1  (AMERICAN REVOLUTION.) CHARLES LEE. Brief Letter Signed, as Secretary to the Board of Treasury, to Commissioner of the Continental Loan Office for the State of Massachusetts Bay Nathaniel Appleton, sending "the Resolution of the Congress for the Renewal of lost or destroyed Certificates, and a form of the Bond required to be taken on every such Occasion" [not present]. ½ page, tall 4to; moderate toning at edges and horizontal folds. Philadelphia, 16 June 1780  
[300/400]
Charles Lee (1758-1815) held the post of Secretary to the Board of Treasury during 1780 before beginning law practice in Virginia; he served as U.S. Attorney General, 1795-1801.

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2  (AMERICAN REVOLUTION.) WILLIAM WILLIAMS. Autograph Document Signed, "Wm Williams Treas'r," ordering Mr. David Lathrop to pay £5.16.6 to John Clark. 4x7½ inches; ink cancellation through signature, minor scattered staining, folds, docketing on verso. Lebanon, 20 May 1782  
[200/300]
William Williams (1731-1811) was a signer from CT who twice paid for expeditions of the Continental Army out of his own pocket; he was a selectman, and, between 1752 and 1796, both town clerk and town treasurer of Lebanon.

3  (AMERICAN REVOLUTION--AMERICAN SOLDIERS.) Group of 8 items Signed, or Signed and Inscribed. Format and condition vary. Vp, 1774-1805  
[800/1,200]

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4  (AMERICAN REVOLUTION--AMERICAN SOLDIERS.) Group of 26 items Signed, or Signed and Inscribed, including mostly documents. Format and condition vary. Vp, vd  
[2,000/3,000]
Letters: Joseph Reed. ALS, "Jos: Reed," to Thomas Bradford, informing him that the Council has decided to appoint someone to administer the sales of vessels who is not a candidate for the Vendue Master. 1¼ pages, small 4to, with integral address leaf. Np, [1778-81] * Nathaniel Macon. ALS, "Nath'Macon," to Mr. Bagot, requesting an extract of Mrs. Bagot's letter concerning the statue of George Washington intended for NC. 1 page, 4to, with integral address leaf. Washington, 17 February 1819 * William H. Gibbes. ANS, "W.T Gibbs" in the third person within the text, to Charles


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JOHN ARMSTRONG, JR. Partly-printed Document Signed, "J. Armstrong," as Secretary of War, appointing John E. Calhoun captain in the 3rd regiment of riflemen. ½ page, 4to, with integral address leaf; folds. [Washington], 18 March 1814. 300/400

John Armstrong, Jr. (1758-1843) was a Revolutionary soldier and diplomat who served as Minister to France, 1804-10, and Secretary of War, 1813-14. At the outbreak of the War of 1812, Armstrong was commissioned Brigadier General; he was so confident that the British would not attack Washington, DC, that he did not provide for the city's defense and was subsequently blamed when it was captured.

John E. Calhoun of Fort Hill, SC, was a cousin of John Caldwell Calhoun (1782-1850).

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
FRANCIS BERNARD. Partly-printed Document Signed, "Fra
Bernard," as Governor, military commission appointing
Jonathan Snelling Quarter Master of the Governor's Troop of
Horse Guards with the rank of Captain. Countersigned by
Deputy Secretary Jonathan Cotton. 13x15 inches; closed
separations at scattered folds repaired with cello tape verso,
faint scattered staining, endorsement on verso, paper seal
intact.
Boston, 10 May 1766
[800/1,200]
Secretary at War, to Paymaster Richard Rigby, ordering him to
issue to Bisshopf and Brummell "a sum equal to six Months
Subsistence of three Companies . . . Commissioned Officers
included" to compensate for expenses incurred by the
detachment of Sutherland Fencibles at Shetland. 1 page, tall
4to; horizontal folds. "War Office" [London], 7 September
1781.

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JOHN BRADSTREET. Autograph Letter Signed, "JnoBradstreet," to an
unnamed recipient ("DrSir"), sending signed warrants and receipts [not
present], requesting that £1,000 be credited to Boston, and requesting that
Delancey Roberson & Co. be paid [£?]2,747. 1 page, 4to; backed, seal
tear with loss to few words of text at lower left repaired with paper, faint
scattered dampstaining, few short closed tears at edges repaired with
paper verso.
Albany, 18 February 1760
[350/500]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

JOHN BRADSTREET. Document Signed, "JnoBradstreet," granting power of
attorney to Philip John Schuyler for the purpose of collecting certain debts.
Countersigned by witness P. Silvester at lower left, and with a statement signed by
"P.J. Schuyler" [Gen. Philip John Schuyler's son Philip Jeremiah?] on terminal page
attesting that the document was found among General Schuyler's papers. 1 page, tall
4to, with integral blank; folds inexpertly reinforced on verso with ruled paper,
scattered faint staining, red wax seal mostly intact and touching signature.
Albany, 25 May 1764
[350/500]
". . . I Col'l John Bradstreet . . . do . . . appoint Philip J. Schuyler Esq'r of the City of
Albany my true and Lawfull attorney . . . to . . . recover and receive of and from all . . .
persons whatsoever all . . . sums of money debts dues claims & demands . . . and I
do hereby give & Grant to my said attorney my full & whole power in & concerning
the premises & will ratify & confirm whatsoever he shall Lawfully act or do therein
. . . ."
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
9 JOSHUA LAWRENCE CHAMBERLAIN. Photograph Signed, "Joshua L. Chamberlain," in purple ink, carte-de-visite bust portrait by Pierce, showing him wearing Major General's uniform in profile. Signed in the image, lower edge. 4x2½ inches; faint scattered staining.
Np, ad
[4,000/6,000]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

Np, 18 January 1892
[400/600]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

11 (CIVIL WAR.) ADELBERT AMES. Autograph Letter Signed, "AAmes," to "My dear Mr. French," explaining that the "contraband" information in French's letter is widely known, describing the strategy of the Army of the Potomac, adding his opinions about how to prosecute the war, and in a postscript, additionally Signed, "A," sending regards to Mrs. H. and stating "I don't expect another star but I do know the difference between the hum of a bee and the whistle of a bullet." 4 pages, 8vo, written on a folded sheet; closing and postscript written vertically across date in upper margin, two short closed tears at outer edges, folds.
Folly Island, SC, 7 October 1863
[300/400]
"... The news in your last which you considered 'contraband' is known by everybody here. The officers and in fact the newspapers have bought the same information. ..."

"Let me express an opinion about our 'strategy.' Its object evidently is to open communications between east Tennessee and the coast ... and by this step occupy North Carolina, if it is half as loyal as it is represented to be. Thus Virginia will [be] isolated, separated entirely from the rest of Rebeldom. ... Finally we shall smoke them out of that hole, Richmond, from which we have failed to drive them. And ... when Richmond falls the 'Confed.' is knocked higher than a kite.

"It has been my fancy (perhaps because of my love of the Army of the Potomac and desire that it may win glory) that the A. of P. should be increased or reinforced and then take Richmond.

"If Rosecrantz [sic] is only reinforced by the scattering troops in his department and one corps ... I think he will not be able to accomplish all that may be required of him. [This is] Because Bragg will be increased by Johnson's forces, the troops at Charleston & Savannah and Lee's whole army.

"Even with the A. of P. before it and pressing towards Richmond, Longstreet was sent to oppose Rosecrantz--what will they
not do when Meade is weakened and acting on the defensive.

"If the fight is to be in Georgia or that vicinity, I say send them a large part of Grant's army and at least two more."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

(CIVIL WAR.) HENRY WARD BEECHER. Autograph Letter Signed, "H. W. Beecher," to George Washington Bungay ("My dear Mr. Bungay"), denying the charge that he said anything about Robert E. Lee's character, speculating that Lee knew nothing of the conditions at Andersonville and was powerless to prevent them, and suggesting that the crime of allowing such atrocities was the responsibility of Jefferson Davis and his Secretary of War. 3½ pages, 8vo, written on a folded sheet; few short closed separations at scattered folds repaired with tissue, faint bleedthrough overall, moderate even toning overall.

Np, 15 November 1865
[800/1,200]
"Have you read what I did say of Gen'l Lee, in the Independent? It is sometimes worth while to see what a man does say, not what reporters represent him as saying.

"...I do not ...say anything about his character at all, but speak simply of his conduct during and since the War.

"As to his power to prevent the atrocities of Andersonville, the assertion which you make is without a particle of proof, viz., that he could have prevented it. He probably knew as little about it as Gen'l Dix or Gen'l Grant did of the fare of prisoners at Chicago, or Fort Delaware. And even if he did know it, burdened with his Army & with the incessant harassment of getting supplies, he could not meddle beyond a protest. An officer in command in the field has no business to assume the functions of a Gov't bureau at the capital. The Sec'y of War & Davis were the men on whom blame rests. Instead of trying Davis for Treason (& losing the case) I wish Gov't had the means of trying him for this Encylopedic Crime. Then he might be hanged with the whole world's acclamation."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

(CIVIL WAR.) JAMES G. BLAINE. Autograph Letter Signed, "J.G. Blaine," to Androscoggin Railroad Superintendent Benjamin H. Cushman, promising to bring a proposal to him in Augusta and informing him that obtaining the terms for it was difficult. 2 pages, 8vo, written on two sheets; moderate staining to lower edge of first page, docketed on terminal page, folds.

Washington, 18 October 1861
[80/120]
"I succeeded yesterday with procuring from McClellan a proposition which I trust will prove satisfactory to your Road.

"I will bring it to you in person as I shall reach Augusta ... as soon as this letter.

"I have secured for you as good terms as the Back Route, but I assure you the fight has been a prolonged and severe one."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
14  (CIVIL WAR.) MONTGOMERY BLAIR. Group of 6 Autograph Letters Signed and a Letter Signed, each "MBlair," including 5 War-dated and two to President Lincoln. Together 9½ pages, 4to or 8vo; generally good condition.
Vp, 1860-67 [600/900] ALS, to James P. Staber, giving plans to speak at a commemoration of the Battle of Germantown and expecting to carry PA in upcoming elections. 1 page, 4to. "Chestnut Hill," 3 October 1860 * LS, to President Abraham Lincoln, recommending that A.S. Baxter be appointed Brigade Quartermaster. Additionally Signed by Major General David Hunter. 1 page, 4to. St. Louis, 14 September 1861 * ALS, to "Dear Madam," sending a permit [not present]. 1 page, small 4to. Washington, 11 October 1861 * ALS, to the President, recommending that William P. Graves be appointed for a position in the Army. 1 page, 4to. Washington, 12 March 1862 * ALS, to "Dear Sir," recommending that the newspaper of W.D. Hughes be used to publish documents for the government. 1½ pages, 4to. Washington, 8 May 1862 * ALS, to "My dear friend," expressing sympathy at the loss of his son. 1 page, 4to. Washington, 22 August 1862 * ALS, to "Rev'd and dear Sir," sending a letter from Colonel Webster [not present], appealing to him to publicly deny a charge made against Blair. 3 pages, 8vo, written on a folded sheet. Washington, 1 May 1867.

15  (CIVIL WAR.) JEFFERSON DAVIS. Two Autograph Endorsements, each Signed, "J.D.," as President, both on a letter. The letter, from Major Inspector-General Field Transportation A.H. Cole, to General Alexander Lawton, reporting the number of horses and mules available for use by Lee's army at Richmond and Petersburg, Early's army in the Shenandoah Valley, Echols's army in Southwestern VA, and elsewhere, and requesting $3 million to meet the immediate demand for animals. The endorsements: "Ref'd to the Sect'y of the Treasury for remarks. 17 Feb '65" and "Sect'y of War, the remarks of the Sect'y of the Treasury seem to me to be conclusive. 4 March '65." Additionally with autograph endorsements signed by Secretary of the Treasury George Trenholm (over 70 lines): ". . . The means at the command of the Treasury were exhausted at the end of December . . . .; and Secretary of War John C. Breckinridge: "War Dept. Feb 15 1865. Respectfully submitted to the President for his consideration . . . . This Dept is suffering greatly for want of means, and the requisitions on the Treasury have not been met." 3½ pages, 4to, pale blue ruled paper, written on a folded sheet; docketing and endorsements written vertically on second and fourth pages, few short closed separations at scattered folds repaired with tissue, remnants of prior mounting along vertical fold on terminal page, faint scattered soiling and foxing.
Np, 17 February; 4 March 1865 [2,500/3,500] Major Cole's letter: 14 February 1865: ". . . [M]y only hope is from the plan and through our efforts in the Trans-Mississippi. The condition of our military affairs in South Carolina and Georgia has added new responsibilities and embarrassments to my department: 2,650 animals are called for there immediately. I have but faint hope of being able to procure anything approaching that number within these States by purchase or impressment . . . . I ask for authority to make temporary impressments of animals . . . . I must be furnished with $3,000,000 in Treasury notes at once . . . ."
WITH—Varina Howell Davis. Signature on a slip of paper. 2x5 inches; mounted to a larger sheet. Np, nd.

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16  (CIVIL WAR.) OLIVER OTIS HOWARD. Letter Signed, "O.O. Howard," to E.B. French, sending a letter intended for Secretary of War Edwin Stanton [not present] requesting the transfer of Adelbert Ames to his command, anticipating that the next major military engagement would take place in the region, contradicting claims that General Ulysses Grant is a drunk and characterizing him as clear-headed and brave. 4 pages, 8vo, "Headquarters Eleventh Corps" stationery, written on recto and verso of two sheets; faint scattered staining, remnants of prior mounting along side edges touching few letters of text, few short closed separations at folds. "Lookout Valley" [Chattanooga], 14 January 1864

[800/1,200]

"I heard tonight that our mutual friend Ames wishes to return to my command. If Ames can bring me a brigade of six New England regiments, he will strengthen me wonderfully and soon win his way to further promotion. It is too bad to shut him up at Richmond where a less enterprising Brigadier would do just as well. . . . One of the Maine 'Veteran' regiments is coming, I hear. . . . There will be unassigned regiments in Mass[achusetts]--perhaps in N[ew] H[ampshire] and V[ermont]. I have had Mass[achusetts], N[ew] H[ampshire], V[ermont], R[hode] I[land] and Con[nnecticut] Reg[iments], and think I would be appreciated as a Commander in either state.

". . . I believe the next effective blow will be struck in this quarter. . . . At any rate General Grant, with his purity of Character, fixedness of purpose and clear head is about the safest man to serve under, more particularly for field operations. Tell Farwell never to call him 'drunken Grant' as he is about the only big General that don't drink at all. He don't swear and isn't afraid of bullets. . . ."

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17  (CIVIL WAR.) ROBERT E. LEE. Autograph Letter Signed, "R E Lee / Gen'l Com'mg," to Colonel Christopher Q. Tompkins, acknowledging the difficulties experienced by the Kanawha Valley volunteers, explaining that resources must be committed first to the most threatened units, requesting that he order any essential supplies from the quartermaster at Richmond, denying the suggestion that his men have been discriminated against with respect to the supply of arms and equipment, explaining that the regiment would not be divided but that they may be required to serve with other troops here or elsewhere, and suggesting that he appeal to General Floyd for assistance if confronted with the enemy. 3 pages, 4to, written on a folded sheet, ruled paper, horizontal folds, uncommonly good condition. "H'd Q's Valley Mt;," 17 August 1861

[15,000/25,000]

". . . I am aware of the difficulties attending the organization of the Vol: regts: in Kanawha Valley. Your efforts & success are duly appreciated & confirming the confidence entertained in you, which led to your assignment to this duty. In the initiation of preparations by the State for its defence, it was hoped that the loyal citizens of the Kanawha Valley would have been able to have offered a sufficient force to have prevented the invasion of their country, with the additional aid that could be given them, & that this force could have been equipped with everything but arms & accoutrements. . . .

"The cheerfulness with which your troops have taken the field, the privations they have undergone & the efficiency with which they have acted entitle them to greater thanks from their country, which they will be sure to receive, & prove what men will suffer in defence of their homes & rights. I trust they will persevere, & in the end they will be sure to secure them. . . .

"I regret to hear of discontent existing among your troops, & that they entertain the suspicion that invidious discrimination has been exercised in favour of others. I trust upon calm reflection, & a just consideration of all the difficulties to be overcome, they will see that no cause for it exists; but that they will exhibit the same patience, the same endurance, the same confidence & the same bravery to the end of the war as they have at the beginning. . . ."

"In reply to the concluding request of your letter, I need only express my regret, should your command be obliged to take the field in the destitute condition in which you describe them, & the hope that the necessities of war may not interfere with their proper equipment & refreshment. . . ."

On September 10, 1861, Union Brig. Gen. William S. Rosecrans engaged and overpowered the outnumbered troops of Brig. Gen. John Floyd's Army of the Kanawha, which included the 22nd Virginia Infantry under Colonel Tompkins, encamped at Carnifex Ferry. The subsequent Confederate loss of the Kanawha Valley encouraged the development of a movement among Union supporters in the western part of Virginia to form a new state, and, six weeks later, a popular referendum called for the creation of a "State of Kanawha," later renamed "West Virginia." Two years later, West Virginia was admitted to the Union.


Christopher Quarles Tompkins (1813-1877) served as a Confederate colonel in the 22nd Virginia Infantry; he fought at Scary Creek and Carnifex Ferry in 1861 and resigned the following year.
Provenance: Property of a descendant of Christopher Quarles Tompkins.

18  (CIVIL WAR.) ROBERT E. LEE. Brief Autograph Letter Signed, "RElee / Comm'g Gen'l," to Colonel Christopher Q. Tompkins: "In answer to your letter of the 19 Inst' enclose certain papers therein referred to, I find it very necessary to state that you did right in obeying the orders of Gen'l Floyd." ½ page, 4to, ruled paper; small hole at left edge with minor loss to text, faint scattered foxing, docketing on verso, horizontal folds.

"H'd Q'rs Valley Mt," 21 August 1861

[4,000/6,000]

19  (CIVIL WAR.) CHRISTOPHER GUSTAVUS MEMMINGPER, Letter Signed, "CGMemminger," as Secretary of the Treasury, to Collector Alonzo B. Noyes, declining to approve his suggestion of transferring extra blankets and clothing from the hospital in St. Marks, FL, for fear of contamination. ½ page, 4to, "Confederate States of America / Treasury Department" stationery, ruled paper; moderate staining along left edge, remnants of prior mounting along right edge verso, horizontal folds.

Richmond, 20 September 1861

[400/600]

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

20  (CIVIL WAR.) GEORGE WYTHE RANDOLPH. Autograph Note Signed, "G W Randolph / SeyoWr," to Jefferson Davis ("Respectfully returned to the Pres't"), with an Autograph Endorsement Signed by Jefferson Davis, as President. The note, suggesting a counterproposal of making Colonel [Douglas Hancock] Cooper Superintendent of Indian Affairs. The endorsement, written vertically at right edge recto: "Send message to Congress to withdraw nomination of Gen'l Cooper to be Sup't &c / J.D." 1 page, 8¼x3½ inches, pale blue paper ruled paper; written over a vertical seam where two sheets were joined into one, moderate scattered soiling, remnants of prior mounting at upper corners verso.

[Richmond], 23 September 1862

[800/1,200]

"Will it not be better to act under the law cited by Col Cooper and... assign him to duty as Superintendent of Indian Affairs than to require him to elect between the posts of Brigadier & Superintendent. Will not his military rank give him consequence and power with the Indians which more than counter balance the inconvenience of having a General under the control of the Commissioner? I have submitted Col. Cooper's nomination as Superintendent but can withdraw..."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
21  (CIVIL WAR.) JAMES ALEXANDER SEDDON. Brief Letter Signed, "James ASeddon," as Secretary of War, to "Mrs. Judge Clopton," informing her that the application for promotion of her son Lt. William Izzard Clopton is not on file. 1 page, square small 4to, ruled paper; "Confederate States of America / War Department" stationery; horizontal folds. Richmond, 3 August 1863 [250/350] From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

22  (CIVIL WAR.) EDWIN M. STANTON. Autograph Letter Signed, as Secretary of War, to John C. Knox, stating his preference to remain silent despite charges that Stanton bore some responsibility [for the failures of McClellan in the Peninsula Campaign], and inviting him to visit. 1 page, 4to, "War Department" stationery, ruled paper, with integral blank; minor scattered smudging, folds. Washington, 21 July 1862 [400/600]

"I have seldom . . . been gratified so much . . . as by your generous and manly speech at Harrisburg.

"From a sense of public duty I have been compelled to remain silent and receive the fiercest assault that ever beset any public man when by the records I could have covered my revilers . . . with shame . . . . But I felt that it was better for the country that I should be falsely accused than that the truth should be published; and this course I shall observe until the end . . . ."

23  (CIVIL WAR.) CHARLES SUMNER. Autograph Letter Signed, as Senator, to Secretary of War Simon Cameron, recommending that [Guido] Norman Lieber be given a commission as Lieutenant and stating that he takes an interest because of his own relationship with Lieber's father. 1 page, 4to, with integral blank; slight smudging to date leaves an unknown fingerprint. Washington, 24 May 1861 [100/200]
24 (CIVIL WAR--CABINET MEMBERS--C.S.A.) Group of 8 items Signed, or Signed and Inscribed. Format and condition vary.
Vp, vd
[500/750]

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

25 (CIVIL WAR--GENERALS--C.S.A.) Group of 5 items Signed, or Signed and Inscribed, by Confederate generals. Format and condition vary.
Vp, vd
[350/500]

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26 (CIVIL WAR--GENERALS--UNION.) Group of 28 items Signed, or Signed and Inscribed, by Union generals in the regular or volunteer armies. Format and condition vary.
Vp, vd
[800/1,200]

Signatures, clipped or on small cards, 4½x2½ inches or smaller: John C. Frémont * William Tecumseh Sherman * Philip Sheridan * George B. McClellan * Ambrose Burnside (2) * Benjamin F. Butler * Joseph Hooker * John A. Dix. 1875 * Carl Schurz (2) * Irvin McDowell * John Pope. 1886 * John A. Logan.
(CIVIL WAR--POLITICIANS--ALBUM.) Autograph album issued by Lippincott containing over 30 Signatures by American politicians of the Civil War era. Tipped to the first page is a ticket to the Johnson impeachment trial, followed by a page with the signature of Hugh McCulloch (Secretary of the Treasury), then a page with the bold signature of Edwin M. Stanton (Secretary of War). Scattered throughout the rest of the book are more than 20 signatures of Senators and Representatives. Some signatures are dated 1867, most include state and/or district. Small 8vo, original morocco; few early leaves nearly loose. Vp, 1860s

[350/500]

Preston King (NY) * Simon Camerone (PA) * Lyman Turnbull (IL) * Ebon C. Ingersoll (IL) * Ira Harris (NY) * J.W. Grimes (IA) * F.A. Pike (ME) * Columbus Delano (OH) * others.


[1,000/2,000]

"...The distressing loss of my dear Daughter Caty cou'd not fail to fill me with inexpressible Grief. ... But the Feelings of parental affection founded on my Ties of Blood are too powerful to be subdued, all that is expected is that they be restrained and moderated for were it otherwise the finest and best feelings of the human heart must be destroyed [sic] and the Life of Man rendered miserable indeed. There is ... reason to believe that my dear Child has made a happy change and that she now enjoys a blessed Immortality & this is my consolation. I need not tell my dear Betsy how deeply & sincerely I sympathise with her in our mutual & very afflicting loss. It would be a very great comfort to have my Children with me on this trying occasion but I know this to be impossible.--..."

"We have no Late Foreign News. Accounts are received that our Troops are in possession of West Florida. Both parties ... & those under the Spanish Governor Folch surrendered without resistance. It is as yet too early to conjecture what Consequences this measure may produce."

"In the House of representatives the Bill for renewing the Charter of the Bank of the United States was taken up in Committee of the whole and a Motion to strike out the first section was carried by a Majority of 13. This decides the Fate of the Bill & of the Institution. The Object as far as I can discover is to establish a new National Bank on this Land of Corruption of 10 Mile Square on what principles I have not learned. ..."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

JOHN ENDECOTT. Document Signed, "Jo: Endecott Gub: [er]no: [t]," in English and Latin, the deposition of Daniel Kimbell in a case concerning Kimbell's sometime employee Samuell Cutler and 11 pounds taken from a bushel of corn. 2½x5½ inches; separations at folds repaired verso with tissue, minor scattered soiling.

Np, 1654 [from docketing verso]

[3,000/4,000]

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
ROBERT ERSKINE. Autograph Letter Signed, "Rob'tErskine," to John Calecroft, offering to design a water pump for his well. 1 page, 4to; folds, minor loss to lower corners. London, 27 June 1765

[150/250]

"... Mr Cole who is appointed to make my machines [is] desiring ... advice about raising water from a Well ... With the Centrifugal Engine water can only be raised 30 Feet at a lift ... other methods may be put in practice at a less expence ... if therefore you Chuse to employ me I will wait on you ... ."

Robert Erskine (1735-1780) was a Scottish hydraulic engineer and geographer who came to the U.S. in 1771, served as captain in the New Jersey militia at the start of the Revolution, and later became geographer and surveyor-general to the Continental Army, whose maps helped George Washington to victory.

CHARLES HECTOR D'ESTAING. Document Signed, "Estaing," ordering Lt. General of Naval Forces De Monteil to flog a soldier for impertinence toward an officer, in French. ½ page, tall 4to, with integral blank; small hole at center (not affecting text), faint foxing at upper edge, folds. "On board the Defender," 8 July 1766

[400/600]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

EDMONT-CHARLES GENÊT. Autograph Letter Signed, "Mr. Genet," in the third person within the text, to Theodric Romeyn Beck ("To Doc'tr Beck"), in English, acknowledging receipt of his letter with a message for Dr. Pascalis and assuring him that it has been attended to. ½ page, oblong 8vo, with integral address leaf; minor loss to lower right corner, moderate toning overall, folds. "Prospect Hill" [East Greenbush, NY], 12 May 1826

[100/200]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
33 **ELBRIDGE GERRY.** Partly-printed Document Signed, "E Gerry," as Governor, appointing Moses Davis Justice of the Peace in Lincoln County. Countersigned by Secretary Benjamin Homans. 1 page, folio; faint scattered foxing, few tiny holes at fold intersections, docketing on verso, paper seal intact.

*Boston, 15 March 1811 [300/400]*

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

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34 **JOHN GLOVER.** Clipped portion of a Letter Signed, attached to a letter from Glover's grandson Robert Hooper. The clipped letter, including only a salutation in holograph: "Dear Sir your / Most Obdt Hbl Serv't / Jno Glover," and a name in holograph on verso [presumably the clipped letter's recipient]: "Stephen Sewall." 1½x4 inches; mounted along one edge to first page of Hooper's letter at middle left. Hooper's letter, to Harry B. Dawson, giving a brief biography of his grandfather. 2 pages, 4to, pale blue ruled paper, with integral address leaf.

*Np, nd; Boston, 8 March 1860 [250/350]*

"... Gen. Glover was the third son of Jonathan & Tabitha Glover & was born in 1733 . . . . He died at Marblehead . . . ."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

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35 **(GOVERNORS.)** Group of 6 partly-printed Documents Signed, as Governor, mostly appointments. Format varies; condition generally good.

*Vp, 1787-1830 [600/900]*

- **Edmund Randolph.** Granting 922 acres in Ohio County [WV] to Jabez Bacon. 12½x14 inches, on vellum; moderate staining along right edge. *Richmond, 13 October 1787* *George Clinton.** Granting 500 acres in Montgomery County to John Tayler. 12x17 inches, on vellum; moderate staining along lower edge. *New York, 4 June 1788* *Caleb Strong.** Appointing Moses Davis Justice of the Peace in Lincoln County. 14½x8¾ inches. *Boston, 23 February 1804* *John Brooks.** Appointing Moses Davis Justice of the Peace in Lincoln County. 17½x10 inches; few small holes affecting few letters of text. *Boston, 6 February 1842* *Albion K. Parris.** Appointing Leander Gage Colonel in the infantry. 9½x13¾ inches; few small holes at fold intersections. *[Portland], 20 February 1823* *Levi Lincoln.** Appointing Albert Babcock Ensign in the infantry. 9½x15¾ inches. *[Boston], 2 September 1830.*

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
WADE HAMPTON. Brief Autograph Letter Signed, as Governor, to an agent of the Greenville & C[olumbia] Railroad: "The bearer says that Mr. Hemphill will see that his passage to Abbeville is paid & I wish that you would send him up." ½ page, 8vo, ruled paper; complete separation at horizontal fold repaired verso with tissue, moderate scattered staining, contemporary note in pencil in unknown hand at lower edge sending Hampton's letter. Np, 25 February 1877. [350/500] From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

JOHN HANCOCK. Partly-printed Document Signed, as Governor, appointing a coroner for Lincoln County. Countersigned by Secretary John Avery, Jr. 14½x9 inches; two small holes at fold intersections, moderate brittling overall, chipping with minor loss at upper edge, scattered separations at folds, docketing on verso, endorsements written vertically at lower left, paper seal mostly intact. Boston, 25 March 1793. [3,000/4,000]

BENJAMIN HARRISON. Letter Signed, "Ben Harrison," as Governor, to an unnamed recipient ("Sir"), sending worthless "Tobacco Notes" [not present]. 1 page, 4to; backed with cello tape, marked toning overall, loss of few letters of text at right edge, some smudging to one word of text. SOLD AS IS. "In Council" [Richmond], 10 June 1783. [250/350] "I send you a number of Tobacco Notes received by the Commissioners of Charlotte County . . . after it was known the Tobacco was destroyed . . . I refer you to chief Justice, who is well acq[uainted] with the facts. I think it is necessary you should move against the Commissioners or the guilty receivers . . . . There are two Notes for rappahannock Tob[acc]o which you will deliver to Capt Young . . . ."

The early colonists of VA and NC used as currency receipts representing warehoused tobacco called "tobacco notes."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
MOSES HAZEN. Autograph Letter Signed, to Colonel Jonathan Chase, requesting that he attend the trial of Isaac Tichenor to give evidence. 1 page, folio; faint scattered foxing, docketing verso, folds. Springfield, 18 April 1780

[2,500/3,500]

“The Court martial for the Trial of Mr. Isaac Tichenor Commissary of Purchases has been Convened at this place. The Court has found It necessary to adjourn to Charlestown and there to meet on monday the 24th Instant at 10 O'Clock in the fore noon. Your Evidence will be Necessary on that Day; or as Soon after as you can Possibly attend; not so much on the Principal Charges Exhibited against Mr. Tichenor, as for the Credit of Justice Due; and future protection of your own Country—which will much Depend on the event of this Trial . . . .”

In February of 1780, Hazen wrote to George Washington to request a court martial to try a number of Hazen's charges against Tichenor including negligence, failure to obey orders, mismanagement and corruption. Washington ordered the court martial, which was begun in April--by October, Tichenor was cleared of all charges.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

PATRICK HENRY. Partly-printed vellum Document Signed, "P. Henry," as Governor, land deed granting 2,000 acres in Jefferson County to James Nourse. 13 ½ x16¼ inches; moderate scattered staining affecting text (but still legible), stain touching "y" of signature, lacking paper seal, few small holes at fold intersections, docketing verso. Richmond, VA, 13 April 1786

[600/900]

ETHAN ALLEN HITCHCOCK. Group of 4 Autograph Letters Signed, "E Ahitchcock," to his mother ("Dear Mother" or "My Dear Mother"), concerning his possible resignation from the Army, Indian Affairs work involving a piece of pending legislation, and the management of payments [to native Americans]. Together 11 pages, 4to, each written on a folded sheet with integral address leaf; folds. Vp, 1839

[100/200]

25 January: ". . . [A] journey over the mountains at this season of the year . . . is attended with some peril . . . . I have had the hardest journey in some respects I ever made. The National Road . . . has been completed with stone only to Springfield Ohio. . . .

". . . The Secretary of War and the Commissioner of Indian Affairs both tell me they have been waiting [for] my arrival & wish me to explain my views in regard to some Bill for the Ind'n Dep't and I shall probably go before the Committee of the Senate or House or both on the subject. . . ."

28 January: ". . . [U]nexpectedly I find myself singularly absorbed in Indian Affairs, and obliged to give up my private wishes to act for the Department. If I do not greatly deceive myself I have the entire confidence of some high in power here . . . ."

1 April: ". . . Everything has been done to accommodate & please me that the Secretary can do . . . to testify his satisfaction for my conduct at St. Louis in stopping the payment of the 100,000$ . . . . [T]he Secretary of War . . . [has] the wish to testify his obligations to me for saving the Department, as he expresses it, 'from the odium of one of the most shameful transactions he ever knew.' . . ."

15 May: ". . . I may be obliged to stop at Prairie du Chien some days or weeks to make the payment to the half-breeds which I stopped last Fall . . . . The old commissioners & the speculators are hostile to me beyond measure . . . ."
"If you see anything in the papers you must not mind it for the government & all honest men are on my side. . . ."

42 SAMUEL HOUSTON. Document Signed, "Sam Houston," bond governing the transfer from Auguste Pierre Chouteau to Houston and his partners the title to two parcels of land on the Neosho River. Countersigned by two witnesses. 1 page, 4to, with integral address leaf; minor chipping at fold intersections, remnants of prior mounting at edges of terminal page. [Muskogee, OK], 22 November 1831
[1,500/2,500]
"Whereas Col. A.P. Chouteau of the Grand Saline made sale of two reservations of land lying on the east side of the Neosho river . . . to . . . Sam. Houston . . . [who] subsequently took a deed of confirmation and grant of title from the Osage Nation . . . I do hereby bind myself . . . to . . . Chouteau, provided the claim and right which I obtained from the Osage Nation . . . should hold the two sections of land adverse to the right and title derived from said Col. A.P. Chouteau, to indemnify him against the lawful claim or claims of . . . Sam. Houston otherwise this deed to be null & void."

