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Welcome to *The Bookshelf*, a fixed price offering of numismatic literature. This issue includes a varied assortment of material, including significant modern auction catalogues as well as older, scarcer works. Prices range from \$10 to \$1500. We hope you find something to your liking. We are gearing up for our next mail-bid auction sale, which closes on June 4: please contact us if you have not received a hard-copy catalogue and would like to. The catalogue is also available on our Web site. All books offered in the present list are to be sold at the price indicated and are subject to prior sale. See the Terms section for information on postage. Thank you very much for your patronage. We look forward to working with you in the future as you build your library.

- 201. Adelson, Howard L.** *The American Numismatic Society: 1858–1958*. New York: ANS, 1958. Small 4to., red embossed cloth. Frontispiece; x, 390, (2) pages; 52 plates. Fine. \$50
An unusually nice copy of this outstanding history of the Society. An essential reference of considerable utility to the researcher.

A Set of Akers on U.S. Gold

- 202. Akers, David W.** *United States Gold Coins: An Analysis of Auction Records. Volume I: Gold Dollars; Volume II: Quarter Eagles; Volume III: Three Dollar Gold Pieces, Four Dollar Gold Pieces; Volume IV: Half Eagles; Volume V: Eagles; Volume VI: Double Eagles*. Englewood, Ohio: Paramount Publications, 1975–1982. Tall 8vo., pictorial boards. Some rubbing; near fine. \$375
A complete set of this outstanding six-volume reference work covering the entirety of regular U.S. Mint issue gold coins. Essential for commentary on rarity, population and grading, with much additional information. Over 1600 pages in total length, it includes auction records from significant sales since 1920. Clain-Stefanelli 12238. Davis 18.

- 203. Alexander, David T.** *The Society of Medalists*. Boston: Medal Collectors of America, 2005. 4to., spiral bound. 2–126, (1) pages. Signed by the author on the front cover. New. \$30
An authorized offprint from the *MCA Advisory*, limited to 20 copies. A thorough catalogue of the Society's medals.

- 204. American Numismatic Society.** *American Journal of Numismatics*. Vol. XLIX (1915; published in 1916) complete as issued in one volume. Frontispiece of Newell medal; (4), 212, (lxviii) pages; illustrated throughout and on 27 plates. Unopened. Fine. \$75
Important articles include Belden on U.S. war medals, McLachlan on the copper tokens of Upper Canada, and Baldwin on the symbols on Greek coins. The final 68 pages constitute the ANS proceedings for 1915–16.

- 205. American Numismatic Society.** *Museum Notes*. Vol. 21 (1976). 8vo., card covers. (4), 301, (3) pages; 17 plates. Fine. \$20
Includes Cornelius C. Vermeule's "Numismatic Art in America to 1796" and R.W. Julian's "The First Indian Peace Medal of the United States." Also includes an index to the first 20 volumes.

- 206. American Numismatic Society.** *American Journal of Numismatics (Second Series)*. Vol. 1 (1989). 8vo., card covers. (4), 237, (3) pages; 17 plates. Fine. \$20
Articles include Michael Hodder's important "New Jersey Reverse J, a Biennial Die" as well as articles on Greek, Roman and Oriental numismatics.

- 207. American Numismatic Society.** *Sylloge Nummorum Graecorum. The Collection of the American Numismatic Society. Part 7. Macedonia I: Cities, Thraco-Macedonian Tribes, Paeonian Kings*. New York: ANS, 1987. Tall 4to., russet cloth. (5) pages; 39 plates with facing text pages (one folding); 4 index pages. Cloth stained, with some loss to gilded lettering; text near fine. \$30
Compiled by Nancy M. Waggoner. Though the cover is stained, the text is perfectly acceptable.

- 208. Boka, Jon Alan, with the collaboration of Walter Husak.** *Provenance Gallery of the Collectible Copper Cent Varieties of the United States Mint from the Year 1794....* San Ramon, California: Falcon, 2005. 8vo., illustrated boards. ix, (1), 139, (3) pages. Signed by author on flyleaf; errata sheet laid in. Fine. \$30
A beautifully illustrated volume, with an overview of the 1794 cents, biographies of prominent collectors, and stunning color photos of some of the finest examples of 1794 cents in existence.

- 209. Bowen, Richard LeBaron.** *Rhode Island Colonial Money and Its Counterfeiting, 1647–1726*. Providence: Society of Colonial Wars, 1942. 8vo., red cloth, gilt. x, 112 pages; 10 plates, 4 of them impressions of colonial currency taken from the original copperplates, printed on parchment and tipped into place. Near fine. \$40
An impressively produced work, all the more impressive for being a wartime production. Still significant. Davis 115.

- 210. Bowers and Ruddy.** *The Garrett Collection Sales*. Parts I–IV (1979–1981). Complete in four volumes. 4to., card covers. PRL in Parts I and IV. Some spotting to covers, very good. \$40
All four parts of this incredible sale that changed the American numismatic landscape. Part IV is the variant with "John Hopkins" on the cover.

- 211. Bowers and Merena.** *The Norweb Collection: Early American and U.S. Coins*. Part I. New York, Oct. 12–13, 1987. 4to., card covers. 415, (1) pages; 1413 lots. PRL. Near fine. \$30
The first of three catalogue offering this legendary collection, this one including half cents, lower denomination silver and gold, and some of the Norweb colonials (Somerset Island pieces, Massachusetts silver, New Jersey and Vermont coppers, Higley coppers, and so on).

- 212. Bowers and Merena.** *The Norweb Collection: Early American and U.S. Coins*. Parts I–III (1987–88). Complete in three volumes. 4to., card covers. PRLs. Very good. \$80
Bob Vlack's copies of all three parts of the mainline sale, with some handwritten notes identifying buyers in Part I.

- 213. Buttrey, Theodore V, Jr. [editor].** *Coinage of the Americas.* New York: ANS, 1973. Small 8vo., card covers. 139, (1) pages. Fine. \$25
An excellent general work on the coins of this hemisphere, approaching them in their entirety as one story.

Carlotto on Vermonts

- 214. Carlotto, Tony.** *The Copper Coins of Vermont and Those Bearing the Vermont Name.* Chelsea, Michigan: C4, 1998. 4to., orange printed boards. xiv, 218 pages. Fine. \$160
The first book to be published by the Colonial Coin Collectors Club (C4), Carlotto's welcome contribution to the study of these enigmatic and charming coins is in very high demand.

