

CAUTION

AGAINST THE

RECKLESS AND NEGLIGENT USE

OF

FIRE.

(Extracts from the Act of Council 17 Victoria, No. VIII., Sections 1, 3, 4.)

I. If any person shall (except as hereinafter mentioned) ignite in the open air any inflammable material for any purpose whatsoever, within two yards of any growing crops of corn or hay, or of any stubble field, or of any stack of corn or hay; or carry any ignited material into any growing crops of corn or hay or any stubble field, or within ten yards of any stack of hay or corn, during the months of *November, December, January, or February*; or if any person (except as hereinafter mentioned) shall ignite any inflammable material in the open air, whereby the property of any other person shall be injured or destroyed, or shall leave any fire which he may have lighted or caused to have been lighted in the open air before the same be thoroughly extinguished, he shall

FORFEIT AND PAY

for every such offence any sum of money not exceeding

FIFTY POUNDS,

HORDERN
HOUSE

July 2012

Port Phillip Collection of
Robert Edwards AO

by Gaol or House of Correction, either with or without hard labor, for any term not exceeding six months: Provided that it shall be lawful for the owner or occupier of any land, stubble, grass or herbage, or to ignite any wood or other inflammable substance after he shall have cleared of inflammable substance a space of land not less than fifteen feet in breadth, or wood or other inflammable substance intended to be burnt, or wood or other inflammable substance ignited, of not less than fifteen feet in breadth, and after he shall have cleared of all land contiguous to the land from or on which the stubble, grass, or herbage, or inflammable material to be ignited, notice in writing, at least seven days before burning or igniting as aforesaid, of the time at which it is his intention to burn or ignite the same. Provided further that it shall be lawful for the occupier of any Waste Land, of the Crown, at and between the hours of two of the clock past meridian and nine of the clock past meridian, to burn off any grass or herbage from any such land in his occupation, after giving the like notice in writing as hereinbefore directed of his intention so to do to all occupiers of land contiguous to the land from which the grass or herbage is intended to be burnt.

III. It shall be lawful for any person whatsoever to apprehend any person who shall be found committing any offence against any of the provisions of this Act, and convey or deliver him to some Constable or other Peace Officer, in order to his being conveyed as soon as conveniently may be before a Justice of the Peace, to be dealt with according to law.

IV. If any person liable to be apprehended under the provisions of this Act shall

OPPOSE, RESIST, or ASSAULT

any person acting in execution of any of the provisions of this Act, every such offender shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and being convicted thereof, shall be liable to be

IMPRISONED, with or without hard labor, for any term not exceeding SIX MONTHS.

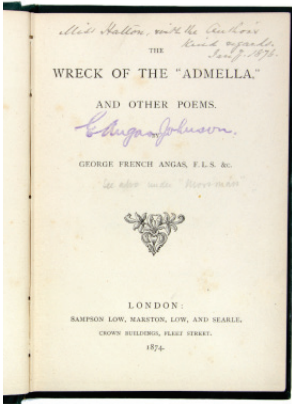
ANGAS, George French.

The Wreck of the “Admella,” and Other Poems.

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Small octavo, 91 pp., manuscript presentation on title-page, early owner's stamp, bookplate; a very good copy in the original green cloth, shaken, old newspaper reports tipped in. London, Sampson Low, 1874.

THE LOSS OF THE ADMELLA: EDGE-PARTINGTON COPY



A charming presentation copy of this uncommon book of poetry by Angas, published in London after he had returned there with his family in 1863. Presented to “Miss Hatton, with the Author’s kind regards, Jan 7 1876”.

This collection of verse spans Angas’s life and includes poems written in commemoration of two famous Australian shipwrecks, the *Admella*, which was wrecked in 1859, and the *Dunbar*, which was wrecked off Sydney Heads in 1857. There is also a poem describing the return to his homeland of his young Maori friend Pomara, who had accompanied Angas to London. \$625

ARDEN, George.

Recent Information Respecting Port Phillip, and the Promising Province of Australia Felix...

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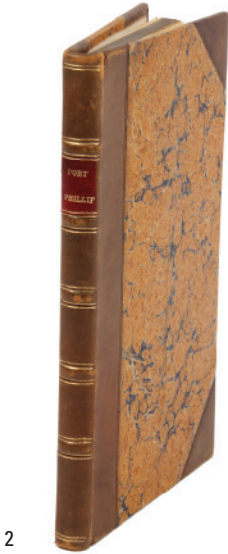
Octavo, fine in later half calf (a little rubbed at extremities), marbled boards with gilt lettered crimson spine label. London, Smith, Elder, & Co, 1841.

WITH THE BATMAN TREATY AS A PRINTED APPENDIX

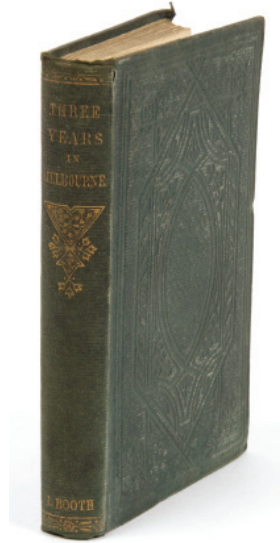
An attractive copy of a scarce and somewhat unusual Port Phillip handbook, with an early printing of the “treaty” drafted by Batman included as an appendix.

The author, George Arden, arrived in Melbourne in October 1838 and launched the newspaper *Port Phillip Gazette* within a fortnight. This handbook is an important milestone. This is the second edition published in London a year after the first was issued in Melbourne. Ferguson notes the Melbourne edition as the first book printed and published in Victoria. \$885

Ferguson, 3135.



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ASPINALL, Clara.

Three Years in Melbourne.

Small octavo, attractive in original blind-blocked cloth with gilt lettering. London, L. Booth, 1862.

3

MELBOURNE DURING THE GOLD RUSH

A spritely and good-natured description of Melbourne by Clara Aspinall, the sister of Butler Cole Aspinall, the Melbourne barrister who won fame for defending members of the Eureka Stockade including Raffaello Carboni.

Clara Aspinall stayed with her brother for three years and enjoyed the city at a time of unprecedented growth and prosperity. It is a light-hearted yet engaging description of Melbourne's social history during the gold-rush years. Of special interest is a description of sea bathing at St. Kilda, with details of the baths, sheds for changing, diving competitions and the like.

\$400

Ferguson, 6153; Walsh & Hooton, 'Australian Autobiographical Narratives: 1850-1900', II, 19.

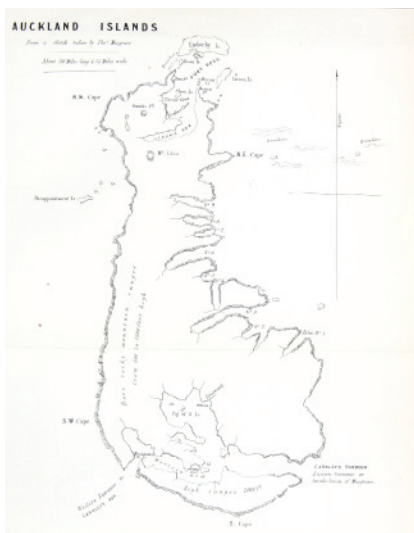
NORMAN, William H. and MUSGRAVE, Thomas.

Journals of the Voyage and Proceedings of H.M.C.S.

4 “Victoria” in search of shipwrecked people at the Auckland and other Islands.

Octavo, folding frontispiece map, 46 pp. (last blank); very good in recent polished half calf. Melbourne, John Ferres and F.F. Bailliere, 1866.

SHIPWRECKED IN THE SUB-ANTARCTIC



Detailed account of the 1865 relief expedition to rescue two crewmen from the wreck of the *Grafton* stranded on Auckland Island, one of the bleak sub-Antarctic group located far south of New Zealand.

The *Grafton* was chartered by a group of prospectors seeking tin on the Campbell Islands located some 700 kilometres south of New Zealand (the farthest terrestrial point from Greenwich on earth). In early January 1864 they wrecked on the Auckland Islands.

Soon realising they had been given up for dead, the men salvaged what they could and in a truly extraordinary feat of survival three men left in the tiny dinghy and finally reached the southern tip of New Zealand. They were taken to Invercargill where they arranged for

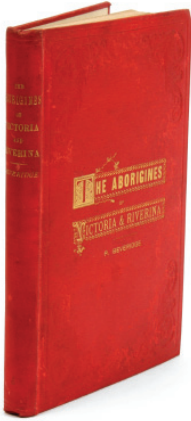
the rescue of the two crewmen left behind. This book is a published account of that relief expedition and is co-authored by Captain Thomas Musgrave, captain of the *Grafton*.

The preface contains an interesting insight into the environmental history of New Zealand's sub-Antarctic possessions.

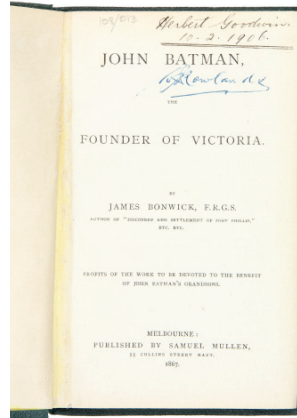
\$650

Ferguson, 13440.

