

#### A Popular 19th-Century Confectioner's Book

I. [AUDOT, Louis Eustache.] La Patissière de la campagne et de la ville, suivie de l'art de faire le pain-d'épices, les gaufres et les oublies, pour faire suite a *La Cuisinière de la campagne*. Paris: Audot, 1825.

12mo. 2 p.l., 140 pp. Contemporary quarter cloth over blue marbled boards, boards lightly rubbed, brown-speckled edges, marginal repair to natural paper flaw on leaf 5<sup>1</sup>. \$1200.00

The extremely rare Second Edition of Louis Eustache Audot's *La Patissière de la campagne et de la ville*. Amongst the 175 recipes are methods on how to prepare various pastry doughs, pâtés (including those with pheasant, carp roe, and salmon), tarts, pies, flans, cakes, soufflés, cookies, marzipans, macaroons, meringues, gingerbreads, waffles, and wafers. There is also a delightful recipe for a regional classic from Normandy – the "Mirlitons de Rouen."

Mettez dans une casserole un quarteron de sucre en poudre, deux oeufs entiers, et un demi-quarterton de beurre fondu, un peu d'eau de fleur d'orange: mêlez bien le tout ensemble; abaissez une demi-livre de pâte feuilletée de l'épaisseur d'un sou; formez-en vos mirlitons en les coupant en rond, avec un verre ou un coupe-pâte; mettez-les dans de petits moules de même grandeur rembplissez vos moules avec le mélange que vous avez préparé; saupoudrez-les de sucre, et faits-les cuire au four à une chaleur douce; étant cuits, dressez-les et servez.

#### Roughly translated to:

Put in a saucepan a quarter of a pound of powdered sugar, two whole eggs, an eighth of a pound of melted butter, and a little orange blossom water: mix everything together well; roll out half a pound of penny-thick puff pastry; form your mirlitons out of them by cutting them in circles, with a glass or a pastry cutter; put them in small molds of the same size and fill your molds with the mixture you have prepared; sprinkle them with sugar, and cook them in the oven over a gentle heat; once they are cooked, arrange them and serve them.

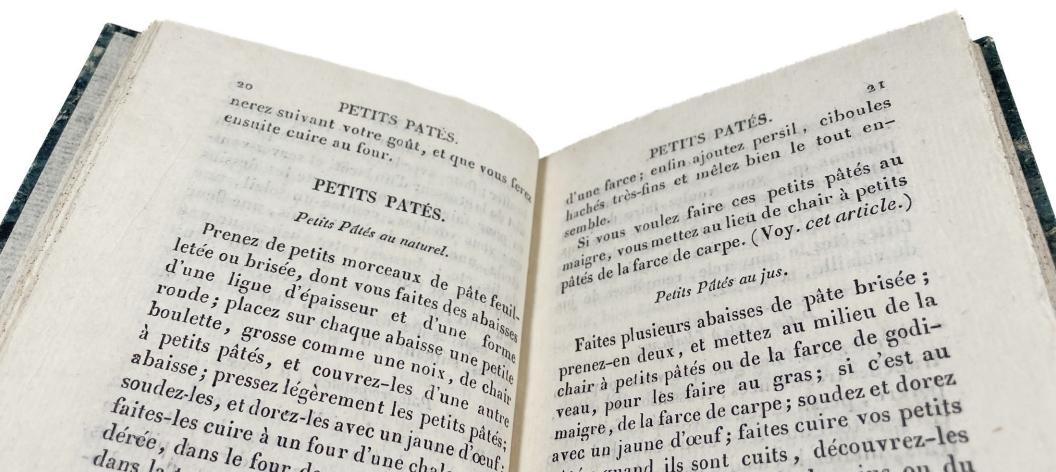
Louis Eustache Audot (1783-1870) was a bookseller, publisher, author, and journalist who began in the book trade in 1805. In the same year as *La Patissière*, Audot published *La Cuisinière de la campagne et de la ville*. It would become the most popular cookbook published in France in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Other than a brief period between 1832-35 when his son, Louis Désiré Joeseph Audot took over the business, Louis Eustache Audot was an active bookseller until his death in 1870.

On the verso of the half-title page is a list of where this publication can be purchased in thirty-three different cities in Europe. This list was also included in the first edition, but interestingly in this edition (which was printed seven years later), we find that Alençon, Bayeaux, Caen, Cambrai, Châlons-sur-Saône, Orléans, Provins, Tours, and Versailles were dropped. Instead, Amsterdam, Avignon, Blois, Bruges, Havre, Lausanne, Limoges, Londres, Marseille, Milan, Moscou, Nancy, and Pétersbourg were added.

This second edition mirrors the recipes in the first edition with the exception of the recipe for pâte à ramequin. This edition contains the full recipe, whereas in the first edition, the reader is referred to La cuisinière de la campagne et de la ville for the recipe.

A fine copy.

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#### The Life and Recipes of the Lemonadier

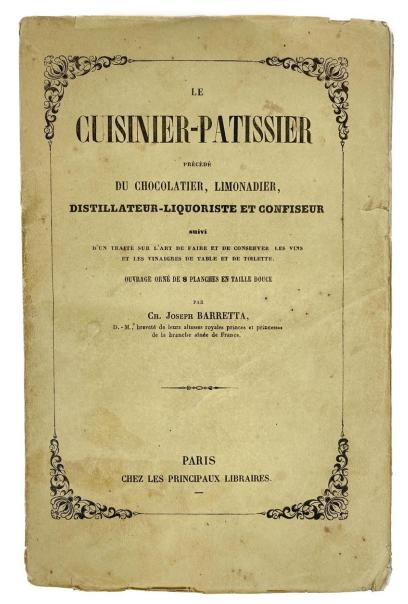
2. BARRETTA, Ch. Joseph. Manuel complet théorique et pratique du chocolatier, limonadier, distillateur-liquoriste, confiseur, patissier Suisse. Paris: Mathias, Lyon: Savy, 1841.

