was a Spy!**
Robert M. McBride and Co.: New York. 1933. Second Printing, one month after First. Foreword by The Rt. Hon. Winston S. Churchill, illustrated with photographs. The uncommon American edition of this intriguing narrative of a Belgian girl who became a spy for the Allied armies during the First World War. Churchill provides the forward in which he states “her tale is a thrilling one. I could not put out my lights until 4 o’clock in the morning. Dwelling behind the German line, within sound of the cannon, she continually obtained and sent information of the highest importance to the British Intelligence authorities”. Very Good or Near Fine, in odd photo illustrated boards, in nearly Very Good dustjacket with shallow edge chipping and wear, creasing at spine. $150.00

35. **CLANCY, Louise Breitenbach. You’re Young But Once.**
L. C. Page and Co: Boston. 1926. First Edition stated. Elizabeth R. Withington dustjacket art and illustrations. “Anne Warren, an orphan, heiress to millions, pampered and guarded by scheming relatives, has never known the usual joys of youth. On her twenty-first birthday she disappears, renouncing luxury, ease, and attention, to seek something greater… love. She finds love, after many adventures, many hardships, many trials, and many joys, and love leads her back into the path of duty”. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket with shallow edge chipping. $125.00

36. **COFFIN, Carlyn. Mare’s Nest.**
Farrar and Rinehart: New York. 1941. First Edition. Galdone dustjacket art. Author’s first book, winner of the Mary Roberts Rinehart Mystery Novel Prize Contest. Maryland estate set mystery in which a young lady is convalescing and whose brother is murdered presumably by one of the upper class guests at the house. Near Fine in Near Fine dustjacket. $125.00

37. **CORLEY, H. W. For Love or Money.**
Grosset and Dunlap: New York. 1932. True First Edition. Skrenda dustjacket art. Interesting romance novel in which a young woman, a New York office worker, is asked by a lawyer to marry one of his rich clients and to allow one year before deciding if the marriage should be permanent. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket, spine modestly darkened, shallow spine end chips. $75.00

38. **CRAWLEY, Rayburn. Chattering Gods.**
Harper and Brothers: New York. 1931. First Edition stated. Bleiler and Hubin listed novel of mystery and horror in which a beautiful girl is subjected to scientific experimentation hidden away in the Valley of Creeping Men. “Guarded by a yellow ape, almost human in its passionate and jealous love, she is found by Shackleton, the psychologist who is carrying out the dying instructions of Marakoff and searching the valley for hidden treasure. The story moves to the rhythm of tomtoms and the wailing of voodoo rites. Death lurks and strikes mysteriously in the heavily scented tropical nights”. Near Fine
in Very Good dustjacket with few masking tape mends at verso and at exterior at lower spine end and flap corner. $100.00

39. CROFTS, Freeman Wills. *The Sea Mystery*. Harper and Brothers: New York. 1928. First Edition stated. Scarce Inspector French Scotland Yard mystery novel with nautical elements in which a man is discovered in a sea chest, his identity wiped clean by the ocean, but whose murderer is ultimately discovered. Near Fine in Very Good plus dustjacket, few small chips at top spine end, modest age toning to panels. $275.00


42. [DEAF DETECTIVE] CHAPIN, Carl M. *Three Died Beside the Marble Pool*. Doubleday, Doran and Co. for The Crime Club: Garden City, New York. 1936. First Edition. Murder mystery set in a small Vermont community that includes an artists colony. “It was left to Pike Anderson, Federal investigator, aided by his deaf friend, Paul Ruggsdale, to lay bare the mystery that was bringing stark panic to the whole town”. Unusual mystery to feature a deaf detective. Near Fine in nearly Very Good dustjacket with half inch deep chip at top spine end, lower spine end with nickel sized chip, narrow stain along front flap edge. $125.00

43. DENNIS, Geoffrey. *Bloody Mary’s*. Simon and Schuster: New York. 1934. First Edition. “A full-length autobiographical picture of a small Yorkshire boys’ school” as it was at the turn of the century. The jacket copy states that this is one of the best books about kids ever written. Near Fine in Very Good plus dustjacket, some fading to spine. $65.00


