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1 **'UN OFFICIER DU ROI'. (Henri Bernadin de Saint-Pierre 1737-1814)**
Voyage a L'Isle de France, a L'Isle de Bourbon, au Cap de Bonne-Esperance, &c. (In two parts) Neuchatel. La Societe Typographique. 1773.
£150.00

2 parts in 1 volume. (192 x 123). pp, (2), vi, 7-229, (1), 182. Four folding tables. Text in French. Faint mss name to head of front free endpaper. Bookplate of Henri Lavachery. Early sale record in pencil at head of front pastedown. Two old library stamps to title page. Half calf with rubbed and worn boards and corners. Old reback with part of original spine laid down. Clear protective wraps. Folded mss note tucked in dated 1859? Henri Lavachery (1885-1972) was a Belgian archaeologist and in 1934 was the first professional archaeologist to vist Easter Island.

2 **VALYNSEELE, Joseph. (Preface by Fleuriot de Langle).** Les Marechaux de la Restauration et de la Monarchie de Juillet. Paris. 1962.
£48.00

(253 x 162). pp, xx, 431, (5). Text in French. Pages uncut and unopened. Heraldry Today label inside rear cover. Softbound. Some light browning to covers and overlapped edges chipped.

3 **GRANDMAISON, M.Charles De.** Tours Archeologique : Histoire et Monuments. Paris. H. Champion. 1879.
£25.00

(220 x 140), pp, viii, 247, (1). Text in French. Black and white illustrations. Ex library with usual stamps, marks and labels. Original grey paper wraps bound in. Hinges cracked. Marbled endpapers. Red half morocco with marbled paper covered boards, spine rebacked, corners and edges rubbed and worn. Scarce.

4

DECENEUX, Marc. The Mont-Saint-Michel Stone by Stone. Rennes. Editions Ouest-France. 1996.

£3.00

(258 x 194). pp, 63, (1). Illustrated in colour. Softbound. Very good.

5 **BANVILLE, Theodore De. (Introduction et notes par Amedee Boinet et Frantz Calot).** Le Quartier Latin et la Bibliotheque Sainte-Genevieve. Paris. G.Vanoest. (1926).

£9.00

(220 x 137). pp, 44. Ex university library with usual labels, stamps and marks. Text in French. Stiff library board covers with green cloth to spine and original paper wraps laid down. Water stains to upper board. Some rubbing and scuffing. Call number to foot of spine

6 **RICHARDSON, Capt. Leslie.** Things Seen in the Pyrenees. French & Spanish. A description of an interesting frontiier land, its wonderful scenery, romantic associations, the attractions of its fashionable resorts, & the charms of its more secluded retreats. London. Seeley, Service & Co. Limited. 1928.

£4.00

(145 x 104). pp, 155, (5). Black and white frontspiece and 31 b & w plates.Some light spotting. Rubbed blue and gilt cloth. Spine sunned.

7 **MORAND, Sauveur-Jerome.** Histoire de la Ste-Chapelle Royale du Palais,.... Paris. Clousier and Prault. 1790.

£295.00

(260 x 190). pp, iv, 307, (1), 226, (10). Frontispiece and 15 plates, some folding. Printed signature in red in Justificatives. Contents clean, but lacks 2 plates facing p31 and 56. Also lacks p227-228 and approbation and part of PrivIlege du Roi. First gathering of Justificatives bound in wrong order. Contents very clean. Quarter red morocco gilt. Some rubbing but a sound binding. A large book which may require extra postage to be quoted.

8 **[FRENCH LOCAL PRINTING].** Le Nouvel Arlequiniana, ou Recueil de bons mots, precede de plusieurs scenes arlequines. Avignon. Chez Jean-Albert Joly. 1816.

£695.00

[BOUND WITH:] Scaramouchiana, ou Recueil des ruses du fameux Scaramouche : Suivi des aventures d'un flamand. Avignon. Chez Jean-Albert Joly. 1816. [AND:] Jocrissiana. ou bons mots de Jocrisse. Avignon. Chez J.A. Joly. 1813. 3 works bound together. Small (101 x 61). pp, 128; 128; 126, (2). Hand coloured woodcut frontspiece to each volume. Age toned paper but contents clean. Patterned endpapers. Marbled all edges. Contemporary sheep with modern gilt ruled reback. An extremely attractive collection of three Avignon printings of items first published around 1800. BnF lists one copy of Scaramouchiana and 1 copy of Le Nouvel Arlequiniana.

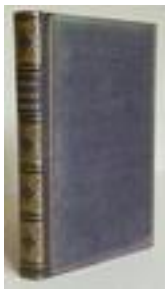
9 **CAIN, Georges.** Promenades dans Paris. Paris. Ernest Flammarion. 1906.
£48.00

(178 x 135). pp, (vi), 404. Frontspiece, plans and plates, some with tissue guards. Text in French. Browning. Small mss inscription on front free endpaper. Fore and bottom edges uncut. New endpapers. Rebound in full tan leather gilt.

10 **RICHARD. (Jean-Marie Vincent Audin).** Guide Classique du Voyageur en France, en Belgique et en Hollande; Precede d'un Itinerie Complet de Paris. Paris. Audin. 1832-1833. (Quinzieme edition).
£28.00

(172 x 102). pp, (iv), 528. Four fold out plans with some chipped and browned edgesand tear to fourth plan. Text in French. Age toned paper with some foxing and browning particularly the first few and last pages. Worming to foot of first few pages slightly affecting some text. Dark brown Morocco gilt. Upper joints cracking. Clear protective wraps.

11 **FAVRE, L.** Histoire des Principales Villes de France. Niort. Imprimerie de Robin et L.Favre. No date. (1850?).
£48.00



(236 x 148). pp, (4), iii, (1), 360. Tinted frontspiece and eleven plates with tissue guards. Text in French. Gilt all edges. Black morocco with gilt decorated compartments to spine. Black pebbled cloth boards with gilt double ruled border. some old marks to boards. A very good copy. Attractive lithograph costume plates by Victor Adam featuring French regional dress. Illustrated are Bourbonnaises, Dauphinaises, Alsaciennes, Flamands, Picards, Normands, Bretons, Vendeens, Bressans, Marseillais, Bearnais and Basques. Not listed in Lipperheide or Colas.

12

ROSE, John Holland. The Life of Napoleon I Including New Materials from The British Official Records. London. G.Bell & Sons, Ltd. 1913. (Sixth edition, revised).

£10.00

Two volumes bound in one. (203 x 134). pp, xv, (i), 512; (ii), 596. Frontspiece with tissue guard and several illustrations including maps and foldout facsimile document. Contents clean but some faint creasing to a few pages. Marbled endpapers. Some light browning and some spotting to edges. Top edge gilt. Half leather gilt binding with brown cloth to boards. A few few scuff marks to leather with some sunning. Corners worn. A sound copy. A heavy book which may be subject to additional postage.

13 **GLEAVE, Henry Hurd. (Edited by BURGESS, John).** France, Italy and Switzerland Between the Two World Wars: Letters from a Lancashire Lecturer. Carlisle. Privately published. 1989.

£35.00

(297 x 210). pp, 101, (12). Paginated and printed on recto only with 12 copied photographs at rear. Softbound with original cloth spine and acetate wraps bound in. Fine. Scarce.

14 **FORTESCUE, G.K. (Compiled by).** List of the Contents of the Three Collections of Books, Pamphlets and Journals in the British Museum relating to the French Revolution. London. British Museum. 1899.

£10.00

(242 x 152). pp, 48. Ex library with stamps marks and labels. Binding tender. original printed wraps bound in. Blue and gilt cloth library binding a little rubbed.