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BEVERIDGE, Peter.

The Aborigines of Victoria and Riverina...

Octavo, original blind-stamped red cloth, gilt title; Henry White bookplate. Melbourne, M.L Hutchinson, 1889.

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AN IMPORTANT WORK ON THE VICTORIAN ABORIGINES

Attractive copy: Peter Beveridge (1829-1885) arrived in Port Phillip as a ten-year-old, and in 1845 he and his older brother Andrew drove 1000 head of cattle to Tyntynder Station, near Swan Hill. In 1846 Andrew was speared to death in a dispute with Aborigines over sheep. Nonetheless, over the next two decades Beveridge 'acquired an extensive knowledge of the Aborigines of the Murray, Murrumbidgee and Darling areas...' (ADB). \$1000

Ferguson, 6992.

BONWICK, James.

John Batman, the Founder of Victoria.

Small octavo, two later ownership notations to title-page, very good in original gilt lettered green cloth (a little mottled). Melbourne, Samuel Mullen, 1867.

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BONWICK ON BATMAN

First edition. Bonwick's biography prints – evidently for the first time in book form – long extracts from the journals of Batman and his companions. \$285

Ferguson, 7230.

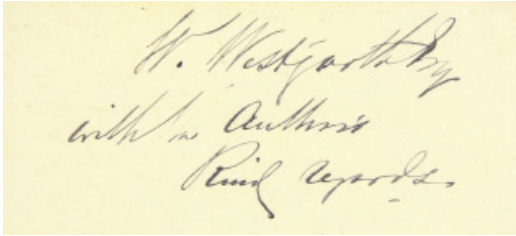
BONWICK, James.

John Batman, the Founder of Victoria.

7

Small octavo, front endpaper inscribed by the author; front inner hinge split and tender, otherwise a most attractive copy in original gilt lettered blind stamped green cloth.. Melbourne, Fergusson and Moore, 1868.

PRESENTATION COPY TO WILLIAM WESTGARTH



First edition: a lovely copy, here inscribed 'W. Westgarth Esq. with the author's kind regards'. A prominent entrepreneur and politician, William Westgarth also ranks as one of the first significant historians of Victoria. \$525

Ferguson, 7231.

BONWICK, James.

Notes of a Gold Digger, and Gold Digger's Guide.

8

Duodecimo, 42 pp., hand-coloured map and wood engraving by Calvert; inner margins neatly perforated from previous sewn binding, a very good copy in recent navy cloth with original wrappers bound in. Melbourne, R. Connebee, 1852.

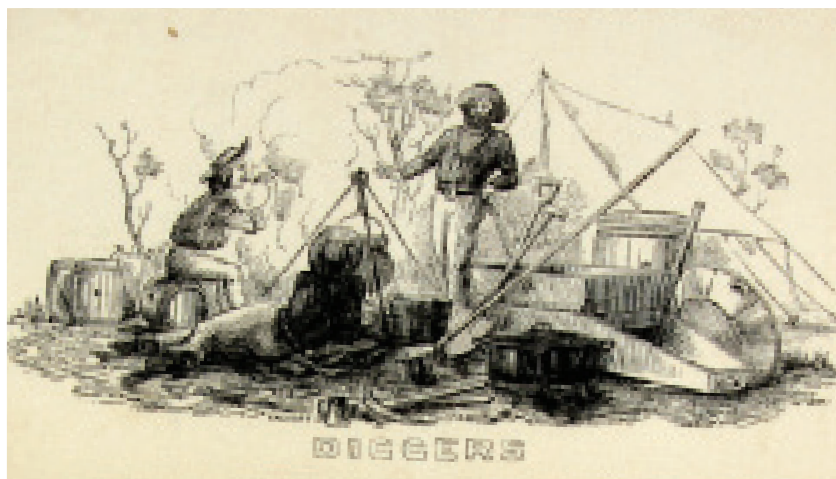
THE FIRST VICTORIAN GOLDFIELDS HANDBOOK (ILLUS. OPP.)

Very rare: the first edition of the first Victorian publication on the goldfields, illustrated by a hand-coloured map of "Routes to the Victoria Diggings" and a frontispiece, entitled "Diggers", both engraved by Samuel Calvert.

Notes of a Gold Digger provides rich descriptions of daily life at Bendigo during the exciting early days of the Victorian gold rush. This book is the first of many written by returned prospectors. Significantly, it is more of a social description of the goldfields than a mining guide, and as such provides an invaluable firsthand description of day-to-day life during the early heady days of the gold rush.

Bonwick's guide is a famous rarity, with only a couple of copies recorded for sale in the last decades (the most recent in the Davidson sale of 2007). \$5500

Ferguson, 7193; Keesing 'History of the Australian Gold Rushes', 393-394; Pescott, 13.



NOTES
 OF
A GOLD DIGGER,
 AND
GOLD DIGGER'S GUIDE,
 BY
JAMES BONWICK,
Author of "Geography for Australian Youth," &c., &c.

MELBOURNE:
 R. CONNELL, IN, ELIZABETH STREET,
 AND SOLD BY ALL BOOKSELLERS.
 1852.

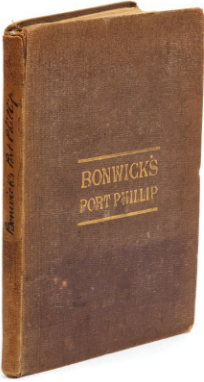


BONWICK, James.

Discovery and Settlement of Port Phillip...

- 9 *Octavo, with folding frontispiece map, very good in original purple cloth, joints starting, front board and spine a little faded, with early manuscript label 'Bonwick's Port Phillip' to the spine. Melbourne, Goodall & Demaine, 1856.*

THE 1856 ISSUE WITH AN EXCELLENT MAP



A detailed study of the early days of Port Phillip. Bonwick was renowned for his historical research, and the scope of the work is considerable, with detailed entries on the early newspapers, land speculation, the Victorian police force, trade and shipping and even a chapter devoted to hotels (a fairly dour description, no doubt, given Bonwick's lifelong aversion to grog). **\$500**

Ferguson, 7198.

BONWICK, James.

Discovery and Settlement of Port Phillip...

- 10 *Octavo, paper wraps, small tears at head of spine otherwise a very good copy in the original blue paper wrappers. Melbourne, W. M. Goodhugh & co. 1859.*

1859 ISSUE

Later issue of Bonwick's important work in good original condition, with "1859" on the covers but retaining the original date of 1856 on the title-page. **\$350**

Ferguson, 7202.

BRIDE, Thomas Francis (editor).

Letters from Victorian Pioneers...

- 11 *Octavo, folding map; a few marks and the spine a little sunned, but very good, presentation inscription, bookplates of George Mackaness and Geoffrey Farmer, presented from Geoffrey Ingleton. Melbourne, Robt. S. Brain, 1898.*

MACKANESS TO INGLETON

A very good copy of this now uncommon work, printing letters from Victorian pioneers to Governor Latrobe. Interesting on early settlers, and particularly as regards interaction with the different Aboriginal tribes. **\$250**

[BURKE AND WILLS] JACKSON, Andrew.

Robert O'Hara Burke and the Australian Exploring Expedition of 1860.

12

Octavo, title-page with engraved portrait of Burke, detailed folding map (a little split at folds), early owner's name on first page; overall a fine copy in rich brown half morocco by Sangorski, top-edge gilt. London, Smith, Elder and Co. 1862.

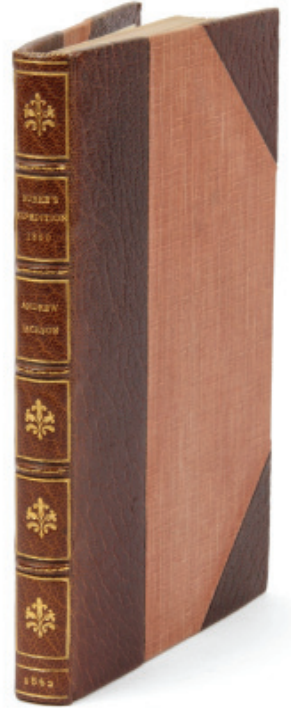
LETTERS AND JOURNALS OF BURKE AND WILLS

A fascinating contemporary published collection of letters, journal entries and other documents by members of the Burke and Wills expedition.

The editor, Andrew Jackson, identifies himself as an Ensign 'Serving in the same regiment with the head of the family to which belonged Robert O'Hara Burke'. The aim of this book is plainly stated 'My task has been limited to arranging consecutively the letters and journals of the explorers, and forming the whole into a connected narrative of the progress and results of the Expedition...' Nonetheless, Jackson bluntly confides his partiality: 'I have not been able to refrain from censuring the conduct of one of the party in particular, as well as vindicating Mr. Burke; who, in his character as Leader of the Expedition, presents a noble example of those qualities which are called for in a soldier, the voyager, and the pioneer of civilization.' Here Jackson refers to George James Landells.