In 1829, soon after his marriage to Eliza Allen, Houston and his new bride separated. Houston then resigned his governorship of TN and moved to the Arkansas Territory to live among the Cherokee where he remained, living as a trader and representing Cherokee trading interests in Washington, until he left for TX in 1832, purchasing property there the following year.

43 SAMUEL HOUSTON. Autograph Document Signed, "Sam Houston," thrice (one in third person within the text, another on address leaf), granting power of attorney to Auguste Pierre Chouteau for the purpose of transferring to two members of the Osage Nation title to his property on the Grand River [OK]. Endorsement by a Justice of the Peace at lower edge of verso. 1½ pages, 4to; address leaf detached, remnants of prior mounting along right edge verso, complete separations at horizontal folds repaired with tissue, faint scattered uneven toning. Washington, 1 May 1834
[2,000/3,000]
". . . I Sam Houston . . . do hereby authorize Colonel August[e] P. Chouteau of the Grand Saline as my true and lawful attorney and do . . . appoint him to make a conveyance of all my right, title, claim, interest, and demand, in and to two reservations of land, being and laying on the Grand River within . . . the Cherokee Nation, which reservations were made by the Treaty of 1825 between the Osage Nation and the Commissioner of the U. States; to Anthony and Shimahurga, two Osages . . . ."

44 SAMUEL HOUSTON. Autograph Letter Signed, "Sam Houston," as Senator, to Gideon Welles, praising his views on foreign policy, suggesting a method for choosing the right course of action: ask one's self what Andrew Jackson would have done in the same situation, stating that his guiding principle has been to ensure the prosperity and happiness of Americans before others, sending regards to Ned. 3 pages, 4to, written on a folded sheet; faint scattered bleedthrough, folds. Washington, 15 January 1852
[6,000/9,000]
". . . I commend your views in relation to our international policy as most wise, and truly practicle [sic]. It is a a [sic] good rule to recur to first principles, and by way of doing so, it seems to me, that a wise plan would be to ask, what would Gen'l Jackson decide to be proper, in any given case! In the present emergency, either you or I could guess what course he would adopt. My course has been, and ever will be, to secure first the prosperity & happiness of the American people. In the meantime, I will not fail to 'sympathize' with any, and every oppressed people & nation.

"What have we to do, with Hungary, more than with Poland, Ireland, or Rome? They are all equally objects of our sympathy. If they are not, I am not prepared to show the distinction by playing 'Leap Frog' at Festivals. . . ."

The "emergency" referred to in this letter is likely the tumult of revolution in Europe, including the failed rebellion of Hungary against Habsburg rule in 1848. In 1852, Lajos Kossuth, a noble who led the Hungarian revolutionaries and became their Governor-President for a time, toured the United States in the hope of gaining support for the cause of Hungary's patriots.
SAMUEL HOUSTON. Large clipped Signature, "Sam Houston / Texas," on a slip of paper. 4x6 inches; moderate scattered dampstaining, mounted to sheet trimmed to size.
Np, [1846-59] [300/400]

THOMAS HUTCHINSON. Partly-printed Document Signed, "THutchinson," as Judge of Probate, approving the will and testament of Angus Bailey and naming Samuel Stevens its executor. 1 page, tall 4to; small hole at upper left (not affecting text), horizontal folds.
Boston, 18 January 1754 [300/400] From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

JOHN JAY. Autograph Letter Signed, "Your very affectionate Father / John Jay," to his son Peter, reporting on the family's health and a recent visit to friends, expressing sympathy at news of the fire in New York City, complaining of the weather, and instructing him to collect or pay various debts. 1 page, 4to; folds, faint toning at lower left, docketing verso.
Bedford, 29 January 1821 [2,000/3,000]
"... Tidings of the Fire at NYork soon reached us--many must have suffered. ... We are glad that John and Helen were better. I think you did well to keep them at Home for the Present. In the night between the 24th & 25th inst. the Mercury fell to 14 below Zero.

"On inspecting the Bond of $1500 from Mr. Jam[e]s Morris, you will find that it is dated the 28th Aug't 1817. On the 15 Feb'y 1820 he paid you $105 on acc't of Interest, so that two Years Interest viz $210, is due and unpaid. . . .

"On the 9 May last, there was a Years Interest viz $315 due from Mr. F[rederic?] DePeyster--it is time that it should be paid.

"The intended assignment of DeLavan's mortgage to Mr. Hunt, will require care--perhaps he may expect to secure by it more than was due from DeLavan to me. . . ."
48  FRANCIS SCOTT KEY. Autograph Document Signed, "FSKey" twice, appealing on behalf of his father for relief from a judgment against him. Additionally with an autograph endorsement signed on verso: "File this & fill up blanks by the Jud't." ½ page, 8vo; minor scattered staining, folds, docketing on verso. Np, 15 August 1805 [from docketing]  
[400/600]  
"To the Hon'ble the Judges of Frederick County Court. The Petition of John Ross Key humbly sheweth that a judgment was rendered against him & in favor of a certain Isache Shaw . . . . from which said Judgment the said Petitioner (thinking himself aggrieved) prays an appeal to your Honors . . . ."  
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

49  HENRY KNOX. Autograph Letter Signed, "HKnox," to Dr. Ezekiel G. Dodge ("Dear Doctor"), agreeing to purchase landing and water rights at Owls Head Harbor [ME] from James Randall at $50 per acre, but stipulating two conditions: that three payments be made over the course of a year and that the commissioner's fee be deducted. 2 pages, 4to, with integral address leaf; seal tear at middle left with loss to couple words of text, folds. Boston, 25 February 1798  
[150/250]  
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

50  GILBERT DU MOTIER, MARQUIS DE LAFAYETTE. Endorsement Signed, "Lafayette," in French: "We have the honor to recommend the request by Mr. Rottier, supernumerary, to the Baron. It . . . has the double goal of lightening the burden of a father and obtaining the first job for his son to which he has the right." Additionally signed by Benjamin [Henri] Constant [de Rebecque], and two others. The endorsement, written in the margin of a letter from Guillaume Rottier, Jr., to the Baron de Barante, requesting an administrative position for his father. The letter, small folio, 1 page; folds. Le Mans, 6 February 1819.  
Np, 20 April 1819  
[300/400]
CHARLES LEE. Autograph Letter Signed, as U.S. Attorney General, to Consul General of France Philippe Joseph Léombe, reporting that he has done his duty by forwarding Léombe's papers concerning the alleged acts of piracy at Norfolk. ¾ page, 4to, with integral blank; horizontal folds, faint scattered foxing, loss of upper portion of integral blank.
Philadelphia, 3 February 1797
[2,000/3,000]
"Your letter . . . relative to certain persons on board the frigate Medusa at Norfolk in Virginia supposed to have committed piracy and murder on the High Sea, has been laid before the Secretary of State for the purpose of communicating it . . . to the President of the United States that he may direct what shall be done. . . . This is all that belongs to me in my official character to do, until I receive orders from the President."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

ROBERT E. LEE. Partly-printed Document Signed, "R ELee," as President of Washington College, certifying the evaluation of a pupil, Edwin T. Dumble, showing a "very good" grade of 94 in mathematics, a "good" grade of 85 in Latin, and "fair" grade of 66 in Greek. 1 page, 4to; slight even toning, folds.
[Lexington], 31 March 1867
[1,500/2,500]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

ROBERT E. LEE. Signature, "R ELee," on a small slip of paper. 2¾x4½ inches; moderate fading, faint uneven toning.
Np, nd
[350/500]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
ROBERT R. LIVINGSTON. Vellum Document Signed, "Rob R Livingston," as Chancellor, authorizing John Addison to practice as a solicitor in the New York Court of Chancery. 15¼x11½ inches; deep folds, faint scattered foxing, wax seal mostly perished.
New York, 29 March 1796
[100/200]

ROBERT R. LIVINGSTON. Autograph Letter Signed, "Rob't R Livingston," to botanist Amos Eaton, discussing experiments relating to a perpetual motion machine. 2¼ pages, small 4to, written on a folded sheet; folds, address panel and docketing on terminal page.
Clermont, 10 April 1807
[2,000/3,000]

"... I think your experiment shows that [what] I have proposed will not succeed at least with weak magnets[. W]hat it might do with more powerful ones, aided by a fly, is perhaps yet doubtful[, T]hat yours however bids fairer for success I frankly acknowledge & think the object sufficiently interesting to merrit an experiment[.] I do not myself see any radical defect in it. But experience alone can determine whether it has power sufficient to over come friction, & cut off magnetic communication, ... this ... must depend upon accuracy & delicacy of the construction of the machine. Could this be effected, I should think with you that you had discovered perpetual motion. It remains to be considered whether it could be applied to any useful purpose since the power would at all events be small, and perhaps the irregularity of the force (for magnetism is by no means equal at all times or in all places) would prevent its being applied to timepieces with effect & yet perhaps this is the only use to which so small a power could be applied but it would at all events be a curious & interesting discovery."

Robert R. Livingston (1747-1813) served as a delegate from New York to the Continental Congress from 1775-1777 and again from 1779-1781 and served on the committee which drafted the Declaration (but was recalled to New York before signing it); he also served as the first Secretary of Foreign Affairs until 1783, and in 1788 he served as a delegate to the Ratifying Convention, later serving as Minister to France at the time of the Louisiana Purchase.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

JAMES LONGSTREET. Autograph Letter Signed, to schoolmaster Albert L. Bacheller, declining to write a new speech and sending instead his speech delivered on the most recent anniversary of General Grant's death [present]. 1 page, 8vo, ruled paper; folds.
Gainesville, 21 January 1897
[600/900]

"... I am ... in doubt if I can find the opportunity to write as you would like. The speech on Gen. Grant's last anniversary delivered at Boston may meet your wishes."

WITH--James Longstreet. Secretarial copy of his speech commemorating the fallen Union and Confederate soldiers beginning with an account of the Knoxville Campaign and closing with a conciliatory quotation from Grant's Personal Memoirs. 4½ pages, tall 4to. Np, nd.
JAMES MCHENRY. Brief Letter Signed, to John Harris: "Be pleased to deliver to the order of Capt. Benjamin Gibbs one of Baron Steubens Regulations." 1 page, oblong 8vo; faint uneven toning overall, folds, docketing verso.
"War department" [Philadelphia], 23 January 1800
[250/350]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

COTTON MATHER. Autograph Letter Signed, "Co. Mather," to the Reverend Samuel Danforth, conveying the opinion of Mr. Boyd concerning a young man accused of uttering falsehoods during his testimony. 1½ pages, 12mo, with detached address leaf addressed in his hand; faint scattered foxing and soiling, folds.
Boston, 29 April 1719
[5,000/7,500]
"An Honorable friend has demanded it of me, that I give you some report of what Mr Boyd said unto us, concerning the unhappy young man in whom the peace of Bristol & ye Neighbourhood, is disturbed.

"He constantly said unto us, that he had no personal knowledge of this McSparron; But that was Reported and Believed in Ireland that his coming . . . was to avoid a propension for a Fornication; And that, if his Testimonials appear as coming from any Presbytery shore, they are doubtless a Forgery.

"You can best judge, when weight there is to be laid on this Representation; Refuse, ye clandestine way of the young mans coming aboard, had a very suspicious aspect upon it.

"Be it how it will, ye evidences you have to convict him of a notorious Falsehood in the confession he publickly made at Bristol, and enough to discover & determine such a leprosy upon him, as disqualifies him from the services of the sanctuary.

"May our glorious Lord, who walks in the midst of the golden candlesticks, graciously direct . . . your faithful . . . on this deplorable occasion."
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

LACHLAN MCINTOSH. Autograph Document Signed, "Lach'n McIntosh / Major General," certifying that "Robert Rae Esquire was appointed a Lieutenant Colonel of the Third Georgia Continenl Regiment in the fall of 1776, and was promoted in 1778 by General Howe to a full Colone[l]cy as I am informed in which Capacity he Served until he died in November 1779." 1 page, 3½x7½ inches; inlaid, folds, docketing and owner's ink stamp ("Dr. Max Thorek") on verso.
Savannah, 4 February 1784
[600/900]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
GEORGE GORDON MEADE. Autograph Letter Signed, "Geo. G. Meade / Maj. Gen'l. U.S.A.," to Mr. Roper in Boston, quoting a letter to Meade from Mr. [Henry A.?] Wise explaining why he did not receive Roper as expected, and requesting that he convey the explanation to General [Francis Winthrop?] Palfrey. 2 ½ pages, 8vo, written on a folded sheet; conjugate leaf inlaid; horizontal folds. Philadelphia, 7 June 1869

[400/600]
"Today I received a letter from Mr. Wise . . . . 'Nearly four weeks past I was called to a case of murder in the county of Isle of Wight. Some of our confed's, not satisfied with fighting & killing 'Yanks' let to killing one another, poor fools: and I had to be a party prosecuting the affair, and did not return home till Saturday last, when I found yours with a note from Mr. Roper. I write to say that I really regret he did not find me at home, for I would have taken pleasure in shewing him and communicating to him all I know & can point out about the truth of the war especially around Richmond & Petersburgh . . . . ."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

THOMAS MIFFLIN. Autograph Letter Signed, "Newphew Thomas Mifflin," to his uncle Jacob Lewis, explaining that he left London for Paris where he is boarded and instructed in French and riding, mentions that he has made a friend of the son of Lord Murray, awaiting advice concerning trade from David Barclay, sending regards to friends and family, and, in an 8-line postscript additionally Signed, "TM," apologizing for not writing Mifflin's grandmother and asking to convey respects to Mifflin's mother. 2 ½ pages, small 4to, written on a folded sheet; address panel on verso of third page, wax seal removed from edge and pasted in blank space on third page, center vertical fold reinforced, folds. Paris, 26 May 1764

[700/1,000]
"We had been in London about 4 Weeks when J.G. & I sett [sic] off for Paris. After spending 3 Weeks here I formed a Resolution of entering an academy to learn the French Language & Riding . . . . I have a French Master to teach me the Language, & ride 4 Mornings in the Week with Gentlemen of the best Families in France who come here to be instructed in Riding . . . . We dine & Sup at a publick Table, have each our Chamber, & Seldom see one another except at Meals & Hours of riding. This is a Son of Lord Murray upon the Same Floor who I am very well acquainted with, a young Gentleman of good Sense & good Morals. His Governour makes me read to him in French & always attends me when I ride, & in Fact seems as fond of advising & instructing me as he is of his Pupil. I shall be advised by D. Barclay as soon as anything can be done in the Way of Trade . . . . ."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

ROBERT MORRIS. Signature, "Rob't Morris," as Senator, endorsing the verso of a bill of exchange, payable to him from Morris's business partner John Nicholas for £700. Endorsement notes and signatures by two others on verso. 8x4 inches; some chipping at edges with minor loss to Nicholas signature and endorsement text, folds, note on slip of paper attached at upper left of recto written in unknown hand ("4th Jan: 1798 a clerk said would not be paid").

Np, circa 1 November 1794

[400/600]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
JOHN SINGLETON MOSBY. Autograph Letter Signed, "JnoSMosby," to J.W. Marshall, explaining that he would withdraw his candidacy if running would divide the conservative vote, stating that voters in his district should be offered a choice between candidates who support and those who oppose Grant's administration, claiming to be the best candidate in support of the administration and that Carter and Phelps falsely profess to be supporters. 2 pages, 4to, pale blue ruled paper, written on two sheets; small scattered repairs to closed separations at folds with cello tape verso, minor chipping at edges with loss to few letters of text. Warrenton, 29 April 1874

[1,000/2,000]

"I observe an announcement in the papers that there is a move on foot to nominate Phelps for Congress. He may have been induced to encourage the idea of his nomination . . . by thinking that I w'd continue to run on as a candidate until the close of the canvass. In this he is mistaken. . . . Of course if I see it is going against me, I shall withdraw . . . . My withdrawal w'd of course secure Horton's reelection who is one of the bitterest opponents in Congress of the administration. . . . No man could be elected to congress more distinctly pledged to support the policy of the administration than myself. The President is perfectly satisfied with my position & has promised me all the influence of the administration for he very well knows that he has no warmer friend than I am. . . . If they are sincere friends of Gen'l Grant's administration they will support me, but they w'd not have any hopes of electing a third candidate owing to a division of the conservative vote through my candidacy. . . . [N]othing can defeat me except the machinations of some man like Carter & Phelps who while professing to be friends of the administration are really its foes."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

SAMUEL OSGOOD. Letter Signed, as Commissioner of the Treasury, to NH Commissioner of the Loan Office Nathaniel Gilman, circular letter, requesting details concerning the Revolutionary War debt of New Hampshire. Additionally signed by Commissioner of the Treasury Walter Livingston. 1 page, 4to; address panel on verso, horizontal folds. "Board of Treasury" [New York], 25 February 1788

[1,000/1,500]

"As it will probably soon become necessary to ascertain the present amount of the debts contracted by the respective States during the late wars, you will be pleased to obtain and transmit to this Office as accurate a statement as possible of the debt of the State in which you act, together with a detail of the provision already made . . . for the payment of the same."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

WILLIAM PEPPERRELL. Group of 5 items, each Signed, "WmPepperrell": Autograph Document * 4 Autograph Letters. The document, as Justice of the Peace, warrant to the Sheriff or Marshal or Constable of Kittery for the arrest of Joseph Gunison, charged with having stolen a document from Andrew Poore. The letters, to various recipients, on various subjects with two mentioning defense of the frontier. Together 5 pages, tall 4to or smaller, written on five sheets; generally good condition. Kittery, 24 February 1719; Vp, 1723-58

[2,500/3,500]

24 June 1723, to John Gowen: "I Shipt your Son to proceed a Voyage . . . to Barbad[os] & so here. I understand by the men that . . . he has Left the Vessel & that he told them he was under age. . . . [Y]ou Verey well know that you told me before Several people when you where [sic] at my fathers house that you was willing he Should goo the Voyage . . . ."

30 July 1737, to Dominique Recacochea: ". . . I am Greatly obliged for yo'r kind offer of Serving me & have some tho'ts of being concern'd in a Vessel to . . . Bilbao & back here. . . ."

9 May 1755, to Edward Cole: ". . . I now am hastening to my regiment at New York. I am glad you are agoing altho' not in my regiment. I understand the Provitical [sic] Troops and our regiment will soon joyn together. . . ."
31 August 1758, to Major John Hill: "...I expect every hour to heare that North Yarmouth, Falmouth, and some of the Towns on this side are attack't by the Enemy, for if them that came out of the City of Louisbourg the night before the English took Possesion of it have joyn'd those we heard before was coming upon the Eastern Frontiers, their [sic] must be a considerable Number. You are hereby directed immediately...to hold...at a minits warning and if you heare of any Place being attack't you are to proceed...for their relief..."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

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GIDEON JOHNSON PILLOW. Autograph Letter Signed, "Gid. J. Pillow," to Edward G.W. Butler, acknowledging receipt of his letter regarding the discovery of a headstone from the grave of a companion of Hernando de Soto, stating that he has written for advice, promising to reply when he has more information. 1 page, 4to; faint scattered offsetting, folds. With the original envelope.
Memphis, 27 February 1872

[400/600]

"I am in receipt of your letter...forwarded to me from Columbia [TN] relative to the supposed Head Stone of...one of the companions of the Spanish Cavalier [Hernando] De Soto said to have been found in Hickman County Tennessee.

"Your letter is the first information I had received of the discovery..."

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GEORGE HENRY PREBLE. Autograph Note Signed, "Geo. Henry Preble / Commodore, U.S.N.," in purple ink, to an unnamed recipient (lacking salutation): "Just thirty two years ago yesterday, I was appointed by Commodore Foxhall A. Parker Senior...on board the U.S. Sloop of War St. Louis."
Gorham, ME, 10 August 1875

[80/120]

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
WILLIAM PRESCOTT. Partly-printed Document Signed, "Wm. Prescott," granting the estate shared with his brother James to their younger brother Oliver. Additionally signed by James Prescott, and with a holograph endorsement signed by Ebenezer Bridge. 1 page, folio; silked on verso, complete separations at folds repaired with minor loss to text, faint toning at edges affecting signatures, some chipping to side edges, endorsements and witness signatures written at lower left and vertically along left edge, docketing on verso.
Np, 9 May 1767
[3,500/5,000]
"That we . . . In Consideration of Four Hundred Pounds Lawful Money, paid us . . . do hereby give . . . all the Houses Buildings & Land which belonged to our Hon'd Father Benj'n Prescott Esq'r . . . ."

William Prescott (1726-1795) was a farmer who led minutemen as colonel in 1775 and participated in the Battle of Bunker Hill on June 17. He is said to have ordered his troops to hold fire "until you see the whites of their eyes."

Oliver Prescott (1731-1804) was a physician who served as Brigadier General for Middlesex County in 1776 and Major General for the MA militia in 1781.

James Prescott (1721-1800) was a judge who served in the court of common pleas and later became a member of the provincial congress; he also served briefly as colonel of a Middlesex regiment in 1775.

Ebenezer Bridge (1744-1814) was a MA senator, 1781-1800, and Middlesex Treasurer, 1783-1808. During the Revolutionary War, Bridge was not only selected to be Registrar of Deeds for Middlesex, he also led minutemen for the county as colonel in 1775 and fought at the Battle of Bunker Hill.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

JOHN ROSS. Autograph Document Signed, "JnRoss," as Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, ordering his brother National Treasurer Lewis Ross to pay $11.07 to John W. Stapler "out of the School fund for supplies furnished the Female Sem'ry . . . in the hands of H.D. Reese Steward, and for Requisition of Wm.P. Ross C'lk of the Board of Directors & this shall be your warrant for the same." 1 page, oblong small 4to, pale blue ruled paper; faint bleedthrough from receipt signature on verso, folds.
"Executive Department," 6 March 1857
[500/750]
The Cherokee Female Seminary was opened by the tribal council in 1851 near Park Hill, OK. Although the seminary did not provide instruction in the Cherokee language or culture, and the original instructors were mostly of European descent, in time, the teachers and staff of this and similar schools became dominated by educated Cherokees. In 1887, the building housing the seminary was destroyed by fire.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

RICHARD RUSH. Letter Signed, as Comptroller of the Treasury, to Collector of the Port of New York David Gelston, clarifying that the two percent charge specified in the prize act applies to the net amount excluding duties. ½ page, 4to; faint staining from seal along right edge, folds.
"Treasury Department" [Washington], 13 November 1812
[250/350]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
71 RICHARD RUSH. Partly-printed Letter Signed, as Secretary of the Treasury, to Clammans Gilliha[n], informing him that he is "entitled to the pay of a Private of Infantry in the Continental Line" under the 1828 "act for the relief of certain surviving Officers and Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution." 1 page, 4to, with integral blank; evenly toned, folds. “Treasury Department” [Washington], 6 October 1828 [300/400]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

72 WINFIELD SCOTT. Letter Signed and Inscribed, "Wishing you credit & honour in the expedition," as Commanding General, to 2nd Lieutenant Christopher Q. Tompkins, ordering him and his men to board the USS Lexington bound for Mexico, reminding him to cooperate with naval command, explaining that it may be necessary to build and defend a fort, and describing how to requisition supplies. 3½ pages, 4to, written on a folded sheet; moderate bleedthrough throughout, minor staining at lower edge of pages 3 and 4, folds. With the original envelope, addressed in his hand and additionally signed, postmarked. Washington, 20 June 1864 [1,000/2,000]
"As the commander of a company of the 3d Artillery, you have been ordered to embark with the same on board of the U.S. ship, the Lexington, . . . bound to the north-west coast of America.

". . . [Y]ou are destined to act in conjunction with the U. States naval forces in the Pacific, against the republic of Mexico with which we are at war. The commander of that squadron may desire to capture & to hold certain important points, as Monterey & towns or posts in San Francisco bay. . . .

". . . Your condition & that of your company, on board the Lexington . . . will be that of passengers, not Marines; but in the event of the ship finding herself in action, you . . . will not fail to show yourselves at least as efficient as any equal number of Marines whatsoever. . . .

"On effecting a successful landing in the enemy's country, it may be necessary . . . to erect & defend one or more forts--in order to hold the conquered place or places. . . ." Published in Messages of the President of the United States, With the Correspondence, Therewith Communicated, Between the Secretary of War And Other Officers of the Government, On the Subject of the Mexican War. Washington, 1848.

73 STEPHEN SEWALL. Document Signed, "SSewall Cler," with 5 lines in holograph certifying the document: & the above deponents further add that John Lewis / was with him or nigh to him with his black / Staff[e?] & that John Ballard[e?] went nigh them afore / Sworn in Court at Ipswich / April the 13th 1697 by both." The document, depositions of Daniell King and his wife, who state that they saw defendant Joseph Bond loading three oxen by plaintiff Hanah Phillips. 1 page, oblong 8vo; minor scattered smudging and faint foxing, horizontal fold. Ipswich, 13 April 1697 [1,000/2,000]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
PHILIP HENRY SHERIDAN. Autograph Letter Signed, "P.H. Sheridan," as Commanding General, to Rose Elizabeth Cleveland, sending thanks on behalf of Mrs. Sheridan for an invitation and conveying regrets that she cannot attend due to illness. 2 pages, 12mo, written on the first and terminal pages of a single folded sheet. With the original envelope, addressed in his hand. Washington, 16 February 1886

WILLIAM TECUMSEH SHERMAN. Autograph Letter Signed, "W.T. Sherman," to Captain Christopher Q. Tompkins, reporting that a mill capable of grinding sufficient wheat and corn can be sent by the next ship, and conveying details of his departure. 1 page, 4to, pale blue paper; faint scattered staining, addressed on verso in his hand. Np, circa 1846

SAMUEL SMITH. Autograph Letter Signed, "S. Smith," as Representative, to unnamed recipients ("Dear Sirs"), sending in the text of the letter the beginning of a draft of a bill objecting to the rapid increase in allocations for the Navy. 1 page, 4to; short closed tears at side edges, folds. "Capitol Hill" [Washington], 18 November 1820
ALEXANDER H. STEPHENS. Two items: Photograph Signed * Brief Autograph Letter Signed. The photograph, half-length carte-de-visite portrait by Goldin, showing him seated and looking into camera with crutches leaning against his chair. Signed on the mount below the image. 3½x2¼ inches (image), 4½x2½ inches overall; slight silvering in dark areas. The letter, to J.M. Rand, sending his autograph: "... Be assured I will most cheerfully comply with the request ..." ½ page, 8vo, ruled paper; upper portion mounted to sheet, horizontal folds. Np, nd; Crawfordville, GA, 20 February 1867 [600/900]

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

CHARLES STEWART. Brief Letter Signed, "Chas. Stewart," as Senior Flag Officer, to Asst. Adjutant General Edward D. Townsend, acknowledging receipt of an "Army Register." 1 page, 4to, "Com'dts Office" stationery, pale blue paper; remnants of prior mounting along upper edge verso with faint bleedthrough recto, horizontal folds. Philadelphia, 7 January 1860 [80/120]

JOHN SULLIVAN. Brief Autograph Letter Signed, "JnoSullivan," to Captain Nathan Nichols: "Please to pay Mr. Samuel Hill Thirty two pounds Eight Shillings lawful money which shall be in full for the hundred Dollars I advanced for you to Mr. Hams and the Interest thereof." 1 page, 8vo; faint offsetting along upper edge, folds, address panel and receipt signature on verso. Durham, 17 October 1785 [300/400]

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
80  LORENZO THOMAS. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "Adjutant General / Lorenzo Thomas / U.S.A.,” carte-de-visite bust portrait by Fredericks, showing him wearing Brigadier General's uniform in ¾-view. Inscribed in the image, lower center. 4x2½ inches; faint scattered soiling, minor scattered abrasions to image. Np, nd
[250/350]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

81  DANIEL D. TOMPKINS. Autograph Letter Signed, as Governor, to Gorham A. Worth, sending receipt for $5,000 in treasury notes [not present], explaining that the bank made a loan on the notes to the U.S. government so it will be the Secretary of the Treasury who pays off the loan, adding that the acceptance of the notes by the New York bank allows Secretary of the Treasury Alexander J. Dallas to pay off the loan immediately, and, in a postscript, hoping to be in Albany before his note becomes due. 2 pages, 4to, with integral address leaf. Castleton [NY], 15 August 1815
[80/120]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

82  TOUSSAINT L'OOUVERTURE. Partly-printed Document Signed, as Governor-General, ship's papers for the Schooner Lively, in French. Countersigned by U.S. Consul General Edward Stevens after a description of cargo and destination, in secretarial hand, in English, on second page. 2 pages, 4to, with integral blank; minor chipping to edges, faint toning at upper quarter of each page, folds. [Cap-Haïtien, 9 December 1800]
[1,000/2,000]
"...the Schooner Lively of Norfolks of 55 tons, Commanded by the Captin Christopher Tompkins, navigated by 6 men, mounting no guns, and her Cargo consisting of Provisions and Dry goods [is] to proceed along the Coast...from the Port of Cap Francais to those of Aux Cayes and Jacmel,..."
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83  (TRENT AFFAIR.) 6 Signatures, each by one of principal figures involved: William H. Seward * James Murray Mason * John Slidell * Charles Wilkes * Lord Palmerston * Charles Francis Adams. Each 3¼x5 inches or smaller; generally good condition; matted together with a related engraving and framed.

Vp, vd

[250/350]


On November 8, 1861, two Confederate diplomats--James Murray Mason and John Slidell--were arrested while at sea aboard the British RMS Trent by Union Navy Captain Charles Wilkes. British officials were outraged that a diplomat should be seized from their vessel in neutral waters and threatened to recall their minister at Washington. To diffuse the tension, Secretary of State William H. Seward arranged for U.S. envoy to the U.K. Charles Francis Adams to inform Prime Minister Lord Palmerston that Wilkes had acted without orders, and on the 26th of December, the Confederate prisoners were released.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

84  WILLIAM TRYON. Document Signed, "Wm Tryon Gov'r," an accounting of fees received "[o]n 54 Marriage Lycenses issued between the 1st January and 18 March 1778." 1 page, 4½x6 inches; backed, two short closed tears near center.

New York, 18 March 1778

[300/400]

William Tryon (1729-1788) was a colonial governor of two provinces: North Carolina, 1765-71, and New York, 1771-80.

85  RICHARD VARICK. Autograph Document Signed, twice ("Rich'd Varick" and in full in the third person within the text), as Mayor of New York City, recognizance of bail in a case: State of New York v. Johanna Gamble. 1 page, folio; minor scattered smudging to text, faint uneven toning, horizontal folds, minor chip at right edge with loss of few letters of text, docketing on verso.

New York, 23 May 1795

[150/250]

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
ARTEMAS WARD. Autograph Letter Signed, "(Gen'l) Artemas Ward," to "Dear Dana," expressing pleasure that he arrived safely in Charleston, praising his abilities, advising him to be virtuous and seek the blessing of God, reporting that his New England friends are well, planning to investigate the possibility of obtaining franking privileges, and, in a postscript, reporting the general belief that "Democratic Clubs" were a cause of the Whiskey Rebellion. 2 pages, 4to, written on the recto and verso of a single sheet; faint scattered foxing, folds.

Philadelphia 15 December 1794

[1,000/2,000]

"... Every moment we receive favors for which we ought to be thankful and we are continually in want of blessing which we ought to seek to God for, these are duties not to be neglected.

"... I sincerely wish you the Divine protection and blessing in all your lawful undertakings in this life & when you have finished your course here on Earth, I ardently pray you may through the merits of Jesus Christ be received to Zion above where ye weary are at rest & all tears shall be wiped away... ."

The postscript: "I hope you will never forsake the northern Polaticks & adopt the present Southern ones. Harmony is much more prevalent in Congress than last sessions. The Democratic clubs are preteregeneral [sic] reprobated. [It] is the general received opinion they were one cause of the late insurrection in the four Western Counties of Pennsylvania."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

STAND WATIE. Autograph Letter Signed, to Commissioner of Indian Affairs T. Hartly Crawford, conveying to him and endorsing the requests of Cherokee James Starr to investigate the claim that the U.S. Government owes [John] Ross $100 and to pay various debts incurred by Ross. 2 pages, 4to, with integral blank; complete separations at folds repaired verso with tissue, some loss from seal tear to few words of text at middle right, faint scattered soiling.

Washington, 15 April 1840

[3,500/5,000]

"... James Starr, one of the Cherokee Indians, ... wishes me to inform you that 'When Capt. Page was in this County, he informed me that there were yet in the hands of the Gov't $100.00 of ... [Mrs?] Ross's funds, which she refused ... at the old agency. There are yet many persons to whom Mr. Ross is indebted for services rendered him in the removal of the detachment conducted by his agents. ... Could you make arrangements with the Gov't by which those claims could be secured ... I am confident he does not intend to pay them ... I believe the reason why he thus far refused to pay them ... is entirely owing to a difference in politicks.' ...

"The contract with Mr. Ross for the Cherokee Removal was so liberal in its provisions that his ability to satisfy all the persons whom he employed cannot be questioned. I must therefore request an answer for my friends ... the claimants."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
OLIVER WOLCOTT. Autograph Endorsement Signed, "Teste Oliver Wolcott Sheriff," on verso of warrant to bring Harris Jones to court: "...I served the within writ by Reading the same in the hearing of the within named Defend't. Fees £0.0.7 lawfull money." The warrant, concerning Elisha Sheldon vs. Harris Jones. 1¾ pages, folio; minor scattered soiling, short closed separations at folds, docketing written vertically below endorsement.

Litchfield, 8 December 1755

[400/600]

(ASTRONAUTS.) NEIL ARMSTRONG. Print Signed and Inscribed, "Apollo 11," a color foil etching of a painting by John Berkey showing two astronauts walking on the moon. Inscribed on the mount below the image. 11½x7½ inches (image), 16x12 inches overall; faint uneven discoloration from prior matting affecting signed area of mount, remnants of prior mounting at upper and left edges verso.

Np, nd

[2,000/3,000]

(ASTRONAUTS.) NEIL ARMSTRONG. Brief Typed Letter Signed, to George Sullivan: "I do my best to honor autograph requests." 1 page, square 8vo, "National Aeronautics and Space Administration" stationery; horizontal fold.