- 215. Carlson, Carl W.A., and Michael J. Hodder [editors].** *The American Numismatic Association Centennial Anthology.* Wolfeboro: Bowers & Merena for the ANA, 1991. 4to., maroon cloth, gilt. (12), 372 pages. Fine. \$40
A well-done anthology including important articles by Eric Newman, Michael Hodder, John W. Adams, Walter Breen, Martin Gengerke, David Alexander, Scott Rubin, Ken Bressett, Elvira Clain-Stefanelli and others.

- 216. Central States Numismatic Society.** *The Centinel.* Vols. 52–56 (2004–08) complete, with five other issues. Fine. \$30
Five recent volumes of one of the longest-running regional numismatic publications.

- 217. Clain-Stefanelli, Vladimir and Elvira.** *Medals Commemorating Battles of the American Revolution.* Washington, DC: Smithsonian, 1973. Small 4to., brown Spanish-grained cloth, gilt. (2), 43, (3) pages. Fine. \$50
The special hardcover edition of this guide to the original Comitita Americana medals.

- 218. Coin Galleries.** *Mail Bid Sale: United States, Foreign, Ancient Coins, Including an Important Numismatic Library.* New York: July 13, 1954. 8vo., glossy paper covers. (132) pages; 11 plates; 3421 lots. Small open tear in back cover repaired with archival tape; very good. \$20
The first Coin Galleries sale, catalogued by Elvira Clain-Stefanelli, with Vladimir Clain-Stefanelli as manager. The sale opened with an important library of numismatic literature, which accounts for the first 522 lots.

- 219. Comparette, T.L.** *Catalogue of Coins, Tokens, and Medals in the Numismatic Collection of the Mint of the United States at Philadelphia, Pa.* First edition. Washington, D.C.: USGPO, 1912. 8vo., blue cloth. Frontispiece depicting Washington centennial medal; (2), 634 pages; 15 plates with printed tissue guards. Very good. \$50
The first edition of what is still the most thorough guide to the U.S. national coin collection. Clain-Stefanelli 12558. Davis 271.

- 220. Cooper, Denis R.** *Coins and Minting.* Buckinghamshire: Shire Publications, 1983. Small 8vo., card covers. 32 pages. As new. \$20
A brief but very well-done examination of minting techniques by a Chief Engineer and Superintendent of the Royal Mint.

- 221. Douglas, Damon G.** "The Original Mint of the New Jersey Coppers." *Proceedings of the New Jersey Historical Society.* Vol. 69, No. 3 (July 1951). 8vo., card covers. [Douglas's article is on pages 223–230]. Fine. \$40
An extremely important article identifying the Rahway Mint as the first location of minting operations for New Jersey coppers.

- 222. [Douglas, Damon G.]** *The Copper Coinage of the State of New Jersey.* Edited by Gary A. Trudgen. New York: ANS, 2003. 4to., brown cloth, gilt, jacket. x, 126 pages. New. \$40
A transcription of the important manuscript by Douglas in the ANS Library, supplemented with commentary by a number of scholars.

- 223. Elder, Thomas [publisher].** *Collecting and Hobbies, with Special Reference to Coin, Medal and Paper Money Collecting.* New York, 1917. 8vo., card covers. 63, (1) pages. Very good. \$30
A collection of short articles by an impressive lineup of authors, including Henry Phillips, Jr., Frank Higgins, T. Louis Comparette and Elder himself.

- 224. Ewing, George E., Jr.** *Die Varieties of the 1794 Large Cent.* New York: ANS, 1984. Booklet [Short 8vo., card covers; 32 pages] accompanied by 27 color slides. In box as issued. Booklet signed by author. Box a bit worn, else fine. \$50
A set of beautiful photographic slides depicting 1794 large cents from the ANS collection.

- 225. Florance, A.** *Geographic Lexicon of Greek Coin Inscriptions.* Chicago: Argonaut, 1966. 8vo., gray cloth, jacket. (8), 98, (6) pages. Small tear to jacket, else near fine. \$25
A useful translation of Florance's 1903 *Tableau synoptique des ethniques des villes et peuples grecs.* Clain-Stefanelli 1821 (under "Florence"). Grierson 54.

- 226. Fuld, George and Melvin.** *U.S. Civil War Store Cards.* Second edition. Lawrence, Massachusetts: Quarterman, 1975. 8vo., brown cloth, jacket. (4), vi, (2), 615, (1), 30 pages. Fine. \$90
The latest edition of the standard work on the subject. Clain-Stefanelli 14021*. Davis 423.

- 227. Grant, Horace [publisher].** *The Battle of Rhode Island "Admiral Howe Medal."* Providence, 1936. 12mo., card covers. 8 pages. Price clipped out of last leaf, else fine. \$10
A short booklet reprinting information from the October 1867 *AJN* and from Betts on these enigmatic medals. Grant restruck the medals from new dies, and this publication was meant to publicize them.

Numismatica Fubbaduckia

- 228. Greensword, Malachy [Cobwright, Mullholland Ignatious].** *A Journey through the Monkalokian Rain Forests in Search of the Spiney Fubbaduck.* Second edition. Bramcote: 1793 [Beeston: Cobwright, 1993]. 8.5 by 11 format, card covers with plastic spine, as issued. 1, (1), 2–6, (1), 1–51, (1) pages. Fine. \$25
The standard work on British evasion coppers.

Auctori Connec

- 229. Hartford Numismatic Society.** *Auctori Connec and Other Emissions.* Richardson, Texas: Hobby Press, 1959. 8vo., heavy cloth-backed card covers. (4), 31, (1) pages; 5 plates. Ex John J. Ford library, with his ex libris. Fine. \$100
A very scarce collection of short articles on Connecticut numismatics, including Richard Moore on Higley coppers, Cyril Hawley on Connecticut mints, Howard Davis on Waterbury tokens, and Moore on Connecticut bills of credit. Number 119 of 200 copies printed. A rarely seen publication, well printed and with very nice illustrations (which include the unique THE WHEEL GOES ROUND Higley copper). Ex Kolbe's Sale 96 (Ford II), lot 1492.

- 230. Hoberman, Gerald.** *The Art of Coins and Their Photography: An Illustrated Photographic Treatise with an Introduction to Numismatics.* London: Spink, 1981. 4to., olive cloth with illustrated title label on front board, jacket; silk markers; decorative endpapers. 397, (1) pages; 571 illustrations, including 329 color photographs on 131 plates. Fine. \$125
An outstanding work, printed on fine paper and with some of the best coin photography ever published. Features hundreds of color photos, many enlarged, all of exquisite beauty.