8vo. Eight engraved plates. 2 p.l., iv, 814 pp. Original printed yellow wrappers (preserved in a folding sleeve and slipcase), light wear to head and tail of spine, wrappers lightly worn along edges and with light spotting, a spot of blue ink on upper edges, untrimmed, first leaves heavily foxed, then moderate foxing throughout, one marginal dampstain affecting several leaves in the upper margin, a stain in the gutter of the final few signatures. \$3500.00

The very rare FIRST & ONLY EDITION of this incredible compendium of recipes and instruction about the arts of making chocolate, confectionery, and pastry and being a *lemonadier*. There are also sections on distillation and winemaking, and a collection of Continental recipes which the author collected over his "thirty-six years of work in several regions of Europe." All told, Barretta provides roughly 1,020 recipes.

In the section on chocolate, Barretta writes on the different varieties of cacao; which make the best chocolate; economical methods for roasting the beans; flavoring ideas (such as adding vanilla and cinnamon from Ceylon); how to extract the essence from cacao without pounding the beans; how to make cocoa butter; and how to improve cacao that has gone bad during transport. He also provides numerous recipes for both medicinal and gastronomical chocolates.

In the section on being a *lemonadier*, we find a long and articulate description of what it is that defines the kind of shop that is run by a *lemonadier*. According to Barretta, these elegantly appointed venues can be found all over Europe, but especially in France. They are places where people are meant to enjoy both their leisure time and conduct business. The prime offerings are traditionally "coffee, beer, ice cream, chocolates, syrups, wines, jams, bonbons, pastries, liqueurs, *eau-de-vie*, rums, *taffiats* [brandy made from molasses], punches, *bichofs* [wine punch], *aigres de cèdre* [cedar sours], and a hundred other similar preparations" – p.74. This description is followed by the many recipes necessary for provisioning a *limonadier's* establishment.



In the section on the art of the confectioner, Barretta compares working with sugar to being a chemist. He describes it as a complex art requiring an intricate knowledge of the different qualities of sugar derived from cane, beets, grapes, and honey, as well as how cane sugars can vary depending on where they come from (e.g. India, Martinique, and Havana). Prior to the recipes, there are detailed descriptions on how to clarify sugar; how to clarify honey; and other ways to prepare sugar such as pearled, caramelized, and for use in making syrups. There is even a method for extracting sugar from potatoes.

The recipes in the section on the art of the confectioner are for syrups; jellies and marmalades; eau-de-vie and confits; bonbons; pastilles; dragées (described as "small dried jams made with various fruits, seeds, pieces of bark or odoriferous and aromatic roots, covered with different layers of sugar, and to which one can give various colors"); croquantes and nonpareilles; sweet pickles; and gaufres (waffles). There are also recipes for medicinal tablettes.

The next section is called "Le Patissier Suisse." Contained therein are various methods for making puff pastry and recipes for pâtés; tourtes; custards; brioches; échaudés, briquets, barquettes, poupelins, croquets, and biscotins (pastry-based confections); biscuits; cakes; meringue; marzipan; birds nests; nougats; and bread rolls. This is followed by "Le Patissier-Cuisinier Suisse," in which Barretta cites his many travels in Europe and writes that he has collected many savory recipes from great cooks which he will share here. Included are soups; sauces; meat and fish entrées; foies gras; crêpes; custards, and pickles. To start off the section on entrées, Barretta contributes a self-attributed recipe for poulardes et chapons au gros sel (pullets and capons with coarse salt):

Ayez une poularde ou un chapon très-gras et fin; nettoyez-le, flambez-le, coupez-lui les pattes et troussez-le; mettez-lui dans le ventre gros comme une noix de beurre frais, un peu de sel, et un clou de girofle.

Ayez une vessie de cochon bien propre, un peu plus grosse que votre chapon, coupez-en le bout, et faites entrer votre volaille par ce trou: faites attention que votre vessie ne soit point percée, et nouez-la fortement avec une ficelle afin que rien n'en puisse sortir.

Mettez-la dans le bouillon, faites cuire; quand c'est cuit vous le mettez sur un plat, vous sortez la vessie et vous mettez dans le jus une cuillerée de sauce tomate et une de bouillon, quelques grains de sel dessus, et vous servez.

#### Roughly translated to:

Have a very fat and delicate chicken or capon; clean it, flame it, cut off its legs and truss it; put in his stomach a big knob of fresh butter, a little salt, and a clove.

Have a very clean pig's bladder, a little bigger than your capon, cut off the end, and introduce your poultry through this hole: take care that your bladder is not pierced, and tie it tightly with a string so that nothing will leak out of it.

Put it in the broth, cook; when it's cooked you put it on a dish, you remove the bladder and you put in the juice a spoonful of tomato sauce and one of broth, a few grains of salt on it, and you serve – pp. 474-475.





The distillation section is a guide to extracting the "perfumes of aromatic substances" using either water or alcohol. Included are recipes for liqueurs; eau-de-vie (a clear brandy made from fruit); absinthe; various crêmes; ratafias; and medicinal tinctures. Some of the liqueurs bear the names of famous French royalty such as Louis XVIII, Madame la Dauphine, Charles X, Madame la Duchesse de Berri, Duc de Berri, Henri V, and Mlle d'Artois, as well as a "liqueur favorite de l'auteur Barretta."

In Barretta's treatise on winemaking he bemoans the lack of studies on how to make wine in northern regions. He states that although there are many books written on winemaking in the South where the grapes grow easily and contain more alcohol, only Chaptal can be said to have written anything reliable, and even he did not go into detail on making low alcohol wines. Barretta promises to "fill this gap" with this treatise.

The final section is on vinegar and it describes six different methods for making vinegar. There are many recipes for flavoring vinegar both for the kitchen and for the toilet as well as information on how to ensure that intense heat does not destroy the vinegar.

The eight engraved plates depict 57 numbered cooking apparatus which are described on pages 792-794. Each plate illustrates various tools mentioned in the sections of the book. There is also a conversion chart on the measurement of alcohol.

With an ink stamp of the Ministry of the Interior on the half-title. Preserved in a folding sleeve and slipcase.

In good condition and an incredible resource for the kitchen.