Washington, 1 October 1970

[700/1,000]

91  (ASTRONAUTS.) RONALD E. MCNAIR. Color Photograph Signed and Inscrribed, "Best wishes / Ron McNair," bust portrait by NASA showing him in blue flight suit and looking into camera. Inscribed in the image at middle right. 10x8 inches; few minor scattered abrasions, biography printed on verso.
Np, nd
[100/200]

92  (ASTRONAUTS.) SALLY RIDE. Color Photograph Signed, "Sally K Ride," half-length portrait showing her resting while aboard the Space Shuttle Challenger II. Signed in the image, lower right. 10x8 inches; minor scattered dings.
Np, nd
[200/300]

93  JOHN JAMES AUDUBON. Autograph Letter Signed, "Your ever affectionate / J.J. Audubon," to his eldest son Victor, sending a check [not present] and giving travel plans. ½ page, 4to, with integral address leaf; dark staining at extreme right edge, faint scattered dampstaining, folds, expert repairs to address leaf.
New Orleans, 7 January 1830
[2,000/3,000]
"I inclose merely for safety the second check of a bill of 2000 Dollars which keep until we meet.

"We leave this, this day in the Steam Boat Phil'a, Bound to Louisville. Mamma is quite well. Remembrances to John and all."

During the 1830s, based at a studio in New Orleans, Audubon continued raising money and promoting his book The Birds of America, partly by painting the portraits of prominent figures across the South.
(AVIATORS.) CHARLES A. LINDBERGH. Three Typed Letters Signed, to Arthur G. Bourne, encouraging him to send writings relating to wildlife conservation, describing his own efforts to lessen the environmental impact of whaling in South America, remarking that he has been working on a new book for years [The Wartime Journals of Charles A. Lindbergh, 1970?], mentioning his work with the World Wildlife Foundation, sending his wife's article on conservation in East Africa [not present], etc. Together 3 pages, each 4to, written on three sheets; first with short closed separation at fold. One with the original envelope.

Les Monts-de-Corsier, Switzerland, 16; 31 August; Darien, CT, 4 November 1966

[1,200/1,800]

16 August: "... When we talked in London during the meetings of the International Whaling Commission, you mentioned... papers you had written in regard to conservation planning. I would like to see these as the subject is very much in the foreground at the moment.

"... I have just returned from three weeks in Peru, with Major Grimwood... We went out on one of the whaling ships for two days... Then visited the head of the company in Lima, in an attempt to persuade him to prohibit the further killing of blue and hump-back whales. (The catching ship we sailed on had killed, during the first seven months of 1966... 304 sperm; 80 fin; 36 blue; and 13 hump-back."

31 August: "... I have sent your article to DeWitt Wallace, along with a personal letter emphasizing how valuable and constructive an article on whales would be at this time. But don't count on anything here... [T]he last contact I had with him about whales had no results..."

4 November: "... Our re-organization of the U.S. WWF is well underway, and I am much encouraged, although I fully realize that a great deal remains to be done."


(AVIATORS.) IGOR SIKORSKY. Signature and date, "I. Sikorsky / March 25 / 1964," on a graphite drawing of his Ilya Muromet class plane viewed from the front, in unknown hand. Signed in the image at lower right. 6½x9½ inches; vertical folds.

Np, 25 March 1964

[100/200]

(AVIATORS.) ORVILLE WRIGHT. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "To the Honorable Harry S. New / with best wishes," gelatin silver print of an image by Daniels, showing the first flight of the Wright Flyer I on December 17, 1903, with Orville Wright piloting and Wilbur running alongside. Inscribed in the image, lower left. 6¼x9¼ inches; mounted to larger board, minor silvering in dark areas, minor soiling at edges.

Np, nd

[4,000/6,000]

WITH--Two statements signed by U.S. Postmaster General Harry Stewart New (1858-1937), attesting that this photograph was given to him personally by Orville Wright. Each ⅝ page, 4to or oblong 4to. Np, nd; Bethesda, 13 October 1930.
97 (AVIATORS.) ORVILLE WRIGHT. Fred C. Kelly, *The Wright Brothers*. Signed and Inscribed, on the half-title: “To Miss Margaret Hollowell / with sincere good wishes. / Orville Wright / Feb. 21. 1947.” 8vo, publisher’s cloth; faint uneven toning to signature page, owner’s inscription on front pastedown, remnants of label on rear free endpaper; small closed tears and minor chipping to edges of dust jacket. *FIRST EDITION.* New York, (1943); inscription: 21 February 1947

[600/900]

WITH—Two printed invitations and a printed program for the Wright Memorial on December 17, 1947 from the Kill Devil Hills Memorial Association. With the original envelope.

98 (AVIATORS.) ORVILLE WRIGHT. Photograph Signed, view of his house in Dayton, OH. Signed in the image, lower right. 4½x7 inches; minor scattered creases. Np, nd

[350/500]

99 (AVIATORS.) FERDINAND VON ZEPPELIN. Autograph Letter Signed, “GvZeppelin,” to “Mr. G. Rempel,” in German, advising him about his aircraft design. ½ page, 8vo, “Baur au Lac” stationery; complete separations at folds repaired verso with paper, edges reinforced verso with cello tape. Zürich, 19 November 1902

[500/750]

“Your aircraft . . . must be made so large that the wings are no longer able to carry it away . . . .”
100  (BALLET RUSSES.) Menu Signed by choreographer Bronislava Nijinsky and over 30 others involved in the production of the ballet *Les Cent Baisers*, most in pencil, on second and third pages. The menu, printed for the celebration of the opening of *Les Cent Baisers* held at Restaurant Bouletin, London, on July 23, 1935. 4 pages, 4to; faint scattered staining, owner's inscription at upper right of cover. [London, 1935] [300/400]

Bronislava Nijinsky * Boris Kochno * Irina Baronova * David Lichine * Frederic d'Erlanger * Serge Grigoriev * Jean Hugo * Edouard Borovansky * Roman Jasinsky * W. de Basil * Charles A. Barrand * Cecil Beaton * others.


101  PHINEAS TAYLOR BARNUM. Autograph Letter Signed, "Phineas T Barnum," to attorney Charles Hawley, engaging him in his defense against a libel suit, and, in a postscript additionally Signed, "P.T.B.": "The court will be held at the court house in Danbury." 1 page, tall 4to; seal tear at center with loss to portion of two letters of text, faint scattered staining, address panel and docketing on verso. Danbury, 8 August 1832 [400/600]

"... The case is for publishing a libel in which I am the defendant. I have got it adjourned for counsel until tomorrow at 11 o'clock A.M. at which time I wish you without the least fail to be here and assist me. ... Betts and Booth are both here employed by the State and are ready for action as soon as you come."

For a short time during the 1830s, Barnum published a newspaper in Bethel, CT: the *Herald of Freedom*. Barnum used the paper to accuse a number of people of wrongdoing, occasionally incurring libel suits in response. In 1832 he was sued by his uncle and guardian Alanson Taylor—who published a rival newspaper in Danbury. Barnum had accused him of opposing the separation of church and state and publishing in his own paper letters to the editor authored by himself.

The notion that the U.S. Constitution demands "a separation between church and state" was not explicitly established until the Supreme Court first employed the phrase in Reynolds v. United States in 1879.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

102  PHINEAS TAYLOR BARNUM. Signature and date, on a slip of paper: "Truly yours / P T Barnum / Waldemere Bridgeport Ct / Jan'y 21st 1875," on a slip of paper. 2½x4¼ inches; remnants of prior mounting at corners verso. Bridgeport, 21 January 1875 [200/300]

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL. Autograph Letter Signed, to President of Johns Hopkins University Daniel Coit Gilman, arranging a meeting with Gilman and mathematician Simon Newcomb. ½ page, 8vo, personal stationery, with integral blank; horizontal folds.
Washington, nd
[1,000/2,000]
"It would give me pleasure to see you here quite informally on Saturday evening, February 4th, from 9 to 11 o'clock, to meet Prof. Simon Newcomb and a few other gentleman."

The Department of Mathematics at Johns Hopkins University was founded in 1876. Eight years later, Newcomb was appointed professor of mathematics and astronomy there, a position he held until 1893. While at Johns Hopkins, Newcomb edited the *American Journal of Mathematics* 1885-1900, and co-founded the American Astronomical Society in 1889.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

ELIZABETH ("LIZZIE") ANDREW BORDEN. Signature, "Lizzie A. Borden," on a leaf removed from an 1890 dividends receipt book, each page with heading, "Dividend October 6, 1890." Additionally signed by her father Andrew Jackson Borden ("Andrew J Borden Att[orne]y [in f act]"), her sister Emma Lenora Borden ("Emma L. Borden"), five other Bordens of unknown relation, and over 50 inhabitants of Fall River, New Bedford, Newport, Bristol, Boston, and elsewhere in Massachusetts. 2 pages, folio, written on the recto and verso of a single sheet, blue and red ruled paper; right edge irregularly trimmed, faint scattered soiling.
Np, 6 October 1890
[2,000/3,000]
Andrew Jackson Borden (1822–1892) was a manufacturer who lived in Fall River, MA, with his two daughters, Lizzie and Emma, until he and his wife were brutally murdered on August 4, 1892. Although Lizzie had been suspected of the crime, she was acquitted of the murder charges.

Mary Ann Borden (1828-1910) was a cousin of Andrew J. Borden; as guardian of her estate, Andrew signed the leaf in the present lot on her behalf.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

MARLON BRANDO. Two Signatures, each on a typed letter to him from an official at Twentieth Century Fox. The first, acknowledging that an option has been picked up for an additional film, the second rescinding an order to report for a film. Each 1 page, 4to, "Twentieth Century-Fox Film Corporation" stationery; staple holes in the top margins, second with creases at edges and with some fading to text of the letter.
Np, [September 14, 1951; August 20, 1956]
[500/750]
Although Brando appeared in *Viva Zapata!* (1952) and was considered for the lead role in *The King and I* (1956), no additional film was ever produced under these terms.

From the Twentieth Century Fox Archives.
106  (BUSINESS.) NICHOLAS BIDDLE. Two items, each Signed, "NBiddle": Partly-printed Document * Brief Autograph Letter. The document, signed as President of the Bank of the United States, a bill of exchange issued to Longstreth Boldin & Moore for £100 to be charged in 60 days to the Bank of the U.S. 4x9¼ inches; backed, minor ink burn, few short closed tears at edges, moderately toned overall. The letter, to Baltimore attorney Jonathan Meredith, thanking him for his letter "the tone of which coincides exactly with the views entertained here by our best thinkers." ½ page, 4to; folds. Philadelphia, 7 December 1837; 6 June 1838

[200/300]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

107  (BUSINESS.) ANDREW CARNEGIE. Autograph Letter Signed, to "Dear Mr. Bright," explaining that he will be staying on his sister's island for a few weeks, remarking on his book's reception [Problems of To-Day, 1908], inviting him to Skibo Castle, recalling Bright's father speak in Dunfermline, and with an illegible 3-line postscript involving Bright and his wife. 3 pages, small square 8vo, third page written vertically, written on a folded sheet, "Dungeness" stationery; faint marginal discoloration to second and third pages from prior matting, folds.

[Cumberland Island, Georgia and] Fernandina Beach, 23 February 1909

[1,000/2,000]
"... Glad you like anything I have written on Socialism. The book seems to have met a warm reception in Britain & Tauchnitz has taken it up on the Continent I see, where it is much needed. . . .

"One of my fond memories is that I was privileged to know your great father who was the favorite statesman of our whole family connection in Dunfermline where I was taken to hear him speak when only ten years old. . . ."

108  (BUSINESS.) JAY COOKE. Brief Autograph Letter Signed, to unnamed recipients ("Gentlemen"): "I have yours of 21st & respectfully decline your proposition although fully appreciating & thanking you for it." ½ page, 8vo, personal stationery; small hole at upper right with some loss to date, ink received stamp at upper left, remnants of prior mounting overall verso, folds.

Philadelphia, 22 November 1902

[200/300]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
109 (BUSINESS.) HENRY FORD. Typed Letter Signed, to Agatha Laughlin, thanking for her donation to the William H. McGuffey collection at the Edison Institute Museum. ½ page, 4to, "Henry Ford" stationery; horizontal folds. Dearborn, 19 January 1942

[1,500/2,500]

"I wish to convey to you my personal thanks for presenting the two silk dresses, gold watch, portfolio and card case, to become part of our collection of McGuffeyana. . . ."

WITH—Two typed letters from Ford's assistant Frank Campsall to Agatha Laughlin acknowledging receipt of her contributions. Each ½ page, 4to, "Henry Ford" stationery. Dearborn, 27 June; 31 July 1944.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

110 (BUSINESS.) ALBERT GALLATIN. Letter Signed, "Albert Gallatin Chairman," as President of the National Bank of New York, to President of the Bank of New York Cornelius Heyer, conveying the wishes of a committee of merchants for a statement from the New York City banks showing the "apparent" and actual circulation of currency. 1 page, 4to, with integral address leaf; faint staining at lower corners, folds. [New York], 17 February 1834

[250/350]

"At a conference between the Delegates from the several Banks of this City and the Sub Committee of the Union Committee . . . the said sub committee requested . . . that, in order to exhibit the true situation of the Banks . . . during the present crisis, a . . . statement of the situation of the Banks in this City . . . might be prepared, distinguishing the respective situation of the Branch of the Bank of the U.S. of the three Banks which collect the Revenue of the U.S. taken together, and of the other Banks in this City . . . showing both the apparent circulation of the said Banks previous to the Daily Exchange of Notes, and the actual circulation after the said Exchange."

The "Bank War" is the name given to the conflict centering on the rechartering of the Second Bank of the United States, which President Andrew Jackson opposed. To mitigate the influence of supporters of the Bank of the U.S., Jackson ordered, in 1833, all federal deposits in the Bank of the U.S. transferred to partisan private banks. In an effort to goad Congress into fighting Jackson, President of the Bank of the U.S. Nicholas Biddle worked to precipitate a financial crisis by calling in loans, restricting credit, and other maneuvers.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

111 (BUSINESS.) EPHRAIM HART. Document Signed, "Eph'm Hart," receipt for $37.50 from James C. Roosevelt "for Commissions for selling his place in Love Lane." ½ page, 2⅛x7⅛ inches; vertical folds, docketing verso. New York, 18 April 1817

[600/900]

Ephraim Hart (1747-1825) was a Jewish American merchant who, with 23 others, signed an agreement in 1792 forming the New York Stock & Exchange Board, today known as the New York Stock Exchange.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
112  (BUSINESS.) ANDREW WILLIAM MELLON. Signature, "A W Mellon," on a small card printed with the words "Autograph of" and "Secretary of the Treasury" above or below signature. 1¾x3 inches; remnants of prior mounting at center verso. Np, [1921-32]
[350/500]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

113  (BUSINESS.) JOSIAH WEDGWOOD. Autograph Letter Signed, "JWedgwood," to Louis-Bernard Guyton de Morveau, in French, announcing that he has sent him a package of various minerals from Cornwall, and congratulating him and his countrymen on the success of the French Revolution. Written on the pages following the letter is a holograph list of the 34 items sent in the package mentioned, including a description of each mineral sample and location at which it was found. 3 pages, 4to, with address panel on terminal page; some small holes in second leaf from seal tears affecting few words of text, faint toning at edges, folds. London, 29 May 1790
[350/500]
"... I have just now sent to your address a small parcel containing a few minerals from our country, especially those from the province of Cornwall, which I hope you will find worthy of being placed in your fine collection. ... I collected various samples from the mines of tin, copper, etc. ..."

"I congratulate you, Sir, and the whole French nation for the glorious revolution which has been so happily carried out during these past months. It is an even for which one can find no parallel in the history ... It is to be hoped that the French and English nations will always live together in the closest friendship ..."

WITH--A bill for plates, platters, and other items amounting to £3.9.6 addressed to Mr. Allen written on Wedgwood & Son stationery to which is attached a receipt for the amount due signed by Wedgewood's son, "Jos Wedgwood Jun." Together 2 pages, 4to or 3x8 inches. London, 30 October 1824.

114  FIDEL CASTRO. Partly-printed Document Signed, as Prime Minister, certifying that Captain Eulicer Estrada Reyes has completed the Superior Academic Course at the Superior Basic School of the Ministry of the Revolutionary Armed Forces, in Spanish. Countersigned by Minister of Revolutionary Armed Forces Raúl Castro and the school director. 12½x15 inches; moderate scattered dampstaining affecting both Castro signatures, few short closed tears at edges, moderate scattered creasing, faint scattered soiling, embossed Cuban Republic seal touching each Castro signature. Havana, 18 July 1964
[700/1,000]
WITH--Two items, unsigned: document certifying that Eulicer Estrada Reyes has completed the Unit Heads course at the Officer's School of the Ministry of the Revolutionary Armed Forces. Signatures of Fidel and Raúl Castro are printed. 12x16 inches. Matanzas, 22 December 1961 * Photograph showing Reyes shaking hands with Fidel Castro. Np, nd.
115. CATHERINE II, EMPRESS OF RUSSIA. Autograph Note, unsigned, to an unnamed recipient (lacking salutation), in French, explaining why it is difficult to translate an unnamed comedy. ½ page, 4to; folds.
Np, nd
[400/600]
"It is a difficult task to translate this comedy[,] [I]t is written very simply for the language[,] but the allusions are extremely subtle and almost continual[,] [M]ost of them take aim at the national mores, customs or characters present or past; and the author[,] really letting the tongue go[,] has often used such subtleties of thought and irony that it is difficult to render in another language."

116. CHARLIE CHAPLIN. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "Faithfully / Chas Chaplin," bust portrait showing him as a young man. Inscribed in the blank lower margin. 7x5 inches; minor silvering in dark areas, faint scattered staining, backed.
Np, nd
[600/900]

117. WINSTON S. CHURCHILL. Photograph Signed, half-length portrait by Vivienne, showing him in 1951 seated and looking sternly into the camera. Signed on the original mount, lower right. 6x4¼ inches (image), 7⅜x5½ inches overall; paraph of signature written off right edge, remnants of prior mounting at upper edge verso, photographer's ink stamp verso.
Np, [1950s]
[4,000/6,000]
118 HENRY CLAY. Letter Signed, "H. Clay," as Senator, to publisher George Getz, sympathizing with his decision not to publish *Morning Star*, expressing hope that the public's selection of leader does not lead to disruption, asserting that such selection is less important than ejecting those leaders causing damage to the country. 1 page, 4to; folds, minor smudging to few words. Washington, 21 April 1838

[1,000/2,000]

"... On whomsoever public opinion may finally unite, whether it be myself or another, I sincerely hope that the harmony & concert, so essential to success, may not be disturbed. The great object should be to eject from the public councils those rulers who have brought ruin & affliction upon the country; & the selection of a person for that purpose should be regarded as a wholly subordinate question."

The Van Buren administration was widely blamed for the Panic of 1837, which brought about a years-long recession. In this letter, Clay is likely referring to the anticipated 1839 Whig National Convention, at which Clay hoped (in vain) to become the presidential candidate whose election would restore the country to health.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

119 DEWITT CLINTON. Autograph Letter Signed, as Governor, to Representative James Tallmadge, Jr., explaining that the conditions on the pardon of Colonel B[rockholst?] Livingston require him to leave the state but he has requested more time and inquiring about how to proceed. 1 page, 4to, with integral address leaf; short closed separation at fold repaired verso, even toning overall. Albany, 14 February 1818

[200/300]

"... [W]hen B. Livingston was pardoned ... he was to leave the State & never return ... I have been tested with letters from Col. Livingston about modifying the conditions of the pardon to which I have returned no answer. ..."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

120 HARVEY CUSHING. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "With Brighamitic regards," half-length seated portrait by Richard Upjohn Light, showing him writing at his desk. Inscribed in the image, lower left. Additionally signed by photographer on the mount, lower right. 9½x7½ inches (image), 15½x11 inches overall; some silvering in dark areas.

Np, nd

[1,500/2,500]

Between 1913 and 1932, Cushing served as the first surgeon-in-chief at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital in Boston.
121  CHARLES DE GAULLE. Typed Letter Signed, "C. de Gaulle," as
President, to Léon Beer-Gehler ("My dear Professor"), in French, thanking
him for his letter, expressing a tribute to the struggle of the Resistance
fighters at Mont Mouchet and congratulating him on keeping alive the ideal
of the Resistance. 1 page, 4to, "Le Général de Gaulle" stationery; folds.
Paris, 22 June 1959  
[600/900]

122  THOMAS A. EDISON. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "To M.A.
Carpenter / Thos A Edison," half-length seated portrait, showing him in
his library with hands folded and looking to side of camera. Inscribed on
the mount below the image. 8½x6½ inches (image), 12x10 inches
overall; moderate scattered foxing to image, moderate silvering to dark
areas, minor soiling to mount edges.
Np, nd  
[1,000/1,500]

123  THOMAS A. EDISON. Signature, "ThosAEdison," on a small
card. 1¼x3 inches; slight fading to signature, faint marginal
discoloration from prior matting.
Np, nd  
[150/250]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

124  (EXPLORERS.) RICHARD E. BYRD. Three items, each
Signed, "REByrd" or "Lt. Com'dr REByrd": Photograph *
Autograph Note * Brief Typed Letter. The photograph,
snapshot showing the steam barque City of New York in ¾-
view while docked. Signed in the image, lower left. 3x5 inches.
The note, draft of a telegram to the Secretary of the Navy,
noting that the steamer Peary arrived at Battle Harbor,
Labrador, noting departure information and adding that Eskimo
clothing is suited to flying, reporting iceberg sightings and
planning maintenance of planes. 1½ pages, 8vo, written on
recto and verso of a Western Union Telegraph form; mounted
to larger sheet with window allowing view of telegram verso.
The letter, to Claude J. Steele: "I will be very glad to sign your
Patent for you. I suppose you know that I am a Mason." ¼
[350/500] [1925]: "... Peary arrived here [at] Battle Harbor, Labrador at noon today. Leave here for Hopedale Labrador Saturday morning where naval unit will fit out with Eskimo boots and clothes for flying because of their lightness and warmth. ... Passed a number of icebergs today two of which were very large."

125 (EXPLORERS.) VILHJALMUR STEFANSSON. Two Typed Letters Signed, "Stef," each to Gerrit Forbes ("Dear Gerrit"). The first, describing the equipment he used to hunt animals. The second, signed in pencil, expressing disappointment at not seeing him at the Harvard Club and recalling his talk of Africa. Each 1 page, 4to or square 8vo, personal or "Dartmouth College" stationery; minor smudging to signature of second, docketing on verso of second, horizontal folds.

New York, 16 November 1944; Hanover, NH, 17 May 1962 [100/200]

"... I used telescope sights only for shooting by twilight or moonlight. ..."

"Since I had to carry ammunition to support both men and dogs for two or three years if necessary I could not waste ammunition. Therefore I shot caribou mainly from lying down, aiming for the heart vicinity, broadwise. ..."

"We carried a few solid point bullets to use on animals intended as museum specimens. Our food hunting was with soft nose. ..."

126 MARGOT FONTEYN. Photograph Signed, full-length portrait by Lucas, showing her en pointe performing as Ondine. Signed in the image, center. 5x3½ inches; signed in black ink against partly dark background.

Np, nd [100/200]
127 ROBERT FULTON. Autograph Manuscript, unsigned, with an ink drawing Signed, "R.F," on verso. The manuscript, 14 lines of notes written beside a column of numbers calculating the cost to build and maintain a steam-powered machine to beat and clean rice. The drawing, sketch showing a scene in which two women peer out from a farmhouse door. Each 1 page, 9½x8 inches, notes on recto and drawing on verso; faint bleedthrough overall. Np, circa 1813
1,000/2,000
"Notes on a Steam engine to beat and clean Rice / a 33 inch cylinder will clean 200 Barrels a day / on which the profits is 20 barrels at 18 per B . . . 5 Cord of wood for 12 hours 2 per cord 10=200 dgs . . . / Engineer 365 days 500 / . . . fireman 300 / 20 men, 20 dollars a day 200 days . . . / Interest on 40,000 capital 10 per an. / Two Boilers 16 tons . . . 12,000 / Cylinder . . . 5,000 . . . / Machinery 24,000 / Buildings 15,000 / 40,000."
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

128 GIUSEPPE GARIBALDI. Letter Signed, "G. Garibaldi," to "My dear friend," in French, suggesting that the notion of religion and morality without priests advanced in his proposed work could be beneficial for human progress. 2 pages, 8vo, written on the recto and verso of a single sheet, pale blue paper; marked staining at extreme edges touching text, folds. Caprera, 18 February 1868
600/900
"Religion of God or Religion of truth are synonymous for me; we are therefore in agreement–and in the beautiful title Religion and morality without priests which you propose to give your work, it is again the same–and the second part especially, without Priests, is the most interesting for human progress. . . . "
"Remove the Priest and science will easily be able to bring nations together without the auspices of the incomprehensible myth that we . . . are incapable of knowing and defining God the Eternal, the infinite, . . . the soul of the infinite universe . . . .

"Note well, that I do not teach God–I leave that impudence to the Priest . . . ."

129 GEORGE III, KING OF THE UK. Partly-printed vellum Document Signed, "George R," military commission appointing Robert Reid "Captain to that Company whereof [completely faded or lacking] is Captain in the Second Battalion of the Second Regiment of Royal Edinburgh Volunteers." Countersigned by Secretary at War Charles Philip Yorke. 11½x15½; minor scattered fading to text but signature bold, folds, docketing on verso, seals intact. "Court at Saint James's," 9 July 1803
350/500
130  GEORGE V; AND MARY, KING AND QUEEN OF THE UK. Large Photograph Signed, by both ("George R.I." and "Mary R"), gelatin silver print of a formal full-length portrait by Herzog & Higgins, showing them standing together, each in ermine coronation robes, the King wearing the Imperial Crown of India and the Queen a tiara mounted with the Cambridge emeralds and a necklace on which hangs the Cullinan VII pendant. Signed in the image, each below the relevant portrait. 14x11½ inches (image), 20½x16½ inches overall; moderate silvering in dark areas at edges, abrasions to mount along all edges of photograph from prior matting, date inscribed in black ink against dark background at lower edge in unknown hand.
Delhi, 12 December 1911
[1,000/2,000]
The Delhi Durbar was a ceremony that took place on three occasions at the Coronation Park in Delhi, India, celebrating the succession of a new British Emperor or Empress of India. The one held on December 12, 1911, was the only Durbar attended by a British monarch.

131  GEORGE VI; AND ELIZABETH, KING & QUEEN OF THE UK. Christmas card Signed by both, "George R" and "Elizabeth R," including a photograph on an inside page showing full-length portrait of the King and Queen standing beside their daughters, Princess Margaret and Elizabeth II. Signed on page facing portrait. 4 pages, oblong 12mo; faint foxing in lower and right margins of photograph, some abrasion and dampstaining affecting upper right corner of photograph.
Np, 1950
[700/1,000]

132  HORACE GREELEY. Autograph Letter Signed, "H. Greeley," to printer C.A. Powe, describing his efforts to find work after arriving in New York City, encouraging Powe to move to NYC, discussing news about printer acquaintances, and expressing surprise that Nathaniel Parker Willis is to become editor of the New-York Mirror. 3 pages, small folio, written on a folded sheet, address panel on terminal page; lower edge trimmed truncating a sentence or two, silked on recto and verso, moderate scattered foxing and soiling, seal tears in terminal leaf repaired with paper (minor loss to text).
New York, 28 August 1831
[200/300]
"Who says I can't go down to York and live as well as other folks? Faith they must be sadly mistaken. I got here per steam boat Eckford a week ago last Friday morning; spent the day in examining the ground, reading the news, and buying some clothes, to make me look a bit the kind of decentish; and the next morning set about finding something to do. . . . I was adjudged a runaway apprentice about 18 years old who did not know enough even for that age. . . . Sunday I heard of a chap who wanted a hand; so I called him on Monday morning and he [said] . . . that I might go to work. . . . I have hand work . . . being a pocket testament on agate type, with notes of Greek and superior letters. . . . I can work when I please, and quit when I please, and get my pay weekly. . . . [It is worth $10 to live one winter in the city, to 'see the world,' the curiosities of the place, etc. . . . I have no time to enumerate . . . the wonders of the place. One hundred fine vessels are lying quietly in sight of me--three steamboats I can see dashing across the bay; and a number of pleasure vessels are playing about in the harbour. . . . I have visited no theatres, nor anything of the kind, yet, as I am poor; but the time will come. . . ."
". . . By the way I hear that N.P. Willis is to become an editor of the Mirror, which is something not dreamt of in my philosophy. . . ."
HANNIBAL HAMLIN. Group of 7 letters, each Signed, "H. Hamlin," to various recipients, on various topics, including 6 Autograph Letters. Together 11 pages, 4to or 8vo, four with an integral blank; generally good condition.

24 January 1850, to [Charles G.?] Bellamy: "I learn from reliable quarters that the same influences which attempted to defeat Dr. Hubbard last summer are now in active operation [sic] to defeat me. My object in writing you is to enquire if you will not confer with [Franklin?] Peirce & Wentworth, and have the Rep[ublican]s in So. Berwick, York, Mills & Lyman seen . . . . If not, have such seen as are in your section of the country. . . . I will assure you it shall be remembered most faithfully by me & I will pay any expence . . . ."

26 May 1850, to Bellamy: ". . . [A] little encouragement would make [Hobbs] feel stronger. Dorn & Titcomb have so far gone to stave off, & by voting with the Whig & free soilers, have done it. Will the democracy of Old York sustain such a course[?] . . . ."

26 April 1855, to Senate Secretary Asbury Dickens: ". . . Dear Mrs. H[amlin] left us calm as the setting sun which shed its light upon her, and without a struggle she passes to her last repose . . . ."

5 October 1865, LS, to Daniel W. Lord: "The Secretary of the Treasury has requested me to give him my views . . . . It seems to me important that some plan should be devised whereby American tonnage, which has suffered so severely during the past four years, should regain its position on the Seas. . . ."

7 August 1886, to W.H. Smith: "You notice that the River and Harbor bill passed, and there will be work in Maine under it, and men will be wanted. . . ."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

WILLIAM S. HART. Autograph Letter Signed, "Nita Kola / Bill Hart," to Rudy Vallée ("Dear Rudy"), giving travel plans and mentioning that the parents of actress Anita Louise now live in his old house. 1 page, 4to, personal stationery; faint marginal discoloration from prior matting, folds.

Newhall, 8 January 1940

". . . I own the gray cottage next to Sunset Towns. It's my old house. The parents of Anita Louise live there now. Gee! I'll sure enjoy a talk with you . . . ."

Hart has written to his friend Rudy Vallée on other occasions, sometimes mentioning Vallée's radio show, on which Hart made appearances in the 1930s.
135  ISABELLA I, QUEEN OF SPAIN. Document Signed, "Yo la Reyna," to the Council of Ciudad Real, in Spanish, ordering them to investigate and justly settle as soon as possible the dispute between Madrid and Manzanares el Real described by Don Diego de Mendoza, Duke of the Infantado. ½ page, 4to; folds, faint offsetting, endorsements on verso. Toledo, 17 September 1502
[3,000/4,000]

[400/600]

137  (ISRAEL.) DAVID BEN-GURION. Photograph Signed, "D. Ben-Gurion / Sde Boker," in Hebrew, bust portrait showing him in profile. Signed in the margin below the image. 9½x12 inches; masking tape at upper and right edges verso. Sde Boker, nd
[300/400]
138  (ISRAEL.) DAVID BEN-GURION. Photograph Signed, "D. Ben-Gurion," bust portrait showing him in ¾-view. Signed in the margin below the image. 5x3½ inches.
Np, nd
[150/250]

139  (ISRAEL.) HENRIETTA SZOLD. Typed Letter Signed, as Chairperson of the Committee of the Jewish Community, to the "New Management of Bezalel," in Hebrew, sending condolences upon the death of the director of the Bezalel Academy of Art and Design, Mr. Budko. 1 page, 4to, "Committee of the Jewish Community Jerusalem" stationery; tiny staple holes at upper right, two holes punched in right margin, folds.
Jerusalem, 26 July 1940
[100/200]
"...The Bezalel institution . . . attract[s] youth enthused by art and the spiritual heritage of our nation from all parts of the Diaspora. The deceased, who established the new Bezalel . . . knew how to unite the institution's past and its first founders' efforts with the desires and hopes of the present . . . ."

140  RICHARD MENTOR JOHNSON. Autograph Note Signed, "Rh M Johnson," as Representative, to bank clerk N. Callan Jr.: "I see among the drafts accepted by me & due 1/4 April one for 1223.34$ [W]ho is the drawer & Endorser[?]" ½ page, 4to; moderate scattered smudging and staining, mounted at upper edge verso to larger sheet, address panel on verso, folds.
Np, 21 March 1834
[200/300]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
Robert F. Kennedy. Print Signed and Inscribed, to Thomas J. Kenney, reproduction of a drawing by Walton showing the Department of Justice Building: "For / Thomas J. Kennedy [sic] / With appreciation / RobertFKennedy / Christmas, 1964." Inscribed on the mount, lower left corner. 8x10 inches (image), 11x13 inches overall. Np, [circa December] 1964

The caption on the print, whose words were engraved in 1934 above the entrance to the Department of Justice building in Washington, reads as follows: "Justice in the Life and Conduct of the State is Possible Only As It First Resides in the Hearts and Souls of the Citizens."