- 231. Hodder, Michael J., and Q. David Bowers.** *The Standard Catalogue of Encased Postage Stamps.* Wolfeboro: Bowers & Merena, 1989. 8vo., illustrated boards. 191, (1) pages. New, still in shrink-wrap. \$50
The standard work on the subject.

232. Ingholt, Harald [editor]. *Centennial Publication of the American Numismatic Society.* New York: ANS, 1958. Thick 4to., red embossed cloth. xii, 714 pages; 50 plates. Errata sheet affixed to front free endpaper. Near fine. \$50

An important compilation, this excellently produced volume includes almost 50 papers covering a wide array of numismatic interests. Authors include Adelson, Babelon, Breen, Newman, Carson, Grierson, Grunthal, Mattingly, Miles, Thompson, Noe, Sutherland and many others. Davis 534. Grierson 23.

Run of IBSCC Counterfeit Bulletin

233. International Bureau for the Suppression of Counterfeit Coins/International Association for Professional Numismatists. *Bulletin on Counterfeits.* 41 numbers as published in 35 issues spanning 24 volumes (1976–99). Fine copies. \$350

A significant group of this very scarce but important publication, a complete set of which consists of 52 numbers as published in 46 issues. This set includes: Vol. 1, Nos. 1–4; Vol. 2, Nos. 1–4; Vol. 3, Nos. 1–4; Vol. 4, Nos. 1, 2/3, 4; Vol. 5, Nos. 1/2; Vol. 6, Nos. 1/2; Vol. 7, Nos. 1/2; Vol. 8, Nos. 1/2; Vol. 12, Nos. 1, 2; Vol. 13, No. 1; Vol. 14, No. 1; Vol. 15, No. 1; Vol. 16, No. 1; Vol. 18, Nos. 1, 2; Vol. 19, Nos. 1, 2; Vol. 20, Nos. 1, 2; Vol. 21, No. 2; Vol. 22, No. 1; Vol. 23, Nos. 1/2; and Vol. 24, No. 1. Rarely offered and of considerable use.

234. Jenkins, G.K. *Ancient Greek Coins.* Fribourg: Office du Livre, 1972. 8vo., blue cloth, jacket. 310, (2) pages; illustrated throughout, including many color plates. Near fine. \$100
A beautifully illustrated volume, with excellent photography. The first of the *World of Numismatics* series.

235. Jenkinson, Charles (Lord Liverpool). *A Collection of All the Treaties of Peace, Alliance and Commerce between Great Britain and Other Powers.* Reprint. New York: Kelly, 1969. Three vols. 8vo., brown cloth, gilt. (4), vii, (1), xlvi, 399, (3); (2), 413, (1); (4), 434, (2) pages. Fine. \$100
First published in 1785, this is a very useful resource for students of the coinage (and especially the medals) of the period spanning 1648–1784. Little-known in numismatic circles.

Jocelyn on Awards of Honour

236. Jocelyn, Arthur. *Awards of Honour. The Orders, Decorations, Medals and Awards of Great Britain & the Commonwealth from Edward III to Elizabeth II.* London: Adam and Charles Black, 1956. 4to., blue cloth, lettered in silver. xix, (1), 276 pages; illustrated throughout and on 20 color plates. Ex John J. Ford, Jr., with his ex libris. Fine. \$175
A masterful and well-produced work, of the utmost importance to the subject at hand. Ex Kolbe's 96th sale (Ford II), lot 1138. Clain-Stefanelli 15477. Mulder & Purves 1205. Suetens 614.

237. Jones, Mark [editor]. *Fake? The Art of Deception.* Berkeley: University of California Press, 1990. 4to., black cloth, jacket. 312 pages; numerous illustrations, many in color. Fine. \$75
A fascinating examination of false art objects (including coins and medals) by the Assistant Keeper of Coins and Medals at the British Museum. A well-produced work.

238. Jordan, Louis. *John Hull, the Mint and the Economics of Massachusetts Coinage.* Hanover: University Press of New England for C4, 2002. 4to., blue cloth, jacket. xx, 348 pages; illustrated throughout. New. \$40
An excellent work, Jordan's detailed analysis of contemporary records has shed important new light on the origins of the Massachusetts silver coinage. Published by C4, the Colonial Coin Collectors Club, which this cataloguer heartily recommends to anyone interested in this period of numismatic history.

Hardcover Fuld Library Sale: One of 25 Issued

239. Katen, Frank and Laurese. *36th Public and Mail Auction Sale: George J. Fuld Numismatic Library, Part 1.* Silver Spring, Maryland, Aug. 15, 1971. 52 pages; 1054 lots. [bound with] *37th Public and Mail Auction Sale: George J. Fuld Numismatic Library, Part 2.* Silver Spring, Maryland, Nov. 27–28, 1971. 71, (1), 7, (1) pages; 1606, 168 lots. 8vo., original green cloth. Prices realized for both sales bound in. Ex Harry W. Bass library, with his bookplate. Fine. \$300

The very rare hardcover edition of this seminal sale of numismatic literature, one of only 25 copies issued. The Fuld sales were the first blockbuster sales of numismatic literature, and did much to help establish it as a viable specialty within the broader field of numismatics. As always, the 8-page catalogue of the philatelic library of L.R. Noyes is bound in following the Fuld sales. With a letter to Bass from the Katens, presenting him with this volume, laid in. Ex Kolbe's Bass I sale, lot 167.

Harry Bass's Outstanding Copy

240. Kenyon, Robert Lloyd. *The Gold Coins of England, Arranged and Described: Being a Sequel to Mr. Hawkins' Silver Coins of England, by His Grandson.* London: Quaritch, 1884. 8vo., original brown quarter morocco, gilt. Frontispiece; (4), 217, (1) pages; 23 plates. Ex Harry W. Bass, Jr. library, with his ex libris. Fine, with only a hint of rubbing. \$125

An exceptionally nice copy of this important work. While relatively common, Kenyon's work is very rarely found in such nice shape, with supple morocco, tight binding and bright gilt. Ex Katen's sale of the Fuld library (Aug. 15, 1971), lot 226. Ex Kolbe's Sale 75 (Bass I), lot 427.

241. Kluge, Bernd. *Deutsche Münzgeschichte von der späten Karolingerzeit bis zum Ende der Salier (ca. 900 bis 1125).* Sigmaringen: Thorbecke Verlag, 1991. Tall 4to., red cloth lettered in black. 302 pages, including 88 plates and various maps. Clippings from dust-jacket affixed to front endpapers; previous owner signature; very good. \$60
Römisch-Germanisches Zentralmuseum Forschungsinstitut für Vor- und Frühgeschichte monographien band 29. A history and catalogue of these significant medieval issues.