 $\P$  OCLC: Library of Congress, Harvard, and four locations outside of the United States.

### WATER PUBLICANS IN A FIX.

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Arr. - "What can the matter be?"

The Chancellor's Bill and all his parade Of reducing French wine and giving free

Has mocked and deceived our license brigade, And drink-selling now is no go!

O dear, what can the matter be,-Dear, dear, what can the matter be? . Victuallers are done as sure as a gun, For the people will have a Main Law!

No matter what plans we take to allure, No coaxing or dodging can custom insure, We shall not be able to pay off the brewer, For drink-selling now is no go! O dear, what can the matter be, &c.

Our capital invested (O dear!) is fast sinking, Our calling, and name, and character stink-

The sooner we flit and the better, I'm think-

For drink-selling's not worth a straw! O dear, what can the matter be, &c.

tinker, a tailor, a hatter, or snob, as need to be happy and proud of his job, at he who sells drink must be wrong in the

the people declare it's no go! dear, what can the matter be, &c.

cold water folks told truth in the past, aid the drink-sellers'sky was o'ercast; ight have been certain that justice

system in mercy o'erthrow! what can the matter be? ear, what can the matter be? ers are done as sure as a gun, eople will have a Main Law! Beware of Ice Cream & Alcohol

- (BROADSIDES.) A collection of four broadside ballads regarding temperance in alcohol and ice cream. c.1850s.
- I. A new teetotal song & dialogue, between a drunkard and a teetotaller. [c.1830.] Broadside: 25.4cm x 19cm. Text in two columns, lightly browned.
- II. Shiver and shakery. [c.1850s.] Broadside: 25.4cm x 19.3cm. Text in two columns, lightly browned.
- III. Water, pure water. [c.1850s.] Broadside: 25.2cm x 18.8cm. Text in two columns, lightly browned.

IV. Willie, drunk again. [c.1850s.] Broadside: 25.2cm x 18.8cm. Text in two columns, lightly chipped at lower margin (not affecting text), lightly browned. \$1200.00

An extremely rare group of broadside ballads in fragile, but very good condition. Due to the ephemeral nature of these examples of mid-19<sup>th</sup> century job printing, very few of the originals survive today. "Broadside ballads, printed cheaply on one side of a sheet of paper from the earliest days of printing....[were] sold in large numbers on street-corners, in town-squares and at fairs by traveling ballad-singers and pinned on the walls of alehouses and other public places." Each of the ballads is numbered at the lower right margin, (i.e. "SONG 223" for item I).

Three of the ballads are on the subject of abstinence from alcohol. A new teetotal song is a tale about a man who believes that his heavy drinking is having no ill effects on those around him. He is warned kindly and firmly by a teetotaler that the drunkard's life will result in penury and is to the detriment of his married life. The broadside identified as "SONG 229" is actually comprised of three songs: Water, pure water; Cheer, boys, cheer!; and The Publicans in a fix. The first two songs are celebrations of alcohol-free living. The last song is a critique of the publican:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See http://ballads.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/about. The Bodleian Library at the University of Oxford holds nearly 30,000 songs, many of them unique survivals, printed from the 16th to the 20th Centuries.

A tinker, a tailor, a hatter, or snob, Has need to be happy and proud of his job, But he who sells drink must be wrong in the knob

Willie, drunk again, (song sheet 215) is printed in two columns. The left column contains a lament against a husband who has forsaken his wife and children in favor of roaming about with drunkards, leaving his family in abject poverty. The right column contains a grim lament for British soldiers who died in India, led by Sir Colin Campbell at the Second Battle of Cawnpore. It is thanks to the names and places in this ballad that we can roughly place this song around 1857 which was the year in which that battle took place.

Shiver and shakery, song 253, is an outrageous cautionary tale about a man who wanted to cool off by eating ice cream. Unfortunately, he ate to excess and was never able to warm back up. Eventually, he dies of hypothermia in a bathtub when his personal body temperature turns the bathwater to ice.

The morning after he was drowned, While in a hot bath he was found, The water frozen all around The man that couldn't get warm....

"Oh! Have ice creams when you will, But do not eat them till you're ill, And always first take off the chill, And swallow your ices warm!"

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### SHAKERY.

ALL you who are fond, in spite of price, Of pastries, creams, and jellies nice, Be cautious how you take an ice When you are over warm!

A merchant who from India came—And Shiver-and-Shakery was his name—A pastry-cook did once entice
To take a cooling luscious ice;
The weather hot enough to kill,
Kept tempting him to eat, until
It gave his coppers such a chill,
He never again felt warm.

Shiver and Shakery, oh! oh! oh! Criminy, crickety, isn't it cold? Woo, woo, woo, oh! oh! oh! Behold the man who couldn't get warm!

Close to a burning fire he got,
And took to drinking brandy hot;
And sent for doctors, such a lot,
The man that could'nt get warm.

Who recommended chamois leather—
Flannel—shoes of India rubber;
Mustard, chilis, and cayenne!
But nothing seemed to warm the man.
And when the doctors took their fees,
And really made their fingers freeze—
The man that couldn't get warm.

His room was hot enough to bake,
And yet he still with cold did ache,
Nay, made his servants shiver and shake—
The man that couldn't get warm.

The nursery-maid, the scullion, cook,
Even John, the coachman, shivered and shook,
And all kept crying, night and morning,
"We really must give master warning!"
What's worse, his wife began to pout,
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And left his house, quite chill'd, no doubt,
For it even froze his gardener out—
The man that couldn't get warm.

To make his wife come home again,
The Doctors' Commons tried in vain,
For there his looks did soon condemn
The man that couldn't get warm.

The Proctors' fee with cold did shuffle,
Learned brothers learn'd to snuffle;
The clerks for warmth their bodies thump
And round the court the crier jump'd.
The judge had nigh a frozen nose,
And he, in haste, the case to close,
Decreed against—you may suppose—
The man that couldn't get warm.