Wilhelm von Knyphausen. Letter Signed, "Knyphausen," as Military Governor of Kassel, to "Noble Sir, most honorable Mr. Secretary," announcing his expectation that war against France is imminent, observing that imperial forces are marching toward the Rhine, and suggesting that contact with the envoys in London should be made in the event of war. 1 page, 4to, with integral blank; silked on both recto and verso, moderate scattered foxing, folds. Kassel, 13 May 1792

"... [F]rom all indications, war against the French nation actually will come about. The imperial forces, against which France has already taken aggressive action, are in full motion heading toward Brabant and perhaps some of them also toward the Rhine. It appears that... of the Hessians, 7 to 8 thousand men are on the march to the Rhine area to take sovereign control of our borders, and also perhaps, depending on the circumstances, to join with other units. ... [S]hould war break out, it will best... to address oneself to one of the envoys in London...."

On August 27, 1791, the Holy Roman Emperor Leopold II and King Friedrich Wilhelm II of Prussia announced their support—in the Declaration of Pillnitz—for King Louis XVI of France against the French Revolutionaries. On April 20, 1792, France declared war on the Habsburg Monarchy, aligning the Holy Roman Empire, Britain, and other allies against France. In response, the allies began organizing an invasion force in Koblenz in preparation for what became known as the War of the First Coalition.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

Eugene V. Debs. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "Yours faithfully," bust portrait by Bundy, showing him looking into camera. Inscribed on the mount below the image. 5½x3¼ inches, 11x7 inches overall; minor scattered soiling to image, minor abrasions at edges of mount. Np, nd

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
144 (LABOR.) EMMA GOLDMAN. Typed Letter Signed, to an unnamed recipient ("Dear Friend"), sending printed announcements of her upcoming lecture course [not present], encouraging him to help distribute the invitations and sell tickets, and inviting him to attend the lectures. ½ page, 4to; folds. Toronto, 8 September 1934

"In accordance with your desire to be notified when my lecture course begins I take the liberty to send you the enclosed. I hope you will distribute them among your friends. . . ."

Emma Goldman (1869-1940) immigrated to the U.S. in 1886 from her native Russia and became active in labor causes. An early feminist, anarchist and draft opponent, she was imprisoned and eventually deported after speaking publicly in favor of birth control and obstructing the draft.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

145 (LABOR.) JOHN L. LEWIS; AND SAMUEL GOMPERS. Two items, each Signed by one. Lewis: Brief Typed Letter Signed, as President of the United Mine Workers, to socialist activist Norman Thomas: "I appreciate deeply your note of sympathy. Our loss is great and overwhelming." ½ page, small 4to, with integral blank. Gompers: Autograph inscription Signed, on a small card: "For the right / yours faithfully / Sam'l Gompers / 1921." 1 page, 2 ¾ x 4 ½ inches; moderate even toning. Washington, 1 October 1942; Np, 1921

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

146 ROBERT TODD LINCOLN. Typed Letter Signed, "RobertT. Lincoln," declining an invitation to attend a ceremony for the unveiling of a monument to General Joseph Warren. 1 page, 4to, "Pullman Building" stationery; folds, remnants of prior mounting along right edge verso. Chicago, 13 June 1904

". . . I appreciate very highly the compliment of the invitation, and of course I honor the memory of General Warren as all patriotic citizens should do, but . . . I am so entirely out of public life that it would be better that I refrain . . . ."
147  JOE LOUIS. Photograph Signed, in green ink, half-length portrait by the Sunday Empire News, showing him with gloves raised. Signed in the image, lower right. 5x3 inches; slight fading to signature.
Np, nd  [300/400]

148  JOE LOUIS; AND MUHAMMAD ALI. Large First Day Cover Signed, by both, with four 12-cent stamps commemorating the Surrender of Lord Cornwallis at Yorktown, cancelled in Philadelphia on the day of issue, May 29, 1976. The stamp sheet and cache show reproductions of the painting by John Trumbull. Signed at lower left. 7x11 inches.
[New York], circa 1983  [350/500]

149  MARILYN MONROE; AND JOE DIMAGGIO. Ten dollar bank note Signed, by both, in blue or green ink, at left above image of U.S. Treasury building. 2 1/2x6 inches; adhesive remnants at all edges recto and verso, pink feathering to Monroe signature; third signature at right faded and illegible, folds.
[Los Angeles], 1950s  [2,000/3,000]

150  SAMUEL F.B. MORSE. Clipped portion of an Autograph Letter Signed, "Sam. F.B. Morse," including only 6 fragmentary lines and closing. 2 1/2x4 1/2 inches, pale blue paper; faint discoloration at all edges, remnants of prior mounting at sides verso, folds.
Np, nd  [80/120]

"... Excuse the haste... the Court bell is ringing and I must go.... at Po'keepsie. My kind regards to... French and the other friends."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
151 BENITO MUSSOLINI. Autograph Letter Signed, "Mussolini," as Head of Government, to Finance Minister Giuseppe Volpi, in Italian, expressing admiration for the Italian constituents, urging that they nevertheless must pay taxes "which are still the same as when Milan had 171 thousand inhabitants, while today there are 882 thousand!" 1 page, 4to, "Il Presidente" stationery, with integral blank; tiny hole at upper left, horizontal fold. Np, 4 January 1926 [700/1,000]

152 BENITO MUSSOLINI. Photograph dated and Signed, as Head of Government, bust portrait by Pandimiglio, showing him in military uniform. Inscribed on mount, below the image. 9x6½ inches (image), 14x9½ inches overall; abrasions and creasing at upper right corner of photograph, some silvering in dark areas, faint soiling at side edges of mount. Rome, 30 April 1928 [600/900]

153 (NAPOLÉON.) HENRI JACQUES GUILLAUME CLARKE, DUC DE FELTRE. Two items, each Signed, "Duc de Feltre," as Minister of War, in French: Autograph Letter, to his wife * Letter, to General Mathieu Dumas. The first, remarking the Emperor Napoleon should expect the Bordeaux deputation tomorrow at 11. 1 page, 8vo, with integral address leaf in his hand. The second, requesting him to supervise funds used for the 93rd Regiment of Infantry. 1 page, tall 4to, with integral blank. Paris, 6 June; 30 October 1810 [200/300]

Clarke (1765-1818) was private secretary to Napoléon, Minister of War from 1807-14, and was created Marshal of France under Louis XVIII.
154  JAWAHARLAL NEHRU. Two items, each Signed, as Prim Minister: Photograph dated * Brief Typed Letter. The photograph, signed in the blank lower margin. 5¼x4¾ inches. The letter, "Yours Sincerely," to Tore Johansen, sending the photograph. ½ page, small 4to, stationery showing state emblem of India at upper left; horizontal fold. 
[Oslo, 21 June] 1957
[150/250]

155  WILLIAM OSLER. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "Sincerely yours / WmOsler," half-length seated portrait by Hills & Saunders, showing him resting an elbow on the arm of his chair and looking into the camera. Inscribed on the mount below the image. 5⅜x4 inches (image), 9x6¼ inches overall; toning to mount edges.
Np, nd
[1,000/2,000]

156   JESSE OWENS. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "To James / My Best Always / Jesse Owens / 36 Olympics," full-length portrait, showing him while sprinting at the 1936 Olympic Games in Berlin. Inscribed in the image, lower left. 9¾x8 inches; remnants of prior mounting at corners verso.
Np, nd
[100/200]
157  PRINCE PHILIP, DUKE OF EDINBURGH. Group Photograph dated and Signed, "Philip," portrait by Gillman & Soame, showing over 50 men and women standing or seated among a dozen Scout Association boys, possibly relating to the founding of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award. Signed in the margin below the image. 7x11½ inches (image), 11½x17 inches overall; slight scattered silvering, framed. Np, 1956 [400/600]

158  POPE PIUS VII. Letter Signed, "Pius P.P. VII," to Paula Loccatelli Pichi, in Latin, sending her and her family an Apostolic Benediction, thanking her for her work and prayers. ½ page, 4to, with integral address leaf; folds, wax seal intact but impression indistinct. With the original envelope. Rome, 13 January 1819 [300/400]

159  (POLITICIANS--IOWA.) Group of 5 items Signed, or Signed and Inscribed. Format and condition vary. Vp, vd [100/200]
   George W. McCrary. ALS, "Geo McCrary," as Secretary of War, to "Dear Doctor," informing him that his mother is better. 1 page, 8vo, "War Department" stationery; stained. Washington, 19 June 1878 * James Harlan (2). Signature and date, "Jas Harlan / May 12th 1866," as Secretary of the Interior, on a slip of paper. 2¼x5 inches; ALS, "Jas Harlan," as Senator, to E.B. French, thanking him for granting a request that Mr. Burnett is to remain a clerk. 1 page, 8vo, ruled paper, "United States Senate Chamber" stationery; mounted to a larger sheet. Np, 12 May 1866; Washington, 14 July 1870 * William W. Belknap. ALS, "Wm W. Belknap," as Secretary of War, returning the tickets to Mr. Taylor's lecture [not present]. 2 pages, 8vo, "War Department" stationery, written on the recto and verso of a single sheet; remnants of prior mounting at all edges verso. Washington, 9 November 1875 * Henry A. Wallace. Brief TLS, "H A Wallace," as Secretary of Commerce, to Sergeant Anton H. Zahm, sending his autograph. ½ page, 4to, "Secretary of Commerce" stationery. Washington, 1 August 1945.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
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160 (POLITICIANS–MAINE.) Group of 14 items Signed, or Signed and Inscribed, including mostly letters and 6 signatures on slips of paper. Format and condition vary.
Vp, vd
[300/400]
William P. Fessenden (2). Two ALSs, "W.P. Fessenden," as Senator: one to his son James, advising him on how to succeed in law school at Cambridge, the other to Captain Salter, declining to endorse his petition. Together 4 pages, 4to or 8vo, pale blue paper; one with moderate scattered staining. Washington, 9 April; 9 December 1854 * Horatio King (2). Two ALSs: The first to Clarence W. Bowen, discussing a criticism of his defense of President Buchanan, the other to George William Curtis, explaining his remark that all Republican aspirants to the presidency should be dismissed. Together 8 pages, 8vo, written on two folded sheets. West Newton, MA, 31 August 1886; Washington, 1 February 1896 * Thomas Brackett Reed (3). Photograph Signed, "JB Reed," cabinet card bust portrait by Bell. Signed in image at lower edge. 6¼x4¾ inches. Np, [19 February 1891]; Two ALSs, "JB Reed": The first to H.H. Smith, suggesting a meeting before the House meets, the other to M. Townsend, concerning his criticism of the president. Each 1 page, 8vo. Portland, 21 October 1889; Washington, 13 December 1890 * Margaret Chase Smith. Brief TLS, as Senator, sending her autograph. ½ page, 4to, "United States Senate" stationery. [Washington], 31 July 1964.

Signatures: Horatio King. 2x4¾ inches. 17 March 1888 * William Pierce Frye; and Eugene Hale. 4½x7½ inches. 1884 * Daniel Eton Somes; Stephen Coburn; and John J. Perry. 7½x6½ inches. Nd.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

161 (POLITICIANS–MASSACHUSETTS.) Group of 11 items Signed, or Signed and Inscribed, including mostly letters and 4 signatures on slips of paper. Format and condition vary.
Vp, vd
[400/600]
Daniel Webster. ALS, "Dan'lWebster," as Senator, to "Dear Sir," recommending that he send his papers to Edward Curtis who has agreed to help. 1 page, 4to. Washington, 7 April 1847 * Henry Cabot Lodge. TLS, "H.C. Lodge," as Senator, to Charles Gallup, sending his speech on the Four-Power Treaty [not present]. 1 page, 4to, "United States Senate" stationery. [Washington], 28 March 1922 * Charles Sumner (2). Two ALSs, the first to "My dear Sir," declining to meet, the other to Secretary of the Senate John W. Forney, recommending Reverend L.D. Johnson. Together 1½ pages, 8vo, written on two sheets; one mounted to larger sheet. [Boston], "Wednesday"; Np, nd * Ebenezer R. Hoar (3). Three ALSs, "E.R. Hoar" or "Ebenezer R. Hoar," the first to Phineas Bates, explaining that he could not answer earlier because of the Continental Celebration, the second to Charles E. Ruthe, sending his autograph, and the last to "My Dear Chief Justice" asking him to adjourn Municipal Court to help someone in Dedham. Together 4 pages. Each 8vo or 4to. Concord, 10 May 1875; 19 February 1892; Np, nd.


From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
162  (POLITICIANS--NEW YORK.) Group of 14 items Signed, or Signed and Inscribed, including mostly letters and 5 signatures on cards or slips of paper. Format and condition vary.
Vp, vd [600/900]
Alfred E. Smith (2). Two Brief TLSs, "Al" or "AlfredESmith": The first to Franklin D. Roosevelt, suggesting that Kenneth O'Brien be appointed to the commission to revise tax laws, the other to Arthur J. Baldwin, declining to write an article because of a commitment to New Look Magazine. Each 1/2 page, 4to, personal stationery. New York, 2 June 1930; 3 February 1933
Fiorello H. La Guardia. TLS, "Maje [The Major]," to Collier's writer Ray Tucker: "...you keep on worshiping this guy Roosevelt as you do and... you will... be excommunicated....[H]e was....misled on the interest rates and certain other provisions of the bill which favors the bankers absolutely..."
1 full page, 4to, personal stationery. New York, 13 May 1933
Nelson Rockefeller. Typed DS, as Governor, requesting an immediate vote on an amendment to Senate health bill 884. Countersigned by attorney Robert MacCrata. 1 page, 4to, "Executive Chamber" stationery. Albany, 24 March 1961
Bernard M. Baruch. Brief TLS, to Wendell Tamburro, promising to do his best. 1/2 page, 4to, personal stationery. Washington, 13 August 1942
Elihu Root. TLS, to Mrs. Samuel Gompers, praising her husband's "breadth of view" despite his opposing political philosophy. 1 page, 4to, personal stationery. Clinton, NY, 11 July 1932
Hamilton Fish. ALS, to George F. Edmunds, vowing not to vote against the Republican Party in the 1884 presidential election but expressing some reservations about James G. Blaine. 3/4 pages, 8vo, personal stationery with mourning border. "Glenlyffe"
[Philipsburg, NY], 27 September 1884
William L. Marcy. ALS, "W.L. Marcy," as Secretary of War, to Adjutant General Roger Jones: "Will the Adj Gen'l come over to the Pre'st immediately for a few moments?" 1/4 page, oblong 8vo, with integral address leaf. [Washington, 1847]
Roscoe Conkling. ALS, as Senator, to Elizabeth Broden, in purple ink, declining to recommend her for a clerkship renewal without references. 3/4 pages, 8vo, written on two sheets, remnants of prior mounting covering edges of first and nearly all of terminal pages, moderate scattered staining. Utica, 28 October 1876.
Signatures: Roscoe Conkling (2). One on verso of a carte-de-visite portrait of him by Brady, the other on a slip of paper.
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163  (POLITICIANS--AMERICAN.) Group of 25 items Signed, or Signed and Inscribed, including mostly letters and 9 signatures on slips of paper. Format and condition vary.
Vp, vd [1,000/1,500]
J. Edgar Hoover (2). Two TLs, each to Robb Sagendorph, the first suggesting a caption for a photograph of FBI Special Agent Joseph A. Smith to be reproduced in Yankee Magazine, the other thanking for sending materials relating to the unsolved murder of Dr. William K. Dean. Each 1 page, 4to, "Federal Bureau of Investigation" stationery; some scattered staining and cello tape to first. Washington, 6 November 1951; 5 November 1959
Thaddeus Stevens. Brief ALS, as Representative, to "H.C. Corey[?]: "I did not visit Lancaster as I expected. I shall be glad to hear from you." 1/2 page, 4to, ruled paper. Np, 29 October 1861
Alexander James Dallas. ALS, "A.J. Dallas," as Secretary of War, to Commissioner General of Purchases, recommending that Mr. Gammond's request be granted for credit on notes given him for purchases at the War Department. 3/4 page, 4to. Np, 18 May 1816
Sam Rayburn. TLS, as Representative, to John W. Snyder, thanking him for birthday wishes, Washington, 6 January 1961
Albert Gallatin. Printed LS, as Secretary of the Treasury, to Collector William Heth, circular letter requesting that only perfectly accurate certificates of health be issued in order to alleviate damage done to commerce from Europe's quarantine laws.
1 1/4 pages, tall 4to, written on the recto and verso of a single sheet. "Treasury Department," 15 July 1801
Benjamin Williams. Partly-printed DS, "BWilliams," as Governor, granting 300 acres in Burke to Thomas Pain. 13x16 inches; markedly foxed, nearly complete separations at folds. Raleigh, 6 December 1799
William Henry Harrison. LS, "WHHarrison," as Secretary of the Navy, to Collector Gerald Walker, sending his autograph. 5 1/4 pages, 4to, "Speaker's Rooms" stationery. Np, 1 July 1829
William Harris Crawford. Partly-printed LS, twice ("Wm H Crawford," one as Franking Signature), as Secretary of the Treasury, to Collector Joshua Wingate, requesting outstanding debentures for Bath. 5/4 page, 4to, with integral address leaf. [Washington], 3 February 1817
Mahlon Dickerson. Brief ALS, "M. Dickerson," as Secretary of the Navy, to James Barron, requesting the
discharge of James Jackson for being a minor. ½ page, 4to. [Washington], 2 October 1836 * Andrew Volstead. AQS, "A.J. Volstead," three lines from Byron's poem "Don Juan": "The drying up a single tear has more Of honest fame, than shedding seas of gore." 1 page, 3½x4½ inches. Granite Falls, MN, [14 April 1923] * Elihu B. Washburne. Franking Signature, "ElihuWashburne," on an address panel addressed to Benjamin Rush Stoddard in another hand, mounted to a larger sheet. 3½x6 inches. Washington, nd.


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164 (PROHIBITION.) NEAL DOW. Two Autograph Letters Signed. The first, to William P. Fessenden ("Mr. Fessenden"), praising his speech and observing that it shows that Congress must recognize the free North, with a postscript: "The Pres't [Pierce] must be unhappy at the result of the Election in N.H. If the Temperance Men had commenced operating Earlier, the democracy would have been entirely overthrown. . . ." The second, "To the Editor of the [Portland Daily?] Press," clarifying common misconceptions concerning the Maine Law. Together 5 pages, 8vo, first written on recto and verso of a single sheet and second written on rectos only; second with few scattered closed tears repaired verso with tissue, second also with ink date added in unknown hand at upper right of first page, folds. Portland, 21 March 1854; Np, 19 January [1895]

[300/400] 1854: ". . . In reading your speech, we see that there is really a North--and feel that its existence must be by and by acknowledged by those who feign to forget it. I cannot doubt that the generation of dough faces will soon pass away, and that the free North will be represented in the Halls of Congress by free men. Sober men, at any rate. A movement is now on foot, which I think will accomplish that, at least."

[1895]: ". . . There are no alcoholic liquors manufactured in Maine--nor have there been for many years. . . . Such liquors are now brought into the State . . . in violation of law . . . .

". . . By stopping illegal transportation the grog shops would be powerless of evil. The rum trade is very profitable and the fines of fifty dollars was nothing to the smugglers.

". . . [A] letter was obtained from the Chief Justice declaring that the penalty, one year in jail, was unconstitutional, being out of all perspeciton to the offense. . . ."

". . . [I] say to the Chief Justice that there was no word in the Constitution to justify his opinion. . . ."

WITH--Neal Dow. Signature on a small card, "Neal Dow / Portland / Maine." 2½x3½ inches; remnants of prior mounting at corners verso.

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165 (PROHIBITION.) CARRIE A. NATION. Autograph Postcard Signed, "Carry N. & Geo. W.," to her cousin Belle Gilham, in pencil, written vertically, sending regards. Image on verso shows small purple flowers arranged to form the words, "Just a / Greeting / from / True Tex." ½ page, 12mo; cancelled green one-cent postage stamp at upper right shows Benjamin Franklin in profile. True, TX, 26 January 1910 [from postmark]

[400/600] 

". . . Was so glad to hear Dear Auntie is well again. Nora & I wanted to come to see her so bad while she was sick. We thought of her every day. We are all well . . . ."

WITH--"Prescription Blank-National Prohibition Act," partly-printed prescription for whiskey, accomplished in unknown hand in Darby, PA, cancelled with ink stamp on October 9, 1924.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
166 (RUSSIAN REVOLUTION.) CATHERINE BRESHKOVSKY. Autograph Manuscript Signed, her statement entitled "Disarmament! Disarmament!", expressing the desire of all peoples to be free of war and railing against those in power who would rearm. With a 4-line note written in blank space after Breshkovsky's statement, to "Dear Mr. H[?]": "Baboushka says that you may correct the English of this as you wish, without changing the sense," by K. Weller of the Russian-language newspaper Karpatska Rus' [published in Allentown, NJ]. 1½ pages, 4to, ruled paper, written on two sheets; short closed separations at folds.

Prague, 11 November 1922

[1,000/1,500]

"it is the motto of all reasonable and honest minds and souls! It is the fervent prayer of all the masses, whose backs and arms are the first to suffer under the weight of all the calamities and perils which follow the infliction of the 'preparedness' . . .

"The 15 of . . . December, in [the Hague], will take place an international congress of Laborers for the . . . cause. We will hear energetic protest against the menacing peril, so formidable by [its] consequences. Now it is the sacred duty of all honest voices to be in close union and concord with the . . . resolutions of that . . . assembly that comes to utter the most pressing, most imperat[i]ve motto of the day: Disarmament! Disarmament!"

The International Federation of Trade Unions organized an anti-war congress, held December 10-15, 1922, at the Hague.


Vp, vd

[350/500]

Breshkovsky. Signature, on a slip of paper. 1½x5 inches. Np, nd * Berkman. ALS, to "Dear Boris," hoping to meet concerning a diary, and noting that "Miss Emma Goldman, who is now in the South, asked me to see you about her Russian Drama MSS: Would you take sheets of her work . . .?" 1 page, 4to. [Paris], 14 June no year * Kerensky. Half-title page excised from his 1965 book Russia and History's Turning Point dated and Signed. ½ page, 8vo. Palo Alto, 2 June 1966.


168 BABE RUTH. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "Sincerely," full-length portrait on a vending machine card showing him wearing a mitt with hands on his knees. Inscribed diagonally in the image, lower center. 5½x3¼ inches, board; deep crease across upper portion (affecting portrait but not signature), scattered minor creases, chipping and minor loss at all edges, 20-cent Babe Ruth stamp cancelled on first day of issue (July 6, 1983) on verso.

Np, nd

[7,000/10,000]

WITH--JSA letter of authentication.
169  ALBERT SCHWEITZER. Group Photograph Signed, "Albert Schweitzer / Lambaréné, Afrique-Équatoriale," full-length portrait by the Scotsman & Evening Dispatch, showing him standing beside George Freeland Barbour Simpson and Wilfred Grenfell. Signed in the image, lower right. Additionally signed by Simpson and Grenfell in the image, below the relevant portrait. 11¾ x 10 inches; short closed tears at upper edge, scattered creases (without loss), remnants of prior mounting along upper edge verso, photographer's ink stamp on verso. [Edinburgh, circa 1934] [300/400]

170  (SCIENTISTS.) DAVID BALTIMORE. Typed Letter Signed, to Jeremy Bernstein, answering questions relating to an AIDS symposium: stating that gamma globulin does not contain AIDS virus, describing how the retrovirus of AIDS has become prevalent although it has likely been present for a long time, and noting that a retrovirus is not well-adapted for causing AIDS. 1½ pages, 4to, "Whitehead Institute" stationery, written on two sheets; horizontal folds. Cambridge, 25 March 1985 [150/250]

"...The sole purpose...for any virus is to make more of itself. That is, the sole purpose of any organism on the earth, although human beings feel it is necessary to have a higher calling because we were born with a very self-conscious pride. To that end, the retrovirus of AIDS has become very successful in recent times. It seems to have taken advantage of...human social taboos. . . ."


"We never make any loans beyond the limits of the State of Massachusetts and at present have no money to make any in our own vicinity. . . . W. Randall had another engagement on hand in March when we were about to recommence the printing, so that we had to engage a new hand as compiler. He does the work very well, but is very slow . . . ."

Written while he served as actuary to the Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Company.
172  (SCIENTISTS.) SUBRAHMANYAN CHANDRASEKHAR. Typed Letter Signed, "S. Chandrasekhar," to Jeremy Bernstein, offering a correction to Bernstein's article on physicist Hans Bethe, sending his own account of the story [not present], and citing another account. 1 page, 4to, "Enrico Fermi Institute" stationery; horizontal folds. Chicago, 14 December 1979

[80/120]

"... Bethe's discovery of the stability of the negative ion of hydrogen . . . . Your account gives the impression . . . . that . . . he was aware of its possible relevance as the source of continuous absorption in the solar atmosphere. This cannot be the case since its relevance . . . . was pointed out by Ruper Wildt . . . 8 years later . . . ."

173  (SCIENTISTS.) MARIE CURIE. Typed Document Signed, "M. Curie," as Laboratory Director, certifying a sample of mesothorium [isotope of radium] contained in a glass tube and emitting radiation equivalent to 5.22 milligrams of radium, in French. Accomplished in secretarial hand. 1 page, tall 4to, "Laboratoire Curie" stationery; marked fading to typed text (but still legible; signature and accomplished text bold), folds, remnants of hinging at upper edge verso. Paris, 9 June 1923

[2,500/3,500]

174  (SCIENTISTS.) PAUL ADRIEN MAURICE DIRAC. The Principles of Quantum Mechanics. Signed, "P A M Dirac," on the title-page. 8vo, publisher's cloth, markedly dampstained and cocked and bowed; moderate dampstaining and mold at lower edge scattered throughout preliminaries and subsidiaries, owner's inscription on front free endpaper. Later edition. SOLD AS IS.

Oxford, 1949

[800/1,200]

Paul Dirac (1902-1984) was a legendary physicist among physicists, but little known elsewhere; he made significant contributions to quantum mechanics, including his frequently cited 1928 paper on the relativistic wave equation.
(SCIENTISTS.) ALBERT EINSTEIN. Typed Letter Signed, "A. Einstein," to Charles D. Williams, discouraging Williams from publishing a manuscript in which he argues that postwar Germany ought to be permitted to rearm. ½ page, 4to, personal stationery; faint marginal discoloration from prior matting, remnants of hinging at upper edge verso, horizontal folds. Princeton, 29 October 1953

[3,000/4,000]

"It is evident to me that it is incredibly short-sighted to allow the Germans to develop a new powerful military machine [sic] in the illusion that it can be used as a tool by the West. I must, however, confess that your theory about this matter seems to me unnecessarily indirect and complicated. It is like the product of a man who has formed his mind exclusively by reading mystery stories. I think that your manuscript is not suited to convince the public."

Following the disarmament of Germany at the close of World War II, the growing threat of East Germany to West Germany and the possibility of instability in western Europe from the Korean War caused a re-evaluation of the defenses in West Germany, leading to the formation of the Bundeswehr in 1955.

(SCIENTISTS.) CARL GUSTAV JUNG. Typed Letter Signed, "C.G. Jung," to Berlin colleague Wolfgang Müller Kranefeldt, in German, explaining that he could not reply to his letter of June 10 due to illness, noting that the association method is part of the curriculum at the [Carl Jung] Institute, stating that he used the method often when he understood little about dreams, and confirming that no works on the subject should be sent immediately. 1 page, 4to, "Prof. Dr. C.G. Jung" stationery; remnant of hinging at upper edge verso causing faint staining recto, folds. With the original envelope.

Küsnacht, 30 September 1948

[3,000/4,000]

"...I regard the association method as a basis for training. We also adopted this in the curriculum at our institute. It is a valuable exercise for beginners in recognizing complexes. In the past, I used it a lot in my practice, when I still felt insecure and understood little about dreams. The method makes one aware of currently effective complexes, which forms a good basis for discussion. That's why I used the association method with many patients, including the reproduction method, which of course I would not disclose, but rather simply incorporated into the association method.

"I understand that you agree that sending the few remaining works on the method would be too risky, so it was left alone for the time being."

In his article, "The Association Method," Jung described how a subject's associations between words in a carefully selected list could be used to help identify the subject's complexes (Collected Papers on Analytical Psychology, ed. Long, 1919).

(SCIENTISTS.) JULIUS ROBERT OPPEINHEIMER. Typed Letter Signed, "Robert Oppenheimer," as Director of the Institute, to Jeremy Bernstein, extending his membership in the Princeton School of Mathematics. ½ page, 4to, "Institute for Advanced Study" stationery; horizontal folds.

Princeton, 21 February 1958

[600/900]

"With the concurrence of the Faculty in Physics, I am pleased formally to offer you an extension of your membership in the School of Mathematics of the Institute for Advanced Study . . . ."
178 (SCIENTISTS.) LINUS PAULING. Typed Letter Signed, to Jeremy Bernstein, explaining his theory of nuclear structure as an interpretation of quantum mechanics, stating how his theory is explanatory, predictive, and continuous with existing theory, justifying the adventure of a chemist in the realm of physics, and hoping he would provide an opinion about Pauling's recent work in physics. 3 pages, 4to, written on three sheets, first page on "Linus Pauling Institute" stationery; horizontal folds. Palo Alto, 3 May 1982 [350/500]

". . . [B]eginning in about 1925, I thought about the problem of the structure of nuclei . . . . When . . . experimental information about the properties of nuclei became available and theoretical physicists began applying quantum mechanical theory to explain the observations, I found that I had difficulty in forming a picture in my mind that was compatible with the observation and with the theory and that also gave me satisfaction . . . .

"The picture that I have formulated is . . . a sort of interpretation of quantum mechanical theory. . . .

". . . Even now, nearly 60 years after quantum mechanics was discovered, the quantum mechanical calculations about molecules are much inferior to the application of classical structure theory amplified by some new ideas in the 1930s, in making predictions about chemical substances. . . ."

179 (SCIENTISTS.) CHARLES WHEATSTONE. Brief Autograph Letter Signed, "C. Wheatstone," to John William Lubbock: "I accept with pleasure your kind invitation for this 8th of June." 1 page, small 8vo, with integral blank; slight fading to signature and text, horizontal folds. [London], 24 May 1850 [250/350]

180 (SCIENTISTS.) EUGENE P. WIGNER. Signature, on a typed statement about the circumstances surrounding Albert Einstein's 1939 letter to President Roosevelt. ½ page, 4to. Np, nd [600/900]

". . . Szilard and I were hardly through with our explanations of the significance of nuclear energy in general and of nuclear weapons in particular when Einstein grasped the full significance of the development. He was at once ready to attempt drawing the attention of the Government and of President Roosevelt to the importance of the U.S. not staying behind in exploring the possibilities of nuclear energy and nuclear weapons. He dictated a letter to President Roosevelt which I took down in long hand. I remember how surprised I was that he could formulate his thoughts so quickly and precisely.

"My notes of the letter were taken back to Princeton where I translated them into English. The typed translation was then brought to Einstein's house on Long Island by Teller and Szilard a couple of weeks later and Einstein signed it. It was presented to President Roosevelt not much later by Alexander Sachs."
181 (SCIENTISTS.) Group of 4 items Signed, or Signed and Inscribed. Format and condition vary.  
Vp, vd  
[200/300]  

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

182 (SCOPES TRIAL.) Three Signatures, each by one of principal figures in the trial: Clarence Darrow * William Jennings Bryan * John Thomas Scopes. Each 2½x5 inches or smaller; condition generally good; matted together with photograph showing trial and framed.  
Np, nd; nd; 1968  
[250/350]  

In January of 1925, Representative John Washington Butler introduced a bill to the TN House prohibiting the teaching of theories according to which humans are understood to be descendants of simpler creatures. Soon after the Butler bill became law in March, a young teacher in Dayton, TN--John Thomas Scopes--was indicted for violating the law. The "Scopes Monkey Trial," in which Clarence Darrow defended Scopes against William J. Bryan, ended in conviction, but Darrow's appeal, which began on May 31, 1925, resulted in the TN Supreme Court overturning the conviction--because of a legal technicality. It was not until 1968 that religious prohibitions in public schools were ruled unconstitutional by the U.S. Supreme Court in Epperson v. Arkansas.  

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183 WILLIAM H. SEWARD. Engraved bust portrait Signed, in blank lower margin, showing him in profile. 12½x9½ inches; moderate scattered foxing, moderate dampstaining at upper and lower left affecting signature.  
Np, nd  
[400/600]
184  FRANK SINATRA. Signature, on a 1960 Democratic National Convention admission ticket. 2 1/4 x 5 1/2 inches; moderate fading to signature, staple holes in left margin.
Np, circa 1960
[400/600]
In 1959, Sinatra recorded his hit single “High Hopes” with lyrics by Sammy Cahn and music by Jimmy Van Heusen. Soon after, he recorded a version of the song with lyrics modified to support the presidential campaign of JFK, beginning “Everyone is voting for Jack / Cause he’s got what all the rest lack.”

185  (SLAVERY AND ABOLITION.) HENRY WARD BEECHER. Autograph Letter Signed, to James Redpath, recommending his friend abolitionist Homer Sprague. 3 pages, 8vo, written on a folded sheet; docketed on terminal page.
Brooklyn, 20 May 1875
[150/250]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

186  (SLAVERY AND ABOLITION.) HENRY WARD BEECHER. Autograph Letter Signed, to the President’s sister Rose E. Cleveland, asking for her help in finding a government job for a needy woman. 2 pages, 8vo, written on a single folded sheet, personal stationery. With the original envelope addressed in his hand.
Brooklyn, 2 October 1885
[300/400]
In full: “I do not wish to ask you to exert any political influence upon your brother--but there is a case quite free of politics, which I desire to communicate to your sympathies and aid. Mrs. Upshur will relate the reasons and grounds of her appeal to government. I think they demand consideration not alone from considerations of humanity, but also of patriotism. Surely there can be under our rich government some humble place where she may rest without feeling she is a pauper.

“Will you comfort her, and so far as you can, will you help her in securing a humble seat at the government table?”