\$1200

Ferguson, 10857.

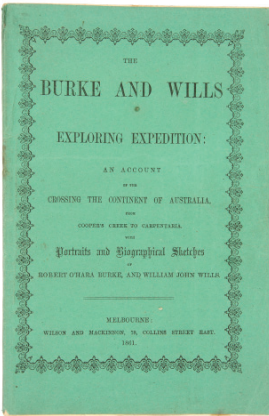


[BURKE AND WILLS]

13 The Burke and Wills Exploring Expedition: An account of the crossing of the continent of Australia from Cooper's Creek to Carpentaria...

Octavo, iv, 36 pp. (last blank), with a striking lithographic portrait frontispiece of both explorers (later portrait of Wills pasted to rear of frontispiece), a little foxing of the frontispiece and title-page yet a wonderfully preserved copy in original green titling wrappers housed in a navy quarter morocco bookform box. Melbourne, Wilson and Mackinnon, 1861.

A PRISTINE COPY: WITH THE PORTRAIT FRONTISPIECE



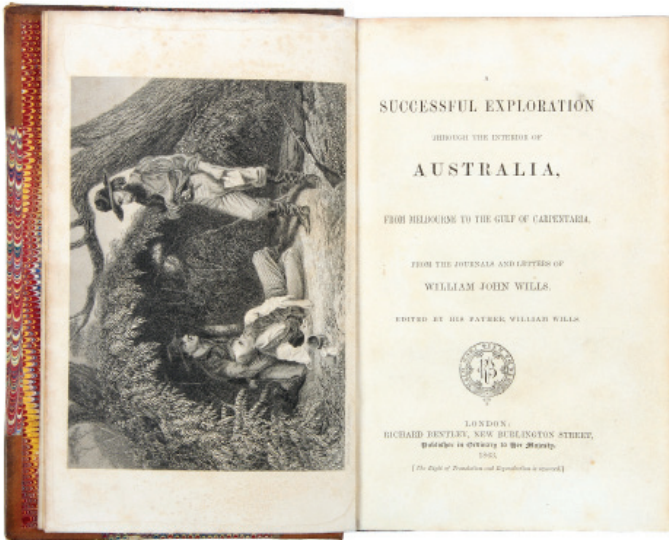
Scarce contemporary booklet reprinting accounts of the Burke and Wills tragedy, issued locally shortly after news of the calamity had reached Melbourne. Its editor states it was 'not put forth as a history of the Exploring Expedition. It is but the last sad chapter of a sad history...'

Although slim, the minute type of the booklet contains several important testimonies and manuscript entries; including a note sent by Alfred William Howitt from Portia Creek dated 10 October 1861, Burke's last despatch, the narrative of the sole surviving member of the expedition John King, lengthy extracts from the journals of Howitt and Wills and an assortment of notes from Burke scrawled in the desperate last weeks of his life.

Wantrup notes a number of different Wilson & Mackinnon imprints of this title. All are based upon the "Argus" newspaper accounts; this particular edition is the first to feature the unusually sensitive and detailed frontispiece portrait.

\$2450

Australian Rare Books, 164a; Ferguson, 7703.



[BURKE AND WILLS] WILLS, William John.
**A Successful Exploration through the Interior of
 Australia...**

Octavo, frontispiece, portrait and folding map; a very good copy in handsome contemporary polished half calf, gilt spine with crimson morocco label, marbled edges, a few scuffs. London, Richard Bentley, 1863.

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THE CLASSIC ACCOUNT OF A “SUCCESSFUL EXPLORATION”

The narrative of the Burke and Wills expedition compiled from the journals and letters of Wills and edited by his father for publication.

Optimistically titled ‘A Successful Exploration’, this volume features a striking frontispiece of the diminished party upon their return to Cooper’s Creek, a fine engraved portrait of Wills and a large map of the continent with the route from Melbourne to the Gulf of Carpentaria coloured by hand.

The appendices include the instructions issued to Burke by the Royal Society of Victoria and the order for a Commission of Enquiry issued by Sir Henry Barkly, Governor of Victoria. The most interesting document in the appendix is the report of the Commissioners, who are scathing about William Wright while exonerating Brahe for his departure from Cooper’s Creek.

\$1450

Ferguson, 18622.

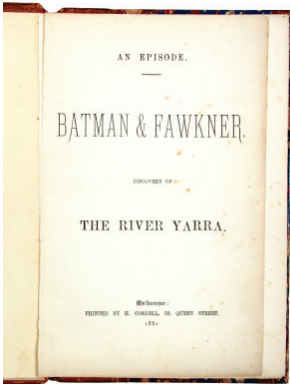
CAPPER, Richard.

An Episode. Batman & Fawkner. Discovery of the River Yarra.

15

Octavo, 10pp., additional "price threepence" leaf bound in at rear, title-page torn neatly along most of the gutter but intact; very good in tan quarter calf with marbled boards, spine bumped and chipped, bookplate of Dr. H. Boyd Graham. Melbourne, H. Cordell, 1881.

BATMAN SAYS TO FAWKNER...



Rare: a Melbourne-printed work regarding a conversation between John Batman and John Pascoe Fawkner, as related to the author Capper by Samuel Jackson. The small publication is considered an interesting addition to the debate about Batman and Fawkner's roles, and is only very rarely offered for sale. A reprint of the work was published in 1965. **\$750**

Ferguson, 7947.

**[CARTER, Charles Rooking]
Victoria, the British "El Dorado" or,
Melbourne in 1869.**

16

Octavo, with two chromolithographic plates (including the frontispiece) and a folding map with sea routes coloured in red; some scattered foxing, one leaf of the text and the map itself have sustained neat closed tears, both now neatly repaired; overall a very good copy with advertisements bound in, handsome tan half calf with raised bands by Sangorski. London, Edward Stanford, 1870.

MELBOURNE IN 1869 (FRONTISPIECE ILLUS. BACK COVER)

A genial description of Melbourne from the golden age of Victorian prosperity. Charles Carter was a prosperous building contractor who visited Melbourne in 1869, describing the planning of the town and prospects for future growth, the organisation of the cemetery and mode of burying the dead, a visit to the Melbourne museum, Chinese traders and workers, railways and nature notes including his admiration for Australian forests. Clearly written in the afterglow of the gold-rushes, Carter's includes the tale of the 'Welcome Stranger' nugget and anecdotes from the heady days at Bendigo and Ballarat. **\$750**

Ferguson, 7986.

COOPER, Frederic de Bréabant.

**Wild Adventures in Australia and New South Wales,
Beyond the Boundaries, With Sketches of Life at the
Mining Districts.**

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Octavo, lithographed frontispiece; some gatherings browned, a few leaves chipped at the fore-edge, otherwise a very good copy in an attractive half morocco binding by Sangorski (publisher's advertisements bound in), spine gilt with raised bands. London, James Blackwood, 1857.

FROM MORETON BAY TO THE GOLDFIELDS

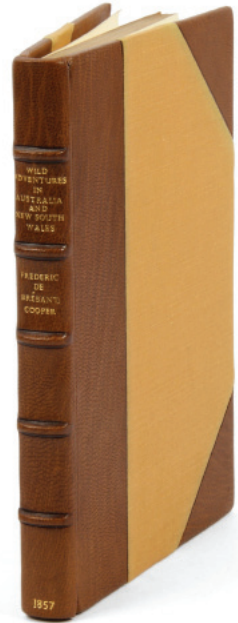
An eventful narrative of adventures in Australia with rich descriptions of Aboriginal life in north Queensland, including an eight-page appendix of native words of the “Neungir” dialect (described as the *lingua franca* of the tribes dwelling between Moreton Bay, the Gwyder River and Port Essington).

By his own account Cooper was a roustabout who travelled Australia in search of work. His account begins with a description of a wreck on the Great Barrier Reef. After reaching the shore in a long boat, Cooper worked variously as a cedar cutter and stockman in the north before travelling south seeking quick fortune on the Victorian goldfields, described in two fulsome chapters.

Cooper recounts conflicts with Aboriginal tribes around Maryborough and the Burnett River region, stressing the warriors he met ‘are not the spiritless, crushed beings that may be supposed from the descriptions that have hitherto been drawn of the natives.’ Although often engaged in armed confrontations, Cooper nonetheless records many aspects of Aboriginal life.

\$600

Ferguson, 8643.



CROSS, Joseph.

18 **Chart of part of New South Wales with plans of the
harbours. Respectfully dedicated to John Oxley, Esq.,
Surveyor-General.**

Large hand-coloured engraved map, 1180 x 650 mm., dissected and backed on linen as issued, the linen with a few stains but the printed surface very fresh; Ingleton bookplate, in the original marbled card slipcase showing some wear, but as issued with printed label completed in manuscript to front. London, Joseph Cross, but sold by James Wyld, 1828.

WITH AN INSET DEPICTING PORT PHILLIP

One of the great maps of New South Wales: this very fine and handsome map is notable for a series of important inset charts including Moreton Bay, Port Jackson, and Port Phillip. The map is dedicated to John Oxley, then Surveyor General of New South Wales.