242. Koepfel, Adolph. *The Stamps That Caused the American Revolution: The Stamps of the 1765 British Stamp Act for America.* North Hempstead, New York: Town of North Hempstead, 1976. 8vo., red cloth. xiv, 193, (1) pages. Illustrated. Fine. \$60
An interesting study of the revenue stamps mandated by the hated Stamp Act.

243. Kolbe, George Frederick [in association with Stack's]. *Numismatica Americana. The John J. Ford, Jr. Reference Library. Part One.* Riverside, California, June 1, 2004. 308 pages; 1000 lots. [with] *Part Two.* Long Beach and Crestline, California, June 4 and 6, 2005. 172 pages; 1750 lots. 4to., card covers. Fine. \$40
The Ford sales are Kolbe's masterwork, being unquestionably the most important numismatic literature auction catalogues published in this country. The combination of the two parts encompasses a stunning array of rare and standard works important both for their content and condition.

244. Kriesberg, Abner. *The Award Winning Collection of Irving M. Moskovitz.* Beverly Hills, Feb. 15–16, 1977. 8vo., blue cloth, gilt, original card covers bound in. xii, (2), 189, (1) pages; 1690 lots; 60 plates. PRL laid in. Fine. \$30
The special hardcover edition.

245. Kroh, Dennis J. *Ancient Coin Reference Reviews.* Ormond Beach, Florida: Empire Coins, 1993. 4to., card covers. 107, (1) pages. New. \$20
A very useful reference, providing detailed, short reviews of all major references on ancient coins, rating each and providing information on reprints, plate quality and so forth.

246. Manville, Harrington E., and Terence J. Robertson. *British Numismatic Auction Catalogues 1710–1984*. London: Baldwin & Spink, 1986. 4to., orange cloth. xvii, (1), 420, (2) pages. Fine. \$50
A thorough and useful bibliography. Volume I of the *Encyclopedia of British Numismatics*.

247. Mason, Ebenezer Locke. *Mason's Stamp and Coin Collectors' Magazine*, Vols. I–VI (1867–1872). 1996 reprint in two volumes, 8vo. [with] *The Later Publications of Ebenezer Locke Mason*. 1998 reprint, 4to. Russet cloth, gilt. New. \$100
The Charles Davis reprints of the entirety of Ebenezer Mason's highly readable periodicals. House organs such as Mason's are a wonderful way to learn about coin collecting in 19th-century America. Reprint limited to 215 copies.

A Complete Set of C4 Auction Sales

248. McCawley, Chris, and Bob Grellman. Complete set to date of 14 C4 auction sales, 1995–2008. Card covers, spiral-bound as issued. Generally very good to fine condition. \$250
All 14 C4 sales issued to date, including a number of outstanding collections of colonial material (some of which are described in more detail in the following lots). Rarely offered as a set.

Special Edition C4 Auction Sales

249. McCawley, Chris, and Bob Grellman. *The John M. Griffie Sale of United States Colonial Coins, in Conjunction with the First Annual Convention of the Colonial Coin Collectors Club* Pennsauken, New Jersey, Oct. 21, 1995. 4to., brown leather, gilt, original card covers bound in. 128 pages; 652 lots. Prices realized list in pocket. A few prices in pencil. Near fine. \$200
The special leatherbound edition of the first C4 sale, especially significant for Griffie's New Jersey coppers. Apparently, McCawley and Grellman intended to issue these with additional photographic plates, which never materialized.

250. McCawley, Chris, and Bob Grellman. *The Scott Barnes Sale of United States Colonial Coins, in Conjunction with the Second Annual Convention of the Colonial Coin Collectors Club* Pennsauken, New Jersey, Oct. 12, 1996. 4to., crimson pebbled cloth, gilt, original card covers bound in. 100 pages; 624 lots. Prices realized list in pocket. Fine. \$100
The special hardcover edition of the second C4 sale, also significant for New Jersey coppers.

251. McCawley, Chris, and Bob Grellman. *The Sixth Annual C-4 Convention Sale of U.S. Colonial Coins, Featuring the Albany Collection of Machins Mills Coinage*. Boston, Nov. 18, 2000. 4to., light brown cloth, gilt, original card covers bound in. 108 pages; 542 + 16 lots. Prices realized list in pocket. Fine. \$100
The special hardcover edition of the sixth C4 sale, significant for Machin's Mills contemporary counterfeit coppers (the Mike Ringo collection).

252. McCawley, Chris, and Bob Grellman. *The Eighth Annual C-4 Convention Sale, Featuring the Jesse Patrick Collection of Connecticut Coppers*. Boston, Nov. 16, 2002. 4to., black cloth, gilt, original card covers bound in. 140 pages; 632 + 16 lots. Prices realized list in pocket. Fine. \$100
The special hardcover edition of the eighth C4 sale, especially significant for Connecticut coppers.

253. McCawley, Chris, and Bob Grellman. *The Twelfth Annual C-4 Convention Sale of U.S. Colonial Coins*. Boston, Dec. 2, 2006. 4to., brown cloth, original card covers bound in. 128 pages; 670 lots. Prices realized list in pocket. Fine. \$100
The special hardcover edition of the twelfth C4 sale, especially significant for the Bob Lompfrey collection of Connecticut coppers and the Clem Schettino collection of Machin's Mills coppers.

254. McCusker, John J. *Money and Exchange in Europe and America, 1600–1775: A Handbook*. Chapel Hill, North Carolina: University of North Carolina Press for the Institute of Early American History and Culture, 1978. Oblong 8vo. [17.5 by 25 cm], card covers. xi, (3), 367, (3) pages. Fine. \$40
A useful reference for colonial enthusiasts, giving rates of exchange at various time and places. Clain-Stefanelli 12138.

255. Menchell, David. *Medals of Conflict/Medals of Conquest*. Boston: Medal Collectors of America, 2005. 4to., spiral bound. 3–43, (1) pages; illustrated throughout in color and black and white. Signed by the author on front cover. New. \$90
A authorized offprint from the *MCA Advisory*, issued in very limited quantities. Menchell's monograph focuses on the numismatic legacy of the French and Indian War.

256. Merkin, Lester. *Louis Helfenstein Collection of Large Cents, 1793–1857*. New York, Aug. 14, 1964. 8vo., card covers. Prices realized. Fine. \$20
Merkin's first auction sale, the important collection of U.S. large cents formed by Lou Helfenstein. Catalogued by Walter Breen.