Washington, nd
[350/500]
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
188 (SLAVERY AND ABOLITION.) FREDERICK DOUGLASS. Autograph inscription Signed, "Very truly yours / Fred'k Douglass / March 26, 1877," on a slip of paper. 2½x4½ inches; remnants of prior mounting at corners verso, faint scattered staining. Np, 26 March 1877 [400/600] From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

189 (SLAVERY AND ABOLITION.) WILLIAM LLOYD GARRISON. Two items, each Signed, "Wm. Lloyd Garrison": Autograph Manuscript * Autograph Quotation. The manuscript, a poem in 8 lines entitled "Autograph." ½ page, 8vo, ruled paper; remnants of prior mounting at center verso, faint bleedthrough from mount remnants touching text. The quotation, on a slip of paper: "Liberty and equal rights for / each, for all, and for ever!" 2½x5 inches, ruled paper; faint scattered staining, remnants of prior mounting at upper edge recto and corners verso. Boston, 28 March 1877; Np, 1877 [400/600] WITH--Three clipped Signatures: Wendell Phillips * Edward Everett * Elihu Burritt. Each 1½x3½ inches or smaller. Np, nd. From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

190 (SUFFRAGISTS.) SUSAN B. ANTHONY. Autograph Letter Signed, to an unnamed editor ("Mr. Editor, Dear Sir"), sending an advance copy of The History of Woman Suffrage [not present] and hoping for a favorable review. 1 page, 4to. "Fowler & Wells, Phrenologists and Publishers" stationery, pale blue paper; several short closed tears at edges repaired verso with cello tape, two small holes at upper edge, minor smudge to text affecting few letters, folds. New York, 17 May 1881 [2,000/3,000] "By my request our publishers mail to you, to night, the advance sheets of 'The History of Woman Suffrage,' that you may be able to bring out your notice of it as early as our New York papers. The book will not be handed them until Friday. Hoping that your reviewer will give these pages a careful reading and a just if not generous report thereof."

Fowler & Wells--a New York publisher of science, education, and phrenology--began publishing the first volumes of The History of Woman Suffrage in 1881; the sixth and final volume was published in 1922 by the National American Woman Suffrage Association.

WITH--A complete copy of the May 1866 issue of the American Phrenological Journal and Life Illustrated, published by Fowler & Wells. 164 pages. 4to, self-wrappers, stapled binding. This issue includes an announcement of the Eleventh National Woman's Rights Convention on the 10th of May at the Church of the Puritans at Union Square in New York. From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
191  **(SUFFRAGISTS.) SUSAN B. ANTHONY.  *History of Woman Suffrage.* Signed and Inscribed, to her cousin Joshua Anthony, on a front blank of each volume. Vols III and IV only (of 4). Small 4to, publisher's cloth, rubbing to edges, some worming at front joint of volume IV. Rochester, (1886; 1902); inscriptions: Rochester, 15 February 1905

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"IV: &quot;[begins as does volume III] . . . This is / my 85 birth day. It / will be ten more years / if I reach the age of my--of our-- / Grand father Anthony Humphrey.&quot;

Humphrey Hicks Anthony (1770-1866) was a farmer and blacksmith in Berkshire County, MA, whose descendants included activist Susan B. Anthony and Ushers, NY, manufacturer Joshua Anthony.

192  **(SUFFRAGISTS.) CARRIE CHAPMAN CATT.** Two Items, each Signed: Typed Letter * Signature and date on a small card. The letter, to Mrs. Ida Y. Corey, sending an autograph [present] and noting that the "special train of suffragettes" that she remembers was likely the train of Republican women in 1920 who were celebrated at the Rainier Club. ½ page, 4to, personal stationery; folds. The signature, 3¼x5 inches; remnants of prior mounting at upper edge verso. New Rochelle, 18 March 1931; Np, nd

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From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

193  **(SUFFRAGISTS.) ISABELLA BEECHER HOOKER.** Photograph Signed, cabinet card full-length portrait by Bell, showing her standing with her hands folded peacefully before her and wearing a sternly determined expression. Signed on the mount below the image. 5½x3½ inches (image), 6½x4½ inches overall; some unobtrusive scattered abrasions to the image. Np, nd

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Isabella Beecher Hooker (1822-1907), half-sister to Harriet Beecher Stowe, was an author and influential activist supporting the rights of women.
194 (SUFFRAGISTS.) JULIA WARD HOWE. Autograph Letter Signed, "J.W.H.," to "My dear David," arranging for the payment of various parties, anticipating a stop in Kentucky before returning home, approving the purchase of bric-a-brac, discussing the weather, looking forward to a performance of Shakespeare's *Julius Caesar* and a Peace Meeting. 2 pages, 12x6 inches, ruled paper, "World's Industrial & Cotton Centennial Exposition" stationery, written on the recto and verso of a single sheet; folds. New Orleans, 5 June 1885

[350/500]
"... The Expo. is nearly stripped of all its glories. I am waiting to see the debts of my department duly paid. ... Today 94 in the shade, but a nice breeze blowing. ... I am to have a Peace Meeting on Monday, and that will be the last of our doings here."

WITH--Printed leaflet calling for contributions to the New Orleans Exposition Bureau for Women's Department, signed in type by Howe as President, Women's Department. 1 page, 8vo. Circa 1884.

195 (SUFFRAGISTS.) JULIA WARD HOWE. Autograph Quotation dated and Signed, a 4-line stanza from her "Battle Hymn of the Republic." ½ page, oblong 8vo.

Np, 18 July 1900

[800/1,200]
"In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born, across the sea, / ... As he died to make men holy, let us die to make men free, / While God is marching on!"

196 (SUFFRAGISTS.) JULIA WARD HOWE. Autograph Letter Signed, to "My dear Miss Ellis," promising to make a short address and introduction at her meeting. 1½ pages, 8vo, "New England Conservatory of Music" stationery, written on the recto and verso of a single sheet; minor scattered soiling, horizontal folds. Boston, circa 1900

[100/200]
"I think that I would attend the meeting on June 11th ... If the date ... finds me in reasonable health, and if no howling storm presents, I will come ..."
(SUFFRAGISTS.) JULIA WARD HOWE. Autograph Letter Signed, twice, an open letter to the editor of the *Boston Evening Transcript*, recommending that a bronze wreath be mounted to a wall in King's Chapel [Boston] commemorating Oliver Wendell Holmes’s contribution to women's medicine and, in a brief note additionally signed on the verso of the letter’s third page, requesting of the editor that the letter either be published or the manuscript returned. 2½ pages, 8vo, written on three sheets; closed tears affecting upper and middle portions of one leaf, some scattered editor’s markings in black crayon, faint scattered soiling, horizontal folds. [Boston], 28 April 1909. [350/500]

"I ask . . . to make public . . . a recollection which occurs to me in connection with the recent celebration of the centenary of the birth of Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes. The Doctor more than once mentioned to me that in the days of his early professional life, and in view of an epidemic of puerperal fever which had desolated the city of New York, he had published a pamphlet suggesting that the fever might have been carried from one patient to another by the officiating practitioner. . . . [It] led to a serious study of the subject with the result that . . . no physician in attendance upon a case of puerperal fever should . . . assume the charge of another . . . [I]t seems to me that the Women of our Community should offer some especial tribute . . . ."

(SUFFRAGISTS.) LUCY STONE. Autograph Quotation Signed: "Taxation without representation is / tyranny, whether it is imposed upon men / or women," on what is likely a leaf removed from an autograph album. 1 page, oblong 8vo. Np, nd. [150/250]

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

(SUFFRAGISTS.) Group of 5 items Signed, or Signed and Inscribed, by advocates of women's suffrage. Format and condition vary. Vp, [1848-1937]. [500/750]

Abigail May Alcott. ALS, "Abba Alcott," to Ann Sargent Gage, inquiring about the comfort of acquaintances expecting medical treatment at an institute in Waterford. 1 page, 4to. [Concord, 20 July 1848] * Belva Ann Lockwood. ANS, "Belva A. Lockwood," to Ms. Robinson, on verso of a postcard, acknowledging having forwarded her letter to Marietta L. Stow in San Francisco. 1 page, 5x3 inches. Washington, 23 April 1885 * Isabella B. Hooker (2). Two ANsS, each to Samuel Fessenden, in pencil. The first, written on the integral blank of her husband John Hooker's letter to Fessenden, promising to engage one hundred women as public speakers to promote Republican candidates. 2 pages, 8vo. The second: "Mrs Hooker would like to see Mr Fessenden a moment in the ladies' parlor," written on her printed visiting card. 2¼x3½ inches. Np, 12 June 1888 [from husband's letter] * Mary W. Dewson. TLS, "Molly," to Mrs. Burton W. Musser, explaining her intention to make "women's minds work independently from their husbands'" because "intellectually and spiritually women are individuals." 1 page, 4to, "Democratic National Campaign Committee" stationery. New York, 1 March 1937.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
200  CHARLES SUMNER. Autograph Letter Signed, to Amasa Walker, reluctantly agreeing to lecture on the subject of "Employment of Time" in Brookfield [MA], pointing out that train schedules permit only an afternoon or evening arrival. 3 pages, 4to, written on a single folded sheet; remnants of prior mounting at corners of terminal page, short separations at folds, faint uneven toning to first page. Boston, 27 November 1846

[100/150]

"... I shall leave on the 4 o'clock train, & will be ready to speak as soon as I leave the carriage, without a minute's delay. My own journey will be a good illustration of my subject, 'Employment of Time'."

201  (SUPREME COURT.) JOHN MARSHALL. Autograph Document Signed, twice ("JMarshall" and in full, in the third person within the text), granting power of attorney to LeRoy, Bayard, & McEvers for the purpose of selling 4 shares of his stock in the Bank of the United States. Additionally signed by three witnesses. 1 page, 4to; mounted to a larger board, moderate brittling overall, some worming loss at all edges, moderate staining at center, folds. [Richmond], 2 June 1797

[1,000/1,500]

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202  (SUPREME COURT.) JOHN MARSHALL. Autograph Letter Signed, "J.Marshall," as Chief Justice, to Harvard tutor Joseph G. Cogswell, expressing gratitude for the efforts expended on behalf of his own son, sending a check drawn on a New York bank, regretting that he could not send one drawn on a Boston bank, asking that he convey compliments to Harvard President John T. Kirkland, expressing embarrassment that Kirkland had incurred expenses in correcting his own son's misbehavior, and, in a postscript, requesting that no receipts be sent. Addressed in his hand on terminal page. 2½ pages, 4to; written on two sheets; remnants of prior mounting at left edge of first page, small hole in top margin of first page repaired with paper verso, bottom edge of first page trimmed, second leaf inlaid, small hole from torn seal repaired with tissue on terminal page. Richmond, 25 May 1815

[2,500/3,500]

"... Finding it impracticable to obtain bills on Boston at present, & being unwilling to suspend payment of debts which ought never to have been contracted, I have taken the liberty to forward you a draft on New York which I trust will pass, though perhaps at some discount, in the banks of your city. . . .

"... [P]resent my respectful compliments to the President . . . . I am much obliged by the measures he took for the correction of John, & am truly chagrined that a son of mine should have proved so unworthy of his attentions, & should have thrown away the advantages he might have derived from the instruction which he might have received.

"My son will never forget his obligations to you, & I entreat you to believe that they will ever be retained in grateful recollection . . . ."

In the spring of 1815, Marshall's son had been expelled from Harvard for repeated offences involving the drinking of alcohol.


From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
203  (SUPREME COURT.) Group of 6 items Signed, or Signed and Inscribed, by U.S. Supreme Court Justices. Format and condition vary.

Henry Brockholst Livingston. Brief ALS, "Brockholst Livingston," to General Clarkson, about stockholders meetings and the attendance of deputies at the Adelphia. ½ page, 4to, with integral address leaf; staining. New York, 16 October 1791 *

Roger B. Taney. ADS, "R.B. Taney / Plaintiff's Att'y," complaint concerning a note for $665 to plaintiff Frederick Stembler, Jr. from defendant John Kamsberger. 1 page, 4to. Np, nd *

Benjamin Robbins Curtis. ALS, "B.R. Curtis," to E.W. Stoughton, arranging a meeting with him in New York. 1 page, 8vo, with integral blank. Np, 21 February 1867 *

John Marshall Harlan. ALS, "John M. Harlan," to railroad president George H. Ball, reporting that the Republican campaign in Indiana and Ohio is progressing satisfactorily and expecting "rousing majorities in November for [Rutherford B.] Hayes and [William A.] Wheeler." 2 pages, 4to, ruled paper, written on two sheets. Louisville, 30 August 1876 *

Melville Weston Fuller. TLS, "Melville W. Fuller," to Bishop Alexander Mackay-Smith, describing his efforts on behalf of the Longfellow bill. 2 pages, 8vo, written on a folded sheet. Washington, 26 March 1903 *


From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

204  JIM THORPE. History of the Olympics. Signed and Inscribed, on a page facing his portrait following foreword: "To Irene M. Daniels / From / Jim Thorpe / July 23-1932." 8vo, publisher's cloth, minor rubbing at edges; small bookplate at upper left of rear pastedown; cello tape repairs to upper edge of dust jacket, loss to lower portion of spine panel; moderate edge-wear to slipcase. FIRST EDITION.

Los Angeles, 1932

205  JOSIP BROZ TITO. Photograph dated and Signed, "JBTito," as President of Yugoslavia, bust portrait showing him wearing a suit in ¾ view. Signed in the image, lower right. 7x5 inches; mounted to a larger sheet, slight silvering at lower left.

Np, 14 October 1959
206  TOGO HEIHACHIRO. Signature, "Count Togo," on a postcard, to James Kirkwood of Paisley, Scotland. 3x5 inches; faint scattered staining, cancelled green Half Penny postage stamp at upper right verso. London, 22 July 1911 [from postmark] [250/350]

207  GENE TUNNEY. Photograph Signed, full-length portrait showing him in the ring with gloves raised. Signed in the image, lower left. 10x8 inches. Np, nd [80/120]

208  WILLIAM MARCY TWEED. Partly-printed Document Signed, "William M Tweed," as Commissioner of Public Works, voucher for the reimbursement of printer W.C. Rogers & Co., showing over 25 lines of services including the printing of 15,000 receipt forms, 4,000 survey certificates, 10,000 inspector bill forms, and others, amounting to $5,060.40. 1 page, 14x8½ inches, pale blue paper, minor scattered smudges, docketing on verso. New York, 24 June 1870 [300/400] WITH--Abraham Oakey Hall. *The Downfall of Tammany Hall: No Fall at All.* St. John & Coffin, 1871.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
Windsor, 15 February 1855
[200/300]

210  VICTORIA, QUEEN OF THE UK. Autograph Letter Signed, "The Queen" four times, in the third person within the text, to "Dr. Priestley," concerning the desirability of urging the Princess to do something contrary to her inclination to lie in bed, and closing with the words: "Pray do not mention the Queen." 2 pages, 8vo, monogrammed mourning stationery, with an integral blank, faint horizontal bands of toning, folds. With the original envelope.
Windsor, 15 May 1877
[150/250]

211  BOOKER T. WASHINGTON. Letter Signed, as Principal of The Tuskegee Institute, to E.I. Aldrich, sending a circular [not present] and requesting a $50 donation: "... I am at present in Boston and vicinity for the purpose of securing help for our institution at Tuskegee..." 1 page, 4to, "Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute" stationery; vertical fold through signature (without loss), two short closed tears at folds in top margin.
Boston, 13 December 1909
[100/200]
212 DANIEL WEBSTER. Autograph Letter Signed, "D. Webster," as Representative, to Isaac R. Davis, sending an open letter for the New England papers warning of impending conscription [not present], reporting that a recent fire destroyed his home but left his family unharmed, explaining that the news of Napoleon's aggressions has caused a schism in the government between pro-war and pro-peace factions, and remarking that President Madison is waiting to see which faction the Party favors. 3 pages, 4to, written on two sheets; silked on first and terminal pages, small hole in upper margin of first leaf affecting few letters, slight fading to text and signature, faint scattered soiling, folds.

[Washington], 6 January 1814

[800/1,200]

"Please hand this to Ed[itor of the] Centinel, or of other Paper. . . . My object is merely to alarm N[ew] England at the project of Conscription or Compulsory Draughts; a measure . . . at the White House.

"Our Town has met with another Conflagration. . . . When I found nothing lost, but house and property . . . I felt relieved from distress.

". . . [M]y houseless Family have found a good shelter for the winter . . . ."

"The great news from Europe comes seasonally . . . . We have all been in danger of worse evils than burnings, & exposed to a foe more merciless than all the elements. I trust Providence has delivered us. Buonaparte's disasters produce a visible effect here. The Administration seems to be appalled. It seems . . . to be suspending its war measures, . . . to ascertain whether the voice of the Party is still for war. There are evident symptoms of schisms in the Cabinet, & in the Party, in Congress. . . . Those who are still for war, say there is nothing in the dispatches; those who begin to grow sick of it, affect to see new evidences of a Pacific disposition on the part of England . . . . Madison has not yet determined, whether he had now better break off his French connexions, give up his War, & make peace with the best grace he can, or again rally his friends, & put forth all efforts to do something next Campaign. He is waiting to see which way the Party, generally, incline. . . ."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

213 DANIEL WEBSTER. Letter Signed, "Dan'l Webster," as Secretary of State, to U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of New York Joshua A. Spencer, requesting that he investigate reports of cannon fire from Navy Island directed at British ships in Canada. 2 pages, 4to, written on the recto and verso of a single sheet; ink identification in unknown hand at upper edge, printed portrait pasted at upper left, folds.

Washington, 24 September 1841

[300/400]

"I . . . invite your attention to a rumor of a flagrant breach of the laws of the United States by certain persons who are said to have fired cannon from Navy Island with the view to destroy certain vessels of war of Great Britain near the Canada shore. It is the President's desire that you . . . [ascertain] the truth of the rumor . . . and . . . prosecute to the utmost extent of the law."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
214 ARTHUR WELLESLEY WELLINGTON, 1ST DUKE. Autograph Letter Signed, "Wellington," to an unnamed recipient ("My dear Sir"), requesting that he inquire whether the ship mentioned in the enclosed paper [not present] was carried into Ramsgate. 1 page, 8vo, with integral blank; short closed tear repaired with cello tape verso, folds.
"Walmer Castle," 25 August 1840
[80/120]

215 ELI WHITNEY. Autograph Letter Signed, "E. Whitney," to Commissary General Decius Wadsworth, inquiring about the possibility of an appointment for Captain Roswell Lee with a rank and pay equal to that of a Major or Captain, wondering about the likelihood of the War's continuing and about who might be the successor to the Secretary of the Navy. 2 pages, 4to, with integral address leaf; faint scattered dampstaining, vertical fold through signature (without loss).
New Haven, 5 January 1813
[3,500/5,000]
"... I observe there is a proposition before Congress to increase the army, if the measure is adopted it will make an opening for a large number of appointments--Will you be so good as to write to me and inform me whether there is any probability of Capt Lee's obtaining a place either in your Department or in the Army . . . . Be so good as to write me your opinion relative to the continuance of the war--Who is to be the successor of Doct Eustis? Is there to be a new Sec[retar]y of the Navy? . . . ."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

"Court at Saint James's," 6 November 1830
[350/500]
217  (WORLD WAR II.) JAMES H. DOOLITTLE. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "To Gary Lorenz: With every good wish / J.H. Doolittle," bust portrait by Sloan, showing him in uniform. Inscribed in the image, upper right. 10x8 inches.  
Np, nd  
[100/200]

218  (WORLD WAR II.) GEORGE CATLETT MARSHALL. Typed Letter Signed, "GCMarshall," to Dr. Aida Sloan, thanking for making a contribution in his honor to the Dr. Howard Sloan Memorial Research Fund. 1 page, 4to, "Office of General of the Army" stationery; horizontal fold.  
Washington, 25 January 1955  
[80/120]  
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

219  (WORLD WAR II.) CHESTER W. NIMITZ. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "To William E. Reeves, Chief Electrician's Mate, USN, ret, with best wishes and warm regards to an old shipmate. C.W. Nimitz, Fleet Admiral, USN," showing him in the act of signing the Japanese Instrument of Surrender in 1945. Signed and inscribed in the margin below the image. 11x14 inches overall; backed, a few faint vertical creases through image.  
Np, nd  
[2,500/3,500]  
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
220   (WORLD WAR II.) CHESTER W. NIMITZ. Two items: Autograph Letter Signed, to publisher of the Old Farmer's Almanac Robb Sagendorph * Nimitz. Drake's Cove Signed and Inscribed, to Sagendorph. The letter, "CWNimitz," expressing admiration for the Old Farmer's Almanac, sending an offprint copy of his article entitled "Drake's Cove" [present], giving permission to publish it, and, in a postscript additionally signed, requesting that copies of the publication be sent to various institutions. 1½ pages, 4to, "Fleet Admiral" stationery, written on the recto and verso of a single sheet. The offprint, "To Robb Sagendorph / Best wishes / C.W. Nimitz," on the front cover. 12 pages. 4to, printed wrappers, stapled binding, some creasing and faint uneven toning to covers. Berkeley, 6 January 1960; [Point Reyes: Drake Navigators Guild, 1960; inscription: Berkeley, 6 January 1960]
[400/600]

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

221   ABIGAIL SMITH ADAMS. Autograph Letter, unsigned, to her son, Thomas Boylston Adams ("My dear Thomas"), sending some papers [not present], advising that one ought not to embark upon marriage prematurely, remarking that she herself was unprepared for the duties of married life, nevertheless approving of the match, mentioning improvements to the town of Quincy, requesting that he write a letter to [François Adriaan] Van Der Kemp, and stating that his father has been busy translating and would write soon. 2 pages, 4to, with integral blank; folds, faint bleedthrough overall. Quincy, 20 March 1803
[3,500/5,000]

"...I have been obliged to put under cover the papers promised; with the mortification of sending them, unaccompanied with a line, I now forward the remainder, most sincerely wishing you success in your undertaking....

Is there not an astonishing similarity between the scenes which have so lately been acted in France; and those drawn from the Historians cited?

"The contents of your Letter of Feb'y 16th have dwelt upon my mind. I cannot refrain from chiding you for suffering so long in silence, yet I know your motives were pure, and the difficulties you had to contend against, such as you conceived would be augmented by a disclosure; I wish most sincerely they were all removed, and that your path was plain enough before you. I do not believe precipitation forms no part of your plan in that I think you wise; yet laughing I once heard you say you would not give a copper to be married after 30, but I must add, few gentlemen are fit to be married until that age; nor do I think a Lady less qualified to make a good wife with the judgment and experience of even that age. Sure I am, too many enter that state prematurely. With experience upon my side I say of myself that I did. Much too young for the proper fulfillment of duties which soon devolved upon me. [A]ll other things being convenient, I think both you and the Lady quite matched for the Holy State, and should most sincerely rejoice in the fulfillment of your engagement. I know and approve your motives for remaining single; the aid I have promised you may be obtained whenever you chuse to avail yourself of it. Your Father wishes to get you here. We are improving our Town of Quincy by a new bridge and a Turnpike road....

"...Poor Van der Kemp...his writings are not calculated for our Country. You must write him a civil Letter, he is an old...unshaken Friend of your Fathers—ah how few such do we find in this worldly world! Your father will write you soon, but he has been much engaged in the translation. Present my compliments."

Thomas Boylston Adams (1772–1832), youngest son of Abigail and John Adams, married Ann Harrod in 1805.

François Adriaan van der Kemp (1752-1829) was a Dutch political radical and friend of John Adams who moved to New York in 1788. In another letter to Thomas, dated March 2, 1803, Abigail mentions that her husband had been engaged in translating into English passages from a pamphlet by Van der Kemp.
JOHN QUINCY ADAMS. Autograph Letter Signed, "J.Q. Adams," as Representative, to physician Thomas Sewall, thanking him for his lectures, explaining that Adams associates phrenology with alchemy [and other disciplines out of favor among contemporary scientists], comparing some aspects of phrenological theory to George Berkeley's theory of immaterialism [denial of material reality], wishing him success, and returning newspaper clippings and a letter from Dr. [Ruel] Keith [not present]. 1 page, 4to, with integral blank; marked chipping along right edge with scattered loss to few letters of text, faint scattered foxing, folds. Washington, 5 April 1839
[2,500/3,500]
"I have read with great satisfaction your two Lectures upon the Science of Phrenology, which I have never been able to prevail upon myself to think of as a Serious Speculation. I have classed it with Alchemy, with judicial Astrology, with Augury—and as Cicero says that he wonders how two Roman Augurs could ever look at each other in the face without laughing, I have felt something of the same surprize that two learned phrenologists can meet without the like temptation.

"But as it has been said of Bishop Berkley's antimaterial system [that he has demonstrated beyond all possibility of refutation, what no man in his senses can believe, so without your assistance, I should never have been able to encounter the system of the thirty-three or thirty-five faculties of the immortal soul as clustered on the blind side of the head. I thank you for furnishing me with argument to meet the Doctors, who pack up the five senses in thirty-five parcels of the brain. I am glad that your Lectures have been so successful, and hope they will be yet more so in recalling the sober sense of the Material philosophers of our age to the dignity of an imperishable mind. . . ."

Thomas Sewall (1787-1845) was an American physician who wrote often with the aim to debunk phrenology. The book Sewall sent to Adams was likely his An Examination of Phrenology in Two Lectures, London: J.S. Hodson, 1838.

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JOHN ADAMS. Two Autograph Documents Signed, in the third person within the text, receipts, each making payment to parties in various lawsuits. The first, £1.9.9 to John Jordan in Jordan v. French. The second, £0.19.6 to Ebenezer Miller, Jr., in a case against Eleazer Thayer. Each docketed in holograph on verso, additionally signed by recipient. Each approximately 2½ x 6 inches; moderate uneven toning to first, irregular edges, folds. Braintree [Quincy], October 1761; 10 August 1762
[1,500/2,500]

GROVER CLEVELAND. Partly-printed vellum Document Signed, as President, commission appointing Theodore D. Wilson Naval Constructor in the Navy. Countersigned by Secretary of the Navy William C. Whitney. 11½ x 18 inches; some loss to seal. Washington, 20 December 1886
[400/600]
225  CALVIN COOLIDGE. Partly-printed Document Signed, as President, appointing Samuel R. Thompson Foreign Service Officer. Countersigned by Secretary of State Charles E. Hughes. 13⅜x19 inches; some paperclip stains at bottom left, slight curling to side edges, paper seal intact. Washington, July 1 1924 [250/350]

226  DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER. Typed Letter Signed, "Ike," as Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, to Major General W.F. Tompkins, thanking him for his comments regarding his January 7 statement [announcing presidential campaign] and reporting that progress is being made in solving problems relating to America's security. 1 page, 4to, *[5 stars] DDE* stationery; punch holes at upper edge, moderate toning overall, horizontal folds. [Paris], 21 February 1952 [600/900]

*. . . I am pleased to have your description of the reactions in Virginia to my 7 January statement . . . .

"I'm up to my neck in work here--all of it complicated and extremely important to America's security. We are making progress but still are faced with a great many problems. . . ."

WITH--Retained draft of the typed letter from Tompkins to Eisenhower to which the present letter is the reply: *. . . A great many conservative Virginia Democrats . . . would vote for you in such large numbers that Virginia would go Republican. . . ." 1 page, 4to. Np, 31 January 1952.

On January 7, 1952, Eisenhower began his campaign for the presidency by announcing that he would participate in the New Hampshire Republican primary.

227  DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER. Group of three Typed Letters Signed, "Ike," each to William F. Tompkins, sharing excitement about the upcoming presidential campaign or postponing commitment regarding an invitation. Each 1 page, narrow 4to or 8vo, personal stationery; holograph letter "D" struck out beside signature of third letter, punch holes at upper edge, horizontal folds. Denver, 8; New York, 30 August 1952; Gettysburg, 25 May 1964 [500/750]

8 August 1952: " . . . We got a real lift from your wire, and it is certainly encouraging to know that warm friends are with us in the campaign ahead."

30 August 1952: "It was reassuring to receive your report on the strong sentiment in Virginia among businessmen, young people, women, and the press . . . ."

WITH--6 items: Printed telegram to William F. Tompkins announcing the death of Eisenhower. 1 page, oblong 8vo. Np, 29 March 1969 * Dwight D. Eisenhower. Group of 5 typed letters, each signed by a secretary on his behalf, to William F. Tompkins, arranging meetings or sending gifts [not present]. Each 1 page, 4to or smaller. Washington or Gettysburg, 10 May 1954-26 January 1961. Two with the original envelopes.
DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER. Typed Letter Signed, "Ike E," as President, to Mrs. William F. Tompkins, thanking for writing a reaction to his announcement on the 29th [expressing the intention to run for another term of office]. 1 page, 4to, White House stationery; punch holes at upper edge, horizontal fold. Washington, 19 March 1956

* . . . [S]omehow or other the White House mail room discriminates against women, and your nice note did not reach my desk until just before I left for Gettysburg. . . ."

WITH—Lucius D. Clay. Typed Letter Signed, to William F. Tompkins, remarking that the President is aware that Senator Byrd's silence was helpful, and noting that Virginia is becoming a two-party system. 1 page, 4to. Np, 6 December 1956.

On February 29, 1956, at a news conference held in the Executive Office Building in Washington, President Eisenhower announced his intention to run for a second term as president.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER. Autograph Manuscript, unsigned, in pencil, entitled "Notes on White House dinner June, 1958," describing the events of the day in fragmentary prose. 3 pages, 4to. "The Mayflower" hotel stationery, written on two sheets; punch holes at upper edge, faint toning at edges, horizontal folds. [Washington], June 1958

*Arrived W.H. at 7:20 a.m. Went into elliptical sitting room on 2d Floor. 22 guests, all men. Guests introduced themselves to each other, Floyd Odum, Dr. Rappalye, Lt Col. Fairchild, among them. Cocktails and highballs & hors d'oeuvres . . . Visited Lincoln room en route to Dining room. P. described bed & other [lincoln] items. Floyd Odum sat on P's right, F on P's left. Doctor in charge of Vet's hospitals on my left. I told P. it was nice to sit by him & he said 'Why not, you are the only class mate here.' . . . Conversation on bursitis, arthritis wonder drugs. . . . Conversation on many subjects. Tariff & trade, debt limit. 'inhibited' expenditures. Ford negotiating with employees. Highway program. poker, Churchill & sleeping medicine. Russian visit to Tito. Possibility of world peace. Nato strength. Atomic energy & uranium, Belgian Congo's are used up largely, reach for more. . . .

"Talked with Floyd Odum on Arthritis Foundation & Richmond chapter. With Dr. Rappalye on Nat'l Found for Med. Educ. A.M.A. has reduced annual contribution from $500,000 to $100,000. He thinks we will get 50% larger gift in December."

Two state dinners were held at the White House in June of 1958: one on the 4th honoring Theodor Heuss of West Germany (the following year Heuss was to assume the presidency of that country); and one on the 17th held in honor of Philippines president Carlos P. Garcia.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER. Typed Letter Signed, "Ike E," as President, to Mrs. William F. Tompkins, thanking for pointing out that a Richmond newspaper has taken notice of difficulties in his golf game. 1 page, 4to, White House stationery; punch holes at upper edge, horizontal fold. Washington, 23 April 1960

* . . . Don't tell them, but neither the new putter nor my own Calamity Jane (I have a duplicate of Bob Jones' . . . ) seems to produce the magic that I look for—and need! . . ."
231  DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER. Typed Letter Signed, 'Ike E,' with a 7-line autograph postscript Signed, "DE," to Mr. and Mrs. William F. Tompkins, thanking for golden wedding anniversary wishes and, in the postscript: "I was up at West Point about 10 days ago. The new barracks are going up readily along the old diagonal walk, and the front of Grant (Washington) Hall is being pushed forward." 1 page, 4to, personal stationery; punch holes at upper edge, faint foxing at edges, horizontal folds. Gettysburg, 8 July 1966 [500/750]

232  DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER. Group of 12 typed letters, including one Signed "DwightDEisenhower" as President, some Signed "D.E." as President, some with secretarial signature ("D.E."), to his speechwriter Emmet J. Hughes, thanking him for his various supportive efforts. Together 15 pages, 8vo or 4to, White House stationery; some with paperclip impression, horizontal folds. Two with the original envelope. Vp, 1954-59 [2,000/3,000]

17 August 1956: "...If by any chance this speech is not delivered, as written, to the Convention, I am most certainly going to plagiarize the parts that are not quotes from former talks. In the half dozen or so speeches that I have to make this fall, I can already see dreariness developing that will make my blood pressure rise to astronomical heights. ..."

22 May 1957: "Again I am confronted with the inadequacy of my words in trying to express my appreciation of your willingness to spend Monday and Tuesday in Washington. I literally do not know how we could have been able to whip the speech last night into shape without your help. ..."

20 November 1958: "...I do not believe that any such effort should be couched specifically in the terms of a freedom-communist struggle. Rather I believe it should be an effort of an affirmative kind because of a conviction that we have been woefully neglecting the field in which the democracies and, indeed, all civilizations based upon a religious faith, should be particularly strong. We have been tending too much toward the material. We have too much thought of bombs and machines and gadgets as the arsenal of our national and cultural strength. ... The great problem is to get people--our own people and our friends--to understand these things and to think on them objectively and with a sense of inspiration and uplift. ..."

31 October 1959: "...There is only one clause in your letter to which I seriously object, because it shows a misconception on your part. It reads ... the spirit and the direction of foreign policy as conceived and executed [sic] by the Department of State over these years. 'The basic conception and direction of foreign policy is my responsibility and not one of any other Department or individual."

WITH--Retained copy of a two-page letter from Hughes to the President, warning him of the publication of Hughes's forthcoming book entitled, America the Vincible, which Hughes expects Eisenhower "will neither approve of, nor concur with." New York, 22 October 1959.

These letters present the trajectory of the friendship of Eisenhower and Hughes, which eventually came to an end upon the release of Hughes' book, The Ordeal of Power, in 1961.
MAMIE DOUD EISENHOWER. Typed Letter Signed, as First Lady, to William Tompkins ("Dear Bill"), thanking for the gift of a pin in the shape of an elephant and, in a 6-line Autograph Postscript Signed, "M," conveying news of the death of mutual friend Lou [Uline] Busbee. 1 page, 8vo, White House stationery; two punch holes at upper edge, horizontal folds.