This marvellous map is related to another first printed by Cross for the 1826 publication by James Atkinson, *An Account of the State of Agriculture & Grazing in New South Wales*, but such was the pace of exploration and settlement in this period that Cross first issued this significantly extended and more detailed map in 1827, and again with corrections in 1828 as here. Indeed, the map was not out of print for more than a decade, constantly revised to include the latest information. Any issue is now of some rarity, and copies in such fine condition are notably scarce, particularly complete with the original card sleeve in which it was issued. This copy was sold by James Wyld the elder of Charing Cross and has his printed label on the front; Wyld was the Geographer to the King.

The small vignettes printed on the Atkinson version are here replaced with charts of all the main harbours: Moreton Bay, Port Macquarie, Port Stephens, Port Hunter, Broken Bay, Port Jackson, Botany Bay, Jervis Bay, Twofold Bay, Western Port, and Port Phillip. There is also an inset depiction of the entire Australian coastline. The map prints a very detailed picture of the state of inland exploration, notably including the recent discoveries of Hume and Hovell.

Tooley knew this 1828 issue from a copy in his own collection. The Ingleton copy with shelf mark, noted in his catalogue as “extremely rare”. **\$18,500**

Tooley, 357; Worms & Bayntun-Williams, 'British Map Engravers', pp. 171 (noting the 1827 issue).



Chart
of Part of
NEW SOUTH WALES
and Plans of its
HARBOURS.

As published by the Hydrographic Office of the Admiralty, London, 1844.

Scale

JOHNS BAY.



SPRING BAY.

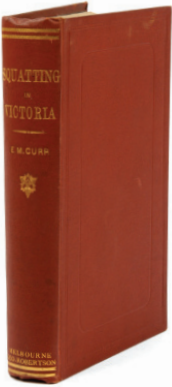


BASS STRAIT

CURR, Edward M.

19 **Recollections of Squatting in Victoria then called the Port Phillip District (from 1841 to 1851).**

Octavo, folding frontispiece map, a bright fine copy in original cloth with gilt lettering, bookplate for Walter W. Frogatt. Melbourne, George Robertson, 1883.



IMPORTANT ACCOUNT OF SETTLERS IN VICTORIA

A beautifully preserved copy of a significant account of grazing in Port Phillip, including sympathetic descriptions of Aboriginal life. The squatter Edward Micklethwaite Curr (1820-1889) worked for ten years on a large run near present day Heathcote, before returning to Europe. *Recollections of Squatting in Victoria* is renowned for the quality of its descriptions of Aboriginal life, with several chapters devoted to traditional culture. **\$400**

Ferguson, 8878.

DEAN, Johnson.

20 **A Trip to California in 1850-3, with Chapters on South-Sea Islands, "Port Phillip", and Beautiful Tasmania.**

Slim octavo, frontispiece and seven photo plates; in original lettered green cloth (a little stained), very good. Hobart, J. Walch, 1905.

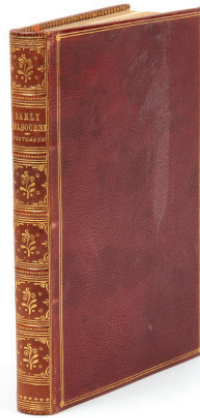
WITH FANNY COCHRANE-SMITH, THE TASMANIAN

An eccentric account of travels and adventures in the Pacific and California, interspersed with reminiscences of grazing life in Tasmania. This book contains a short chapter on relations between squatters and Aborigines in the early days at Port Phillip, especially the problems arising from the theft of livestock. The work also contains a plate depicting the Tasmanian Aboriginal woman 'Tangnarootoora' or Mrs. Fanny Cochrane-Smith, who recorded songs of the Tasmanian Aborigines on wax cylinders around 1900. **\$425**

Ferguson, 9038.



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[EDWARD HENTY] WESTGARTH, William.
Personal Recollections of Early Melbourne and Victoria.

Octavo, two tinted lithographed plates; a lovely copy in the author's splendid red morocco presentation binding, all edges gilt. Melbourne, George Robertson, 1888.

21

GIVEN TO ANNA MARIA HENTY, WIFE OF THE DEDICATEE

Important association copy of William Westgarth's account of the early settlement of Melbourne. It is dedicated by the author to Anna Maria Henty, wife of pioneer Edward Henty (who is depicted on the frontispiece).

This book is widely regarded as the most light-hearted and accessible of Westgarth's publications, humorously combining anecdote and reminiscence in a vibrant depiction of the fledgling settlement at Port Phillip.

As Westgarth left Australia before this book was through the press, he inscribed and signed number of leaves to be tipped into presentation copies. This copy, with the leaf inscribed 'To Mrs. Edward Henty, with the author's kind regards' is significant given the close personal connection between Westgarth and the Henty family. Although published in brown cloth, presentation copies such as this example are bound in finely ornamented deep red morocco with gilt edges, a lovely example of late nineteenth-century Melbourne bookbinding. **\$900**

Ferguson, 18421.

[FEDERATION]

Papers relating to a Federal Union of the Australian Colonies.

22

Octavo, 60 pp., very good in blue half morocco by Sangorski, spine lettered in gilt, bound without the single-page addendum. Melbourne, John Ferres, 1862.

PAPERS ON FEDERATION

An early work on the subject of Australian federation. A scarce collection of official papers and correspondence relating to the earliest serious discussion of Federation, the Select Committee under Charles Gavan Duffy. \$250

FINLAYSON, J.C.

Life and Journeyings in Central Australia.

23

Small octavo, photographically illustrated throughout; an excellent copy in the original printed green paper wrappers, housed in a green quarter morocco folding box, spine lettered in gilt. Melbourne, Arbuckle, Waddell Pty. Ltd. 1925.

A MELBOURNE NURSE IN THE OUTBACK

An interesting narrative of life at Oodnadatta by a Nurse from Melbourne who lived there from 1914-1916. Much of the tale is taken up with a recounting of her travelling in central Australia, and the account is illustrated throughout by photographs seemingly taken by Finlayson herself. \$250

FLETCHER, John.

Letter to the Right Hon. Earl Grey, on the Subject of Emigration...

24

Octavo, 42pp. (last blank), with single appendix leaf; a few spots affecting the title-page, very good in recent quarter polished calf, Ingleton bookplate. Edinburgh, William Blackwood and Sons, 1847.

THE POTATO FAMINE AND EMIGRATION TO PORT PHILLIP

A radical proposal to alleviate the appalling poverty of Ireland and the Scottish Highlands through subsidised emigration to Port Phillip, presented to the public through an open letter to former Prime Minister and reformer Earl Grey. \$650
Ferguson, 4505.

[FREDERICK VERN & EUREKA]

The Melbourne Monthly Magazine...

Octavo, with three mezzotint portraits and a lithographic plate, very good in original contemporary roan (joints worn) bearing ticket of Melbourne bookbinder William Detmold. Melbourne, Walker, Boyd & Co. 1855.

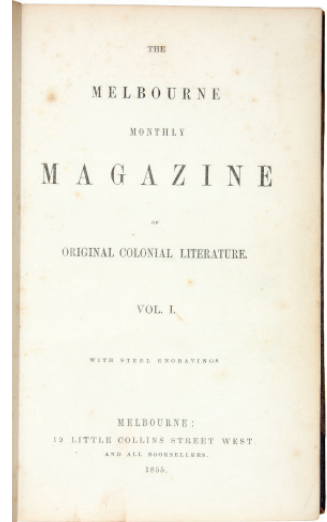
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WITH AN ACCOUNT OF THE EUREKA STOCKADE

All published: a varied and vivacious Melbourne literary ensemble, offering Victorians their own version 'of the first-class magazine literature of London, the class of which Blackwood's may be considered the type'.

This bound collection comprises seven issues dating from May to November 1855, as with copies recorded in Australian collections. Although short-lived, *The Melbourne Monthly Magazine* offered a remarkable selection of material. In this volume articles on current affairs (such as disturbances on the goldfields) are published alongside more eclectic entries on ancient Egyptian agriculture and mining, an explanation of the electric telegraph, theatre reports and autobiographical passages by new emigrants. The magazine provided an opportunity for amateur scribblers and poets to publish their work; such fictional writings include 'George Temple, the Gold Seeker' and 'The Autobiography of an Australian Flea'.

The November issue prints the first part of Frederick Vern's account of the Eureka Stockade in ten pages, 'as no account of these famous disturbances, from the point of view in which they were regarded by the misguided miners, has hitherto been published...'.
\$1200



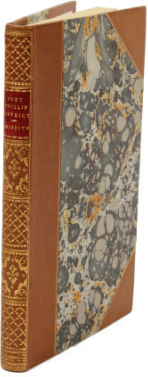
GRIFFITH, Charles.

The Present State and Prospects of the Port Phillip District of New South Wales.

26

Octavo, with a frontispiece, a fine copy in recent tan half calf with ornate gilt spine ornament. Dublin, William Curry, 1845.