257. Mossman, Philip L. [editor]. *Coinage of the American Confederation Period*. New York: ANS, 1996. 8vo., maroon cloth, lettered in silver. xii, 346, (2) pages. Fine. \$35
The proceedings of the 1995 Coinage of the Americas Conference, including important papers by Philip Mossman, Charles Smith, John Lorenzo, Eric Newman, John Kleeborg, George Fuld and others.

258. Myers, Minor, Jr. *The Insignia of the Society of the Cincinnati*. Washington, DC: Society of the Cincinnati, 1998. Oblong 8vo., blue cloth, gilt, jacket. 120 pages. Fine. \$40
A beautifully illustrated history and investigation of the Society's distinctive insignia, and the 80 varieties of badges that have been produced bearing it.

259. Nesmith, Robert I. *The Coinage of the First Mint of the Americas at Mexico City, 1536–1572*. New York: ANS, 1955. 8vo., card covers. (6), 139, (1) pages; 6 photographic enlargements with line-drawn overlays; 13 plates. Fine. \$50
Numismatic Notes and Monographs No. 131. An important work. The photo overlays are impressive. Clain-Stefanelli 11530*. Davis 743. Grierson 214.

260. Neuzil, Chris, Lenny Vaccaro and Todd Creekman. *A "Medal Most Shamefully Executed": The Unlikely Story of Captain Thomas Truxtun's Congressional Medal*. Boston: Medal Collectors of America, 2008. 4to., spiral bound. 2–41 pages; illustrated in color and black and white. Signed by the authors on front cover. New. \$30
An authorized offprint from the *MCA Advisory*, issued in very limited quantities. A thorough examination of this important medal, with wonderful color photography.

The Finest ANA Sale Ever?

261. New Netherlands Coin Company [with Numismatic Fine Arts, Hans M.F. Schulman and Henry Grunthal]. *1952 Annual National Convention of the American Numismatic Association, Official Public Auction Sale*. New York, Aug. 16–21, 1952. Small 4to., card covers. (7), 158, (3) pages; 4880 lots; 48 plates. Prices realized list laid in. As new. \$60
Possibly the finest ANA convention sale. Conducted jointly by four different firms, the New Netherlands material tends to receive the most attention, including as it does the Homer K. Downing large cents and selections from his library. John J. Ford, Jr. claimed to have done much editing of the other three firms' material, in addition to his work on the New Netherlands section. Cataloguing the Downing large cents was the first job Walter Breen did for New Netherlands. Other material includes the Gibbs Canadian, Rumbel's patterns and Leshner dollars, Wayte Raymond's assay medals, and coins of the world. A classic sale (rated A+ overall by Adams), in essentially new condition. Adams 38 (under New Netherlands) and 10 (under Schulman). Davis 779.

262. New Netherlands Coin Company et al. Four sales: 1952 ANA (Aug. 16–21, 1952); Sale 54 (April 22–23, 1960); Sale 56 (June 27–28, 1962); and Sale 59 (June 13–15, 1967). First with copy PRL; very good. \$60

Four auction catalogues from the firm's peak period, including the 1952 ANA sale described in the above lot and three other sales strong in U.S. large cents and other early U.S. federal coins. The 59th sale also offers outstanding Canadian and is important for numismatic literature from the Boyd and Raymond libraries. John J. Ford, Jr. catalogued all of these, with Walter Breen cataloguing some of the material in the ANA sale; the two are largely responsible for reintroducing scholarly content to U.S. numismatic auction catalogues.

Handsome, Thick-Paper Leatherbound Newcomb

263. Newcomb, Howard R. *United States Copper Cents, 1816–1857*. Thick paper, leatherbound first edition. New York: Stacks, 1944. 4to., original full red morocco, gilt. 284 pages, 11 plates. Addenda laid in. Only very slight rubbing at extremities; near fine. \$250

An unusually well-preserved copy of the deluxe, thick-paper, leatherbound version of the first edition of this important work, with the rare addenda laid in. Newcomb's impressive work provided a considerable expansion on the previous work by Frank Andrews, first published in 1881. Only 75 copies of the thick-paper version were printed, and most seen are very well rubbed: this copy is far better than usually encountered. Would be very tough to improve upon. Davis 747.

264. Newman, Eric P. *The Secret of the Good Samaritan Shilling: Supplemented with Notes on Other Genuine and Counterfeit Massachusetts Silver Coins*. New York: ANS, 1959. 8vo., card covers. xii, 72 pages; 9 plates. Fine. \$30

Numismatic Notes and Monographs 142. Newman's detective work makes this a classic of colonial numismatic literature. One of this cataloguer's favorite works. Davis 773.

265. Noe, Sydney P. *The Coinage of Massachusetts Bay Colony*. Worcester: American Antiquarian Society, 1950. 8vo., card covers. 12, (4) pages. Fine. \$30

Reprinted from the AAS proceedings for April 1950, this is the text of a lecture given by Noe (author of what are still [exasperatingly] the standard works on Massachusetts silver die varieties). Scarce.

266. Numismatic Bibliomania Society. *The Asylum*. Vol. V (1987), as published in four issues. [with] Index for Vols. I to V. Fine. \$30

An early volume of this essential publication on numismatic literature. Membership in the NBS is highly recommended to anyone interested in the literature of numismatics.

267. Ostendorf, John. *Civil War Store Cards of Cincinnati*. N.p.: Civil War Token Society, 2007. 8vo., illustrated boards. vi, 377, (1) pages. As new. \$38

A well-done work covering the immense number of tokens in Cincinnati during the war. An essential work on the subject.

268. Phillips, Henry, Jr. *Notes upon the Collection of Coins and Medals Now upon Exhibition at the Pennsylvania Museum and School of Industrial Art, Memorial Hall, Fairmount Park, Philadelphia*. Philadelphia: Reprinted from the *Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society*, 1879. 8vo., wraps. 15, (1) pages. Unopened; edges a bit wrinkled; very good. \$40

According to the cover, "A Paper read before the American Philosophical Society, February 7, 1879, and before the Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of Philadelphia, March 6, 1879." Rare.

269. Pollock, Andrew W., III. *United States Patterns and Related Issues*. Wolfeboro: Bowers & Merena, 1994. 4to., blue cloth, gilt. xi, (1), 498, (2) pages. Fine. \$80

A vast expansion of the relatively limited information to be found in the classic Judd reference.