Washington, 20 August 1956

"Your adorable 'fighting' elephant pin could not have arrived at a more appropriate, warmly welcome, time! When we go out to San Francisco, your little silver symbol of the Grand Old Party should be very much in evidence . . . ."

MAMIE DOUD EISENHOWER. Group of 8 letters Signed, in full or "Mamie Eisenhower" or "Mamie," each to Mr. and Mrs. William F. Tompkins, including 7 TLsS and an ANS on small card, thanking for gifts or letters, anticipating or recalling meetings. Each 1 page, 4to or smaller, White House or personal stationery or sympathy card; punch holes at upper edge, few with faint uneven toning, horizontal folds.

Vp, 1952-69

11 March 1954: "... You might be interested in knowing that I had lunch with Mrs. Woodrow Wilson yesterday and three of her guests said they were members of your church."

9 January 1963: "Thank you for sending me the correspondence about the National Cultural Center. We have heard some complaints on the television program arrangements. I hope that things will run smoothly in the future. . . ."

10 May 1969, ANS: "Thank you for your lovely letter about Ike. He was always so proud of his classmates and West Point. . . ."

BENJAMIN HARRISON. Partly-printed vellum Document Signed, "BenjHarrison," as President, appointing Theodore D. Wilson Naval Constructor in the Navy. Countersigned by Secretary of the Navy Benjamin F. Tracy. 15⅝x21¾ inches; slight fading to signature, paper seal intact.

Washington, 15 December 1890

[300/400]
HERBERT HOOVER. Typed Letter Signed, as President, to editor of German-language newspaper New Yorker Herold Otto S. Neuburger, congratulating him on the 50th anniversary of his paper's publication. 1 page, 4to, White House stationery, with integral blank; scattered faint dampstaining and soiling, horizontal fold.
Washington, 28 August 1930

"I am gratified to learn that the New Yorker Herold is about to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of its founding and I cordially extend to you . . . my hearty congratulations . . . . You are engaged in a most worthy undertaking when you seek to bridge the difficulties raised by the difference in language, customs, and conceptions of public problems, and assist in the very valuable immigrant stock of Germanic origin in this country to adjust . . . ."

ANDREW JACKSON. Autograph Letter Signed, as Senator, to Colonel Robert Hays, writing for news from home, reporting on the "dreary aspect" of business in Philadelphia: "[A]ll confidence between man and man is at an end," and reporting that news of his own business "is not yet ripe for communicating . . . ." With a holograph address and Franking Signature, "A. Jackson," on verso. 1 full page, tall 4to; small holes and separations at folds, complete separation at irregular tear through center expertly repaired with minor loss to text (not affecting signature), docketing on verso.
Philadelphia, 15 December 1797

"I have been anxiously waiting to receive a line from you. I have wrote [sic] you frequently whether they have reached you I am unable to say--but this I can say that I have not heard from any of my Cumberland friends since I left home. [H]owever I will exercise patience untill [sic] the next post and see what it may bring.

"With respect to news, business is not yet ripe for communicating--therefore will no[t] touch upon foreign or domestick--

"With respect to mercantile transactions I have nothing certain on that head, but from the many failures, and the crowd [sic] of respectable citizens in jail, commerce wears a more dreary aspect than ever this city exhibited--had I only cash, bargains might [b]e had in that line but, all confidence between man and man is at an end, therefore difficult [sic] to obtain credit but more of this in my next. . . ."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
ANDREW JACKSON. Autograph Note Signed, "The President," in the third person within the text, to "Major Graham," agreeing to hold a brief meeting in his office. 1 page, 8vo; ink identification in unknown hand in upper margin, minor loss to upper left corner, remnants of prior mounting along right edge verso, folds.
Np, 1 December 1829
[350/500]
"The president with compliments to Major Graham will be happy to see him at his office for a few minutes. The note handed by the Gentlemen from Indiana, wanting explanation before he can act upon the subject. Decbr 1st 1829"

ANDREW JACKSON. Autograph Note Signed, in the third person within the text ("The president"), to his Treasury Auditor Amos Kendall, agreeing to meet, suggesting that they dine together, reporting that he has written for answers to his questions, requesting that he complete his project so that Jackson might submit it to friends, and noting that [Stephen Decatur] Miller is to give a speech in the senate. Additionally inscribed with an attestation and signed by Amos Kendall in the upper margin: "I certify that the following note is in the handwriting of General Andrew Jackson. / May 6th 1864." 1 page, 8vo, with integral address leaf; folds.
Np, 26 January 1832
[2,000/3,000]
"The president with his respects to Mr. A. Kendall will be happy to see him tomorrow at 12, and if convenient to take a family dinner with him at 4 p.m. --he has seen Judge B[errien?]. & the Judge has written to obtain explicit answers to the points submitted, & a copy of the letter written to C[alhoun?]. If you can have it finished by Saturday night I would like to have it to submit to one or two confidential friends, & then determine the time & the manner. The speech of Miller in the senate when seen will afford, perhaps, a fit time."

In February of 1832, U.S. Senator from SC Stephen Decatur Miller delivered to the Senate speeches arguing that the U.S. tariff unfairly disadvantaged his state, and over the subsequent months, attempts to find a mutually satisfactory compromise failed. In November, the SC legislature passed the Ordinance of Nullification, declaring the federal tariff laws unconstitutional, thereby bringing about the Nullification Crisis.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

ANDREW JACKSON. Autograph Endorsement Signed, twice (each "A.J."), as President, written vertically over the address panel of an anonymous letter to him, railing against the officer who is the letter's subject. The letter, urging Jackson to forgive and reinstate Navy Lieutenant Robert Randolph. 2½ pages, 4to, written on two sheets; moderate brittling overall, complete and partial separations along folds, moderate toning at edges, scattered marked bleedthrough, dampstaining to address leaf (not affecting note).
Np, [May 1833]
[1,000/2,000]
"Such a dastard never ought to have been in the Navy. He that has rob[bed] the dead, a brother officer, ought not to associate with the honest. He who was patronized by the gallant [Stephen] Decatur & after his death had the mean[n]ess to traduce him# is unworthy of the countenance of any honest man. --A.J. #Commodore Ridgely --A.J."

In 1832, a Naval Court of Inquiry examined the charge of fraud brought against a Purser aboard the USS Constitution, Lt. Robert Randolph; in December of that year, the Inquiry found Randolph not guilty of the charges, though they could not account for $4,000 in missing funds. Jackson had an interest in the case, and, presumably believing Randolph guilty, dismissed him from the Navy. On May 6 of the following year, Randolph attacked Jackson aboard a steamboat bound for Fredericksburg, VA. Randolph escaped after inflicting only minor injuries.
ANDREW JACKSON. Autograph Endorsement Signed, "A.J.," written vertically over the address panel of his brother-in-law's lengthy letter to him: "Stock[ley] Donelson, abusive letter to be kept on file." The letter, expressing outrage at Jackson's conduct surrounding accusations that the recent death of one of Donelson's servants was caused by Jackson's slaves. 9 pages, tall 4to, written on two folded sheets and a single leaf; minor scattered smudging and bleedthrough to letter text. Np, 5 March 1839.

[600/900]

Donelson's letter: "... The letter ... addressed to me without alleged cause or provocation on my part--was indiscourous [sic] and insulting, and a wanton attack on my feelings and ... I could not view it in any other light than the ebullition [of] your vindictive and unjust feelings towards me ... . You say you know my unjust conduct in proceeding against your servants, I reply to this by saying that I went over to see you on Sunday before I proceeded against them--Your reception of me, your language, Views, and expressions were so far from what I had a right to expect of a neighbor when I laid before you the daring and outrageous murder that had been perpetrated on the body of my servant by your [slaves], that no alternative was left me ... . [I]f in the means taken to defend your negroes, and screen them from condign punishment, your conscience is as much at ease as mine is ... to convict them--you are a happy man. ..."

Cleveland Hall, the house Stockley Donelson built for himself in a cotton field near the Hermitage, was completed in 1840.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

THOMAS JEFFERSON. Autograph Letter Signed, "ThJefferson," as Secretary of State, to MD Governor Thomas Sim Lee, reporting that he has shown Lee's letter to President Washington, explaining that issues raised in the letter [requesting guidance concerning the involvement of an American in the recent French capture of a British vessel in MD] had been addressed by the instructions sent to him by the Secretary of War [Henry Knox on May 23 and 24], and by instructions sent to the MD District Attorney [by Attorney General Edmund Randolph on May 12], and stating that the Federal Government is not authorized to hinder the French from taking the British vessel. 1 page, 4to; short closed separation at fold repaired verso with cello tape, faint scattered offsetting, folds, faint scattered soiling verso. Philadelphia, 25 May 1793

[10,000/20,000]

"I am honoured with your Excellency’s letter of the 20th. and have duly laid the same before the President. Measures had been already taken for prosecuting such American citizens as had joined in the capture therein mentioned, a letter to that effect having been written to the Attorney of the U.S. in the state of Maryland. With respect to the prize, the government did not think itself authorised to do any thing. Your Excellency will have been informed by a letter from the Secretary at war, addressed to you as the head of the militia of your state, of the measures proposed for preventing the fitting out [of] privateers in our ports in future, as well as for the preservation of peace within our limits. ..."


Soon after his arrival at Charleston, SC, on April 8, 1793, newly-appointed French Minister to the U.S. Edmond-Charles Genêt began commissioning privateers to seek out and capture the ships of Britain and Spain (against whom France was at war in U.S. ports or waters. One of the four privateers commissioned was the schooner Sans Culotte, which, on April 29th, captured the British schooner Eunice off the coast of VA. This incident was the subject of Governor Lee's letter to Jefferson. In the week prior to the capture of the Eunice, President Washington had issued a Declaration of Neutrality in response to the breaking out of war between Britain and France. While Jefferson believed in the necessity of a neutral stance, he and Attorney General Edmund Randolph differed from the opinion of other members of the cabinet with respect to the enforcement of the neutrality, especially Secretary of Treasury Alexander Hamilton and Secretary of War Henry Knox. The exploits of Genêt's privateers threatened U.S. neutrality, but Jefferson and Randolph held that the 1778 Treaty of Amity and Commerce with France obligated the U.S. to allow French privateers to capture their enemies and enter U.S. ports with their prizes without interference. Hamilton and Knox argued that the U.S. ought to declare the Treaty void, and that not returning a captured ship in U.S. waters to its owner would make the U.S. an instrument of the aggressor in violation of the terms of the neutrality. Disputes about the enforcement of neutrality recurred between the Administration's two camps as new incidents arose involving Genêt's privateers, culminating in the adoption by both camps of eight rules, approved by the president, clarifying U.S. policy on neutrality. In the form of a circular to the state governors by Knox on August 7, 1793, privateers were forbidden to bring captured ships into U.S. ports, demonstrating a shift in Jefferson's opinion from that expressed in the present letter. Genêt, after repeatedly disregarding the instructions of the Administration regarding the dangerous behavior of his privateers, was recalled to France at the request of the U.S., but was permitted to remain in the U.S.
in order to avoid persecution by the new Jacobin government.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

244 THOMAS JEFFERSON. Partly-printed Document Signed, "Th: Jefferson," as President, 4-language ship’s papers for the brigantine Hannibal. Countersigned by Secretary of State James Madison. 16½x20¼ inches; mounted to board trimmed to size, chipping at edges with some loss to right corners affecting some text, tissue repairs to closed tears at center and along vertical folds, bleedthrough from docketing verso affecting text at upper left, paper seals mostly intact, signatures bold. SOLD AS IS.

[Washington], 22 December 1807

[1,500/2,500]

245 JOHN F. KENNEDY. Graphite drawing, unsigned, sketch showing a PT-109 in motion with U.S. flag waving on its flagstaff, with holograph label in hand-drawn box ("109"), and 6 holograph words, possibly notes passed to a neighbor during a meeting: "Why Tom? / [drawing] I was in war / '44 / [crossed out astrological symbol representing Mars]" 6½x5¾ inches, "United States Senate" stationery, with integral blank.

Washington, 1950s

[5,000/7,500]


246 (JOHN F. KENNEDY.) ROBERT F. KENNEDY Typed Letter Signed, to Henry Avery, expressing appreciation for his suggestions concerning the proposed National Service Corps, inviting him to make further suggestions in the future, and expressing encouragement that business leaders are showing interest. ½ page, 4to, "Office of the Attorney General" stationery; moderate dampstaining along upper edge, faint toning along lower edge.

Washington, [1961-64]

[150/250]
ABRAHAM LINCOLN. Autograph Endorsement Signed, "A. Lincoln," as President, written vertically on verso of a letter to him from his Postmaster General Montgomery Blair, suggesting that the requested additional forces be granted to Blair's brother Frank Preston Blair, Jr. Additionally endorsed by his Secretary of War Edwin Stanton, "Referred to Gen'l / in Chief/ EMSstanton / SecWar / Nov 22," and by General Henry Halleck, "The organizing / of brigades & assignment / of regiments belongs / to the . . . Genl of / the Dept. I respectfully / decline to interfere. / Nov 22d / H.W. Halleck / Genl in Chief," written in the space after Lincoln's endorsement. Blair's letter, conveying the wish of Frank Blair to combine his brigade and other units with the forces of General [John Alexander] McClernand. 2 pages, 4to, with integral blank; loss to a few letters of Lincoln's text from worming along a fold, docketing in red and black ink above and below and left of endorsements. Washington, 17 November 1862.

[Washington], 21 November 1862

[3,000/4,000]

"As I understand, Frank Blair has already been ordered to St. Helena, when, in due time, he is to join McClernand's expedition. If it can be done without inconvenience, I would be glad for him to have the additional forces mentioned within."


[200/300]

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

MARY TODD LINCOLN. Autograph Letter Signed, "Mary Lincoln," to the wife of her lawyer Myra Bradwell, finding consolation in the sunshine and flowers of Florida, requesting that she write a long letter, repeating disdainfully a newspaper report of someone's remarriage, characterizing a stream of unwanted visitors as a "rebel horde" and listing their names, and in a postscript additionallySigned, "M.L.," written vertically in upper margin of second page: "I am staying at a nice hotel overlooking the St John's river, kept by friends of Mr. Over's[?] Vermont men." 6 pages, 12mo, monogrammed mourning stationery; minor scattered toning, folds. With the original envelope, addressed in her hand, bearing postmark and faintly cancelled 3-cent Washington postage stamp.

Jacksonville, 9 December 1874

[3,500/5,000]

"I have arrived safely in this beautiful land of flowers, & sunshine, and if you have not heard from me sooner, you may well believe, it is not from forgetfulness of you, but much fatigue & indisposition. I left Chicago, sick in mind & body, but the very air is so sweet & balmy here like a sunny June day with us, that if pain endureth for the night, sunshine, almost invariably comes with the morning. What a consolation to the weary hearted of this world! . . .

". . . I fancied last week, that the Rebel horde, that have since the war settled at Jacksonville, were invading my quarters. In two days time, four or five [visiting] cards--with the significant Gen & Mrs. So & So--were brought me, also Ex Gov Reed & Lady of this place. Being an invalid sufficed that I should excuse myself. . . ."
JAMES MADISON. Partly-printed Document Signed, as President, 4-language ship's papers for the brig *Pilot*. Lacking countersignature (written by secretary in place of signature: "The office of Secretary of State vacant at the signing by the President"), 16¼x20½ inches; remnants of prior mounting along all edges verso with bleedthrough staining recto, marginal discoloration from prior matting, docketing verso with minor bleedthrough touching signature, folds, two paper seals intact, bold signature.

[Washington], 30 March 1809

[600/900]

On March 6, 1809, James Madison assumed the presidency; on the same day, he appointed Robert Smith to be Secretary of State. Not everyone in the Madison administration was keen on Smith's appointment, including Madison himself, who preferred Albert Gallatin, settling on Smith for the sake of political harmony. It is unknown whether Smith's unavailability to sign the present document was due to some reluctance on the part of one or more of the men involved, or to some other reason.

RONALD REAGAN. Typed Letter Signed, as President, to George Sullivan, mentioning his two prior visits to Ireland, attesting to the country's beauty, and hoping to make a third trip to the home of his grandfather. 1 page, 4to, White House stationery; horizontal folds. With the original envelope.

Washington, 5 January 1982

[350/500]

"I've only made two trips to Ireland. One was very brief in 1948 to appear in behalf of the Catholic Actors Charity; the other in 1972 was in behalf of the President of the United States. . . . [W]e overnighted at Dromoland Castle and spent half a day at Cashel Rock.

". . . [W]e saw enough to know the beauty of Ireland. I very much hope I can make a third trip and, when I do, it will include a visit to Ballyporeen in County Tipperary. I've learned that was the home of my great grandfather who left there to come to America."

WITH—Letter from Reagan's Director of Media Relations and Planning Karna Small to George Sullivan explaining why the president's response was delayed and wishing him luck on his article. 1 page, 8vo, White House stationery. Washington, 6 January 1982.

Reagan's paternal grandfather, Michael Reagan, was born in Ballyporeen, County Tipperary. Reagan visited Ballyporeen in early June of 1984, when he said to the press gathered there: "[T]hanks to . . . the efforts of good people who have dug into the history of a poor immigrant family, I know at last whence I came. And this has given my soul a new contentment."

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT. Autograph Letter Signed, to his personal secretary's aunt Nellie Graffin ("My dear Miss Graffin"), arranging her visit to Warm Springs, explaining that Marguerite ["Missy" Le Hand] is not as well as she believes, hoping to meet them at the end of January, and sending New Years wishes. 4 pages, square 8vo, personal stationery, written on two sheets; minor soiling along horizontal fold of terminal page.

New York, 29 December circa 1927

[800/1,200]

"It is . . . a great relief . . . that you can go to Warm Springs on the 16th with Marguerite. The child has been much more seriously ill last summer than she realizes, and though she is so much better now, it is most important for her to keep very quiet and avoid colds and excitement during this winter. . . .

"I know how fond she is of you, and how much she will love having you with her in the little cottage at Warm Springs.

". . . I myself hope to get down for a short visit to you two the end of January, but have to come back to New York & will return to Warm Springs as soon as I can.

". . . I have heard so much about 'Aunt Nellie' for many years that it is certainly time for us to meet. . . ."

In the summer of 1927, "Missy" Le Hand collapsed in her cottage in Warm Spring, GA, and thereafter began suffering from periods of delirium, prompting her removal to a hospital. She appeared to have recovered completely by the fall, only to undergo a similar attack soon after Roosevelt had decided to seek the governorship in October of 1928.
FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT. Typed Letter Signed, as Governor, to New
York City Mayor James J. Walker, confirming the telegram summoning him
to a hearing in Albany to answer to charges filed by Judge Samuel Seabury. 1
page, 4to, "Executive Chamber" stationery; moderate staining along upper and
lower edges verso from remnants of prior mounting, minor smudging to
signature, horizontal folds.
Albany, 5 August 1932

"... I request that you appear before me at the Executive Chamber in Albany
on Thursday August eleventh Nineteen hundred thirty two at one-thirty P M
Daylight Saving Time in order that you may be heard in respect to the charges
filed with me by Honorable Samuel Seabury . . . and others and your answer thereto . . . ."

On August 11, 1932, Mayor Walker appeared at a hearing arranged by
Roosevelt acting as the state's Chief Magistrate to record Walker's response to
the corruption charges prepared by Judge Samuel Seabury. Walker declared at
the meeting that his over 20 years of political service were blameless; nevertheless, on September 1, 1932, Walker resigned from office and left the
country.

WITH--The original telegram from FDR to Mayor Walker, conveying the same message as that of the letter in the present
lot, with receipt time stamp at upper edge: "1932 AUG 5 PM 8 00."

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT. Autograph Letter Signed, "Roosevelt," as
President, to Cordell Hull ("For Secretary of State, Buenos Aires"), retained
draft of a telegram, in pencil, congratulating him and offering to make a
public statement. ½ page, 4to, ruled paper; vertical line through text at center
in pencil, faint scattered foxing, evenly toned, two holes punched in upper
margin.
Np, [December 1936?]

"I am delighted with and congratulate you on the good news and splendid
progress. Stop. If you think it useful I can give out a short statement in
Washington Wednesday stressing general satisfaction in Team work and its
future usefulness, and if you agree would appreciate a short draft from you to
reach me by Thursday evening."

In December of 1936, the Inter-American Conference for the Maintenance of
Peace was held in Buenos Aires, where Cordell Hull led the American
delegation. The Conference resulted in an agreement among the 21
American republics.

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT. Typed Letter Signed, as President, to an
unnamed Governor ("My dear Mr. Governor"), reporting the amount of
money raised for the National Foundation [for Infantile Paralysis],
anticipating the Foundation's report on its progress, calling for the
organization of Chapters of the Foundation, and thanking for his support of
the Foundation. 1 page, 4to, pale green White House stationery, with integral
blank; horizontal fold, remnants of prior mounting along edges of terminal
page.
Hyde Park, 10 August 1939

"Today at Hyde Park there has been presented to me . . . [a] report which
shows that the net total sum raised throughout the country on my 57th
birthday is $1,329,100.36.

... I am filled with deep gratification that the American People are so
determined that the disease known commonly as Infantile Paralysis must be . . .
destroyed.

"Having suffered the ravages of Infantile Paralysis, my first thought will
always be for the immediate care of those who find themselves stricken with
this dread mysterious malady . . . ."
"We must organize our Chapters of the National Foundation . . . $707,000 of the money raised on my birthday . . . is being held . . . for presentation to the Chapters, as soon as they are chartered . . . This fight is real, it is in earnest, and the goal is victory. . . ."

Between 1934 and 1938, Roosevelt held balls to celebrate his birthday and to raise funds for research into curing poliomyelitis.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

256 THEODORE ROOSEVELT. Autograph Letter Signed, as Governor, to "My dear Mr. Potts," requesting the return of some documents and inquiring about whom to ask for a special District Attorney. 1 page, 8vo, "United States Civil Service Commission" stationery; upper and lower halves pasted together to form leaf, faint marginal discoloration from prior matting.

Washington, 1 May 1890

"Can't you send me back my 'extracts,' and Whittredges and Green's opinions, as soon as possible? I wish to lay the matter before the President. Whom should I ask for for a special Dist. Attorney? I don't suppose I will be given one, but I am going to try."

257 THEODORE ROOSEVELT. Partly-printed vellum Document Signed, as President, military commission appointing John Downes, Jr. Ensign in the Navy. Countersigned by Secretary of the Navy William H. Moody. 20\%x15\% inches; slight fading to parts of signature, folds, docketing written vertically at lower left, paper seal intact.

Washington, 21 September 1903
THEODORE ROOSEVELT. Partly-printed vellum Document Signed, as President, appointing Henry D. Wilson Surgeon in the Navy. Countersigned by acting Secretary of the Navy Charles H. Darling. 19½x15½ inches; faint scattered staining overall, docketing written vertically at lower left, paper seal intact.

Washington, 15 May 1905

Secretary of the Navy Paul Morton would have been expected to countersign this document, but he was involved in a scandal concerning the conduct of officers at Santa Fe Railroad, of which he had been Vice President.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT. Typed Letter Signed, with a few holograph corrections, vehemently disavowing a remark attributed to him which slighted the Engineers Corps. 1 page, 4to, “Metropolitan” stationery; evenly toned, complete separation at horizontal fold, signature light (but very legible).

New York, 11 December 1917

“You say that . . . it was reported that I had said ‘that the only reason the men joined the Engineers Corps was so that they would have the easier and safer job, than if they had to fight in the trenches.’

“I wonder why the good people who are concerned over such a wicked and baseless slander should forget that one of my four sons is in the Engineers Corps . . . . I never made any such remark and to assert that I did is a wicked and infamous falsehood without a particle of truth . . . .”

WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT. Group of 4 Typed Letters Signed, “WmHTaft,” to various recipients, concerning the demise of the Progressive party, the rights of immigrants in California, his own presidential candidacy, the League of Nations, and other topics. Together 7 pages, 4to, personal stationery; generally good condition. One with the original envelope.

Vp, 1913-19

2 October 1913, to Baltimore American publisher Gen. Felix Agnus: “. . . Unless we mistake the signs of the times, the Progressive party is rapidly disintegrating, and the only danger now is that its head will take a running jump into the Republican party and seek to obtain the nomination, in spite of all the abuse that he has heaped on the party. It is the weak and cowardly in the party, and those who are willing for a victory to sacrifice principle, who approve such a result. My impression is that there are enough staunch men with backbone in the party, of a conservative tendency, to show before a national convention that should he become the nominee of the party, in spite of his admitted popularity, he will drive away from the polls or into the support of the Democratic candidate, enough of the conservative element of the Republican party as to make his victory impossible . . . .”

8 December 1914, to New York Evening Post editor Oswald Garrison Villard: “. . . [T]he clause of the article upon aliens’ rights, . . . is more important in preventing war than even adequate military defenses. The recklessness of Johnson and the trades-unions in California is a real danger in our relations with Japan, but I fancy the gentlemen who are agitating in favor of military defenses will not be found very loud in demanding such a law as we need to give the National Government control where it ought to have control.”

2 April 1915, to Felix Angus: “. . . Garthe proposed to have an interview with me on the subject of the Presidency, but I
appealed to him not to insist on it, and I did it on two grounds: First, on the ground that it would be very distasteful to me to give an interview upon the subject which would at once thrust me forward as an earnest seeker after the nomination. I do not occupy that attitude, as you know, and I wish earnestly to avoid the appearance of such a thing. Second, the probability of my election would be greatly diminished were the public to get the impression that I was being pushed by my friends, at my instance, or with my connivance.

13 July 1919, to Yale classmate Howard C. Hollister: "... The fight over the League of Nations is bitter, but I anticipate that the League will be adopted. I hope that only a few reservations will be required. The personal and partisan bitterness which the Republican Senators have displayed toward Wilson, I don't think has helped the Republican party. The Senators I think hate me now nearly as much as they do Wilson."

WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT. Typed Letter Signed, "WmHTaft," as Chief Justice, to Einar Hilsen, declining the title of Honorary President of the Thomas Jefferson Society and, in a postscript, returning a document [not present]. ½ page, 4to, "Supreme Court of the United States" stationery; folds. Washington, 24 May 1926

"... I have had to decline a great many requests of a similar kind, because of the embarrassments that may arise from my being on the Bench."

HARRY S. TRUMAN. Typed Letter Signed, "Harry," as President, to James M. Pendergast ("My dear Jim"), enclosing a letter addressed to "H.S. Truman" and signed "J. Pendergast" [present], and recognizing it to be a forgery. 1 page, 4to, White House stationery, with integral blank; faint band of toning along left edge, horizontal fold. With the original envelope. Washington, 16 August 1952

"I am enclosing you a spasm which came to me a day or two ago. You can see plainly that it is a forgery. I wish I could catch up with the bird who wrote it. I'd treat him in the manner in which he is entitled to be treated. You wonder sometimes what causes the 'nuts' to click."

WITH--Manuscript letter, in an unknown hand, signed "J. Pendergast," to Truman: "Well, Harry, are you enjoying yourself? ... How quick and often you are changing your Mind in your Statements. I know your 'Friends' Maj. Gen. Vaughan (5%) and Dwyer in Mexico will feel terribly bad about your Quitting." 1 page, small 4to. With the original envelope. Chicago, 31 July 1952 [from postmark].
263  HARRY S. TRUMAN. Typed Letter Signed, to Edyth M. Martin, expressing pleasure that she liked his memoir. ½ page, 4to, "Federal Reserve Bank Building" stationery; horizontal folds. With the original envelope.
Kansas City, 27 October 1955
[400/600]"
...I am glad you like the first installments of the memoirs, and I only hope you will not be disappointed in the chapters to follow."

264  JOHN TYLER. Two Autograph Letters Signed, as Senator, to Colonel Christopher Tomkins. The first, promising to recommend his son to the Secretary of War [Lewis Cass], and anticipating a battle between the great political parties. The second, confirming the delivery of his letter to the Secretary of the Treasury [Louis McLane] concerning charges brought by Mr. Roberts against Mr. Dangerfield and Mr. Armistead. Each 1 page, 4to, with integral address leaf addressed in his hand and additionally signed ("Free / J. Tyler / U.S.S."); short closed tear at right edge of first, faint scattered offsetting to both, folds.
Washington, 24 December 1831; 16 April 1832
[600/900]
24 December 1831: "...The two great parties seem to be making preparations for a battle, but where they will make the onset remains to be seen. We shall have, doubtlessly, noise and smoke enough, but I rest in the hope that when the atmosphere clears, we shall have for our country an unclouded sky."

265  WOODROW WILSON. Partly-printed Document Signed, as President, appointing Thomas J. Hunt Commissioner of Deeds in Pennsylvania. Countersigned by Attorney General James Clark McReynolds. 16x21 inches; discoloration from prior matting at all edges, remnants of hinging at upper edge verso, folds, faint seal offsetting touching signature, paper seal intact.
Washington, 19 June 1913
[200/300]
266  WOODROW WILSON. Three Typed Letters Signed, to various recipients. The first, to Edward Junius Edwards, describing the Wilson family genealogy. The second, to his former Secretary of State Bainbridge Colby, refusing to support U.S. monopolies in Ecuador. The third, to Life Editor Charles Dana Gibson, supporting the League of Nations. Together 5 pages, 4to, two on personal stationery; condition generally good. One with the original envelope.
Vp, 1898-1922
[1,000/1,500]
6 March 1898: ". . . My father, the Rev. Dr. Joseph R. Wilson, is of north . . . . Ireland parentage, and that both his parents came to this country (his mother was a Miss Adams of Philadelphia) at a period subsequent to the Revolution. . . ."
10 June 1922: ". . . I should feel very unhappy to have any part in fixing on the people of Ecuador [sic] the proposed monopolies, and a glimpse or two which I had in the past of the dealings of our financiers with regard to the Guayaquil and Quito railways make me unwilling to give them any further control in that quarter. It seems to me moreover highly dangerous and undesirable to give any of our bankers the practical unlimited control over the financial administration of the country. . . ."
19 November 1922: ". . . . . I . . . hope that 'Life' will return to its editorial policy of supporting the League of Nations. I have been deeply disappointed to see it reverse that policy, for it seems to me that all enlightened forces of the nation ought now to pull together and pull in the same direction. . . . I value highly the influence that 'Life' can exert. . . ."

267  (WOODROW WILSON.) EDWARD M. HOUSE. Group of 12 items, each Signed, "E.M. House," to Mr. or Mrs. John Hays Hammond, including two ALSs, 9 TLSs, and an IPS. The letters, most brief acknowledgments, some allude to political matters. Together 13 pages, 8vo or smaller; generally good condition, some mounted at corners to larger sheet. The photograph, "To Mrs. John H. Hammond, My Silent Partner / from her devoted friend," half-length portrait by Pierce, showing him looking into camera. Inscribed on the mount below the image. Additionally signed by the photographer on the mount lower left, in pencil. 9½x7 inches (image), 12x9¼ inches overall; moderate silvering at all edges.
Vp, 1915-36
[250/350]
11 October 1929: ". . . Your letter to the President is a model. It is brief, it tells the whole story and is convincing. If any revision of the sea laws is brought about so that the Freedom of the Seas becomes a fact and no longer a dream, the entire world will owe you a debt . . . ."
16 May 1935: " . . . Dr. Schacht, as Mr. Viereck says, is the most powerful man in Germany next to Hitler himself. I know him fairly well and would trust his judgment.

"Mr. Viereck is my intermediary in dealing with Germany and is in touch with the powers there. . . ."

Edward Mandell House (1858-1938) was an advisor to Woodrow Wilson concerned primarily with foreign affairs.

268  (PRESIDENTS.) Group of 15 items Signed or Signed and Inscribed, by a U.S. President or First Lady, including mostly Signatures, clipped and on slips of paper or on small cards. Format and condition vary.
Vp, vd
[1,000/2,000]
Harry S. Truman. Brief TLS, sending holiday wishes. ½ page, 4to, personal stationery; slight fading to signature.
Independence, 1 December 1966. With the original envelope *
George Herbert Walker Bush (2). Signature, twice, as Vice President, on a boarding pass for "An Independence Day Cruise with the Vice President." Additionally signed by Governor John H. Sununu and Representatives Judd Gregg and Robert Smith. 4¼x5½ inches; Autograph inscription Signed, "Bill Wheeler--Best Wishes," as Vice President, on an embossed "The Vice President" correspondence card. 3½x6½ inches. [New Hampshire, 4 July 1985]; Np, 21 December 1987 *
Bill Clinton. Signature, as President, on a ticket for the "American University's Centennial Celebration." 4x2¾ inches. [Washington, 26 February 1993]. With letter of provenance.


From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

269 LOUIS ARMSTRONG. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "Best wishes / To Martha Elliott," in green ink, half-length publicity portrait showing a young Armstrong holding his trumpet. Inscribed in the image, upper right. 10x8 inches; minor scattered creases.

Np, nd [150/250]

270 LEONARD BERNSTEIN. Group of 10 items Signed, or Signed and Inscribed, including 4 photographs, two printed scores, three programs, and a greeting card. Format and condition vary.

Vp, vd [800/1,200]
Photographs: Each half-length or bust portrait, showing him in ¾-view or profile. One larger image by Vandamm shows him as young man, inscribed to Kenneth Crouch. Each signed in the image or in blank lower margin. Each 10x8 or 5½x3½ inches; minor smudge to Crouch inscription. Np, nd.

Orchestral scores: Symphony No. 1 Jeremiah, and On the Town (Three Dance Episodes). Each signed on the front cover. Each small 4to or 4to, wrappers. New York: Harms, (1943); Schirmer, (1968); inscriptions: Np, nd.