Then he, with grief fill'd up to brin Resolv'd to go abroad by steam; But not a ship could move with h The man that couldn't get war

He went into the engine-room,
And gave the stoker sudden col
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And gave the passengers the of
The vessel ice-bound seemed,
The captain, shivering from the
Affirm'd on shore again must
The man that couldn't ge

Shiver and Shakery, of I say, messmates, isr

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The water frozen all
The man that cou

The jury prov'd it
He died of indiges
And then the fore
The verdict gave
"Oh! have ice of
But do not eat
And always fir
And swallow

Job printing has been around since printing began. Because of its low survival rate, the history of job printing tells a story that is often forgotten. Since job printing has always been the easiest way for printers to make money, it meets the needs of the printers. Whether it is for a profit or not-for-profit enterprise, the work is commissioned, quick, and relatively simple. Job printing also occupies an important place in the history of printing because of how integrated it is into people's everyday lives. For example, it includes the labels on products sold; the street sheets posted on buildings; the train schedules given out on a trip; the wedding announcements sent in the mail; and the receipts tendered for a service performed. These printed pieces of paper are part of a cultural moment that can be read and that helps us navigate our daily life. Most importantly, each piece of job printing has a materiality specific to its purpose. In the case of these broadsides, their purpose was to entertain and be affordably distributed in public space. They are also rare survivals of how food and drink were understood in popular culture in Victorian England.

In good condition.

¶ I. OCLC: one location outside of the United States only. II-IV. Not in OCLC.



### One of the Most Mysterious Books in Gastronomy

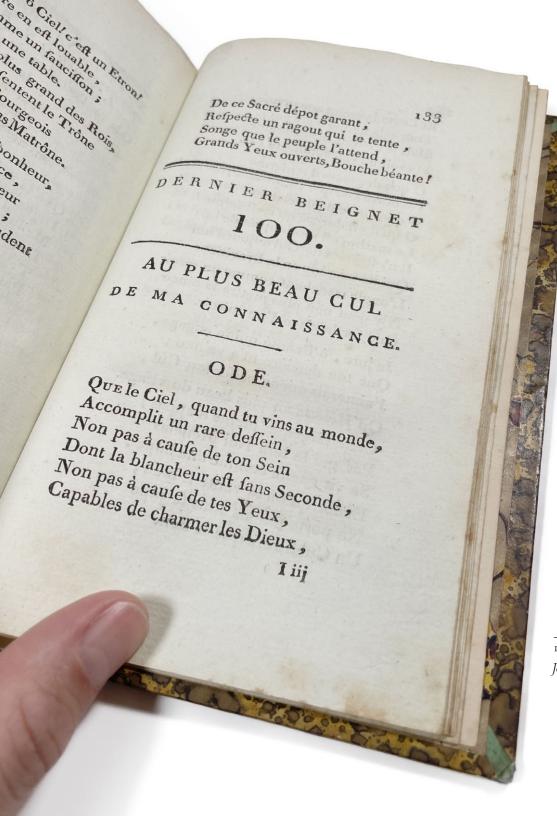
# 4. [CARON, Pierre Siméon.] Le plat de carnaval ou les beignets. Bonne-Huile: Chez Feu-Clair, rue de la Poele, A la Pomme de Reinette, L'an dix-huit cent d'oeufs [Paris: 1802].

8vo. Engraved frontispiece. 1 p.l. (engraved frontispiece on recto and printed text on verso), x, 142, [6] pp. 19<sup>th</sup>-century quarter calf over marbled boards with green vellum tips, spine gilt, red morocco lettering piece on spine, marbled endpapers, light foxing on the first few leaves, natural paper flaw on A¹ at lower corner (not affecting text). \$8000.00

The extremely rare FIRST EDITION, FIRST ISSUE, of this collection of erotic-gastronomic-scatalogic songs and anecdotes, each section presented as a numbered *beignet* (doughnut). In addition to the poetry, there is a "Notice de quelques livres" (a notice on some books) "which must necessarily enter the library of a man of good taste." The list includes works of a similar vein as well as some imaginary titles. At the beginning of the work is an engraved frontispiece entitled "Object de Curiosité" that depicts a smiling harlequin giving bones to a dog.







Le plat de carnaval ou les beignets was privately printed with the Baskerville type that Pierre Augustin Caron de Beaumarchais had bought from Baskerville's widow to use for his sumptuous edition of Voltaire printed in Kehl. (According to Legman's bibliography, Simon Caron's full name was Simon Caron de Beaumarchais and he was related to Pierre Augustin Caron de Beaumarchais.)

Legman attributes the rarity of literature such as *Le plat de carnaval ou les beignets* to cultural conventions and censorship. As he notes in the introduction to his bibliography:

Folklore is the voice of those who have no other voice, and would not be listened to if they did. Of no part of folklore is this more true...than of the sexual parts. These stand to the body of folklore and folksong in about the same proportion as the physical sexual parts stand to the human body.... But to most people they are among the most treasured, if secret, parts. Yet the record of erotic folklore and folksong has only seldom — and then usually only privately — been committed to print, owing to the antisexual religious censorship in the West... <sup>1</sup>

There are only two confirmed locations of the first issue (and both are outside of the United States). The second issue was published in the same year and is distinguished by four additional unpaginated leaves bound at the end (these leaves translate the coded *beignet sucré* that appears on pages 79-84). That this section was added later is confirmed by a sentence that appears on the first of the added leaves: "un feuillet qu'on refait à cause de quelques fautes qui y sont survenues" (a sheet [was] redone because of some mistakes that have occurred).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Legman, "Erotic folksongs and ballads, an international bibliography" in *Journal of American Folklore*, vol. 103, no. 410, 1990, p. 417.