270. Raymond, Wayne. *The Important Numismatic Collection Formed by the Late W.W.C. Wilson, Montreal, Canada. United States & Canadian Coins, Early American & Canadian Historical Medals, Medals Presented to North American Indian Chiefs, Foreign Coins & Medals*. New York, Anderson Galleries, Nov. 16–18, 1925. Tall 8vo., red buckram. Frontispiece; 92, (2) pages; 1260 lots; 2 plates, one of them double, plus illustrations throughout. Hand-priced and partly named in pencil. Ex Fuld library; also ex Stewart P. Witham, with both bookplates present. Very good. \$300

A priced copy of this monumental sale, with about half of the lots featuring the buyer's name as well. Of immense importance for early North American medals and coins, with nearly complete series of Franco-American jetons (to which the double plate is devoted) and Side-View tokens (an entire plate illustrates nothing but them), and numerous individual rarities (the Tuesday Club medal, Happy White United medal, Washington peace medals, Quaker peace medal, Society of Tammany medal, gold Erie Canal medal, etc.). Other impressive content includes a nearly complete collection of U.S. fractional currency and the Maris 64.5-r New Jersey copper (unique in private hands). One of the most important catalogues of North American material ever produced. Adams 9 (rated A+ overall, and for early medals, U.S. medals and Canada in particular).

Large-Paper Sabin Catalogue of the Burton Library

271. Sabin, J., & Co. *Bibliotheca Dramatica. Catalogue of the Theatrical and Miscellaneous Library of the Late William E. Burton, the Distinguished Comedian, Comprising an Immense Assemblage of Books Relating to the Stage ... Also, a Small but Select Collection of Curiosities, Antiquities ... &c.* New York, Oct. 8, 1860 and following. 4to. [29.5 by 17.5 cm pages], heavy green paper covers with spine label. Engraved frontispiece of Burton by W.G. Jackman; viii, 463, (1) pages; 6154 lots. Untrimmed, largely unopened. Dusty, frontispiece foxed, with small corner repair; very good. \$275

Ex Union College, Schenectady, with its marks. A rare large-paper copy of an important 19th-century book sale (included in Attinelli). Burton's library was one of the most important theatrical libraries formed, and is notable for being the first U.S. auction sale to feature the first four Shakespeare folios. Burton's numismatic interests were obviously less advanced: his sale contains but 32 lots of mostly American and European medals. Catalogued by Joseph Sabin, the preeminent bibliophile of 19th-century America, whose *Dictionary of Books Relating to America from Its Discovery to the Present Time* remains an important reference. Apparently from the large-paper edition noted by Attinelli: the paper in this copy is a good 4 cm taller and 1.5 cm wider than that seen by this cataloguer in other copies. Attinelli 20. McKay 885.

An 1859 Augustus B. Sage Price List

272. Sage, Augustus B. *Catalogue of Coins, Medals & Tokens, Autographs, Old Books, &c.* New York: A.B. Sage & Co., June 1859. 8vo., wraps. 24 pages; 464 lots. Two small holes near spine from previous binding; very good. \$65

An early U.S. numismatic fixed price list from one of the shining stars of the numismatic scene of the time. Very scarce.

273. Scher, Stephen K. [curator/editor]. *The Currency of Fame: Portrait Medals of the Renaissance*. New York: Harry N. Abrams, in association with the Frick Collection, 1994. 4to., black cloth, jacket. 424 pages; illustrated throughout in color and black and white. Fine. \$60

A massive catalogue of the exhibit hosted by the Frick Collection and the National Gallery of Art, this goes beyond the ephemeral exhibit to become a core reference on these important medals. Features beautiful photography by John Bigelow Taylor.

The Spiro Collection

- 274. Schulman, Hans M.F.** *Unrestricted Important Public Coin Auction.* New York, Mar. 18–19, 1955. 8vo., card covers. 136 pages, including 27 plates; 2487 lots. Very good. \$80
Features the Spiro collection of New Jersey copper coins, one of the most important collections of these ever to be formed. Also includes significant Spanish-American silver and coins of the West Indies in addition to Spiro's colonial paper. Adams 16 (A overall, and in colonials and colonial paper money in particular).

Newcomer's Amsterdam Sale

- 275. Schulman, J.** *Catalogue de la collection importante de feu M. Waldo Newcomer de Baltimore. Monnaies rares Pays-Bas, Belgique, Danemark, France, Autriche, Hongrie, Bohême, Salzbourg, Italie, Parme, les Papes, Rhodes et Malte.* Amsterdam, Mar. 26, 1935. Small 4to., card covers. (2), 25, (1) pages; 613 lots; 10 plates. Priced in ink; printed estimate sheet laid in. Very good. \$50
A scarce catalogue, featuring important content from the Waldo Newcomer collection. Included in the sale were important counterstamps of American interest as well as the stunning European content outlined in the title (with especially significant gold). Clain-Stefanelli 8011.
- 276. Scott, Kenneth.** "The Middlesex Counterfeiters." *Proceedings of the New Jersey Historical Society.* Vol. 70, No. 4 (October 1952). 8vo., card covers. [Scott's article is on pages 246–249]. Fine. \$25
A fascinating look at what Scott calls "perhaps the most accomplished and injurious single band of counterfeiters in the whole colonial period."
- 277. Scott, Kenneth.** *Counterfeiting in Colonial New York.* New York: ANS, 1953. 8vo., card covers. x, 224 pages; 13 plates. Fine. \$30
Numismatic Notes and Monographs 127. The first of Scott's works on the subject of colonial counterfeiting to be published as a separate monograph. Clain-Stefanelli 13638. Davis 917.

- 278. Scott Stamp and Coin.** One-cent printed postcard, dated January 27, 1897. Addressed to Claude Unger of Pottsville, Pennsylvania. Signed "M." Very good. \$15
An interesting piece of 19th-century numismatic/philatelic ephemera, with the handwritten message giving information on buying copies of catalogues.
- 279. Shinkle, C.H.** *U.S. Coin Values and Lists.* Pittsburgh, undated [c. 1911]. 8vo., card covers. 23, (1) pages; 16 page plate supplement bound in middle. Some chips to covers; covers taped. Very good. \$25
Described on the copyright page as "An Exhibit of Prices Paid for U.S. Coins at Auction Sales, 1907–10," this was the third such list issued by Shinkle, according to a review in the 1911 volume of the *AJN*.

