

## On Offer By Private Treaty

Bonhams has been very pleased to offer selections from an outstanding collection of books and artifacts relating to Hawaii and the South Pacific in our auctions since April of 2009. Further material is available for private sale in groupings by subject category, as listed below. Each grouping represents research value at an institutional level. For further details, including itemized listings, pricing, and availability for preview, please contact any member of the department.

Interested parties should further enquire about possible groupings of Pacific-themed books on voyages and travel; natural history; Polynesia; and Hawaiian monarchy & government.

### PACIFIC NATIVE LANGUAGE IMPRINTS.

World-class assemblage of over 800 books, pamphlets and broadsides in Pacific native languages, from the early 19th century through the mid-20th century. The collection includes a great number of early mission imprints from a wide range of Polynesian, Melanesian and Micronesian island groups, and is especially strong in Hawaiian, Maori and Tahitian language material. There is also a large quantity of European and American imprints in Pacific native languages, including those intended both for use by Westerners and for export to the Pacific Islands. Hawaiians in particular had a passion for the written word—within a generation of the arrival of American missionaries they achieved a literacy rate higher than that in America. In the early years, the mission imprints were very often unbound pamphlets or leaflets and individual copies were widely circulated in a humid climate. Thus few out-lived their initial heavy use and the opportunity to acquire a large number of survivals at once is extremely rare.

### HAWAIIAN MISSIONARIES.

Over 500 items pertaining to missionary activities in Hawaii, with works on the very first efforts in the Pacific by the London Missionary Society in the late 18th century, rare accounts relating to the first Hawaiian converts (including Obookiah) and the theological seminary at Andover, Mass, missionaries' memoirs and reports, volumes of the New York Missionary Magazine, the Panoplist, Christian Spectator, Evangelical Magazine, The Missionary Gazetteer, etc. Mostly printed books, but also including photographs and ephemera. Includes contemporary material of Rufus Anderson, Lorrin Andrews, Hiram Bingham, Artemas Bishop, Sereno Bishop, George Cannon, Henry Cheever, Harriet Cooke, Blessed Father Damien, Sheldon Dibble, Edwin Welles Dwight, William Ellis, Thomas Gallaudet, Thomas Haweis, Melvill Horne, Thomas Lafon, Solomon Spaulding, Charles Stewart, Lucy Thurston, Daniel Wheeler, among many others.

### BERNICE PAUAHI BISHOP MUSEUM.

The Bishop Museum in Honolulu is Hawaii's largest museum, encompassing world-renowned collections of Polynesian artifacts, entomology, and royal Hawaiian family heirlooms. It was founded in 1889 by Charles Reed Bishop in honor of his wife, Princess Bernice Pauahi Bishop, the last descendant of the Kamehamehas. We offer an extensive collection of Bishop Museum publications, including complete sets or runs of the Bishop Museum Memoirs (1893-1930); Bulletins (1922-1972); Occasional Papers (1892-2000); Pacific Anthropological Papers (1968-1990); and Special Publications (1903-1993); also, over 70 further volumes of Bishop Museum imprints. Approximately 500 items in total, almost undoubtedly the most complete collection outside of institutional holdings.