AN EXCELLENT COPY: THE LIFE AND OPINIONS OF A SQUATTER



The first edition, published in Dublin, of a scarce Port Phillip account in unusually attractive condition.

Charles Griffith (1808-1863) was an Irish pastoralist who later served on the Victorian Legislative Council. Griffith wrote most of his book in the bush 'to divert the solitude of an Australian hut' and apologises that some issues may have assumed undue importance due to his isolation. *The Present State and Prospects of the Port Phillip District* describes conditions both in the city of Melbourne and further afield, with sections on colonial society, crime, the squatting system and the strong desire for separation from New South Wales. Of the two chapters devoted to the life and customs of the Aborigines, the second addresses the issue of their land

rights. Ferguson describes this book as 'a simple and temperate statement of the squatting life and interests'.

\$950

Ferguson, 4055.

GURNER, Henry Field.

Chronicle of Port Phillip now the Colony of Victoria from 1770 to 1840.

27

Octavo, title, 52 pages, occasional contemporary annotations, early owner's name "Mabel Mary Curr", very good in recent polished calf. Melbourne, George Robertson, 1876.

THE EARLY HISTORY OF PORT PHILLIP

Good early history, in an attractive modern binding. This book is an historical chronicle of the early history of the Port Phillip district to the year 1840. It is arranged annually, with monthly entries, so providing a highly detailed reference for the settlement of the region and growth of Melbourne.

\$250

Ferguson, 10147.

[HAMILTON, George]

Experiences of a Colonist Forty Years Ago, and a Journey from Port Phillip to South Australia in 1839.

28

Octavo, frontispiece and five wood engraved plates, a little rubbed and marked yet a very good copy in the publisher's gilt lettered cloth, bumped. Adelaide, Frearson and Brother, 1879.

TWO OVERLAND JOURNEYS FROM PORT PHILLIP TO ADELAIDE

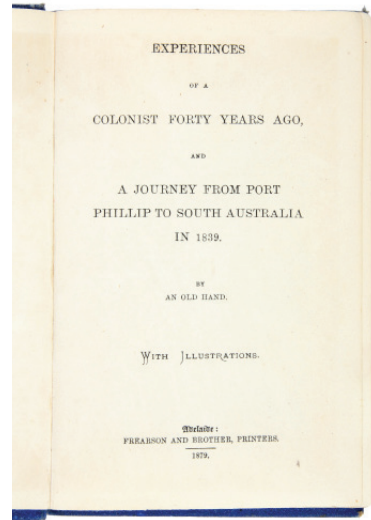
A scarce and informative account of grazing life in south-eastern Australia, with vibrant and conversational descriptions of Port Phillip and Adelaide. George Hamilton worked as a grazier for many years before being appointed an inspector of the mounted police in Adelaide in 1853. A prolific author and amateur artist, Hamilton was closely associated with Australian inland exploration.

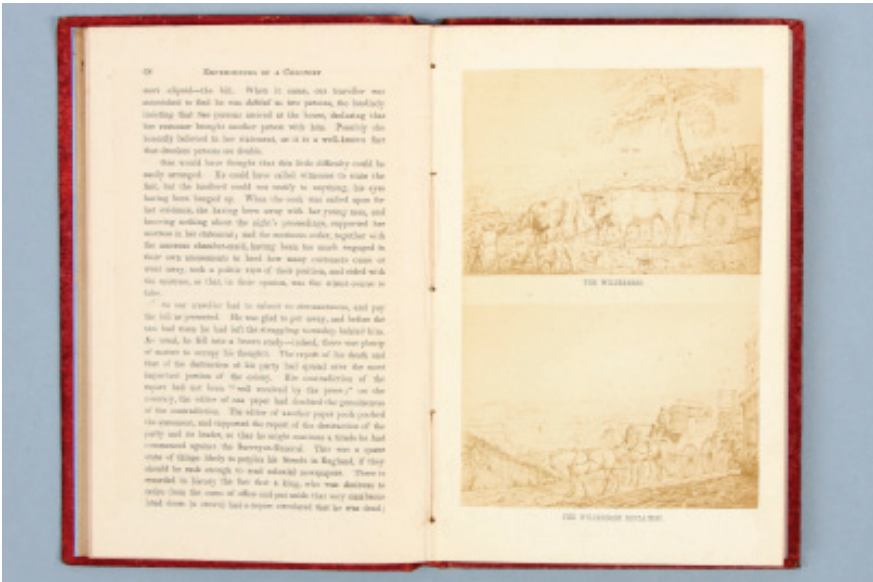
In 1839 he travelled overland from Port Phillip to Adelaide with 350 head of cattle along the route used by Charles Bonney west from Port Phillip, following the coast until Lake Alexandrina and later crossing the Murray river at Wellington. Bonney eventually reached Adelaide by traversing Mount Barker and the Lofty Ranges, having drunk the blood of a bullock for lack of water.

The journey was filled with danger and hardship, yet the author writes with good humour about his experiences in a vast and barely explored wilderness. His account is rich with descriptions of contact and trading with Aboriginal tribes, and is filled with curious natural history details and observations.

\$1350

Ferguson, 10183.





[HAMILTON, George]

Experiences of a Colonist Forty Years Ago...

Octavo, photographic frontispiece and two other sheets (five illustrations in total); very good indeed in the original red cloth, decorated in blind and gilt, a few bumps, flecked noticeably to spine. Adelaide, J. Williams, 1880.

THE CORRECTED SECOND EDITION WITH PHOTOGRAPHIC PLATES

Rare. The second edition of Hamilton's account of two overland journeys from Port Phillip to Adelaide in 1839 and 1846 is known for the inclusion of photographic plates, reproducing drawings done by Hamilton himself.

The first edition, rather differently arranged, was published in 1879 (see previous). Holden notes: 'the first edition of this work was published in 1879 and was illustrated with six wood-engravings... Five of the six original wash drawings from which these wood-engravings were done were then photographed for the second edition. The same List of Illustrations, however, was bound into the second edition and hence confuses the collation.' Holden includes an excellent biographical note on Hamilton, artist, horse-fancier, and early SA settler.

The title-page has the early manuscript name of "J. Hindmarsh".

\$1900

Ferguson, 10184; Holden, 49.

HEYWOOD, Benjamin Arthur.

Travels and Excursions in Victoria, Tasmania, New South Wales, Queensland and New Zealand.

30

Octavo, frontispiece and lithographed plates, two maps (one folding), fine in splendid half red morocco by Sangorski, top edge gilt. London, Longman, Green, Longman and Roberts, 1863.

BEAUTIFULLY BOUND

A good natured if idiosyncratic account of a journey through Australia and New Zealand, undertaken by the author 'for the benefit of my health'.

The 29-page introductory chapter on the discovery of *Terra Australis* includes two maps reproduced from earlier works, Tasman's chart of New Holland (from Harris's *Voyages* of 1744) and another early 17th-century map of Northern Australia, ostensibly Portuguese in origin.

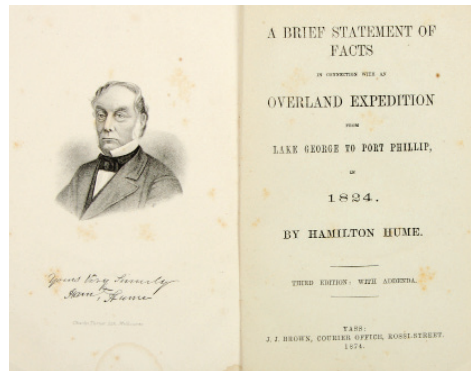
\$475

Ferguson, 10401.

HUME, Hamilton.

A Brief Statement of Facts in Connection with an Overland Expedition from Lake George to Port Phillip in 1824.

Octavo, small water-stain to lower margin of the frontispiece, front hinge tender, good in original stiff green cloth wrappers with original paper label, Mackanness bookplate. Yass, J. J. Brown, 1874.



A scarce title in entirely original condition, being the third edition of Hamilton Hume's account of his now famous pioneering journey of discovery overland to Port Phillip. The preface details the poisonous exchanges between Hume and William Hovell over several decades, with both men charging each other with rank incompetence. To bolster his claims, Hume published a range of letters in the preface from travelling companions and other leading figures including Charles Sturt and Sir Thomas Mitchell.

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\$2200

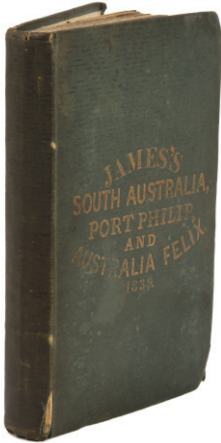
Ferguson, 10665; Wantrup, 113a.

JAMES, T. Horton.

32 **Six Months in South Australia; with some account of
Port Phillip and Portland Bay in Australia Felix...**

Small octavo, folding map, very good in original green cloth (rubbed, some wear to extremities), with the publisher's advertisements. London, J. Cross, 1838.

FIRST NOTICE OF THE EYRE EXPEDITION OF 1838



Scarce. An unusually good copy of in the original green cloth, of this account of a voyage to South Australia, including a significant chapter on Port Phillip.