45. ELIOT, Ethel Cook. *Ariel Dances*. Little, Brown and Co.: Boston. 1931. First Edition. Jung dustjacket art. Author’s scarce first book, a novel of Bermuda and a painter’s daughter in silent battle with her late fathers’ beautiful widow. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket, some narrow chips at front flap edge, some shallow chips at lower front panel, some modest surface erosion at spine and rear panel, narrow chipping along most of rear flap edge. $150.00

46. ENGLAND, George Allan. *Isle of Romance*. The Century Co: New York. 1929. First Edition. George Annand dustjacket art. Uncommon travel narrative of those “strange misty islands” of the American East Coast including Anticosti, Bird Key, Sable Island, Grand Cayman, The Dry Tortugas, Cozunel, St. Pierre, the Isle of Pines, the misty Magdalenes. “In these colorful pages Mr. England takes you with him on his solitary explorations to the islands off our coast - for they all lie near-by, either in the Caribbean or near the mouth of the St. Lawrence. He shows you the strange customs, the little-known sights, and the romantic charm of these almost inaccessible points of land”. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket with partial splitting at front spine edge and rear flap mended at verso.
47. FARSON, Negley. Daphne’s In Love. The Century Co: New York. 1927. First Edition. Scarce Jazz Age themed romance novel of a modern young woman who gets engaged with two men at once. Includes a scene, described at jacket copy, at a speakeasy called ‘Jazzamine’ where cocktails are served. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket, few shallow chips at lower edge of jacket, small face crayoned in at mid-front panel. $125.00

48. FITZSIMMONS, Cortland. 70,000 Witnesses. Grosset and Dunlap.: New York. 1931. First Photoplay Edition, illustrated with scenes from the Paramount Film starring Dorothy Jordan and Phillips Holmes. Football Murder Mystery novel, of a player being shot on the field and not one of the 70,000 watching fans could pin point how it happened. Near Fine but for contemporary gift inscription, in lovely dustjacket that would be Near Fine but for a dime sized sticker abrasion at lower spine area. $175.00

49. FOOTNER, Hulbert. The Murder That Had Everything. Harper and Brothers: New York. 1939. First Edition. Manso dustjacket art. Biblio-mystery of sorts in which a novelist investigates a murder. “Rene Doria was murdered the very night his engagement was announced to forty million dollars. It was days before his body was found at the bottom of a dumb-waiter shaft - days before anyone, except of course the very clever murderer who had been successful so many other times, knew he was dead”. Near Fine in Very Good plus dustjacket, nicking and wear at spine ends and flap corners. $150.00


51. GASK, Arthur. The Hidden Door. Macaulay Co: New York. 1935. First Edition. Arthur Hawkins Jr. dustjacket art. Scotland Yard sends Gilbert Larose, the famous Australian detective to find missing residents of Suffolk in the vicinity of a great castle. “A private investigator, a French crook now on the side of the law, and some international super-criminals have their own connections with the castle’s secrets and the mysterious disappearances”. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket, some nicks and wear at spine ends, some minor creases. $150.00


dances, careless kisses" seemed suddenly empty to Carol Sprague when she met Kent Mayburn. "But her awakening had come too late! Even as she returned home that night, happy in her new understanding of life, her father refused her entrance to his home. And Kent Mayburn abruptly announced that he could never marry a party girl". Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket with spine that has become spotted and modestly darkened, shallow chips at top spine end. $175.00


56. HICHENS, Robert. *In the Wilderness*. Methuen and Co.: London. 1917. First Edition. "A tragic and moving story of the coming of a great sorrow into two lives, and of the differing effects it had upon two diverse natures linked together in marriage. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket, four inch closed tear and accompanying creases at lower front panel. $150.00

57. HINDS, Roy W. *The Man Called Eighty-Eighty*. Robert M. McBride and Co.: New York. 1930. First Edition. Rare Hubin listed mystery novel of the chain-gang prison life and a criminal who returns to his old ways when he is released. "He joins up with a gang of bank robbers. Big swag, easy money. Here again you share experiences that will keep you on tenterhooks. And there's a girl, a fine sport, for whose sake he intends to go straight after one more big haul". Near Fine in a nearly Very Good dustjacket, quarter sized chip at mid-spine, modest loss to top edge of both front and rear panel. $250.00