Complete programs: Philharmonic Hall (2), the first for his farewell concert as Music Director of the Philharmonic, the second for his 1,000th Philharmonic concert, and Metropolitan Opera, for opening night performance of Carmen. Each signed on the credits page, the last additionally signed on the same page by Marilyn Horne, James McCracken, and Adriana Maliponte. Each 4to, wrappers, staple binding. New York, 1969; 1971; 1972; inscriptions: [New York, 1969-72].

Greeting card, inscribed on third page and signed, "L," to "Dear B[eatrice G. Jupiter]," thanking her for a note and pointing out that "[i]t helps to remember that you had a life once before all this happiness." Oblong 12mo, sheet folded twice forming 4 pages. With the original envelope, dated soon after his historic substitution of Bruno Walter as conductor of the Philharmonic. New York, 22 December 1943 [from postmark].

271  FERRUCCIO BUSONI. Autograph Musical Quotation Signed and Inscribed, "To Miss Evelyn / Davies," two bars from a march, notated on a hand-drawn stave. 1 page, 12mo; remnants of hinging at upper edge verso, horizontal fold. Np, 19 March 1901
[300/400]

272  GEORGE CRUMB. Autograph Musical Quotation Signed, three bars from his "Five Pieces for Piano," notated on a three-stave system, with holograph title and tempo directive. 1 page, 4to, 10 printed staves on recto and verso; three punch holes along left edge. Np, 1962
[700/1,000]

[500/750]
"Will you give me the pleasure of your company at lunch on Monday at one o'clock to meet Strauss, B. Shaw, etc; at the Royal Societies Club, 63 St. James St. Do come. I am sorry for the short notice . . . ."
274  DUKE ELLINGTON. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "To Johnny / Best Wishes," half-length seated portrait, showing him as a young man behind his piano. Inscribed in the blank lower margin. 5½x3 inches; minor soiling at edges.
Np, nd
[100/200]

275  GEORGE GERSHWIN. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "For Tessie, / Best wishes & love, / George," with an Autograph Musical Quotation from his "Rhapsody in Blue." The photograph, ½-length seated portrait, showing him playing piano. The quotation, 3 bars notated on a hand-drawn stave, with holograph title and tempo marking. Text and quotation inscribed on the mount below the photo. 7x9½ inches (image), 11½x10 inches overall; few cracks at edges of photo, few scattered abrasions to photo, left edge of photo and mount trimmed unevenly with portion of treble clef truncated, right edge of mount trimmed unevenly, some chipping to mount edges, remnants of prior mounting at corners of mount verso.
Np, 22 November 1926
[3,000/4,000]

276  GEORGE GERSHWIN. George Gershwin's Song-Book. Small folio, publisher's morocco, marked wear to all edges with loss to front corners and spine ends, joints cracked, covers slightly bowed, moderate scattered dampstaining; moderate dampstaining to edges of preliminaries and subsidiaries including signed colophon, lacking printed music for Gershwin's "Mischa, Yascha, Toscha, Sascha" issued in pocket on rear pastedown; lacking slipcase. SOLD AS IS.
New York, 1932
[800/1,200]
FIRST SIGNED LIMITED EDITION. NUMBER 37 OF 300 COPIES SIGNED BY GERSHWIN AND ALAJALOV.
277  (GEORGE GERSHWIN–PORGY & BESS.) Samuel Goldwyn Motion Picture Production of Porgy & Bess Signed by Duke Ellington, Richard Rodgers, director Otto Preminger, principal cast members Dorothy Dandridge, Sammy Davis Jr., Brock Peters, and 6 others, on rear endpapers. Small folio, pictorial boards, minor wear to spine edges and ends; signature of Peters retraced by him. (New York, 1959); inscription: [New York, 24 June 1959?] [350/500]

The New York premiere of Porgy & Bess took place at the Warner Theater on June 24, 1959, where this book was likely signed.

278  W.C. HANDY. A Treasury of the Blues. Signed and Inscribed, on the front free endpaper: "To Amanda Randolph / With appreciation / W.C. Handy / 5-1-1950." 4to, ¼ cloth, marked wear at all edges, marked chipping to spine ends, scattered soiling; faint toning at edges throughout, faint scattered dampstaining at upper edge throughout, few leaves with lower corner dog-eared; lacking dust jacket. SOLD AS IS. (New York, 1949); inscription: Np, 1 May 1950 [80/120]

279  GEORGE HARRISON. Check Signed, payable to Bell Street Motors Limited for £8.0.22 drawn on the National Westminster Bank Limited. Accomplished in secretarial hand. 3½x7¾ inches; ink cancellation mark through "a" of signature, ink bank stamps at center including one touching initial "G" of signature, endorsements in red and blue ink at lower left, three punch holes at upper edge. Np, 24 April 1972 [700/1,000]
JOSEF HOFMANN. Josef Hofmann Golden Jubilee. Program Signed and Inscribed on the front colophon: "To my very dear friend Wanda Auer / Compliments / of / Josef Hofmann." 4to, original gilt-titled morocco, worn; shaken, several loose leaves, moderate staining to endpapers. (New York: Cameron & Bulkley, 1937); inscription: Np, circa 1937
FIRST EDITION. NUMBER 68 OF 100 COPIES.


JOSEF HOFMANN. Autograph Musical Quotation Signed and Inscribed, one bar from his Chromation, notated on a hand-drawn stave: "Compliments of Josef Hofmann / Los Angeles, Calif. / Dec. 5th 1939." ½ page, 8vo, personal stationery; faint marginal discoloration from prior matting, remnants of hinging at upper edge verso, horizontal fold. Los Angeles, 5 December 1939

MICHAEL JACKSON. Moon Walk. Signed and Inscribed, "Love / to Joyce / Michael Jackson," on page facing half-title. 8vo, ¼ cloth, some rubbing to spine with minor loss to gilt; occasional marginal marks throughout in unknown hand; minor toning and creasing to edges of dust jacket. FIRST EDITION. New York, 1988; inscription: Np, nd
283  ARAM KHACHATURIAN. Autograph Musical Quotation
Signed and Inscribed, to “Tore Johansen,” two notes on a hand-
drawn stave. 2½x4¼ inches; faint scattered staining.
Moscow, 17 August 1967
[150/250]

284  ARAM KHACHATURIAN. Autograph Musical Quotation Signed, two notes on
a hand-drawn stave. 1 page, 8vo, "Hotel Bristol" stationery.
Oslo, 22 January 1971
[150/250]

285  HUDDIE WILLIAM LEDBETTER ("LEAD BELLY"). Autograph Letter
Signed, "H Ledbetter," to Harold Repelski ("Dear Mr. Repelsky"),
explaining that he has no money at the moment, promising to send $1,000 if
he is able. 1 page, 4to, "Sweet Singer of the Swamplands" stationery; few
short closed separations at folds.
New York, nd
[500/750]
"... [I] am in a tuff spot right now but I'm trying all I can to get a $1000
dollars if I can I will send . . . all the money and you pay to the papers . . . . I
am got to pay rent and some more, so plea[s]e for give me for not sending it
now . . . ."
286  THEODOR LESCHETIZKY. Autograph Letter Signed, “Théod. Leschetizky,” to “Dear Mr. Sievecking,” in French, concerning a young student who must change his attitude if he is to study with Leschetizky. 4 pages, 8vo, written on a folded sheet; short closed tear at upper edge, remnants of hinging at upper edge of first and terminal pages, faint scattered foxing, folds. Bad Ischl, 5 October 1899
[200/300]

287  FREDERICK LOEWE. Alan Jay Lerner and Frederick Loewe. The Lerner & Loewe Song Book. Signed and Inscribed to Agnes [De Mille] on a front blank: “To Agnes with great admiration / and my eternal gratitude for / her priceless contributions to / my work. / Fritz Loewe / Oct. 29th 1962.” Small folio, 4to, publisher's cloth, chipping to spine ends; small price label on rear free endpaper; dust jacket separated into parts at folds with scattered cello tape repairs and moderate loss at spine panel and lower edge. FIRST EDITION. New York, 1962; inscription: Np, 29 October 1962
[250/350]

288  WITOLD LUTOSLAWSKI. Autograph postcard Signed, to Tore Johansen, thanking him for his letter and adding, “To answer your question about my favorite piece: this one I have not yet composed.” Image on verso shows a view of Wawel Castle in Kraków. ½ page, oblong 12mo. Warsaw, 16 June 1967
[100/200]
289 GUSTAV MAHLER. Autograph Letter Signed, "Mahler," to "Dear esteemed Madam," in German, arranging a meeting and suggesting that Mr. Schindler also attend. 1 page, 8vo, "Hotel Savoy" stationery, with integral blank; horizontal fold. New York, [1908-11]
[4,000/6,000]
"I just learned that I will be attending a committee meeting on Wednesday at 5 o'clock. I therefore ask that you please come on either Tuesday or Thursday at 5 o'clock instead of Wednesday. It would be best if Mr. Schindler would also come."

290 GLENN MILLER. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "Happy Birthday to Doris," half-length seated portrait, showing him as a young man with a hand in the pocket of his suit jacket. Inscribed in the image, middle left. 7x5 inches; pinholes in upper corners, minor creases and abrasions along right edge.
Np, nd
[150/250]

291 IGNAZ MOSCHELES. Autograph Musical Quotation Signed, "I. Moscheles," 10 bars from a work entitled "Dissolution is the Goal of our Earthly Life," in German, notated on a hand-drawn two-stave system with holograph title and tempo directive. 1 page, oblong 8vo, embossed personal stationery; faint marginal discoloration from prior matting, remnants of hinging at upper edge verso. Leipzig, 6 December 1869
[400/600]
In Life of Moscheles, Charlotte Moscheles and A.D. Coleridge record Moscheles's diary entry for December 6, 1869, which includes his notation of these ten bars below the same title (London, 1873).
IGNACY JAN PADEREWSKI. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "to Miss Pearl Bryer, my little dear / friend / from / IJPaderewski," in pencil, half-length portrait by Elliott & Fray, showing him seated at the piano, in profile. Inscribed on the mount below the image. 5¾x4¼ inches (image), 8¾x6½ inches overall; moderate foxing to mount overall, remnants of hinging at upper edge verso.

COLE PORTER. Typed Letter Signed, to Paris Opera Ballet dancer Micheline Bardin, recommending a New York agent with a contact in Hollywood. 1 page, 4to, "Waldorf-Astoria" stationery; horizontal folds.

"... As for mentioning that I produce shows: it is incorrect. I merely write music and lyrics for shows.

"... I highly recommend the following agent: LESTER SCHURR . . . .

"I cannot assure you that he can get you work in this country, but I can vouch for his complete honesty, besides which he has a brother, Louis Schurr, in Hollywood, who is completely reputable; and this makes a very good tie-up with both centers of entertainment: New York City, N.Y. and Los Angeles, California. . . ."

CARL REINECKE. Autograph Letter Signed, to an unnamed recipient ("Esteemed Mr. Professor"), in German, thanking for the gift of a watercolor drawing. 1 page, 8vo, with integral blank, ruled paper; short closed tear at horizontal fold, faint toning at edges.

Np, 22 December 1881

[C300/400]
295  RICHARD RODGERS. Group of 5 books, each Signed and Inscribed, "To Jane and Bob Emerson with best wishes," on the front free endpaper. Each 8vo, publisher's cloth; generally good condition; *Carousel* lacks dust jacket but others worn.
New York, vd; inscriptions: Np, nd
|350/500|

296  ANTON RUBINSTEIN. Autograph Letter Signed, "Ant. Rubinstein," to an unnamed recipient ("Very esteemed Sir"), in German, hoping to arrange a meeting and proposing that he perform Rubinstein's new opera, *Feramors*. 2 pages, 8vo, written on the recto and verso of a single sheet; faint bleedthrough overall.
Baden-Baden, 23 June 1863
|600/900|
"... I would like to ... propose that you perform one of my works next winter. This would be my second opera, 'Feramors,' which had been performed at Dresden with applause. . . .

"I understand the opera staff of your theater is easy to work with and the cast could be filled easily. . . ."

*Feramors* premiered on February 24, 1863, at the Semperoper Dresden.

297  CLARA SCHUMANN. Autograph Letter Signed, to an unnamed recipient ("Esteemed Sir"), in German, declining to comply because of having promised Adèle that she would sit for a portrait [K.u.K. Hof Atelier Adèle in Vienna?]. 1 page, 8vo, with integral blank; evenly toned, folds.
Np, 8 January 1870
|400/600|
298  IGOR STRAVINSKY. Typed Letter Signed, to conductor Bernardino Molinari, in French, including three bars of music in holograph, explaining how his *Rite of Spring* should be performed. 1 page, 4to; folds, faint scattered foxing, remnants of hinging at upper edge verso. Paris, 1 August 1938

*4,000/6,000*

The music, bars 142, 174, and 181 from *The Rite of Spring*, notated on three machine-drawn staves. Of bar 201, Stravinsky points out that there is "no need for an accelerando . . . it should all be played regularly in the tempo indicated at 186 and at the start of la Danse Sacrale 142 . . . ."

The letter continues: ". . . I suggest you use my Columbia record where *The Rite* is recorded under my direction and you will therefore be able to find the answers to a lot of your questions . . . about the study of my piece. . . . [It is] a faithful document of *The Rite* . . . ."

299  IGOR STRAVINSKY. Autograph Note Signed, "Stravinsky," to Tore Johansen, in red ink, written at the end of Johansen's letter asking him which of his works is the finest: "All of them are good enough, each one in his own way."

Johansen's letter, explaining his hobby of collecting autographs and how he became interested in him from reading a recent article, and asking for a souvenir. 2 pages, 8vo, ruled paper, written on the recto and verso of a single sheet.

Hollywood, October 1966

*400/600*

300  DINAH WASHINGTON. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "Fondest regards / to Tore," half-length portrait by Stewart, showing her wearing a rhinestone tiara and fur stole. Inscribed in the image, upper right. 10x8 inches; some soiling affecting portrait, minor scattered dings and creases.

Np, nd

*200/300*
301 (MUSICIANS.) Group of 7 items Signed, or Signed and Inscribed, by 20th-century composers and performers. Format and condition vary.
Vp, vd [350/500]
Cécile Chaminade. ALS, to an unnamed recipient, in French, discussing one of her concerts. 4 pages, 8vo, written on a folded sheet. Np, circa 1900 * Ernest Schelling. ALS, to an unnamed recipient, requesting to examine a "Dixie manuscript." 1 page, small 8vo. New York, 6 December 1938 * Cyril Scott. ALS, to Mr. Chapman, regarding the time required to perform certain pieces. 1½ pages, small 4to, personal stationery: [London], 4 January 1939 * Leo Ornstein. ALS, to Mrs. Verbit, requesting that the manuscript be sent to a copyist. 1 page, 4to. Np, 30 September 1982 * George W. Chadwick. TLS, to Dwight Blaney, urging him to watch Sully perform. ½ page, 4to, "New England Conservatory" stationery. Boston, 16 December 1915 * Artur Schnabel. Philharmonic-Symphony Society of New York program Signed on front cover. 8 pages, 8vo, self-wrappers, staple binding. [New York], circa 1939 * Moritz Moszkowski. ANS, on a small card, in German, requesting that a letter be franked. 2¼ x 7¼ inches. Np, nd.

302 EDWARD ALBEE. Group of 3 books, each Signed and Inscribed, on the half-title: *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf* *Seascape* *Counting the Ways*. Each of first two, "by Edward Albee / 1983." The third, "by Edward Albee / For Jane Emerson / 1980." Each 8vo, publisher's cloth, the first markedly worn with tear in front board and staining to rear board; minor staining to signature page of first; first lacking dust jacket but others in fair condition. New York, 1962; 1975; 1977; inscriptions: Np, vd [100/200]

303 LOUISA MAY ALCOTT. Autograph Letter Signed, "L.M. Alcott," to "Dear Mr. Denny[?]," explaining that by agreement with Robert's Brothers [publisher of her *Little Women*] she cannot write more tales, and offering to write short articles for $10 per column. 2 pages, 8vo, written on the first and third pages of a folded sheet; separation at vertical fold nearly complete. Concord, 27 November no year [700/1,000]
"My engagement with Robert's Brothers will not allow me to write continued tales for any one at present.

"I have some more sketches taken from my foreign letters, like those printed in the 'Independent'--if things of that sort would suit you.

"By the first of January I could begin some short articles should you desire it. I'm afraid I shall be known as 'Hospital Alcott' if I write any more in that that [sic] vein so I've given it up.

"For short contributions I require ten dollars a column."
304 HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN. Autograph Quotation
Signed, in Danish: "The first moment of retirement is the
nosegay of the entire journey." 1 page, oblong 8vo; faint
marginal discoloration from prior matting, remnants of prior
mounting at corners verso, folds.
Ems [Bad Ems, Germany], 9 June 1868
[1,000/2,000]

305 RAY BRADBURY. Brief Typed Letter Signed, to Tore
Johansen, in red ink: "... My favorite of all my books?
SOMETHING WICKED THIS WAY COMES." 1 page,
oblong 8vo, correspondence card; minor offsetting from postal
cancellation at upper left.
[Beverly Hills], 19 September 1966
[150/250]

306 CHARLES FARRAR BROWNE ("ARTEMUS WARD"). Autograph
Letter Signed, "Charles," to his mother, requesting news and reporting
that his admiration for England grows. 1½ pages, 8vo, written on two
sheets; lacking lower quarter of second leaf [not affecting text],
remnants of prior mounting to verso of second page, horizontal folds.
London, 7 October 1866
[80/120]
"It is a long time since I have had a letter from you. Now, answer this
at once... I am all right... I like England more and more, the longer
I stay here."

WITH—Charles Farrar Browne. Autograph Note Signed, "Artemus
Ward," to an unnamed recipient (lacking salutation), on the verso of his
printed visiting card: "1 Box Pictures with care... Deliver Monday .
From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
ELIZABETH BARRETT BROWNING. Autograph Manuscript, unsigned, working draft with a few holograph corrections, a 24-line fragment from the middle of her essay entitled "Walter Savage Landor" [published anonymously in R.H. Horne's A New Spirit of the Age], 1844. 1 page, 8vo; faint scattered staining, remnants of prior mounting at corners verso.

Autumn, [1843-44]

In full: "forth, is of the first order. He is classical in the highest sense. His conceptions stand out, clearly cut and fine, in a magnitude and nobility as far as possible removed from the small and sickly vagueness common to this century of letters. If he seems obscure at times, it is from no infirmity or inadequacy of thought or word, but from extreme concentration, and involution in brevity—for a short string can be tied in a knot, as well as a long one. He can be tender, as the strong can best be; and his pathos, when it comes, is profound. His descriptions are full and startling; his thoughts, self-produced and bold; and he has the art of taking a commonplace under a new aspect, and of leaving the Roman brick, marble. In marble indeed, he seems to work; for there is an angularity in the workmanship, whether of prose or verse, which the very exquisiteness of the polish renders more conspicuous. You may complain too of hearing the chisel; but after all, you applaud the work—it is a work well done. The elaboration produces no sense of heaviness—the severity of the outline does not militate against beauty. If it is cold, it is also noble—not impulsive, it is suggestive. As".

PEARL S. BUCK. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "To Betty Ross, / best sincerely, Pearl S. Buck," bust portrait by Ben-Kou, showing her in ¾-view. Inscribed in the blank lower margin. 6x4 inches; mounted along upper edge verso to a larger sheet.

Autumn, nd

JAMES M. CAIN. Typed Letter Signed, to Tore Johansen, giving a brief synopsis of his life. 1 page, 4to; folds.

Hyattsville, 21 March 1962

"... I am 69 years old, live quietly in a suburban house, and am married to a most lovely wife. I went to college when young, and for many years was in the newspaper business, as a reporter, editor, and commentator. Then, sporadically, I worked for the movies, in Hollywood, but not too enthusiastically, or successfully. Now I do nothing but write novels, and it goes tolerably well..."
310 AGATHA CHRISTIE. Typed Letter Signed, to Tore Johansen, sending an autograph [present] and referring him to Ramsey's *Mistress of Mystery* for a complete list of her books. ½ page, 8vo, personal stationery, pale blue paper; horizontal fold.
Wallingford, 17 January 1969

[400/600]

WITH—Agatha Christie. Two Signatures, each on a small card, one additionally inscribed to Tore Johansen, one with the original envelope. 3½x5½ inches or smaller. Chelsea, 22 July 1959 [from envelope's postmark]; Np, nd.

[Colombo, Sri Lanka], 28 February 2007

[150/250]

312 JEAN COCTEAU. Autograph Letter Signed, "Jean / [asterisk]," to the daughter of Marlene Dietrich, Maria ("My dear, very dear little girl"), in French, sending warm regards. 2 pages, 8vo, written on the recto and verso of a single sheet; folds.
Np, 28 October 1954

[350/500]

"This evening, I sit here being sad without any other reason than to be sad--I think of you in that Las Vegas world which resembles you so little and with which it is impossible for your soul to interact. You must therefore be very alone and that's why these few lines come to embrace you and envelope you in the warmest, the tenderest, of waves.

"Here there is sun, flowers, friends and on the telephone the voice of Jeannot [Jean Marais] which is another kind of sun. And yet--I have this sickness of the earth that you know marvelously, you the victorious conquered one, you who triumph over solitude through solitude. My little girl--I love you and I feel you in my arms."

Throughout 1954, Dietrich led cabaret performances at the Sahara hotel in Las Vegas.

Property of the family of Marlene Dietrich.
GABRIELE D'ANNUNZIO. Group of 4 Autograph Letters Signed, "D'Annunzio" or in full, to an unnamed recipient, likely to his secretary Giuseppe Bonaspetti ("Dear Friend"), in Italian, mostly sending telegrams [not present], one declining appointments in order to write a manifesto. Each 1 page, 4to, most on "Italian Regency of Carnaro" stationery; folds, minor scattered smudges.

Np or Gardone Riviera, circa 1921

[600/900]

12 April no year: "From today until the 15th I won't receive anyone. I have to write the manifesto. If anyone comes, write his name and the reason for the visit . . . ."

In September of 1919, the largely Italian-speaking port city of Fiume [Rijeka] was occupied by a force of Italian soldiers (without orders from the Italian government) under the command of D'Annunzio, who claimed the city as an Italian territory. In September of 1920, D'Annunzio declared the city to be under the government of the "Italian Regency of Carnaro," remaining there until December, when the Italian army forced his Legionnaires to surrender.

CHARLES DICKENS. Autograph Letter Signed, to Marion Ely ("My Dear Miss Ely"), accepting an invitation to the birthday party of a friend's daughter in the voice of his character, Mrs. Gamp, from Martin Chuzzlewit. 1½ pages, 8vo, written on a folded sheet; folds.

"Devonshire Terrace" [London], 8 November 1843

[4,000/6,000]

"We shall be delighted to participate in the festivities of Mary's birthday. I was going to say Little Mary's, but Heaven help us, she must be dreadfully big by this time!

"Mrs. Harris says, only last evenin, as she never see a hand which giv her sech pleasure as yourn; not only on account of its bein sech a beautiful hand in itself, but because of its bein so familiar in the hold times as is gone and past fora hevermore amen. . . ."

Mrs. Gamp, and her imaginary friend, Mrs. Harris, appeared in Martin Chuzzlewit beginning in August 1843.

Occasionally, Dickens found the handwriting of Marion Ely--a niece of Mrs. Rachel Talfourd--worthy of remark, as in this letter. Mary Talfourd (1828-1901) was the elder daughter of the Talfourds'.

Published at The Charles Dickens Letters Project.

CHARLES DICKENS. Check accomplished and Signed, to "Pew Rent" in the amount of £10.10.0. 3x7½ inches; two ink cancellation lines touching signature, tiny hole near left edge, blind revenue stamp near right edge, inlaid, vertical fold, verso is blank.

London, 14 February 1859

[500/750]

While often critical of dogmatism and evangelism in religious institutions, Dickens, who was raised by Anglican parents, supported some religious institutions and practices, having written a version of the Gospels for the education of his children and, as shown in the present lot, having supported his parish church by paying pew rent--although he did not attend regularly.
316 ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE. Autograph Manuscript Signed, "AConan Doyle," draft of a statement outlining his conception of spiritualism and the current state and direction of the movement. 1½ pages, 4to, "Psychic Book Shop and Library" stationery, written on the recto and verso of a single sheet; lower ¼ of page completely separated (without loss), two holes punched in left margin (with minor loss to text), few scattered abrasions (with minor affect to text), folds. London, [1926?] [400/600]

"The movement is making great strides in England. England now leads the world in psychic matters.

"The last victory was the report of the Morning Post. It is our oldest and most solid paper. It appointed two Commissioners to examine the whole subject. They both reported very sympathetically both upon the physical & more particularly upon the religious aspects.

"It is the religious philosophy which is really most important. It is a new explanation of all those things which have perplexed the human brain . . . .

"This is rational & it comes with all the authority of hundreds & hundreds of messages from the beyond . . . .

"It all opens up a glorious future of hope & happiness for our race."

317 ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE. Brief Autograph Letter Signed, to "Dear Sir": "I shall be happy to dine with you. I think perhaps I had better stay at the Hotel but I am much indebted to you all the same." ½ page, 8vo, "Undershaw" stationery; slight fading to text and signature, folds. Hindhead, nd [200/300]

318 RALPH WALDO EMERSON. Autograph Document Signed, twice, "R. Waldo Emerson" (one in the third person within the text), granting power of attorney to Leander Gage for the purpose of taking custody of Emerson's property once belonging to his uncle Robert Haskins. Additionally signed by his elder brother Charles Chauncy Emerson as witness. 1½ pages, 4to, with integral blank; unsigned certification written in 16 lines at bottom of second page in another hand [Gage's?], folds. Waterford, 17 October 1835 [600/900]

". . . I, R. Waldo Emerson of Boston . . . do hereby . . . appoint Dr. Leander Gage . . . my lawful attorney . . . to receive delivery & take possession of . . . two pair of oxen, one ox waggon, one horse, one colt, two cows, & all the other stock & farming implements & utensils on the farm of Robert Haskins . . . ."

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
RALPH WALDO EMERSON. Autograph Manuscript, unsigned, fragment of 14 lines in ink, with holograph edit marks and subtitle ("Realism") in pencil at upper edge [from his topical notebook "XO"]). 1 page, 4to, pale blue paper; ink descriptions at lower edge recto and upper left verso in unknown hand, remnants of hinging at upper edge verso, folds.

Np, circa 1856

"It is impossible to conceal your opinion. It is known by the very attempt at concealment. One opinion seeks darkness. We know what that opinion is. . . . A man cannot utter many sentences without announcing to intelligent ears exactly where he stands in life & thought; namely, whether in the kingdom of the senses & the understanding, or in that of ideas, in the realm of sentiment & duty."

Published in *The Topical Notebooks of Ralph Waldo Emerson*, vol. 1, ed. Susan Sutton Smith (Columbia: University of Missouri Press, 1990), 226.

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RALPH WALDO EMERSON. Autograph Letter Signed, "R.W. Emerson," to J.S. Williams, declining to lecture at Waltham in January, but agreeing to participate if his course continues into February. 2 pages, 8vo, with integral blank, ruled paper; faint bleedthrough overall.

Concord, 28 December 1862

"I received your kind note . . . & if it did not find me in the hurry & turmoil of a bad traveller's departure from the Eternal City I might add a few words more to the simple obedience of your sister's wish. . . ."

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RALPH WALDO EMERSON. Autograph Letter Signed, "R. Waldo Emerson," to novelist Frances Eleanor Trollope, sending regards to her sister and husband [Thomas Adolphus Trollope]. 2 pages, 12mo, with integral blank; horizontal fold.

Rome, 9 March 1873

"I received your kind note . . . & if it did not find me in the hurry & turmoil of a bad traveller's departure from the Eternal City I might add a few words more to the simple obedience of your sister's wish. . . ."
RALPH WALDO EMERSON. Autograph Letter Signed, "R.W. Emerson," to his friend and later biographer Alexander Ireland, arranging a meeting, declining the services of Mr. Brown of Selkirk, anticipating a tour of the colleges at Oxford from philologist Friedrich Max Müller. 2¼ pages, 8vo, written on a folded sheet; slight fading to signature and last few lines of text, minor scattered soiling. "Oxford, House of Professor Max Muller," 1 May 1873

"... I have been travelling too fast for your letters to catch me. Today I ... rush to say with thankfulness & regret that my day for reaching Manchester should be the 12th May & that I will come to you then at Bowdon ... [I]t will be left ... to sit down at Kennedy's Hotel in Edinburgh & trust to the ordinary references for our visit to the important points ... ."

RALPH WALDO EMERSON. Autograph Letter Signed, "R.W. Emerson," to Walter Smith, apologizing for the delayed thanks for the gift of two watercolor drawings, returning a letter [not present] with Mr. [Charles] Ryan's address, informing him that he has written to Mr. Ryan, and noting that his son has copied the illustration on Mr. Ryan's letter. 3½ pages, small 8vo, written on two sheets, inlaid.

Concord, 29 July 1875

"... I write seldom & with difficulty ... whilst I have a book on my hands, long ago promised, & which requires all my best hours. I have now written ... using the address marked on the letter which you kindly sent me, & which I return herewith, with my thanks. My son, Dr. E.W. Emerson who sketches a little sometimes, was charmed with the skill of drawings on the letter, & made a little copy of it."

RALPH WALDO EMERSON. Photograph Signed, "R.W. Emerson," ¾-length seated cabinet card portrait by Notman, showing him with an open book in his lap. Signed on the mount below the image. 5½x4 inches (image), 6½x4½ inches overall; some silvering in dark areas, faint staining at mount edges with some touching signature.

Np, 1868-82

WITH—Four photographs, unsigned, each showing Emerson or his house in Concord. 6x8 inches or smaller. Late 1800s.
325  RALPH WALDO EMERSON. Autograph Letter Signed, "R.W. Emerson," to Anna Loring [Dresel], declining her invitation. 3 pages, 8vo, written on a folded sheet; horizontal folds.
Concord, 11 June no year
[250/350]
"I was almost sorry to be released from duty at the Music Hall . . . . But for a week or two I ought to stay at home, and it is now so settled. . . ."

326  (R.W. EMERSON.) ELLEN TUCKER EMERSON; AND EDWARD WALDO EMERSON. Two Autograph Letters, each Signed by one. Ellen: "Ellen T. Emerson," listing the most approved likenesses of her father. 2½ pages, 12mo, written on a folded sheet. Edward: "E.W. Emerson," giving the genealogy of the Emerson family beginning with Thomas Emerson of Ipswich. 4 pages, 8vo, written on a folded sheet; third page and closing on first page written vertically.
Concord, 30 January 1882; 29 April 1886
[80/120]
Ellen, 30 January 1882: "... There is no absolutely satisfactory likeness of [my Father] unless it be Mr. [Daniel Chester] French's bust, but the photographs of him that the family like best, and the only ones he likes at all himself [are] the one taken by J[osiah] J. Hawes . . . in 1854, and the cabinet-sized photograph by [Eliphalet Jay] Foss, 1873 . . . . Those by [George Kendall] Warren we particularly dislike."

327  PATRICK LEIGH FERMOR. Autograph Letter Signed, "Paddy," to Jeremy Bernstein, in purple ink, thanking for the gift of two books, explaining that the bit of paper on which his telephone number was written had been "wafted off the table by a draft of scirocco," stating that he has been slowly converting a speech he delivered in Crete into an article for the Spectator, complaining of the weather, and apologizing for his poor handwriting. 1½ pages, tall 4to, personal stationery, written on the recto and verso of a single sheet; folds.
Kardamyli, 13 June 2001
[150/250]
328 EUGENE FIELD. Photograph Inscribed and Signed, twice (one in third person within the text), cabinet card bust portrait by Morse, showing him in profile. Inscribed on the mount below the image, "To Julia, with love from E.F. / Nov. 1892," and on verso, "To be returned to Eugene Field." 5½x3½ inches (image), 6½x4¼ inches overall; minor scattered abrasions to image, faint scattered soiling overall. Np, November 1892 [350/500]

329 E.M. FORSTER. Autograph Manuscript, unsigned, working draft of a script for an episode of his "Some Books" radio program for BBC, remembering H.G. Wells, reviewing Forrest Reid's Milk of Paradise and Osbert Sitwell's The Scarlet Tree, [broadcast on August 28, 1946]. 5 pages, tall 4to, ruled paper, written on rectos of separate sheets; faint scattered foxing and soiling, few short closed tears at edges. Np, [August 1946] [3,000/4,000] "Anything I have to say this month must be overshadowed by the death of H.G. Wells. A great figure in world literature has been removed . . . . I remember being on a platform in the early thirties with him, to protest against the Incitement to Disaffection Bill. Wells . . . seized the opportunity to attack the Soviet Union, a topic which had nothing whatever to do with our objective . . . ." Published in The BBC Talks of E.M. Forster, 1929-1960, ed. Lago, Hughes, and Walls (Columbia: University of Missouri Press, 2008), 368-72.

330 E.M. FORSTER. Autograph Manuscript, unsigned, working draft of a script for an episode of his "Some Books" radio program for BBC, a review of Stephen Spender's European Witness and Rex Warner's The Cult of Power, [broadcast on November 20, 1946]. 8½ pages, small 4to, ruled paper, written on rectos of separate sheets; faint scattered soiling, folds. Np, [November 1946] [3,000/4,000] "Few important books have appeared lately--few anyhow have come my way. Perhaps the world is in too agitated a state for events to be recorded, or for the still more difficult feat of creation. . . ." Published in The BBC Talks of E.M. Forster, 1929-1960, ed. Lago, Hughes, and Walls (Columbia: University of Missouri Press, 2008), 374-77.
331 ALLEN GINSBERG. Group of 11 Autograph Manuscripts, unsigned, including 10 working drafts of poems and a page of notes. The poems, each complete except for "Poems About Eternity" and "Stanzas: Written at Night in Radio City," each with holograph title and few scattered corrections. The notes, list of poem titles, each with holograph note indicating reading duration (e.g., "¾ min"), the first five titles matching those of poems included in this lot. Together 12 pages, 4to, written on the rectos of separate sheets; marked toning and brittling to all edges.

