

# CONNECTICUT RIVER BOOK AUCTION

will hold a **LIVE and IN-PERSON BOOK AUCTION** on **FRIDAY, MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2024**

at the **South Congregational Church** located at **949 Main Street in South Glastonbury, CT 06073.**

**Inspection begins at noon with the auction starting at 6 pm. ABSENTEE / PHONE BIDDERS call 860-908-8067 for Information**

Just days away from Spring, this auction offers those interested in travel, history, literature, art and children's stories a night of pleasurable discoveries.

Let's start with travel. To get there one needs a map and we have several with two lots in particular featuring the work of Visscher. The first is titled "Orbis Terrarum Novae," with the label on the back of the frame stating, "17th Century Globae Map by N. Visscher with California Depicted as an Island." The second also by Visscher is titled "Novi Belgii," with the label on back of the frame dating this map to 1682. It depicts New England and Virginia but does not show Philadelphia as later editions do. Both are in full color.

Traveling to your destination, an account of the trip should be made and in this regard we have the typed detailed impressions of Mary and William Dickson in 1927 on a trip from New York Harbor to the Holy Land with photos and other material contained in a scrapbook. Looking for something more official then what about the Captain's Log of the Malaina (Illyria from 1928-32) from June 23 to August 23, 1933 from Venice to Glen Cove, Long Island. Or consider several letters from Harold MacCartney to his mother during the mid 1920s detailing his experiences working for SOCONY in China. These letters are rich in sharing the after work experiences of Americans and Europeans in China during this time period and the growing tensions that would soon erupt into war.

For lovers of history, here are just a few of the 1st edition titles available: (1894) "Documentary History of the Constitution of the United States," Palmer (1872) "Memoir of the Distinguished Mohawk Indian Chief Sachem and Warrior Capt. Joseph Brant," and Caulkins (1852) "History of New London Connecticut from the First Survey of the Coast in 1612 to 1852."



For those who appreciate fine children's books, there is a five volume grouping from Lafeadio Hearn (circa 1898 to 1903) of Japanese Fairy Tales. The titles are: No 1 (2nd Series) The Goblin Spider, No. 25 Chin Chin Kobakama, No. 24 The Old Woman Who Lost Her Dumpling, Boy Who Drew Cats, and The Fountain of Youth." There is a signed limited edition by Arthur Rackham of "The Wonder Book," and a Sendak signed copy of "The Art of Maurice Sendak."

Continuing the theme of art, there are five 1st edition titles by Bruce Weber: (2014) "Detroit Has Been Good To Me," (2017) "Glory Be," (2018) "Facing the World," (2019) "No Small Thing Desire," and (2022) "That Towering Feeling." There is also: Aubrun (1985) "Jules Bastien-LePage 1848-1884 Catalogue raisonne de l'Oeuvre," and Vachon (1996) "W. Bouguereau." Both are limited editions. We suggest you research these two 1st edition titles: Offenstadt (1999) "Jean Beraud The Epoque A Dream of Times Gone By," and Stephens et al. (1993) "The New Wave 20th Century Japanese Prints from the Robert O. Muller Collection."

If fiction is your bailiwick then how about these 1st editions by Mark Twain: (1889) "A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court," (1904) "Extracts from Adam's Diary," and (1906) "Eve's Diary." There is a 1928 pirated limited so-called signed edition by Lawrence of "Lady Chatterley's Lover," and signed volumes by Herman Wouk, Gore Vidal, Ellroy, and lots more.

Several interesting ephemera lots of military material are joined by two lots one of Gordon Grant signed lithographs and another signed by Weidenaar (1948) titled "Six Ways to Draw on Copper." Lastly, and not to be ignored is a 1st edition of Rachel Carson's (1962) "Silent Spring."

For more information on this 6 pm, Friday, March 8th book auction to be held at the South Congregational Church, 949 Main Street, South Glastonbury, CT 06073 visit [ctriverbookauction.com](http://ctriverbookauction.com) or call Tom at 1-860-908-8067.