A manuscript note on the front endpaper suggests this copy may have been in the possession of a migrant to South Australia. It notes details of the *Herefordshire*, a vessel of 1,335 tons, with dates of departure from Plymouth and Southampton and a charge of £20 to the Cape of Good Hope. The details of a shipping agent, Mr. John Marshall of Cornhill, are included in the note.

James prints the journals of several private expeditions undertaken in the early years of settlement, including an account of Hawdon's famous overlanding expedition as well as other expeditions to Encounter Bay, Lake Alexandrina and to the River Murray. 'Every exploration library should include a copy of James's valuable little book...' (Wantrup).

This copy is complete with the unnumbered 4-page "Postscript" between pages 208 and 209. This addendum mentions in detail Eyre's overlanding expedition from Port Phillip to Adelaide in 1838 during which he discovered and named Lake Hindmarsh. 'These few paragraphs... provide the very first appearance in book form of the great explorer, Edward John Eyre...' (Wantrup). \$2000

Ferguson, 2525; Wantrup, 153.

JAMES, Thomas Horton.

Six Months in South Australia; with some account of Port Philip and Portland Bay, in Australia Felix; with advice to emigrants; to which is added a monthly calendar of gardening and agriculture. Adapted to the climate and the seasons.

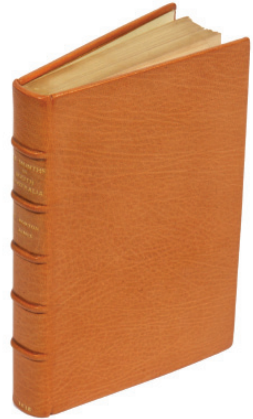
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Octavo, with folding map of Port Lincoln as frontispiece and another map of Encounter Bay, with the 4-page Postscript; in fine condition, in a fine full niger morocco binding by Sangorski & Sutcliffe, top edges gilt, others rough-trimmed. London, J. Cross, 1838.

ANOTHER COPY, IN A SANGORSKI BINDING

First edition in an appealing Sangorski binding, also complete with the unnumbered 4-page 'Postscript' between pages 208-9 detailing Eyre's 1838 expedition from Port Phillip to Adelaide. **\$2200**

Billot, 126; Ferguson, 2525; People, Print & Paper, 95; Wantrup, 153.



JUST, P.

Australia; or Notes Taken During a Residence in the Colonies from the Gold Discovery in 1851 till 1857.

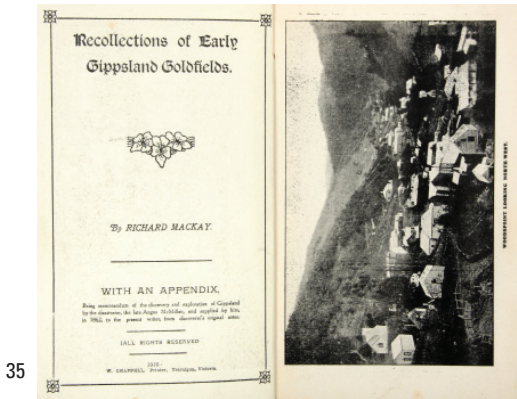
34

Octavo, colour lithograph frontispiece and black & white map, library stamp for East London Institute for Home & Foreign Missions, a few spots, tear to the half-title but no loss; very good in modern red half morocco by Sangorski, spine lettered in gilt. Dundee, Durham & Thomson, 1859.

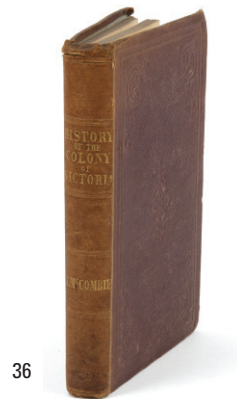
WITH CHROMOLITHOGRAPHS OF VICTORIA

A most unusual account of Australia in the 1850s by a "Merchant in Melbourne". The work includes a good deal on the Murray River, land settlements, the gold rush, the Chinese in Victoria, and much else. The coloured lithographic frontispiece depicts "Falls of the Yarra Yarra, Melbourne." **\$600**

Ferguson, 11041.



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MACKAY, Richard.

Recollections of Early Gippsland Goldfields.

- 35 Octavo, frontispiece view of Woodpoint and 5 plates depicting Victorian dignitaries; very good in the original limp cloth, lettered in gilt. Taralgon, Victoria, W. Chappell, 1916.

PROVINCIALY PRINTED

An excellent copy: Gippsland and the goldfields. The portraits are of important Victorians such as Sir Charles Gavan Duffy and Angus Macmillan. **\$185**

McCOMBIE, Thomas.

The History of the Colony of Victoria from its Settlement to the Death of Sir Charles Hotham.

- 36 Octavo, very good in original blind blocked brown cloth, bookplate of G.H. Hammersley of Sydney. Melbourne, Sands and Kenny, 1858.

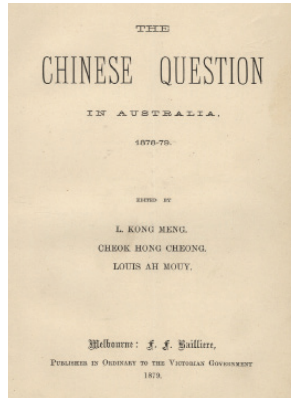
VICTORIA FOR VICTORIANS

Thomas McCombie (1819-1869), politician, squatter and sometime novelist, wrote this history of the colony from within. McCombie's book includes chapters on the Aborigines, Gold, the Eureka Stockade, the growth of parliament and free elections and more. The concluding chapter on the press, an informal summary of obscure and parochial Victorian periodicals up to 1858 (McCombie was editor of the *Port Phillip Gazette* from 1843 to 1851). **\$450**

Ferguson, 11879.



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[MELBOURNE EXHIBITION]

A Sketch of South Australia for the Melbourne International Exhibition 1880.

37

Octavo, 84pp. (last blank), with two maps; fine in original gilt lettered limp green cloth. Adelaide, E. Spiller, Government Printer, 1880.

SOUTH AUSTRALIANS AT THE MELBOURNE FAIR

A glowing appraisal of South Australia prepared for visitors to the Melbourne International Exhibition of 1880. A chapter is devoted to the Northern Territory, with a folding map detailing the railway lines in South Australia. \$350

Not in Ferguson.

MENG, L. Kong, C. H. CHEONG and Louis A. MOUY. The Chinese Question in Australia, 1878-1879.

38

Octavo, 32 pp. (last blank), disbound, fine. Melbourne, F.F.Bailliere, 1879.

CHINESE ON THE GOLD FIELDS

An eloquent complaint against ill treatment of Chinese workers on the Victorian goldfields, with details of the infamous outrage at Buckland in the Ovens district, where Chinese camps were attacked.

All three authors were prominent Chinese living in Australia with close personal connections to gold mining. \$1450

Ferguson, 8130.

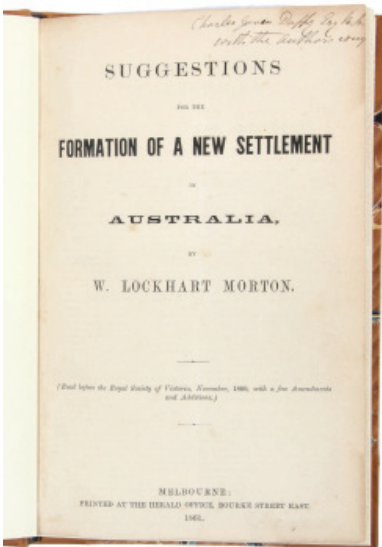
MORTON, William Lockhart.

**Suggestions for the Formation of a New Settlement in
Australia...**

39

Octavo, pp. 10, [2] (blank), printed in double column; the self-wrappers, comprising the title-leaf and terminal blank leaf are included in the pagination; a fine copy bound in modern period-style half calf Melbourne, Herald Office, 1861.

A PORT PHILLIP LOCAL PLANS A COLONY ON THE NORTH-WEST COAST



Signed presentation copy of the only edition of this very rare proposal for establishing a colony in north-west Australia, with its main capital to be on the mouth of the Victoria River, but to stretch down the coast to the west almost as far as Carnarvon (Morton thought the Tropic of Capricorn should be the southern boundary).

Morton (1820-1898) was a Scot who emigrated to Port Phillip in 1841, where he had a long career as a pastoralist and inventor. He personally led several private expeditions in northern Australia, including one in April 1859 when he examined the area between the Lachlan and the Darling Rivers through which Burke and Wills would pass on the first stage of the Victorian Exploring Expedition. Although the present proposal was read before the Royal Society in November 1860, it was not published in the

Society's Transactions.

In his proposal Morton draws on private information from Ferdinand von Mueller, with whom he was closely associated. He also makes extensive use of the journals of earlier explorers in the region, including Stokes, Leichhardt, Gregory, and Stuart, among others.