Np, circa 1948

[4,000/6,000]


WITH—Allen Ginsberg. Four typed poems, unsigned, the first with holograph reading duration note: "Crash" * "The Setting Sun" ["Ode to the Setting Sun"] * "Why do ageless angels cry" * "No more of this too pretty talk" [from "Stanzas: Written at Night in Radio City"]. Each 1 page, 4to. Np, circa 1948.

332 ALLEN GINSBERG. Autograph postcard Signed, to Tore Johansen, mentioning a few titles from his oeuvre that he likes, and remarking on the global growing gap between rich and poor. Image on verso shows a view of the Royal Garden with Theatinerkirche in the distance. 1 page, oblong 12mo; minor smudging to text.

München, 9 November 1993

[300/400]

"... I like 'Don't Grow Old' poems, 'Father Death Blues' included; and September on Jessore Road (1971) and some recent poems like White Shroud.

"Increasing gap rich/poor is not only USA but worldwide & may get worse, no? Control or awareness of pride, vanity, anger, greed & ignorance would always help."

333 ERNEST HEMINGWAY. Typed Letter Signed, "I love you / Papa," to Marlene Dietrich ("My Dearest"), stating that he tried but failed to find her in Paris, explaining that he did not write earlier because he wanted to avoid bothering her with news about his poor health, describing how he was able to improve his health, and nevertheless complaining about his poor health. 1 page, 4to, personal stationery, onion skin paper; folds.

Finca Vigia, 30 August 1957

[6,000/9,000]

"... [D]own in Spain had very bad news about my health and did not want to bother you with that. You know I broke most everything inside or damaged it that last nonsense in Africa. ... Then had a very bad virus hepatitis in the end of 1955 and start of 56 and that was not good for my liver. ... Dr.'s kept finding everything wrong everywhere inside and I kept having to fix them up and the hell with it. ..."

"So not to die and please everybody I bring my blood pressure down from 210 over 105 down to (yesterday) 138 over 68. Bring my cholesterol down from 428 (terrible) to 208 (normal). That took seven months and they say you cannot do it. Weight down from 220 to 208 and held it there four months and now down to 203. ... [A]nd now in five days I will have done six months of not drinking. ..."

"... Not drinking after 43 years of drinking well and loving it and it being your oldest friend is not[thing] to write about. ..."

In late January, 1954, Hemingway survived two plane crashes in the jungle of Uganda. Although newspapers reported that all escaped the accidents unharmed, Hemingway suffered injuries that would continue to impact his health until he took his own life in 1961.

Property of the family of Marlene Dietrich.
334 ERNEST HEMINGWAY. Autograph Letter Signed, twice ("Papa" and "EH"), to Marlene Dietrich ("My very dear Marlene"), praising her beauty and acting, expecting to complete an unnamed work in Paris, apologizing for being so tired [on some previous occasion], and, in an initialed postscript: "Please keep in touch." 1 ½ pages, 8vo, "Ile de France" stationery, written on the first and terminal pages of a folded sheet; faint scattered soiling, horizontal fold. "on Board" [the steamer Ile de France], "Thursday" no year [6,000/9,000]
"Thank you very much for all your patience and goodness; also for being alive and for being so god-damn beautiful in film. Plus being so much a better actress than you ever were. 

"Trip was good. Have corrected everything to date . . . and will finish in Paris.

"Am sorry I was a tired and beat-up. But that is always the way; and afterwards a[m] careless and worthless. Anyway I love YOU WITH ALL MY HEART and Mary loves you too." 

Property of the family of Marlene Dietrich.

335 OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES. Autograph Quotation Signed, the last verse from his poem, "The Chambered Nautilus." 1 page, oblong 8vo, with integral blank; marked marginal toning from prior matting; folds. Boston, 28 December 1865 [150/250]
"Build thee more stately mansions, O my soul, / . . . Till thou at length art free, / Leaving thine outgrown shell by life’s unresting sea!"

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

336 WILLIAM DEAN HOWELLS. Brief Autograph Letter Signed, "W.D. Howells," to "Dear Mrs. Norton," declining her dinner invitation due to a prior engagement. 1 page, small 8vo, personal stationery; horizontal fold. [New York], 23 March 1896 [80/120]
**337**  
EUGÈNE IONESCO. Typed Letter Signed, to Charlie Lyons, in French, tentatively accepting his invitation to visit New York, complaining of recent osteoarthritis flare-ups, requesting details concerning trip accommodations and transportation. ½ page, 4to, thin paper; folds.  
Paris, 14 October 1986  
[300/400]

**338**  
NORMAN MAILER. Typed Letter Signed, to Tore Johansen, comparing his literary works to human offspring. ¼ page, 4to; folds.  
Brooklyn, 28 August 1965  
[150/250]  
"... [M]y novels are I think something like children to me, and on a given day I will like one best, on the next day another. The most agreeable occasions are when I like the whole family."

**339**  
THOMAS MANN. Autograph Letter Signed, to "Dear Mr. Tubbs," in English, expressing appreciation for the remarks about his books. ½ page, 8vo, personal stationery, with integral blank; moderate even toning overall, folds.  
Pacific Palisades, 27 January 1945  
[1,000/2,000]  
"I am very glad to learn that you like my books. Please be sure that I deeply appreciate your interest in my work. Accept my best personal regards and earnest wishes for your health and happiness!"
340 MARGARET MITCHELL. Typed Letter Signed, to "Dear Mrs. [Edna] LeRoy," expressing delight at her letter in which she asks questions and makes statements as if the characters of Gone With the Wind were actual persons. 1 page, 4to; horizontal folds.
Atlanta, 19 August 1936

"I have received many letters since 'Gone With the Wind' was published but I can recall few, if any, that I enjoyed as much as yours. . . . Perhaps because your expressions indicated that Scarlett and Rhett were real people to you instead of fictional characters. . . .

"As to the ending of the book and what happened to that bullheaded pair after Rhett walked up the stair that night, I can only say I do not know. To me the story ended there and I never looked any further. As I do not contemplate writing any sequel or if I can help it ever writing anything else again, I do not know what their ultimate fate was.

"Thank you for constituting yourself 'the defense attorney' of Scarlett. . . . I somehow never thought of her as a bad woman. Most women, in her unfortunate situation . . . would have done a number of things that were none too ladylike, for, to me, a woman who will not fight for the things she loves doesn't deserve to have anything to love."


341 ANAÏS NIN. Autograph Letter Signed, to William Seward, sending the gift of her book [not present], expressing appreciation for his understanding, giving her lecture schedule, and hoping to visit him in Virginia. 1 page, 4to; horizontal fold.
New York, nd

"...[Y]our letter was a gift, a gift I appreciate as an antidote to the crass, violent reviews I have received. I do need understanding for the destiny of my writing has been stormy and difficult.

...I am lecturing and reading December 4 to the 10th at Howard, Dartmouth, Smith, etc. . . ."

342 EUGENE O'NEILL. Typed Letter Signed, to José D. Carpio, thanking for sending a copy of The Wound and the Scar by Arturo Belleza Rotor (1937), and ensuring him that he will read it "[a]s soon as I come to a pause in my work." ½ page, 4to, personal stationery; horizontal folds.
Lafayette, CA, 11 October 1937

"[350/500]"
EZRA POUND. Autograph postcard Signed, "EP," to James "Arioste" Finley, in pencil: "Thats better / some of 'em dead / & others hollow / but that wasn't / the point." 1 page, 12mo; minor creases.
Washington, 18 November 1947 [from postmark]

[350/500]
In 1945, Pound was arrested in Italy, charged with treason, deemed unfit for trial and sent to Washington, DC, where he was detained in St. Elizabeths Hospital for the insane until 1958, when he was released by the efforts of his friends.

WALTER SCOTT. Document Signed, "Walter Scott of Abbotsford," offering to "the Right Honourable the Lord Lieutenant & vice Lieutenant of the County of Selkirk," "two or more companies of men . . . in the character of Dismounted Yeomanry [which] shall be attached as such to the Yeomanry of the shires of Roxburgh or Selkirk . . . ." Additionally signed by John Scott of Gala. 1 page, 4to, vertical fold through signature (without loss), evenly toned, faint scattered foxing.
"County of Selkirk," 28 December 1819

[300/400]
Walter Scott and his friend, neighbor, and kinsman, John Scott, were concerned about popular uprisings in parts of England and Scotland and offered to raise—and to lead—in 1819 a volunteer force to be called the "Buccleuch Legion."

WALTER SCOTT. Autograph Letter Signed, "WScott," to an unnamed recipient ("My Dear Sir"), informing him that Mr. [Robert Pearse?] Gillies would produce a prologue to an unnamed work. 1 1/2 pages, 8vo, written on the recto and verso of a single sheet; minor scattered soiling, small area of loss at left edge.
Np, nd

[300/400]
"My friend Mr. Gillies . . . has most kindly and readily undertaken the task of the prologue. He is a very amiable and ingenious young man but at present in bad health which will prevent his having the pleasure of waiting upon you . . . . I should think if you could spare him an hours reading of the Manuscript he will be more likely to execute his task to your satisfaction . . . ."
346  GEORGE BERNARD SHAW. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "To Mrs. Ensor Walters from G. Bernard Shaw," bust portrait by Wrightson, showing him looking into camera. Inscribed on the mount below the image. Additionally signed on the mount by the photographer, in pencil, lower left. 7¾x5¾ inches (image), 12¾x8½ inches overall; faint scattered foxing to mount, minor creases at lower left. Np, 7 March 1930 [400/600]

347  UPTON SINCLAIR. Photograph Signed, half-length portrait, showing him standing before a bookcase. Signed in the image, lower center. 10x8 inches. Np, nd [100/200]

348  ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON. Brief Autograph Letter Signed, sending his autograph. ½ page, 8vo, mourning stationery, with integral blank; horizontal folds. "Saranac Lake," 10 April 1888 [600/900]  
"I trust you may be able to say with conviction: Better late than never! . . ."
HARRIET BEECHER STOWE. Autograph Letter Signed, "H.B. Stowe," to "Dear Mr. H M," acknowledging receipt of a check of $100 for two installments of "Pussy Willow" and promising to send another installment. 1 page, 8vo, quad ruled paper; short closed tears at left edge repaired verso with tissue, remnants of hinging at upper edge verso, horizontal folds. Hartford, 26 February [1869?]

"I acknowledge & confess to the receipt of a cheque for . . . two last nos [numbers] of Pussy Willow--so far so good.

"Now . . . if you have got a picture of that sort ready well & good, it will do quite as well.

"I am detained yet in the land of ice & snow but shall hope to sail for the land where everlasting spring abides next Tuesday & not return till the middle of April--Shall try to send one more number before I go."

"Pussy Willow" was published in 1870 under the title Little Pussy Willow.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

HARRIET BEECHER STOWE. Signature and date inscribed, "Yours Truly," on a small card. 2\(\frac{1}{4}\)x4 inches; faint soiling along right and lower edges, remnants of prior mounting at corners verso. Np, 19 April 1892

HENRY THOREAU. Autograph Manuscript, unsigned, a fragment from an undated entry of his journal, recounting meetings with Hugh Quoil. 2 pages, 4to, written on the recto and verso of a single sheet; inlaid, horizontal fold. Np, [1945-47]

". . . [I was crossing the road with a pail in my hand,] when Quoil came down the hill, wearing his snuff-colored coat as in winter--& shaking with delirium tremens. I hailed him and told him that my errand was to get water at a spring close by at the foot of the hill over the fence. He answered with stuttering & parched lips bloodshot eye & staggering gesture--He'd like to see it . . . ."

Quoil's name is introduced in the "Former Inhabitants" chapter of Walden, which work Thoreau wrote at about the same time as his journal.

Published in Bradford Torrey, ed., the Writings of Henry David Thoreau, vol. VIII (Boston, 1906).
JAMES THURBER. Typed Letter Signed, to "Dear Mr. Bradley," declining to make further drawings. ½ page, 4to, "New Yorker" stationery; moderate toning at edges, faint scattered foxing, short closed tear in upper edge, horizontal folds. [New York], 24 January 1940

[200/300]

"I am glad that you like those murals and sorry that my tie-up with the theatre has put me so far back in my regular work that I'm afraid I'll have no time for further wall drawings . . . ."

Thurber and Elliott Nugent wrote the play, *The Male Animal*, which was performed on Broadway in 1940.

MARK TWAIN. Autograph Letter Signed, "SL. Clemens," to "Dear Sir," thanking him for trying to help correct Twain's statements of fact, pointing out that he has made no statements subject to correction, explaining that Twain's new book is only partly concerned with Christian Science, inviting him to submit a brief article for publication, pointing out that his own disrespect and irreverence are for Mrs. [Mary Baker] Eddy—not her followers, and, in a postscript written at end of second page and continued vertically in left margin of first page, additionally Signed "SLC": "I am suggesting to Munro that he get your article into the Feb. number--otherwise, short or long, it might be too late for my book. In the meantime, can you send me 'Retrospection & Introspection' [Eddy's autobiography, 1891]?" 2 pages, 8vo, written on 2 sheets; horizontal folds.

Riverdale, 5 December 1902

[3,000/4,000]

"I am glad to have the book & the other printed matter . . . . But as helps in 'verifying or correcting statements of fact' in my articles they will not be of service to me. I have made no statements of fact that can require that sort of doctoring.

"Now that you are going to write an article . . . I will leave all the correcting to you. I suppose you will 'correct' by assertion--as you did in the MS. which you left here yesterday. It is the easiest way.

"The book which I am going to publish will be set up and printed in February. It is not a book on Xn [Christian] Science--that is only a part of it; it will contain matter on various subjects--stories, essays, etc. If your article shall turn out to be very brief, I shall hope to get it in, but not otherwise, for there is not going to be much room to spare; particularly if I should conclude to finish my series with a Portrait of Mrs. Eddy 'drawn with her own pen'--a thing which I want to do if I find the time; for my irreverence & disrespect are pretty exclusively for her, not for her flock. I believe the flock to be honest & sincere, & that she is neither . . . ."

Whatever book Twain is intending to publish in February of 1903, it was not published in that year. Twain's portrait of Mary Baker Eddy (1821-1910), founder of the Church of Christ, Scientist, was published in 1907 under the title *Christian Science*.

MARK TWAIN. Signature, "Samuel L. Clemens / Mark Twain," on a slip of paper. 2⅛x⅛ inches; remnants of prior mounting at corners verso, faint scattered staining, vertical fold.

Np, nd

[350/500]

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
355  MARK TWAIN; AND EUGENE FIELD. Two Signatures, each by one: "S.L. Clemens / (Mark Twain)" and "Eugene Field," on a presumably unrelated bill of lading for the Ship Panther carrying plow steel, saws, and hardware from New York to San Francisco, dated July 22, 1868. Twain signed at lower center, Field at upper left. 5¾x11 inches, pale blue paper; folds. Np, after 1868 [500/750]

356  KURT VONNEGUT. Archive of 12 letters Signed, "Kay" or "Kurt Jr." or "Pfc. Kurt Vonnegut, Infantry," including 6 illustrated, to his parents or brother Bernard, most in pencil, including 7 Autograph Letters, 4 Typed Letters, and a postcard, on various subjects including the War, love, alcohol, art, etc., sometimes written in the style of a dialogue. Together 22 pages, tall 4to or smaller, mostly on ruled paper, some on pale blue or pale yellow paper, some with loose-leaf punch holes along left edge; minor scattered soiling or smudging (but still legible), few leaves with closed tears at edges, folds. Np, 1930s-40s [4,000/6,000]

To his parents:

[Early 1930s], ALS, "love Kay," written to his father in a childish hand: "My dad[d]y long legs is still excited about going to Indianapolis [sic]. . . . I wrote this letter the day you left. I wrote this letter with ink. Try to send a mascot [sic]. alices [sic] oscar Bug [ink drawing by his sister Alice showing an insect wearing shoes] send his love, . . . ." On verso is a similar letter to his father headed by a holograph ink drawing showing a long-legged spider.

24 February 1944, ALS: ". . . My immediate future is as much of a question-mark to me as it is to you. . . .

"There . . . were 140,000 A.S.T.P. men. 110,000 are needed for infantry casualty replacements. Of the 30,000 remaining there must be the dental and medical students, 5000 reserve 17-year-olds and engineers more advanced than I. So you see, my priority is quite low and my situation in the balance.

"Methinks if I am returned to troops it will be to the Artillery. . . .

"Life in Knoxville becomes more bearable as more loop-holes in the blue laws come to light. . . ."

30 April 1946: ". . . I have one helluva poor time of it concentrating. . . . I'm full of spectacular aspirations and faith in the field of Anthropology, but sometimes--like this one--I get frantically bored with it.

"Jane is writing an article. . . . Methinks she'll sell it. As you know, I've submitted a couple of things as yet uncommented upon. It is surely a temptation to throw over this filthy town and my frequently baffling studies . . . ."

[1940s], ALS, with pencil sketch showing a bottle of wine and mug of beer across which is a banner bearing a swastika and the word "VERBOTEN!": "An old guard State's Rights man, I say let Tennessee secede from the Union if she wants to. I've done more than just dream: I've written them an anthem and designed a flag--two blivits rampant on a field of mauve. The Anthem is written to the strains of Moe  I. Bloom's deathless 'When the Red Red Robin Comes Bob Bob Bobbin' Along.' The fifth stanza runs--'The Civil War ain't over yet / Ho one will stop us now, you bet. / Hail proud Tennessee, enemy of tyranny . . . ."

". . . That up there is a political cartoon; true, rapier-like and fearless. Knoxville is bone-dry and kept so by the Baptists, Methodists and Bootleggers. Beer is 3.2 and Ale is beer with grape flavoring. . . ."

"P.S. . . . If you think this letter is funny please say so. I'd like to try making a living at it and have no honest critics. This is not fishing but a cold, hard-put business question. Reply in kind."

To his brother:

8 July 1944, ALS, with pencil sketch showing a cartoon bald eagle between the words "US" and "ARMY" above a ribbon with the motto, "Semper Confusis": "It has been a fancy of mine, from time to time, to debate as to who has made the greatest forward strides during the past fifty years: the Negro, the Irishman or the female philosophy student. These three turgid days just past have given me abortive cause to observe and consider the last-mentioned minority group.

"Jane Marie Cox has just returned from Swathmore College . . . ."

". . . She is in love with a Naval Air Cadet who, in his freshman year at Swathmore . . . stated that he wished to be a professor. He has given the Coxes a Picasso and a Rousseau reproduction which hang in the living room. This proves he's a pretty arty
old shit beyond a doubt. I'm thinking of swamping them with enough Last Suppers, Mona Lisas and Blue Boys to paper the whole damn living room just to show them how cultured a person can be. . . ."

[Circa 1944], ALS, with pencil sketch showing a crest with the motto, "Vice, Indolence, Lassitude": ". . . Everyone has a talent or an inclination toward something worthwhile. If he's not born with one, his parents assign one to him. Why in hell did I end up with 'Young Kurt is quite a promising writer—they say.'? You and God's mouthpiece, Alice, write circles around me.

". . . My situation here is briefly this: I'm pulling down $54/month as a Pfc. I'm in advanced mechanical engineering. General Marshall requested that I take this course. When I balked he pulled rank on me. . . ."

"Jane's mother having gone insane represents a problem of miserable complexity. If we marry there'll be no children if I can help it. There's nothing either of us wants more than children. I dunno—haven't talked to her for eight months."

"Memorial Day" [May 30] 1946, written in all caps: "THIS IS AN URGENT FLASH: IF YOU GIVE A DAMN ABOUT YOURSELVES AND YOUR SON, THEN YOU MUST WRITE PRESIDENT TRUMAN AT ONCE AND DEMAND THAT THE UNITED STATES MAKE A DEFINITE ATTEMPT TO ORGANIZE A REAL WORLD FEDERATION. THE UNITED NATIONS IS AN ENFEEBLED FIASCO. IF SOMETHING IS NOT DONE WE SHALL ALL BE KILLED. IT IS AS SIMPLE AS THAT-CLEAN CUT, A CHOICE: LIFE OR DEATH. IT WOULD TAKE FIFTEEN HIROSHIMA BOMBS TO WIPE OUT GREAT BRITAIN. THE U.S. STOCKPILE IS ESTIMATE AT FIFTEEN-HUNDRED. . . ."

"I'LL NOT FORGET DRESDEN. VICTORY: OVER ONE-HUNDRED THOUSAND HUMAN BEINGS VERY MUCH LIKE YOU TWO AND YOUR SON BURNED, CRUSHED AND SUFFOCATED IN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS. THAT WAS TNT. IF THERE IS ANOTHER WAR AND IF WE 'WIN' IT, LIFE WILL NOT BE WORTH LIVING. . . ."

Provenance: Bernard Vonnegut; thence by descent to his heirs; thence by sale to present owner.

357 KURT VONNEGUT. Typescript Signed and Inscribed, "P.f.c. Kurt Vonnegut Jr / R.R. 14 - Box 223 / Indianapolis 44 / Indiana," a complete short story entitled "One for 'A.'" Inscribed at end of text on page 5. 5 pages, 4to, written on rectos only; paperclip stain at upper edge of first and terminal pages.

Indianapolis, 1940s

[1,000/2,000]

"The thick and heavy beech logs of a few hours ago were reduced to glowing coals; the great gaping stone fire-place was past sputtering and hissing, content to breathe quietly its last dying heat about the medieval room and to play a dancing game with the shadows amid the lines and furrows of its master's face. . . ."

WITH—Kurt Vonnegut. Fragment of an unknown typescript, unsigned, with two small holograph corrections, mostly dialogue centering upon a character named Dora Thatcher, pages numbered 7-11 in unknown hand. 5 pages, 4to, written on rectos only. Np, 1940s.

Provenance: Bernard Vonnegut; thence by descent to his heirs; thence by sale to present owner.

358 NOAH WEBSTER. Autograph Manuscript Signed, "A Federalist," complete draft of a possibly unpublished open letter on opposition to the Constitution. Numerous holograph corrections throughout. 8 pages, 4to, written on recto and verso of separate leaves; uneven toning with some brittling to edges throughout, few scattered short separations at folds repaired with paper, ink burn to first leaf with minor text loss.

Np, circa 1800

[3,000/4,000]

"In advocating the true interests of our Country—the Friends of justice and civil liberty have a difficult part to act. The Constitution which was formed to cement the union, insure protection, and advance the happiness of these great and good men. . . . [I]n all civilized societies the restless passions and selfish motives are often found to prompt an opposition to the wholesome restriction of law and Government. It could not be expected that the rising [fortunes] or happy prospects of our Country should protect them against an evil so . . . interwoven with the social State of man . . . that the best laws framed in wisdom and administered with Justice could afford no protection against the cavils and calumny of discontented and designing men.

"When our constitution was about to be adopted the efforts of these men became conspicuous and alarming. . . . [T]he factious leaders of opposition to all Governments of all description for these thousand years—Robespierre [sic] and Marat—Those sanguinary wretches whose names have become proverbial . . . were extravagantly attached to the people. Their greatest enormities were constantly palliated or justified by their . . . love for the
People... . . .

"... In the hour... of our greatest political danger, the united exertions of the true Patriots of our Country saved us from impending anarchy, perhaps from the horror of a civil war. The Constitution was adopted and for twelve years was administered with an example of public virtue and private happiness which has seldom if ever been equalled... . . ."

Not cited in or found among any of the following sources: A Bibliography of the Writings of Noah Webster, ed. Skeel, New York, 1958; Letters of Noah Webster, ed. Warfel, New York, 1953; all letters signed "A Federalist" published in 1795 and 1796 in the Gazette of the United States or the Columbian Centinel; the Noah Webster Papers at the New York Public Library.

From the collection of Milton R. Slater.

359 NOAH WEBSTER. Autograph Letter Signed, to attorney Samuel Fletcher, stating that the partner of his publisher has printed unlicensed copies of his Elementary Spelling Book, requesting that he discover whether any compensation can be had for them, and inquiring about the present disposition of the plates for the book. 1 page, 4to, with integral address leaf; minor soiling and toning at edges, folds.

New Haven, 7 February 1838

[1,000/2,000]

"Mr. Atwood, the publisher of my El[ementary] Spelling Book, wrote to me last summer... that Mr. Simon Brown was his partner & would continue to publish the book. I learn that Brown... has published great numbers, say sixty or seventy thousand; & if so, this has been done without a license & to my injury. It is said Brown has absconded, or gone south & that the plates he used are in the hands of the assignee of Atwood. I wish you... to ascertain whether there is any property which can be found to secure me, for this trespass; whether Brown is expected to return & in whose hands the stereotype plates of Atwood are--and whether any person is using them. I wish to put an end to such illegal proceedings... . . ."

From the collection of William Wheeler III.

360 JOHN GREENLEAF WHITTIER. Three items, each Signed, "JohnGWhittier": Two Autograph Letters * Signature, on a slip of paper. The first letter, to "Mr. Holford," agreeing to sign a testimonial concerning Sir R. Roberts if it is already signed by Longfellow, Holmes, O'Reilly, Owen, and others. The second letter, to an unnamed recipient (lacking salutation), acknowledging that, 30 years previously, Whittier wrote and published the poem he mentions and that Mr. Hughes has no claim to it. Together 4 pages, 8vo or smaller; slight fading to text and signature of first letter, signature on slip mounted.

Danvers, 13 June 1878; Amesbury, 21 May 1890; [6 June 1876]

[150/250]
361  WILLIAM WORDSWORTH. Autograph Letter Signed, "W. Wordsworth," to Lady Holland, thanking her for raising money on behalf of the Grasmere orphans, giving instructions for the deposit of the money, remarking that the money will be of substantial service, and sending regards from himself and his sister. 2 pages, 8vo, with integral address leaf; minor scattered bleedthrough, folds.  
Grasmere, 20 June [1808]  
[1,500/2,500]  
"I have just received your obliging Letter informing me of the Collection which by your means has been made for our Grasmere Orphans. . . . It will be a satisfaction to you to hear that we have raised as much money as we think we shall have occasion for, and that there is every prospect that it will be of substantial service to the Children. . . ."


From the Collection of William Wheeler III.

362  ARNOLD ZWEIG. Two Typed Letters Signed, "Zweig," to Menachem Yaskil, in German. The first, sending a typescript of an essay [by Zweig on Amos, an 11-year old fine artist; present] as an expression of thanks for the art print that arrived during the high holidays, and hoping to meet after his trip. The second, on a postcard, pointing out that a recent issue of the London magazine *New Life* [June 1947, Vol. 1] No. 5 includes Zweig's essay on Amos and an image of him and reproductions of his artworks, suggesting that Yaskil write the magazine for copies to show others, and in a 5-line holograph inscription on verso, mentioning his walk down Shaftai Levi Street [in Haifa]. Together 2 pages, oblong 8vo or 12mo; faint scattered foxing.  
Haifa, 3 November 1947; 3 January 1948  
[400/600]  
WITH—Arnold Zweig. Two typescripts, unsigned, different versions of his brief essay entitled, "A Master of Watercolors: 11 Years Old," one with notes in unknown hand, in English and Hebrew. Each 1 page, 4to or tall 4to; cello tape repairs on verso. Np, [1947].

363  (WRITERS.) Group of 12 items Signed, or Signed and Inscribed, including 5 ALsS and 5 clipped Signatures. The letters, together 6 pages, 8vo or 4to; condition generally good. The signatures, 2¼x4½ inches or smaller; condition generally good.  
Vp, vd  
[400/600]  

Julia Ward Howe. Clipped portion of an ALS, including only last line and closing: "I hope that you will live to serve it many good years yet. / Yours with affectionate greeting." 2¼x8 inches. Np, nd * John Greenleaf Whittier. AQS, a stanza from his "Lexington: 1775" beginning: "Their death-shot shook the feudal tower." 4x5¼ inches, ruled paper; marked fading to text and signature. Amesbury, 21 July 1875.

From the Collection of William Wheeler III.
CHARLES ADDAMS. Autograph Note Signed, "Chas Addams," to "Dear Mr. Bernstein," explaining that the drawing he likes has been promised for [Barbara] Nicholls's show in November and so would not be available until then. 1 page, 8vo, "New Yorker" stationery; horizontal fold. New York, 1970s

[150/250]

"Happy to hear that you liked the drawing last week, Can you be a jogger?

"I've promised the drawing for B. Nicholl's show for me in November and it's therefore unavailable until then."

After working at the New Yorker as a secretary for 13 years, Barbara Nicholls left the magazine to found in 1973 her own gallery on Madison Avenue featuring the artwork of New Yorker illustrators, including Addams.

ALEXANDER ARCHIPENKO. Photograph Signed and Inscribed, "To Miss Angela Diller," in red ink, showing his bronze sculpture entitled Onward, 1925. Inscribed in the image at lower right. 10x8 inches; pin hole in each corner, few minor scattered dings. Np, nd

[300/400]

LOUIS JACQUES MANDÉ DAGUERRE. Autograph Letter Signed, "Daguerre," to J.A. Bissinger, in French, agreeing to offer advice concerning his portable camera design, but requesting that he deliver it for inspection. 1 page, 4to, with integral address leaf; small panel torn from upper edge of address leaf, folds. [Paris: from postmark], 19 November 1839

[1,000/2,000]

"...[Y]ou tell me you have devised a . . . portable camera about which you wish to have my opinion. I am entirely disposed to give you all the advice that you would want, but it is indispensable . . . that I see your model. It is even desirable that you would bring it to me yourself . . . ."
367  WALT DISNEY. Clipped Signature, "To Ronnie / Walt Disney," on a slip of paper likely removed from an autograph album. 2¼x5½ inches; slight fading to lower portion of signature, newspaper clipping pasted to verso.
Np, nd  
[500/750]

368  JOHN FLAXMAN. Group of 8 items: 7 Autograph Letters Signed * Autograph Manuscript, unsigned. The letters, to various recipients, many concerning artworks. The manuscript, a 36-line fragment of undated notes concerning a lecture entitled "3'd Lecture on Sculpture." Together 11 pages, 4to or 8vo; generally good condition.
Vp, 1811-26  
[800/1,200]
29 March 1811, to Charles Taylor: "The pictures offered for Exhibition at the Royal Academy this year must be delivered at Somerset House on the 4th or 5th of April next ensuing . . . ."
28 April 1823, to R.L. Gwatkin: ". . . [T]he intended Monument for the Rev'd Archdeacon Mousley . . . has been so long delayed . . . . by one of those visitations which at some time is experienced in all families. . . ."
21 February 1825, to "My dear Sir": ". . . I saw the Stone Statue . . . its proportions seemed just and there was resemblance to nature throughout highly creditable to the Sculptor . . . ."
The manuscript: " . . . The barbarous state of sculpture in the time of Daedalus, Endaeus, Scyllis, Diponis, the slow progress occasioned by the unsettled state of society--the Argonautic expedition, the Theban & Trojan wars produced no great alteration in the manners or polity of the Greeks . . . ."

369  STANLEY KUBRICK. Typed Letter Signed, "Stanley," to Jeremy Bernstein ("Dear Jeremy"), declining to meet due to commitments relating to the film [The Shining]. ¾ page, 4to; faint staining at left edge, scattered minor creases and horizontal folds.
Np, 26 September 1979  
[80/120]
". . . I am too busy . . . to do anything else but work on the film, and I am afraid I'm not really unselfconscious enough to carry on doing this under journalist eyes, even when the journalist is a friend.
"I am also not sure what I want to say about the film—that usually comes to me after I am finished, if it ever comes at all. . . ."
370 JACOB LAWRENCE. Illustrated greeting card dated and Signed, with holograph text: "Happy Birthday Jake and Gwen." The illustration, watercolor drawing, dated and Signed at lower right, showing an assortment of fruit, filling second page. 2 pages, 11¾ inches square, separate sheets; short closed tear at upper left edge of first page, each with faint uneven toning at edges, minor scattered creases, faint scattered soiling, hinging remnants at upper edge verso.
Np, 1960
[2,000/3,000]

371 JOAN MIRÓ. Illustrated Autograph Note Signed, "Miró," to MoMA Director of Exhibitions and Publications Monroe Wheeler, in French: "Returning home, and with the nostalgia of your country, I send you a friendly memory," the first two words written at bottom of first page and the remainder on verso. The illustration, showing a figure surrounded by three stars on recto, and on verso, a line of four dots, in crayon of various colors. 2 pages, 4to, personal stationery, written on recto and verso of a single sheet; folds. With the original envelope, addressed in his hand.
"Son Abrines" [Palma], 10 July 1959
[6,000/9,000]

372 ARTHUR RACKHAM. Brief Autograph Letter Signed, to "Dear Madam": "Very many thanks to your President & Council for asking me to exhibit; but I am afraid I have nothing which would be at all suitable for your exhibition." 1 page, small 8vo; horizontal fold.
[London], 9 April 1928
[400/600]
373 ANDY WARHOL. Two complete 1979 issues of *Interview* magazine, each Signed and Inscribed, to Mickey Tinter. The first, inscribed vertically along right margin of cover, featuring Rachel Ward. The second inscribed vertically along left margin of cover, featuring Brad Davis. Each 16½x11 inches, color pictorial wrappers; slight even toning throughout, faint dampstaining at upper edge of October issue touching signature. August; October 1979; inscriptions: Np, circa 1979 [500/750]

374 BENJAMIN WEST. Autograph Letter Signed, "Benj'n West," to Richard Phillips, explaining that the delay in reply was due to gout, and inviting him to visit to clarify his desires concerning the artworks. 1 page, 8vo; some loss to upper edge (not affecting text), horizontal folds. [London], 17 February 1814 [500/750]

"... It has been the gout in my right hand, which deprived me of the power of the pencil, as well as the pen..."

"... [I]n conversation on the subject of your letter, I may more clearly understand what is your wish respecting my picture, and the wood print."