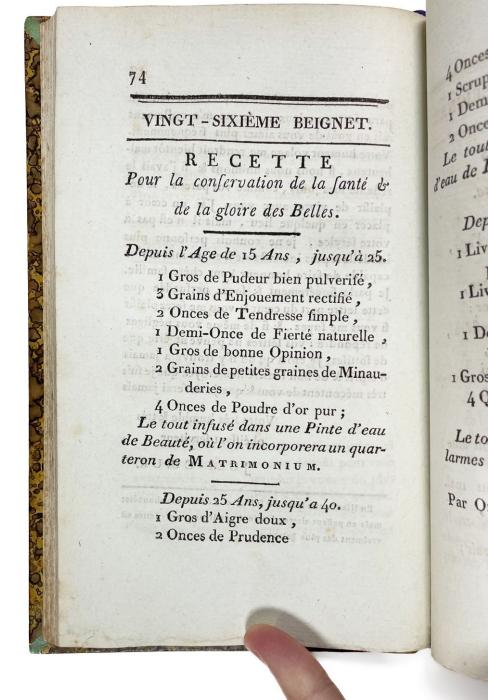
On page 85 (of both issues), the key is provided to unlock this coded *beignet*. For example, the key unlocks the first few words "Amo Honno ujuml olo bzocomlo" to mean "Une Femme ayant ete present" (a woman who has been present).<sup>2</sup> The second issue provides the translation for the reader on the four (new) leaves bound at the end (perhaps Caron's friends weren't fond of word games!).

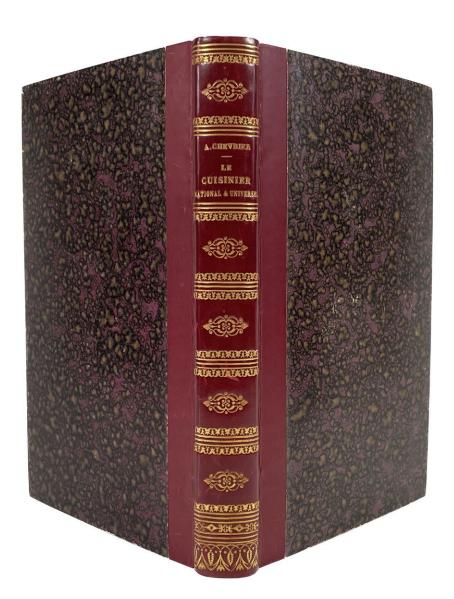
According to Legman, there are two additional reasons for the extreme rarity of *Le plat de carnival* (beyond the sexual nature of its subject). One is that it was printed in a limited edition of 56 copies for private circulation. The second reason is that the book pokes fun at Napoleon Bonaparte and was therefore suppressed by the police. (The subtitle is "les beignets apprêtés par Guillaume Bonnepâte, pour remetter en appétit ceux qui l'ont perdu" – the doughnuts prepared by Guillaume Bonnepâte [i.e. Napoleon Bonnepart] for those who have lost their appetite.)

A delightful and playful contribution to the history of gastronomy. In very good condition.

¶ Brunet, Gustave, Manuel du libraire, 5<sup>th</sup> ed., 1860, vol. I, col. 1593 (who gives Paris as the place of publication and describes it as being the 7<sup>th</sup> part of 11 works published by Caron 1798-1806); Legman, G. "Erotic folksongs and ballads, an international bibliography" in *Journal of American Folklore*, vol. 103, no. 410, 1990, p. 432 (who gives the place of publication as Paris); Oberlé 384; OCLC: only two locations outside of the United States (note: this does not include the Harvard, British Library, and Mediathèque de Montpellier copies, all three of which do not provide enough information to distinguish between the first and second issues); Quérard, J.-M. (Joseph Marie); Brunet, Gustave; and Jannet, Pierre; Les supercheries littéraires dévoilées, galerie des écrivains français de toute l'Europe qui se sont déguisés sous les anagrammes, des astéronymes, des cryptomymes, des initialismes, des noms littéraires, des pseudonymes facétieux, 1869, vol. I, col. 557 (under Bonnepate); Vicaire col. 103 (for the second issue).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The key tells us that the letters can be read as follows: a=u; m=n; n=m; o=e; h=f; j=y; l=t; b=p; z=r; and c=s.





#### For Cooks of "All Intelligences"

# 5. CHEVRIER, M.A. Le cuisinier national et universel. Paris: Chez tous les marchands de nouveautés [Versailles: Marlin], 1836.

8vo. Frontispiece and two large folding plates. 1 p.l., iv, [3] - 437, [1 - blank] pp. Red quarter calf over marbled boards in the style of the period by Laurenchet, vellum tips, spine richly gilt in six compartments, black-speckled upper edge, marbled endpapers, marginal repairs to half title page and frontispiece (not affecting text or image), marginal repair on leaf 24<sup>4</sup>, expert repairs to second folding plate.

\$1500.00

The FIRST EDITION of this cookbook that was written with the purpose of making tried and tested recipes accessible to cooks of "all intelligences." In the preface, we read that the author has written this book because despite the plethora of printed cookbooks, none were able to deliver recipes that were neither too highbrow, nor too lowbrow. (He refers to *Le Maitre d'Hôtel* as pretentious and the extremely popular and famous *Cuisinière Bourgeoise* as "barbaric.") He goes on to state that too many cookbooks seem to have been published without the recipes having been tested beforehand, "thus [exposing] the reader to compose at great cost a detestable cuisine."

There are roughly 1,640 recipes included in *Le cuisinier national et universel*. The first two chapters cover *potage au maigre* and *potage au gras*. These are soup recipes that are designed for fasting days (*maigre*) and then all other days (*gras*). As noted by Ken Albala in his book *Food in early modern Europe*, the fast was a "food custom inherited from the Middle Ages. Although not a total fast, all healthy individuals were expected to abstain from all animal flesh and products obtained from animals such as milk, butter or eggs, for the entire period of Lent." – p. 196. Although Lent



would last for forty days only, "Minor fasts were also scattered throughout the Christian calendar, such as Advent, as well as fasts every Friday....About 150 days of the year were set aside as fasting days." — ibid. By the time this work was written, the rules around fasting days must have softened a bit, as we see recipes in the *potage au maigre* chapter that include seafood, eggs, milk, and cheese.