This copy was presented by the author to Sir Charles Gavan Duffy, the Victorian statesman and Irish nationalist, who had arrived in Australia in 1855. One of his long-standing interests was land reform, which may explain why Morton wanted to enlist Duffy's support.

The Davidson copy with bookplate, purchased at the 2007 sale.

\$3750

Ferguson, 12883.

MOSSMAN, Samuel.

Narrative of the Shipwreck of the “Admella,” Inter-Colonial Steamer, on the Southern Coast of Australia.

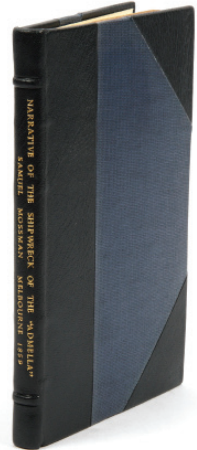
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Octavo, engraved frontispiece “Bird’s-Eye View of the Wreck”, folding Map of the Coast of South Australia showing the location of the wreck, some toning; in splendid modern navy half morocco. Melbourne, J.H. Moulines and Co. 1859.

A TERRIFIC ACCOUNT OF THE FAMOUS WRECK OF THE ADMELLA

Rare: a riveting account of the infamous wreck of the *Admella*, which struck a reef off Carpenter Rocks (to the south-west of Mount Gambier) while en route to Melbourne from Adelaide. The frontispiece is after an original sketch by James Fawthrop, “who led the Crew of the Life-boat in the successful attempt.”

One of the most famous wrecks in Australian maritime history, the ‘*Admella* proceeding from Adelaide to Melbourne, struck on a reef near Cape Northumberland in August 1859. Of the 113 crew and passengers only 24 were saved. The wreck was made famous by Adam Lindsay Gordon’s “To the Wreck”. **\$1800**



PESCOTT, Edward E.

The Life Story of Joseph Furphy.

41

Small octavo, signed by the editor and others, from an edition of 75; fine in the original cardboard case, complete with receipt addressed to Mr. Bruce Evans of Toorak. Melbourne, The Hawthorn Press, 1938.

FURPHY DELIVERED TO TOORAK

Very scarce work from the Hawthorne Press, a Melbourne-published account of Joseph Furphy, the writer and author of the classic *Such Is Life*, who was born in the Port Phillip district in 1843. The work was edited by Edward Edgar Pescott, the Victorian horticulturalist and author. **\$385**

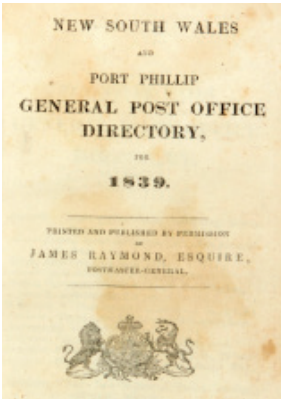
[POST OFFICE DIRECTORY]

New South Wales and Port Phillip General Post

42 Directory, for 1839.

Small octavo, some browning, early paper repair where owner's name cut from initial blank; a very good copy in mid-twentieth-century black roan. Sydney, published by James Maclehole, Hunter Street, printed by James Spilsbury, Lower George Street, 1839.

PORT PHILLIP IN 1839



Very rare: 'the first Port Phillip Directory. The Port Phillip names are included in the alphabetical directory with those in New South Wales proper' (Ferguson).

This directory is a fascinating snapshot of life in New South Wales and Port Phillip in 1839. It was printed by permission of then Postmaster-General James Raymond, but was in no small part the work of the publisher James Maclehole, although it was printed by James Spilsbury (the same combination that produced *The Picture of Sydney*). Ian Jack published a facsimile of this edition in 2000, in which he asserted that only five copies were known to survive.

\$4850

Ferguson, 2816.

RUSDEN, G. W.

The Discovery, Survey and Settlement of Port Phillip.

- 43 *Octavo viii, 56 pp., two folding maps; excellent in original printed tinted wrappers, preserved in a handsome crimson morocco folding case with gilt lettering. London, Williams and Norgate, 1872.*

PORT PHILLIP FROM FLINDERS TO THE 1870S

An excellent copy in fine original printed wrappers of this short account of the settlement of Port Phillip, including notice of the early discovery of the region by Matthew Flinders and the early attempt at settlement under David Collins.

The two folding maps are of interest. The first reproduces Flinders' chart of the region and the second shows the original Batman 'purchase' of 1835. Both maps were lithographed by Dangerfield.

\$475

Ferguson, 15215.

[SHIPWRECK]

Wreck of the “London.”

Octavo, frontispiece and 5 plates, textual illustrations; 16 pp. advertisements at rear, early owner’s inscriptions on frontispiece verso; a very good copy in the original gilt-decorated cloth binding, shaken. London, S.W Partridge, 1866.

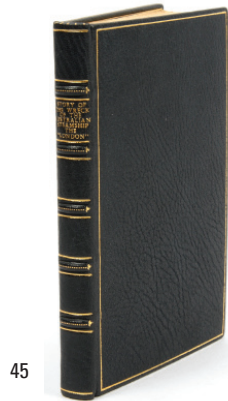
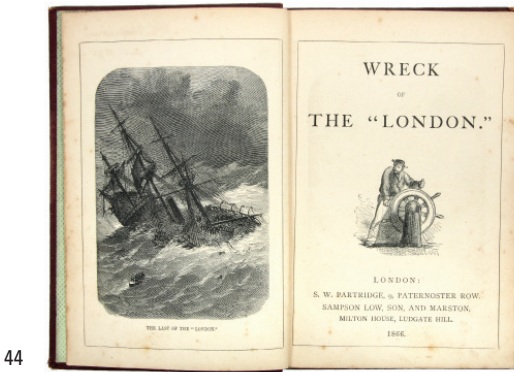
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THE LAST OF THE LONDON

Rare: the wreck of the *London* in the English Channel en route to Melbourne in 1866. The vessel took on water in a heavy storm and foundered after four days. There are portraits of Captain Martin and the missionary Daniel Draper, both of whom drowned. Another depicts Gustavus Vaughan Brooke, the Irish actor. His last words were “If you succeed in saving yourself, give my kind farewell to the people of Melbourne.”

\$400

Ferguson, 11710a.



[SHIPWRECK]

Story of the Wreck of the Australian Steamship the “London.”

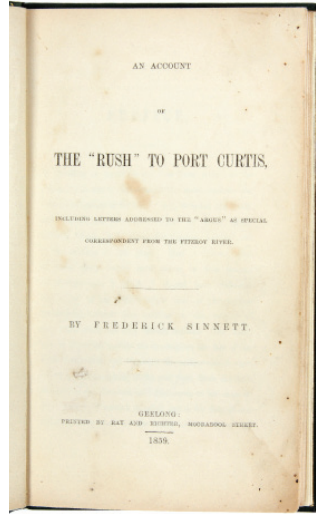
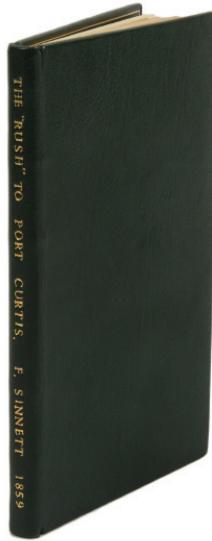
Duodecimo, 3 plates (frontispiece misbound), illustrated; excellent in full morocco by Sangorski. Philadelphia, American Sunday-School Union, circa 1866.

45

AMERICAN EDITION

Very uncommon American edition of the story of the wreck of the *London*, based on the preceding. The illustrations in this work are very good, although only three of the plates are reproduced from the English edition.

\$650



SINNETT, Frederick.

An Account of the “Rush” to Port Curtis...

46

Duodecimo, a few spots particularly to the title-page, worn original pale green printed wrappers bound in; an excellent copy in a handsome binding of full crushed green morocco by Sangorski. Geelong, Ray and Richter, 1859.

WITH THE GLAZED BLUE WRAPPERS BOUND IN

Most uncommon: a Geelong-printed account of the early days of Port Curtis (now Gladstone), and a minor classic of Australian travel.

Frederick Sinnett (1830-1866), journalist and literary critic, arrived in Adelaide in 1849 and had a long career as a writer and publisher. Sinnett visited Port Curtis as a special correspondent for the Melbourne *Argus* to report on the gold rush to Canoona, and his stirring and very readable account is an important early vision not only of the region, but of the savage early relations with Aborigines. Sinnett is also adept at describing the enthusiasms and pastimes of the settlers and emigrants who crowded north in the 1850s during the Government Residency of Maurice Charles O’Connell (William Bligh’s grandson) between 1854 and 1860.

\$2850

STORRIE, William.

Adelaide & Melbourne Compared: or, Which is the place for the working man?

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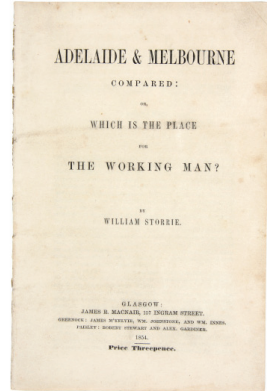
Octavo pamphlet, 16pp. including title-page; disbound, title and final leaf a little rubbed yet a very good copy overall, preserved in a handsome crimson quarter morocco folding case by Aquarius. Glasgow, James R. MacNair, 1854.