The Mark Hofmann Murders

- 280. Sillitoe, Linda, and Allen Roberts, with a forensic analysis by George J. Throckmorton.** *Salamander: The Story of the Mormon Forgery Murders.* Salt Lake City: Signature Books, 1988. 8vo., black cloth, jacket. xiii, (1), 556, (2) pages; 20 plates. Signed on title by all three authors. Fine. \$50
The best book yet written on the Mark Hofmann forgeries and the murders he committed in his efforts to hide them. Fascinating reading.
- 281. Smith, Pete.** *The Story of the Starred Reverse Cent.* Minneapolis, 1986. 4to., card covers. (2), 62 pages. Signed and dated by the author on title. Fine. \$30
A history of this storied variety, with a detailed census. Number 56 of 250 copies printed.
- 282. Stack's.** *United States Half Cents.* Fixed Price List No. 69 (1963). 8vo., card covers. 24 pages. Very good. \$20
The Joseph Brobston collection. Important.

- 283. Stack's.** *Public Auction Sale of Americana: The Hain Family Collection of Massachusetts Silver Coins.* [with] *Public Auction Sale of Americana: Colonial and Federal Coins, Medals and Currency, Featuring Selections from the Hain Family Collection, Part II.* New York, Jan. 15–17, 2002. Two volumes. 4to., card covers. 124, 312 pages; 188, 201–2796 lots. Fine. \$50
Both parts of the 2002 Americana sale, most notable for the Hain Family collection of Massachusetts silver, one of the finest ever assembled. Part I of this sale has become a basic reference on the subject.

Ford I

- 284. Stack's.** *John J. Ford, Jr. Collection: Coins, Medals and Currency. Part I.* New York, Oct. 14, 2003. 4to., card covers. 248 pages, 335 lots. Photocopy prices realized laid in. Fine. \$110
The first part of the John J. Ford, Jr. collection, featuring Continental dollars, New Jersey coppers, Vermont coppers, Fugio cents and the Confederate States of America half dollar. An astonishing sale, especially as it is merely the first of 21 sales from the Ford collection.
- 285. Stack's.** *John J. Ford, Jr. Collection: Coins, Medals and Currency. Part II.* New York, May 11, 2004. 4to., card covers. 256, (8) pages, 373 lots. Fine. \$50
The second part of the Ford collection, featuring stunning Washingtonia, Higley coppers, Maryland and New York issues, Carolina tokens, Rhode Island pieces, and territorial gold coins and ingots.
- 286. Stack's.** *The Americana Sale: United States Coins, Medals, Tokens, and Paper Money.* New York, Jan. 15–16, 2008. 4to., card covers. 496 pages; 3018 lots. Fine with printout PRL. \$30
Features Part I of the Mike Ringo collection of contemporary counterfeit English and Irish halfpennies (catalogued by John Kraljevich), the John Lorenzo collection of New Jersey coppers and the collection of Franco-American colonial coins formed by Bob Vlack.
- 287. Stahl, Alan M.** *Zecca: The Mint of Venice in the Middle Ages.* Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2000. 8vo., purple cloth, jacket. xv, (1), 497, (5) pages. New. \$45
An outstanding work, covering not only the coins themselves, but the role played by the mint in Venice and the working life within the institution. Published with the ANS, for whom Stahl was curator of medieval coins.
- 288. Storer, Horatio R.** *The Medals and Tokens of Rhode Island.* Undated Towne Coin Company reprint. Small 8vo. [21.5 by 17.5 cm], tan card covers. 14, (2) pages. Very good. \$30
A scarce reprint of Storer's important work originally appearing in the *AJN* in 1895. Apparently not the original offprint, as this is slightly smaller and has the "Towne Coin Company" imprint on the title page.
- 289. Swiatek, Anthony, and Walter Breen.** *The Encyclopedia of United States Silver & Gold Commemorative Coins, 1892–1954.* Second printing. New York: FCI/Arco, 1981. 4to., black cloth, jacket. xxi, (1), 362 pages. Signed by Breen on title. Fine. \$50
A significant work on the subject, infrequently seen with Breen's autograph.
- 290. Sylloge of Coins of the British Isles.** Vol. 33: *The John G. Brooker Collection Coins of Charles I (1625–1649).* By J.J. North and P.J. Preston-Morley. London: Spink, 1984. 8vo., blue cloth, jacket. lxi, (273) pages including 130 plates. Fine. \$40
An outstanding reference on this pivotal British coinage.
- 291. Thiers, Adolphe.** *The Mississippi Bubble: A Memoir of John Law. To Which Are Added, Authentic Accounts of the Darien Expedition, and the South Sea Scheme.* Translated and edited by Frank S. Fiske. Reprint. New York: Greenwood, 1969. 8vo., blue cloth. (3)—338 pages, as issued. Near fine. \$30
An inexpensive reprint of the first English translation (1859) of Thiers's 1826 biography and analysis of Law and the schemes he developed in promotion of his economic theories.

292. [United States Government]. *Message from the President of the United States, Communicating the Report of the Director of the Mint, of the Operations of That Institution during the Last Year.* Washington: A. & G. Way, printers. January 15, 1806. 8vo., self-covered. 7, (1) pages. Lacking the tables that usually accompany it. Disbound and restitched, with some minor foxing; good. \$75

A very early Mint Report, as transmitted by President Thomas Jefferson to the United States Congress. This is the first report written by Robert Patterson, the fourth Director of the Mint (who served 1805–1824). While lacking the tables that originally accompanied it, the written report (present) provides the totals of the various denominations struck during the course of 1805 as well as the grand totals struck since the Mint became operational, which are the heart of the report. Early Mint Reports, issued under a variety of names and in a number of formats, are legitimate rarities and of unquestionable importance as primary records. Shaw and Shoemaker 11634.

293. Vico Monteliva, Jesús, and Fernando P. Segarra.

Catálogo general de las monedas españolas. Vol. VI: Acuñaciones de la Casa de Borbon de Felipe V a Isabel II. Madrid: Vico y Segarra, 1985. 8vo., maroon leatherette, gilt., jacket. 476, (4) pages.

Jacket clipped, near fine. \$40

Covers the period from 1700 to 1868. While the pricing is out of date, this remains a useful catalogue for this important period of Spanish coinage. The historical and introductory text is in Spanish and English.

294. Vlack, Robert A. *Early American Coins.* Johnson City, New York: Windsor Research, 1965. 8vo., light green printed cloth. 120 pages. Ex libris label of James Curto. Very good. \$50

The expanded version of Vlack's overview of colonial coins, which helped bring about the renaissance in the colonial field that began in the 1960s.

295. Vlack, Robert A. *An Illustrated Catalogue of Early North American Advertising Notes (Ads That Look Like Paper Money).*

New York: Smythe, 2001. 4to., illustrated boards. xxiv, 360 pages. Near fine. \$65

The standard reference, number 136 of 300 printed.

