

# **List #21 New Acquisitions**

## UNUSUAL KANSAS IMPRINT

**1. Anti-Horse Thief Association. [Kansas].** *Constitution of the State and Subordinate Orders of the Anti Horse Thief Association [cover title].* Girard, Ks.: Printed at the Press Office, 1886. 16pp. 16mo. Original printed wrappers, stitched. Minor wear and soiling. Very good.

Unrecorded constitution for the Anti Horse Thief Association of Girard, Kansas, a tiny town in the southeasternmost corner of the state. Girard was founded in 1868, and by 1886 it was a bustling town of about 2,000 people. The Anti-Horse Thief Association was a long-standing vigilance committee in Kansas, established in the 1850s, presented here similar to a masonic organization. This work contains the Constitution of the State Grand Order of the association, as well as the Constitution of Subordinate Orders and their by-laws. This includes officers, their duties, orders of the meetings, how to be elected, and a clause on the protection of members' widows. n We find similar works published across Kansas in the early years of the 20th-century, but nothing this early. This work does not appear to be recorded in OCLC. An interesting piece of 19th-century printing from an obscure Kansas town.

# "ARTESIAN WATER FARMS ARE THE MOST POPULAR OF ANY..."

**2.** [Arizona]. [Water]. San Simon, Arizona in the San Simon Valley. The Artesian Water Belt That Is Making Arizona Famous [cover title]. [Phoenix. 1907]. [4]pp. Bifolium. Old folds, light wear and minor soiling. About very good.

Ephemeral promotional for San Simon, Arizona, touting the cheap availability of water for irrigation from artesian wells. The work notes that drilling costs are low, "good flows" are obtained, and the crops resulting from this aquiferous bounty are numerous: "Almost any crop, other than tropical fruits, can be raised here." Among these are fruit orchards, corn, all kinds of vegetables, and more. San Simon is a minuscule village located due east of Tucson, in the southeast corner of the state near the New Mexico border; the pamphlet indicates that the San Simon valley had a population of about 1200 people "and is not quite three years old" at the time. One copy in OCLC, at the University of Arizona. (*McBRB1473*)

#### HANDSOME TRADE CATALOG

**3.** California Ink Company. *Inks of the California Formulae Manufactured from Raw Materials to Finished Product by the California Ink Company Incorporated*. San Francisco. [ca. 1922]. 118,[1]pp. printed mostly on rectos only. Oblong 12mo. Original color-printed card covers with linen spine. Light soiling to front cover, pencil notation. Light staining to two leaves, but generally quite clean internally. Very good.

Handsome trade catalog for the California Ink Company, showcasing their numerous inks and paper finishes. The work cycles through each variation of blue, orange, yellow, green, purple, black, brown,

etc., listing its item number and name, as well as proper function: "California Ink Company's 1331QD Calinkco Book Black. A high-class medium-body black for book work, catalogs, or magazines." Includes inks of various kinds: bond inks, book inks, cover inks, poster inks, etc. OCLC locates a single copy, at UC Berkeley.

(McBRB1417) \$250

# RARE IOWA COOKERY

**4.** [Cook Books]. [Iowa]. One Hundred Recipes Compiled by Wartburg League of St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church Preston, Iowa. Preston, Ia: Preston Times Print, 1925. 32pp. plus manuscript leaf laid in. Original printed orange cloth wrappers. Light wear to spine, some fraying at edges. Minor toning and wear to text. Very good.

Unrecorded local cook book compiled by the Lutheran church of Preston, Iowa, a small town located halfway between Davenport and Dubuque near the Mississippi River. The recipes run heavily to desserts and breads, with categories for cakes, pies, cookies, doughnuts, puddings, bread, salads, meats, candy, and miscellaneous. Our favorite is a recipe for a wickedly Midwestern potato casserole called "Shoe Strings": "Boil potatoes...slice with a vegetable slicer. Butter a pan, put in a layer of potatoes, sprinkle with salt, pepper, and butter. Add another layer of potatoes and seasoning and pour over it half cream and half milk until all is nearly covered. Bake in the oven until a golden brown." Not in OCLC. (McBRB1621)

#### UNUSUAL IOWA IMPRINT

**5.** [Iowa]. [Freemasons]. By-Laws of St. Paul's Lodge No. 361, of Free and Accepted Masons. Arranged from Morris' Model Code. Boone, Ia.: Standard Book and Job Office, 1876. [2],51pp. 16mo. Original printed wrappers. Spine perished, first two leaves loose at top of spine. Some light wear and soiling, marginal loss and wear to first two leaves. One page with contemporary pasteover in text. About very good.