UNRECORDED BY FERGUSON

A fascinating comparison of Victoria and South Australia for prospective Scottish migrants, including a detailed six page description of Victorian gold fever.

William Storrie (d. 1900) describes himself as a prospector and businessman who 'travelled some thousands of miles in the interior of both colonies'. Amazed to find not a single vessel departing Scotland for South Australia (in stark contrast with those bound for Melbourne) he published this pamphlet to aid fellow Scots. Storrie also describes his own experiences as a prospector at Forest Creek, Bendigo and the Ovens District. **\$1500**

Not in Ferguson.



[THOMAS PHILLIPPS] 'E.D.'

The Bell Post. A Tale of the early days of Geelong, at Port Phillip in Australia. Dedicated to Miss D...

48

Small pamphlet, 4pp., slight browning, very good. Middle Hill Press, 1865.

MIDDLE HILL PRESS ON GEELONG

Scarce poem printed for the Middle Hill Press, a private folly of the legendary English book and manuscript collector Sir Thomas Phillipps (1792-1872).

The poem concerns early settlers in Corio Bay and their conflict with Aboriginal tribesmen who slay sheep and cattle. There is specific reference to the shooting of the 'Barwon chief', and to a tribal council held by another Aboriginal leader called 'Bembo, the King of Weireiby'. The Grolier collection of Middle Hill Press items records an issue dated 1862 accompanied by two annotated proof copies. The author's identity remains unknown. **\$750**

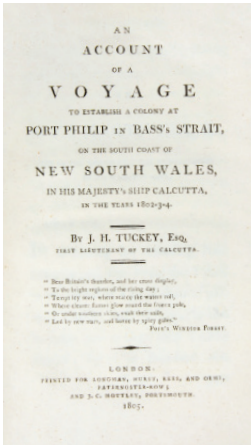
Not in Ferguson; not in Morris Miller.

TUCKEY, Lieutenant James Hingston.

49 An Account of a Voyage to Establish a Colony at Port Philip in Bass's Strait, on the south coast of New South Wales, in His Majesty's Ship *Calcutta*...

Octavo, a fine uncut copy in publisher's boards, rebacked retaining original printed spine label, housed in an elegant black calf folding box by Sangorski and Sutcliffe lined with soft felt. London, Longman, Hurst, Rees and Orme, 1805.

TUCKEY ON PORT PHILLIP



An uncut copy of the first edition in remarkable original condition, complete with the often absent half-title.

Tuckey's was the only contemporary publication describing the unsuccessful attempt to found a penal colony in present-day Victoria, a venture that later became Tasmania's First Fleet. The *Calcutta* sailed from England in 1802 under the command of Lieutenant-Governor David Collins. The hostility of the Aborigines, lack of water and other problems of the site led Collins to abandon the prospect after some months and transfer the settlement to Hobart.

'Tuckey's little book is an important addition to any collection of Australian books or of books relating to coastal discovery and is essential to any collection dealing with the settlement of Victoria and Tasmania. As the only contemporary published account of the abandoned settlement of Port Phillip it is a

foundation work for Victoria' (Wantrup).

\$9500

Australian Rare Books, 22; pp.83-84.; Ferguson, 418.



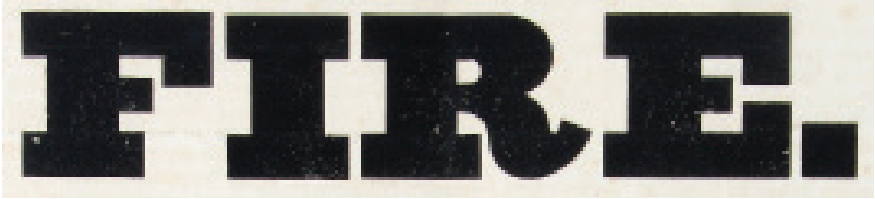
[VICTORIAN GOLDFIELDS]

Caution against the Reckless and Negligent use of Fire...

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Printed broadside, 435 x 280 mm., folded in four, some offsetting; laid down on linen around the same time as it was preserved in a sturdy but not unattractive slip-case of green "Mackanness Morocco", bookplate of George Mackanness. Victoria, John Ferres, circa 1854.

FIFTY POUNDS FOR FIRE-BUGS (ILLUSTRATED ON FRONT COVER)



Magnificent original broadside by the Melbourne Government Printer John Ferres, announcing fines for the "reckless and negligent use of fire."

Apparently printed some time in 1854 (based on the Act of Council quoted) this is a fine example of a very rare Ferres broadside. In 2010 we sold a similar proclamation printed on linen and printed in Chinese, also by Ferres. \$3750

WESTGARTH, William.

Victoria; late Australia Felix, or Port Phillip District of New South Wales...

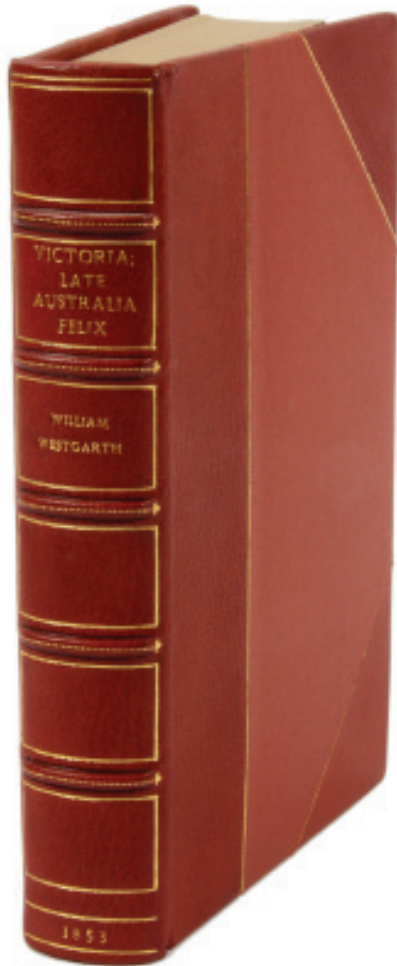
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Octavo, with a large folding frontispiece map; stamps of the Gawler Institute of South Australia to the title-page, a very good copy in a most handsome red half calf binding by Sangorski, top edge gilt. Edinburgh, Oliver & Boyd, 1853.

WESTGARTH ON "AUSTRALIA FELIX"

Victoria during the gold-rushes; including rich and insightful descriptions of colonial society a first-hand account of the Mount Alexander goldfields.

William Westgarth was a prominent businessman, parliamentarian and social reformer: 'one of the two or three most respected public men in the infant colony' (ADB). This book is both an account of the present state of Victoria and a vehicle for Westgarth's vision for the colony. Westgarth boasts of Victoria as



the new California, and four chapters specifically address the gold-rushes, with an arresting narrative of his visit to the Mount Alexander diggings.

The folding frontispiece map is notable for its detail and fine hand-colouring, and includes an inset plan of the city of Melbourne.

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Ferguson, 18415.



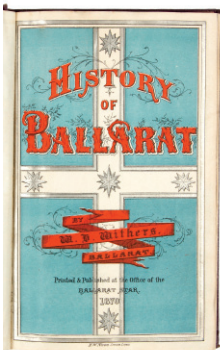
WITHERS, William Bramwell.

The History of Ballarat, from the First Pastoral Settlement to the Present Time.

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Octavo, large folding panorama frontispiece 210 x 990 mm., four albumen prints and numerous other illustrations; chromolithographic title-page and key to the panorama bound before the title-page; an excellent copy in original purple cloth with gilt spine lettering. Ballarat, "Ballarat Star" office, 1870.

EXTRA-ILLUSTRATED WITH PHOTOGRAPHS, INCLUDING PETER LALOR



Very rare: one of a handful of the extra-illustrated copies with four albumen photographic portrait plates bound in. Ferguson records only two examples of this title with photographic plates, the first from his own collection and the second held in the Public Library of Victoria. He unequivocally states that ‘copies of the extra-illustrated edition are very rare’ while describing significant differences between the two copies. This particular copy corresponds to the plates described in Ferguson’s personal copy. Furthermore, Holden notes two states of the book based on the inclusion of the photographic plates in the list of illustrations (as is the case with this copy).



The four albumen portrait plates respectively depict early pastoral settlers of the Ballarat region, Governors La Trobe and Hotham followed by Peter Lalor, hero of the Eureka Stockade and later elected to the Legislative Assembly. Each print is laid down on a sheet with a letterpress caption and bound in with the text of the book.

Aside from the importance of the albumen plates, this book is noteworthy for the exceedingly large and detailed engraved panorama of Ballarat, providing an elevated perspective of the prosperous township in its entirety. The book also contains an additional double page view of the town and a detailed map, altogether providing an invaluable source for Australian goldfields history. **\$6850**

Ferguson, 18714; Holden 'Photography in Colonial Australia', 127.



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