The next chapters cover sauces, ragouts and garnishes; beef dishes; veal dishes; lamb; pig; mutton; poultry; game; fish; vegetables; eggs; fruit-based entremets (desserts such as beignets, charlottes, and crêpes); custards, soufflés, and cakes; jellies; patisserie; and pantry items such as coffee, chocolate, compotes, preserved fruit, syrups, and ratafias. Clearly, Parmentier's championing of the potato had been successful: in the vegetable chapter, there are twelve recipes for the potato. Other popular vegetables are green beans, artichokes, and truffles. The recipe for Pommes de terre à la provençale is as follows:

Après avoir fait cuire, pelé et coupé par tranches des pommes de terre, foncez une casserole avec du beurre que vous partagez en plusieurs portions d'égale grosseur, ajoutez moitié d'huile fine avec du zeste de citron coupé en filets très minces, du persil et de la ciboule hachés; saupoudrez de farine, sel, poivre et muscade râpée; mettez-y vos pommes de terre, et les remuez sur un feu doux sans les faire bouillir; ajoutez un jus de citron, et servez.

#### Roughly translated to:

After cooking, peeling and slicing the potatoes, line a pan with butter which you divide into several portions of equal size, add half [the same quantity] of fine oil with lemon zest cut into very thin fillets, chopped parsley and spring onions; sprinkle with flour, salt, pepper and grated nutmeg; put your potatoes in it, and stir them over a low heat without boiling them; add lemon juice, and serve.

The final chapter is concerned with wine. Sections cover the fining of wines; the sequence in which wines should be served; and the wines that should be in one's cellar. This includes the wines from Beune, Chambertin, Chablis, Chassagne, Clos-Vougeot, Irancy, Mâcon, Mercurey, Meursault, Montrachet, Nuits, Pomard, Pouilly, Romanée, Saint-Georges, Volnay, Vougeot, Château-Margaux, Haut-Brion, Lafitte, Médoc, Saint-Emilion, Saint-Julien, Sauternes, and Champagne. In addition to French wines, the author lists a few options from Spain, Italy, Africa, Greece, Portugal, and Persia.

The first folding plate illustrates 23 instruments and utensils for the kitchen, including various types of small ovens, coffee-makers, choppers, and a *tami* which is a cylindrical object with a fine mesh at the bottom that can be used as a sieve, grater, or food mill. The second folding plate depicts how a table set for 10 people should arrange the dishes for the first, second, and third courses of a meal as well as how to set a table for 43 people. Also shown are plating recommendations and *pièces montées* (edible sculptures). Several of the illustrations are unusual in that they are drawn with the backgrounds in black and the lines scribed in white (the opposite of what is typical in illustration).

In good condition.

¶ Bitting: p.86; Cagle: no. 137; OCLC: The Getty, Los Angeles Public Library, The Library of Congress, Iowa State University, Indiana University, Harvard, and two locations outside of the United States; Vicaire: col. 170.

#### On Cheese and Butter

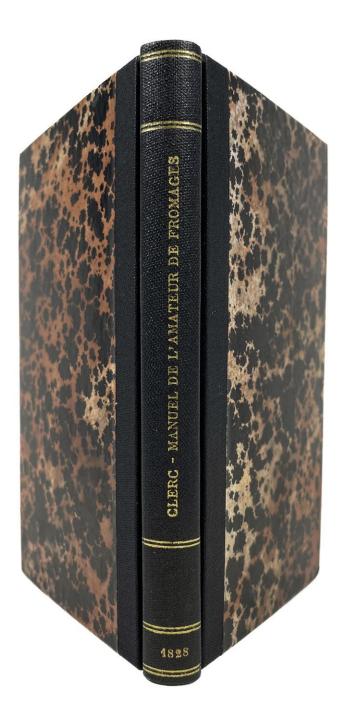
#### 6. CLERC, M. [Louis]. Manuel de l'amateur de fromages et de beurre. Paris: Librairie Française et Étrangère, 1828.

12mo in 6s. Hand-colored folding engraved frontispiece. 108 pp. Quarter black cloth over red and black marbled boards by Laurenchet, title in gilt on spine, marbled edges, lightly foxed (heavier on the first few leaves).

The very rare FIRST EDITION of this instructional manual on how to make cheese and butter affordably. Although there is little known about Louis Clerc, from the title page, we learn that he was a doctor.

The first chapter centers around cheeses made from cow's milk such as Gruyère, Auvergne, Bresse, Parmesan, Gerardmer, Mersem, Brie, cream cheese, and Stilton. Chapter two covers cheeses made from sheep and goat's milk such as Roquefort, Montpellier, and cheeses from Mont-d'or and Bordeaux. Also included are the names of shops and their locations in Paris where the cheeses can be found.





In the section which covers the general concept of cheesemaking, the author discusses both plant-derived rennet and rennet that comes from the stomach lining of young ruminants such as calves, lambs, and kids. Rennet is an enzyme that helps to curdle milk which is the first part in the cheesemaking process.

The third chapter covers various aspects of making butter. The sections go from fresh butter, to methods for preserving butter, and then the medicinal and healthful properties of butter. There are two basic methods listed for preserving butter: either by cooking it and saving the solids (also known as clarifying), or by salting the butter.

C'est donc à la sé- paration de la matière caséeuse du beurre frais que sont dus les chan- gemens qu'il éprouve dans l'opération qui le convertit en beurre fondu; il se garde comme le beurre salé et peut remplacer l'huile dans les salades, l'axonge dans les fritures et le beurre frais dans les sauces blanches.

#### Roughly translated to:

It is therefore to the separation of the caseous matter from the fresh butter that are due the changes which it undergoes in the operation which converts it into melted butter; it keeps like salted butter and can replace oil in salads, axungia [a soft animal fat usually taken from the kidneys of geese or pigs] in fried foods and fresh butter in white sauces — p.95.

Clerc adds that during the cooking process, there is a by-product which he calls "gratin" that "children love with a passion."

With a scene from a cheese shop on the hand-colored folding engraved frontispiece. Entitled "L'amateur de fromages," it depicts a man pointing to his nose as he buys a wheel of cheese from a woman behind the counter.

In good condition and in a handsome binding in the style of the period.

¶ OCLC: New York Academy of Medicine and four locations outside of the United States.