By-laws for the Freemason's lodge in Boone, Iowa, a small town north of Des Moines. Originally named "Montana" when it was incorporated in 1865, the town was rechristened in 1871. Herein are outlined the rules for admission into the lodge, ceremonies, meetings, etc. Any imprints from Boone would seem to be scarce, and we find no record of this work in OCLC. (*McBRB1620*) \$375

## **BANKING IN AUSTIN**

**6. Jackson, Pearl Cashell.** Austin Yesterday and Today. A Glance at Her History, a Word About Her Enterprises, a Description of Her Big Banking Establishment. Austin: E.L. Steck, 1915. [22]pp. Oblong octavo. Original green printed wrappers, string-tied. Light wear and chipping to edges, slightly faded. Internally clean. Very good.

Handsome promotional work for the city of Austin, Texas, compiled and published by the American National Bank on the occasion of its twenty-fifth anniversary. The work is extensively illustrated with halftones and includes a brief history of the city, highlighting the capitol, university, local businesses, and historic sites. The final few leaves are devoted to images of the bank and its directors, with a history of the establishment and a glowing assessment of its bright and thriving future.

(McBRB1396)

\$250

# IMPERFECT, BUT WITH FABULOUSLY INTERESTING TYPOGRAPHY

**7. Kellogg, S.** *English Grammar in a New Dress, or Study Changed to Amusement...* Cortland Village: R.A. Reed, Printer, 1838. 78,10pp. 12mo. Original crude calf spine over marbled pastepaper boards. Heavy wear and some soiling to binding. Contemporary ownership inscription to front pastedown. Some leaves loosening; pp.15-16 torn away, pp.73-74 lacking, top half of final leaf torn away. Light foxing and dampstaining to text. Fair.

A rare and fascinatingly convoluted grammar book from an obscure town in Upstate New York, interesting for several bibliographical reasons. Firstly, it is typographically quite intricate, using various fonts, numbers, abbreviations, and spacing to diagram sentences and to outline syntax. Secondly, it was printed in the small village of Cortland, New York, about twenty-five miles due south of Syracuse. Cortland was settled in 1791, but remained off the beaten path and sparsely populated for much of the 19th century (a state gazetteer from 1860 notes that there were four papers published in the entire county). Finally, although imperfect, the work is still quite scarce and survives in its original (and charmingly crude) frontier binding. We locate an 1835 edition in OCLC, but no copies dated 1838, as in the present work, likely a reissue with an updated publication date. Four copies of the 1835 edition are recorded by OCLC, at Cornell, New-York Historical, Western Reserve, and the Oblate School of Theology in Texas. Not in Sabin and not at AAS.

(McBRB1572) \$450

## CARRIED IN THE POCKET OF A MEXICAN AMERICAN FARMER

**8.** [Mexican Americans]. Pacheco, Marcelino. [Manuscript Pocket Prayer Book of a Colorado Farm Laborer]. Saguache, Co. [1920s]. Approximately [98]pp. 12mo. Original green faux-alligator over limp card wraps. Moderate wear to binding, front pastedown separated from cover. Light soiling and wear to contents, pp.1-2 and 23-26 perished. Written in a neat and legible script. In Spanish. Good.

An original manuscript pocket prayer book kept by a Marcelino Pacheco (b. about 1875), a farm laborer of Saguache, Colorado, a tiny rural village some 175 miles southwest of Denver. The Spanish language verses which fill the journal appear to be traditional Catholic prayers. Wear on the volume suggests to us that it was well-loved and may have been carried in the fields on a daily basis. In addition to the prayer verses in the volume there are names of two people from Ojo Caliente, New Mexico, a Celestino and Pedro Lucero, possibly relatives or coworkers. We locate Pacheco's original World War I draft card, identifying his wife Josefa, and their location as Saguache (also written on the booklet's ownership page in front) and a 1910 census result for the family, stating Marcelino's birthplace as New Mexico, his wife's as Mexico, and identifying the couple's five children aged from twelve to a newborn. Each of these sources records Marcelino's occupation as a farm laborer. An uncommon surviving manuscript volume of interest to those studying Latin Americans in the early 20th Century West.