60. HOLBROOK, Marion. *Wanted: A Murderess*. Dodd, Mead and Co.: New York. 1943. First Edition. Alan Hoemer dustjacket art. Bibliomystery of sorts in which a young woman is taken on as a secretary to a writer on his isolated island home. But somebody does not want her there, "first that snake coiled in her bed the night of her arrival; then splintered glass in her cold cream jar... and she was the one who discovered a guest dead in her room". Near Fine in attractive Very Good plus dustjacket. $100.00


62. [HOLLYWOOD FICTION] AYRES, Ruby M. *By The World Forgot*. Grosset
and Dunlap: New York. 1933. First Edition. Dustjacket artwork by Holmgren. Romance novel about a bitter film actor who falls in love with a young woman who he meets aboard a ship. “Nicholas had been the idol of countless movie fans until the day when he had rescued a little ‘extra’ from certain death - and had come out scarred for life. Georgia met him on shipboard when the world had forgotten him”. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket with some shallow chips and soiling to panels, dime sized chip at top front panel. $150.00

63. [Hollywood Fiction] Lipton, Lew. Ideas. Chatham Publishing Co: New York. 1937. First Edition. Collection of twelve original stories ready for screen adaptation written perhaps ironically after Lipton’s long career as a screenwriter ended. From the Sydney Kingsley blurb at front jacket panel: “Sooner or later literature not only lends but borrows from all other art forms. Here we have an indication of how films may effect literary technique. Mr. Lipton has provided a volume of picture stories which is at once text for the student, substance for the film producers and interesting reading for the laity”. This copy inscribed to Hollywood gossip columnist and reporter Jimmy Starr, “To My pal Jimmy: - / With best wishes / Lew”. Near Fine in nearly Very Good dustjacket, quarter sized chip at mid-lower front panel, shallow chipping at spine ends, fading to spine lettering. $85.00

64. [Hollywood Fiction] Morand, Paul. The Epic-Makers. Lovat Dickson Limited: London. 1935. First Edition. D. M. T. dustjacket art. Satirical look at European film-making. “If an Armenian, A Roumanian, a Greek and a French aristocrat form a Syndicate to produce a film of France’s greatest Epic, strange and diverting things are likely to happen, and obstacles arise which can only be overcome by men of their infinite resource and lack of scruples. Add that the Director chosen is a German Jew refugee who has never even seen a film made in his life, and the stage is set for a comedy which in the hands of so eminent a satirist as M. Paul Morand lacks neither skill nor Gallic wit.” Near Fine in very Good dustjacket, quarter sized chip at mid-lower front panel, shallow chipping at spine ends, fading to spine lettering. $150.00


68. Hughes, Dorothy. The Delicate Ape. Duell, Sloan and Pearce: New York. 1944. First Edition, Advance Review Copy in original illustrated wrappers and publisher’s review slip tipped in. “Two men had died violent deaths trying to find out what Piers Hunt knew. But for one week he must keep it to himself- and then tell not a chosen few, but the world”. Very Good in wrappers, some staining to wrapper panels. $125.00


73. [JEWISH FILM FICTION] JACOB, Heinrich Eduard. Blood and Celluloid. Richard R. Smith: New York. 1930. First Edition. Scarce non-Hollywood novel dealing with movie production. “The story deals with the adventures of a Jewish film producer who is commissioned by an anti-Fascist organization to make a propaganda film which is to discredit Italy in the eyes of the world. The plot is laid in Berlin, Paris, Italy, and Sardinia, and the large cast of characters includes such striking figures as Italy’s Dictator and a real life Sardinian bandit.”. Very Good but for discoloration to fore-edge area of rear cover from dampstaining, few pharmacy stamps at endpapers, in nearly Very Good dustjacket, light stain to fore-edge area of rear panel, chipping at top spine end and flap corners. $75.00

74. JOHNSON, Owen. Blue Blood. Little, Brown and Co: Boston. 1924. First Edition. Wrap-around dustjacket artwork. “Johnson’s new story of modern New York’s rich and reckless society” in which a scorned man threatens to bankrupt a woman’s father unless she agrees to be his. Not listed in Hubin despite what appears to be a gun in the hand of a character in the jacket illustration. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket, some modest edge chipping, short horizontal closed tear at lower spine area. $175.00