296. Wood, Howland. *The Coinage of the West Indies, with Especial Reference to the Cut and Counterstamped Pieces.* 4to., red cloth, gilt. (89)–136 pages. Ex Louis Brewer Hall, with his bookplate. A few smudges, very good. \$60

A private binding of this important work, extracted from the *American Journal of Numismatics*, in which it was published in 1915 (Vol. 48, dated 1914). Essential for these little-understood colonial coinages. Clain-Stefanelli 12634*. Grierson 218.

297. Wood, Howland. *The Coinage of the Mexican Revolutionists.*

New York: ANS, 1928. 16mo., card covers. (4), 53, (3) pages; 15 plates [14 of them double]. "Compliments of the author" written on cover. Near fine. \$40

Numismatic Notes and Monographs No. 38. Wood's revision of his initial 1921 work on the subject, much expanded and developed. Important. Clain-Stefanelli 10822. Davis 1146. Grierson 214.

298. Wright, B.P. *Masonic Chapter Pennies: Second List.* 8vo., card covers. (2), 25–44, (2) pages. Near fine. \$15

A reprint from *The Numismatist* for April 1903, covering Wright numbers 63 through 156. A significant work on Masonic medals.

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299. Wright, John D. *The Cent Book, 1816–1839.* Bloomington, Minnesota: Litho Technical Services, 1992. 4to., black full levant morocco, sides bordered in gilt, front lettered in gilt; spine with five raised bands, decorated and lettered in gilt; marbled endpapers; top edge gilt. (30), 335, (1), (2) pages; 2-page update bound in between pages 328 and 329; 27 plates. Fine. \$300

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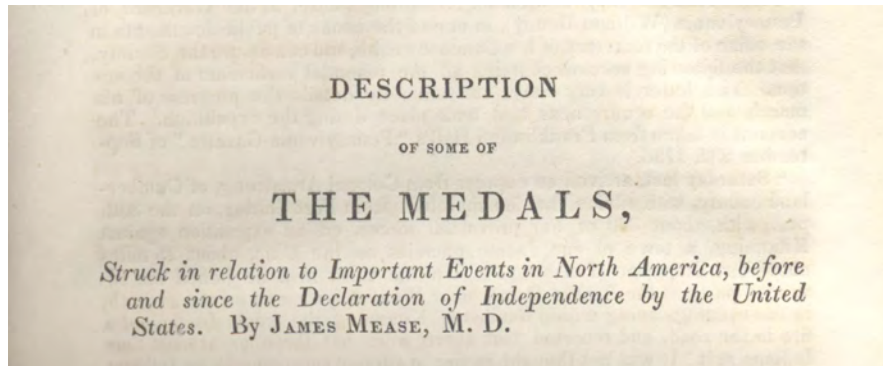
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Mease's 1834 Description of American Medals The Author's Revision of the First U.S. Numismatic Article

300. Mease, James. "Description of Some of the Medals, Struck in Relation to Important Events in North America, before and since the Declaration of Independence by the United States." *Collections of the Massachusetts Historical Society*. Third Series, Vol. IV. Cambridge: Charles Folsom, 1834. 8vo., original plain boards, paper spine label. v, (3), 336 pages. [Mease's article appears on pages 297–320.] Some foxing, mostly relegated to the opening and closing pages of the volume [the Mease pages are largely free of it]; boards a bit rubbed, spine cracked in more than one place, with resulting weakness that would justify restoration. A very good copy in a weak binding. \$1500

A landmark of early U.S. numismatic literature, Mease's article in this volume of the *Collections of the Massachusetts Historical Society* is a revision and expansion of his 1821 article published in the *Collections of the New-York Historical Society*, the first article written on a numismatic subject for numismatists. While a number of American publications of numismatic interest predate Mease's 1821 article, these early publications were written for merchants, bankers, lawyers, politicians and other people who dealt with monetary issues on a daily basis. Works had not been written from the point of view of one who *studies* coins and medals. Indeed, no works written for numismatists were published in this country, to the best of my knowledge, between Mease's 1821 article and this 1834 revision. (J.S. Fisher would go on to publish what is generally held to be the second U.S. numismatic article in the 1837 volume of the Massachusetts Historical Society's *Collections*, in which he revisited the subject of American medals from a different angle. A copy of Fisher's work appears in my June 4 auction, lot 315.) Both versions of Mease's article are very rare: the only copy of Mease's original article to sell in the numismatic market of which I am aware was the one sold in my third fixed price list in 2004. George F. Kolbe's recent sale of the Twinleaf Library included a unique volume assembled by Charles I. Bushnell, who combined the 1834 version of Mease with the 1837 Fisher article: that offering is the only previous sale of a copy of Mease's 1834 article by a numismatic literature dealer of which I am aware. This is the first time that the article has been offered in its original form. The article itself is an expansion of Mease's previous work (which primarily concentrates on the Comitia Americana series and related medals), fleshing out the descriptions from 18 to 24 pages, and adding material on medals from the War of 1812.

In his groundbreaking lecture on the topic of U.S. numismatic literature, William S.F. Mayers writes, "the first actual attempts at systematic classification and record of the coins struck in or for the American colonies and United States, appear in the shape of papers to be found in the collections of State Historical Societies" ("The Literature of American Numismatics," *Norton's Literary Letter*, No. 3, 1859, p. 6). Mease's articles are specifically mentioned by Mayers in his article, showing that these works, long forgotten until recent years, were still in the memory of some in the late 1850s. Though the 1821 version of the article is included in Attinelli's masterful 1876 *Numisgraphics* (p. 109), it is listed under "Historical Society of New York. Collections" with no mention of its contents or importance (and this revision isn't mentioned at all by him). Mease's 1821 article was reintroduced to modern scholars by Eric Newman in the Summer 1992 issue of *The Asylum*, the quarterly journal of the Numismatic Bibliomania Society, and has since been discussed by Joel Orosz in later issues of the same publication. The Newman article was also published in the August 1992 issue of *The Numismatist*.

James Mease, M.D. (1771–1846) was a polymath who published on an number of different subjects, including medicine, geology, and history. He was well known as the editor of the *Domestic Encyclopedia* (1803–04) and the *Archives of Useful Knowledge* (1811–12). His *Picture of Philadelphia* (1811) is a foundational work of local history and contains the first useful description of the U.S. Mint operations. Active in the American Philosophical Society and the Philadelphia Athenaeum, some of his papers are deposited in the William L. Clements Library at the University of Michigan. Mease would go on to publish the first numismatic examination of American coins in 1838.

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