(McBRB1623)

# INSCRIBED BY THE AUTHOR

9. Moses, Adolf. Chaudron, Adelaide de Vendel, translator. Luser the Watchmaker: An Episode of the Polish Revolution. Cincinnati: Bloch & Co., [ca. 1885]. 125pp. Printed in two columns. Original brown publisher's cloth, gilt. Moderate wear and fading to binding, corners and spine ends worn. Presentation inscription on title page. Several leaves loose, lightly foxed. About good.

A work of fiction written by a Jewish Reform rabbi, partially biographical in nature. Adolph Moses (1840-1902), was born in Prussian Poland and studied for rabbinical seminary at Breslau. "While still a student at the seminary his sympathies were drawn toward the Italian struggle for liberty, and in 1859 he enlisted in Garibaldi's army. In the following year he returned to Breslau, but at the outbreak of the first Polish

insurrection in 1863 he joined the revolutionary forces, serving as a commissioned officer in that struggle until it was suppressed, when he was imprisoned by the Russians. His experiences of prison life are incorporated in his novel 'Luser Segermacher' (translated into English by Mrs. A. de V. Chandron)" - Jewish Encyclopedia. In 1870 he accepted a call to a congregation in Alabama, moving to Louisville in 1881. It is likely around this time that this work was published, Louisville and Cincinnati being in close proximity. The present copy is inscribed by the author to his brother, Isaac S. Moses, with whom he edited a local Jewish newspaper in Kentucky. A handful of copies in OCLC. (McBRB1594)

## MOVE TO COSMOPOLITAN SOUTH DAKOTA

**10.** [South Dakota]. Come and See the Fine Strip of Country in the Big 5 Counties. The Aberdeen Land District, South Dakota, Where There Are Bargains in Excellent Deeded Lands... [cover title]. [Aberdeen? 1893]. [8]pp. on a folded sheet of green paper. Minor wear, some minor soiling to rear panel. Very good.

Promotional brochure for South Dakota and the area around Aberdeen, the state's third most populous city. The "Big Five" Counties comprise Brown, Campbell, Edmunds, McPherson, and Walworth, sitting along the northeast part of the state, along the border with North Dakota. The work briefly touts the climate and availability of government lands, as well as stating that "Those seeking homes in this district will not be subject to pioneering," that hard work having already been accomplished in the district. The final panel is a map of the Upper Midwest showing the lines of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway. We locate a single copy in OCLC, at Yale.

(McBRB1496)

# RURAL TEXAS DIRECTORY INDICATING BLACK RESIDENTS

**11.** [Texas]. *Schutze's Rural Route Directory for 1913*. Austin: A.C. Baldwin & Sons, [1913]. [27]pp. printed on rectos only. Narrow octavo. Original tan printed wrappers, stapled. Light wear and soiling to covers, contents clean. Very good.

A very scarce directory for the then rural areas outside Austin, Texas, "compiled from the Assessment Inventories of Travis County for 1912, verified and officially corrected...and compris[ing] 1850 names. Except where designated all addresses are supposed to be farmers and farm laborers." The work lists rural routes for the post offices of Austin, Creedmoor, Delvalle, Manor, and Sprinkle, with individuals listed alphabetically by route. Designation is made next to names of African Americans "(col.)". An interesting record for individuals who often fell through the cracks of history due to obscurity or illiteracy. No copies in OCLC. (McBRB1612)

# THE GOOD METHODISTS OF AUSTIN

**12.** [**Texas**]. [**Religion**]. *Directory University Methodist Church 1914*. Austin. [1913]. [31]pp. Original printed wrappers, stapled. Minor wear and soiling, text block detached. Internally clean. About very good.

Directory for Austin's University Methodist Church, listing members alphabetically with names, often with addresses and phone numbers. University students are marked with an "S". Alternating with the directory pages are advertisements for a whole host of local businesses such as grocers, clothiers, garages and auto shops, attorneys, veterinarians, book stores, and, rather interestingly, several ads for sopranos or voice teachers. No record of this or any other edition in OCLC.

(McBRB1613)