75. JOHNSON, Owen. The Salamander. Bobbs-Merrill Co: Indianapolis. 1914. Early Printing, with “For Many Months The Best Selling Book in America” plug at top front jacket panel. Neil Pratt dustjacket art and Everett Shinn Illustrations. One of the premier novels concerning flappers, “the new feminine generation which is beginning in the United States.” Basis for two black and white silent films, the 1916 version directed by Arthur Donaldson and starring Ruth Findlay and Iva Shepard. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket with top spine evenly chipped. $175.00

76. JORDAN, Elizabeth. The Blue Circle. Century Co.: New York. 1922. First Edition. Hubin listed mystery novel of a man who is emotionally distressed by the challenge of making a living. He takes on a one year post as a rich man’s personal secretary and finds
himself in a huge old country house in which strange things happen and which Renshaw must explain. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket, few shallow edge chips, nickel sized chip at lower front panel. $150.00

77. KAUFMAN, George S and Edna FERBER. *The Royal Family.* Doubleday, Doran and Co.: Garden City, New York. 1928. First Edition. Comedy play about the madness of show folk and the “Fatal glamour of the footlights”. Near Fine but for contemporary bookplate at front pastedown, in Very Good plus dustjacket with nicking to top spine end, small chip at top front panel. $150.00


79. KESTER, Vaughan. *The Just and the Unjust.* Bobbs-Merrill Co.: Indianapolis. 1912. First Edition. M. Leone Bracker illustrations. Uncommon mystery novel somehow missed by Hubin in which an innocent man is convicted of murder and is only moments from the hangman’s noose when the real murderer is discovered. Basis for the 1926 black and white silent Fox Film titled, Hell’s Four Hundred, directed by John Griffith Wray and starring Margaret Livingston and Harrison Ford. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket with top spine end chipped. $175.00

80. KING, Rufus. *Whelp of the Winds.* George H. Doran Co.: New York. 1926. Presumed Early Printing, without Doran symbol at copyright page. Rare dog novel by this well-known mystery author. Among dogs, as among men, there are the lone wolves of their kind, restless wanderers, playing lone hands through the greatest of all solitude - that of years barren of a lasting love. Tawny, courageous, wise, ‘Wall’ was a mongrel - so was the man who protected him and who became his master. The dangers and mysteries in which they are involved, the powerful love story, the background of sweeping hills and sharp arroyos, the recklessness of life and passion make this a story the like of which we have not had since Jack London. A thrilling tale of a great dog and his master in the Rio Grande country”. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket, shallow chipping at lower spine end, top spine end with inch sized chip. $250.00


82. LIEPMANN, Heinz. *Wanderers in the Mist.* Harper and Brothers: New York. 1931. First Edition stated. Author’s first work, a novel of peasantry life in a Russian village just over the German border. “It tells what happened when the Squire had cracked his whip too long, assaulted too many of the village women. It tells of Fedor, the Squire’s bastard son, who saw his mother die in her shift at the foot of the village Cross; who fought in the German army during the Great War; who turned half-vagabond, half-criminal - a wanderer through German cities, seizing life lustily and taking it for his own”. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket with chip at top rear flap corner and at lower spine end, spine very mildly faded. $150.00

83. LOCKRIDGE, Frances and Richard. *Death on the Aisle, A Mr. and Mrs. North Mystery.* J. B. Lippincott Co.: Philadelphia. 1942. First Edition. Theatre set mystery novel in which the “wealthy backer of the play was neatly skewered during dress rehearsal... The curtain rises on what is unquestionably the Norths’ most thrilling and diverting excursion in crime. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket with top spine end chipped half centimeter deep, some modest edge wear. $250.00
84. LONG, John Luther. *War, Or What Happens When One Loves One's Enemy*. Bobbs-Merrill Co.: Indianapolis. 1913. First Edition. N. C. Wyeth frontispiece. Very scarce American Civil War novel set in rural Maryland by the author of *Madame Butterfly*. “A Kindly old Germain unfolds a stirring tale of the strife-ridden sixties full of the fire of patriotism and love. A girl - imaginative, daring, courageous - and two brothers - both stalwart, valiant, honest men - are the central figures. Told in his own quaint way it mingles happily the joys, disappointments, love, daring, peace and turmoil of the days of the war between the states”. Very Good, light stain to fore-edge top corner of most pages and boards, in Very Good dustjacket, shallow chipping, few inch closed tear at top front panel. $125.00