#### A Study of the Chestnut With Recipes

#### 7. CLERC, [Louis]. Manuel de l'amateur de marrons et de chataignes. Paris: Librairie Française et Étrangère, 1828.

12mo in 6s. Hand-colored folding engraved frontispiece. viii, [9]-90 pp. Quarter black cloth over red and black marbled boards by Laurenchet, title in gilt on spine, marbled edges, lightly foxed. \$1,500.00

The extremely rare Second Edition of this work on the history, cultivation, varieties, and preparation of the chestnut. Aside from a brief note on the medical uses for chestnuts, the last thirty-six pages are devoted to various ways to prepare them. *Marron* is the fruit inside of the nut; *châtaigne* refers to the tree and the shelled fruit.



Included in the methods for preparing chestnuts are how to glaze chestnuts (the famous *marron glacé* recipe, truly amazing with a glass of Armagnac); how to roast them in a coffee drum, under hot ashes or in a pan; a Parisian recipe for chestnut cookies; a compote recipe for chestnuts; and a Corsican recipe for chestnut bread.

In the section devoted to the culinary and medical properties of the chestnut, one finds that emulsions and poultices can be made from chestnuts to cure milking cows; that poultry fattened with chestnuts are tasty and firm; that black dye can be made from the inner layer of the *châtaigne* hull; and that the second, more bitter layer of the hull can be used to cure dysentery.

Lastly, Clerc states that several countries make wine barrels out of the wood from chestnut trees as it seems to impart "less of a bad taste" than other woods. He explains that *châtaigne* wood "allows less of the spirits to evaporate, because it has a finer and tighter grain" – p. 85.

With a charming hand-colored folding engraved frontispiece depicting an outdoor chestnut vendor. Under the table is a child reaching up to steal one of the *marrons*.

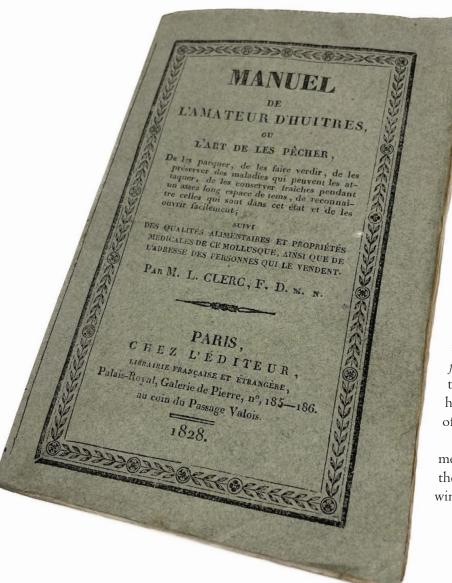
In good condition and in a handsome binding in the style of the period.

¶ OCLC: three locations outside of United States (it should be noted that the first edition is not listed in OCLC); Vicaire col. 183. Not in Bitting, Cagle, or Pennell. It may be that this is the first edition as there is no earlier edition listed in OCLC nor the usual gastronomic bibliographies. ours mangées chaudes. Cette prépaation est fort agréable.

Manière de glacer les Marrons.

On choisit une centaine de beaux marrons de Lyon ou d'Agen, on les fait cuire sous les cendres chaudes après les avoir incisés. Pendant ce tems, on clarifie une livre environ de sucre, qu'on fait cuire à perler, ensuite on pè ses marrons, puis on les jette les u après les autres dans le sucre, et or en retire aussitôt avec une cuillère les jeter dans l'eau fraîche, afin sucre qui les couvre se glace.

### 8. CLERC, M. [Louis]. Manuel de l'amateur d'huitres ou l'art de les pêcher. Paris: Librairie Française et Étrangère, 1828.



12mo. in 6s. Hand-colored engraved frontispiece. viii, [9]-73, [1 - blank], [1], 74-79, [1 - blank], viii pp. Original printed green wrappers, untrimmed. \$2000.00

The very rare FIRST EDITION of this work on oysters written by Dr. Louis Clerc. Included is the natural history of oysters, their varieties, and what creatures prey upon them; the proper time of year to harvest for oysters in the wild; oyster farming; the process by which one can cultivate "green" oysters for a particular flavor; diseases that oysters are prone to and the importance of keeping recently harvested wild oysters separate from farmed oysters until they have been vetted for their good health; how to keep oysters fresh when they must travel long distances; how to be able to discern whether an oyster is fresh or not; how to open oysters; and a chemical analysis of oysters.

Also included is a section on the gustatory qualities of oysters, in which Clerc guides the reader to all of the best known places in France and other parts of Europe to find high quality oysters. He also writes disparagingly about the ancient Romans and their propensity for overeating oysters. He opines that small oysters are generally best and that "true [oyster] lovers eat them without any additives." For those that want to add a little more flavor, they can season them with a mignonette (a mixture of minced shallots, pepper, and vinegar); a few drops of lemon juice; or a verjus (an intensely acidic juice made from green grapes or other acidic fruit). According to Clerc, two or three dozen oysters is a nice, moderate amount for a person to eat, however if one is feeling poorly from eating too many, usually drinking a light infusion of tea with lemon juice will cure the problem.

There is a brief section on pairing wine with oysters in which the author recommends sticking to wines with lower alcohol, as higher alcohol levels will tend to make the oyster rather tough. Overall, Clerc writes that white wine is best, and recommends wines from "Le Chablis, Le Bourgogne, et Le Champagne."

There is a section which covers the medicinal properties of oysters. Included in the vast array of afflictions and illnesses that oysters can cure are constipation, diarrhea, depression, jaundice, engorged intestines, and colds that won't go away. Oysters are also said to be a great stimulator of the appetite in that they give "tone to the fibers of the stomach." The author follows this section with a brief note about oyster shells and their possible

medicinal uses, but finishes with the caveat that he has very little faith in the shells as medicine.