86. MARTIN, Stuart. *The Trial of Scotland Yard*. Harper and Brothers: New York. 1930. Early Printing, ‘July, 1930’ letter code, without ‘First Edition’ statement. Intriguing murder mystery in which the Earl of Bowcame receives the following letter: “You will be murdered on the last day of this month at precisely nine o’clock in the evening”. Do the most brilliant detectives of Scotland Yard save him from this fate. If you are interested in finding out you will need to break the seal which binds the last few chapters of the book and which is amazingly still in tact on this copy. Also includes the publisher’s wrap-around band which states the purchaser of this book can return it for a full refund if they leave the seal in place. Near Fine in Very Good plus dustjacket with Very Good band split at ‘spine edge’. $125.00


90. NASON, Leonard H. *The Incomplete Mariner*. Doubleday, Doran, and Co: Garden City, New York. 1929. First Edition. Harry Beckhoff dustjacket art. Collection of three nautical adventure stories of merchant seamen. The title story concerns “a seasick college boy [who] finds himself in command of a spy infested ship, the marked game of the German submarines. A strenuous sea fight, a mysterious imprisonment and a spectacular rescue make this one of the most exciting yarns of the North Atlantic”. Very Good in nearly Very Good dustjacket, centimeter sized chip at mid-spine, few shallow edge chips and modest soiling to yellow panels. $65.00

92. [NAUTICAL FICTION] GIBBS, George. *Foul Weather*. D. Appleton and Co.: New York. 1933. First Edition. Uncommon Hubin listed mystery novel of murder on the high seas. A schooner picks up a young woman, the sole survivor of a wreck, and jealousy soon causes near mutiny between those loyal to the captain and those with the first mate who vie for her love. Based on the ‘Glendower’ murder case, one of the most famous American unsolved crimes”. This copy inscribed and signed by Gibbs at half-title, “I rather like this book / I hope you do to / George Gibbs”. Near Fine in nearly Very Good dustjacket, chipping at flap corners and some edges, top spine end with half inch deep chip. $125.00

93. [NAUTICAL PLAY] ST. JOSEPH, Ellis. *A Passenger to Bali*. Little, Brown and Co.: Boston. 1940. First Edition. “A wild play of the sea... of an honest captain and his sinister passenger... and the titanic battle waged by these two for possession of the ship. As the vessel means the whole world to these two, so it comes to mean for the reader”. Near Fine in Near Fine dustjacket. $65.00

94. [NAUTICAL FICTION] MASON, Arthur. *The Cook and the Captain Bold*. The Atlantic Monthly Press: Boston. 1924. First Edition. “Hilarious and thrilling voyages with the crew of the Nellie Swan, who never could beat their captain at poker; with Kitty McCann, master mariner in her own right, half owner and sole boss of the coastwise schooner Morning Star; and with the discouraged crew of the Rosabelle - a gentle name for a ship so vixenish that no sailor would stay with her. It is a book of unusual adventure for those who love the sea”. Scarce title in original illustrated jacket. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket with shallow edge chips and modest soiling, dime sized chip at lower rear panel. $125.00

95. [NEWSPAPER REPORTING] ANTHONY, Joseph and Woodman MORRISON (editors). *The Best News Stories of 1924, The Annual of American Newspaper Writing*. Small, Maynard and Co.: Boston. 1925. First Edition. Very uncommon collection of newspaper stories from the previous year including stories by Walter Duranty, Louis Wellzenkorn, John Gunther, Will Irwin, Dudley Nichols, and many others. Features include such topics as the democratic convention; the Leopold-Loeb trial; Bishop Brown’s hersy trial; Nellie Morse’s win at the Preakness; the Carpentier-Tunney fight; the Panama Canal; Pershing; and the first Native American Senator, Charles Curtis. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket with shallow chipping, nickel sized chip at top spine end. $200.00


98. PEROCHON, Ernest. *Nene*. George H. Doran Co.: New York. 1922. Early or First Edition, with GDH symbol at title page. “This novel of French peasant life won the Prix Goncourt awarded by the Academy in 1920. Its success was instantaneous. Everywhere it was hailed as the finest interpretation in years of the spirit of rural France”. Near Fine in Very Good dustjacket, shallow chipping at spine ends. $250.00
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