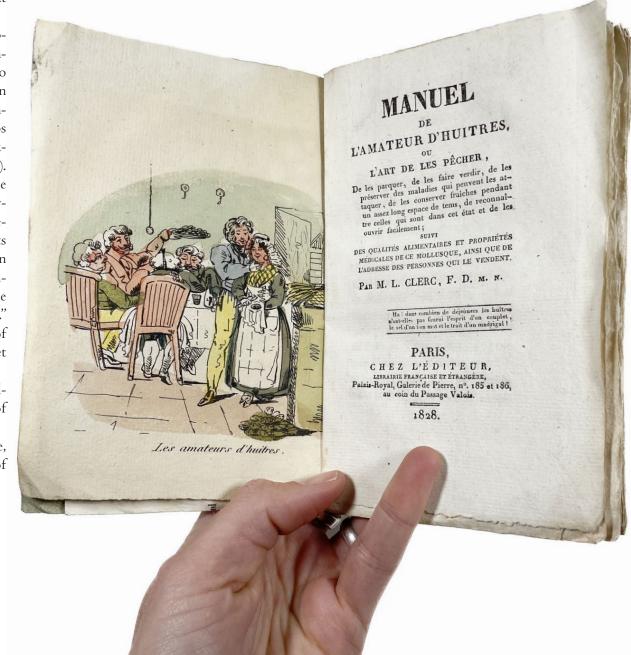
Finally, there is a section devoted to shopping for oysters. In a *nota* at the end, Clerc recommends three different merchants from which to buy oysters in Paris. Interestingly, all are women (names and addresses are provided). After the index, there is also a list of seventy-nine wine shops and restaurants where on can find *écaillères* (shuckers, i.e. places where raw oysters are being served).

With a hand-colored engraved frontispiece depicting a table where men are seated and having an oyster feast. In the foreground is a gentleman who is clearly enjoying the amorous effects of eating oysters and is caressing the only woman in the room. She seems to be enjoying the attention and is in the act of shucking an oyster. The title of the engraving is "Les amateurs d'huitres."

The final viii pages are a catalogue of books to be found at the Librairie Française et Étrangère.

In excellent condition. Preserved in a handsome marbled sleeve and slipcase in the style of the period by Laurenchet.

¶ OCLC: New York Academy of Medicine, University of Indiana, and two copies outside of the United States.



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#### An Early Example of Cookbook Publicity

9. (CULINARY EPHEMERA.) [Scammell, Henry B.] A marvel in book making! Largest receipt book in the world! St. Louis, Missouri: Planet Publishing Company, [c.1885-87].

When opened: 81.6cm x 24.3cm. One large wood engraved illustration, signs of having been folded, small holes at folds (affecting some text but sense still clear), browned. \$250.00

The UNRECORDED announcement of Henry B. Scammell's Cyclopedia of valuable receipts, a collection of recipes for the "actual daily use and necessities of every man, woman and child in the world." This large advertisement sheet was probably a newspaper or magazine insert that was intended to be pulled out and unfolded and read. It includes a summary of each section of the book.

Part one is on health and chemistry and includes receipts for popular medicines; inks; explosives and fireworks; and perfumes. Part two is on domestic life and contains "the Processes by Which the Leading Foods of All Nations are Prepared." There are receipts on confectionery; cooking; preserving and pickling; and "liquid refreshments" (including cider, vinegar, malt tonics, koumiss, effervescing powders and medicinal liquors.) There are also helpful hints on running a household including "mental, moral and industrial training;" receipts for household cleaning agents; laundry tips; ample help in how to arrange one's home; how to deal with pests; and finally, a household miscellany.

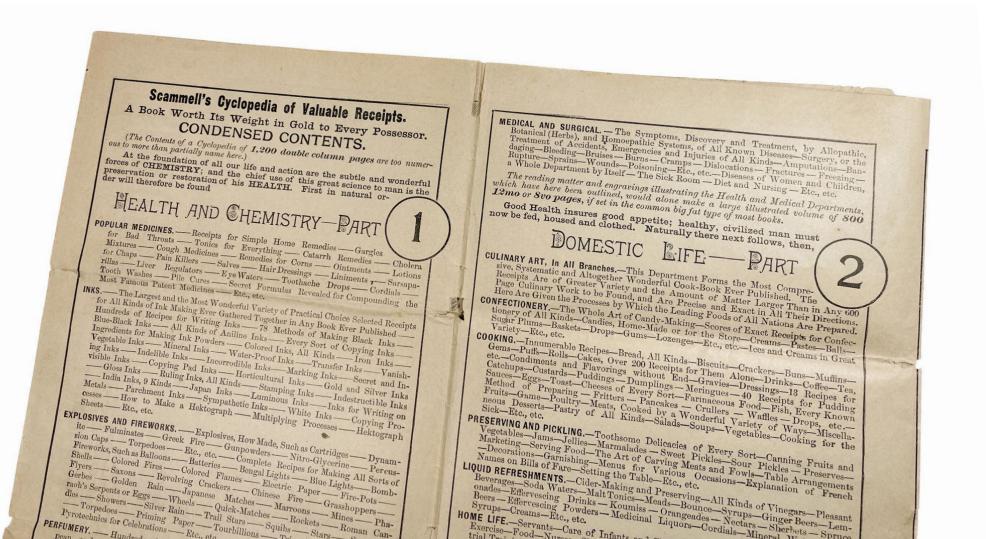
Part three covers all aspects of farming, including agriculture; landscaping; dairy work; and animal husbandry. Part four has to do with "mechanical arts" such as building; wood-working; metal working; watchmaking; and painting. Part five is devoted to recreational activities such as gymnastics, field sports, water sports, and dancing.

Part six was written while the rest of the book had already been set to type:

It took several years of great research to find, arrange and edit the immense mass of matter and make the thousands of engravings to illustrate the myriads of processes in the foregoing main body of this great volume. The systematic analysis and classification of all receipts in the work under headings, thus brining all things on the same subjects together as they should be, is an extremely valuable feature unknown to other receipt books. While the stupendous collection was being set in type, hundreds upon hundreds more of most valuable receipts which had been sent for, kept coming in to the editor, too late to be classified. These then had to be arranged alphabetically in a final grand Sixth Division.

At the end of the announcement is an "agents wanted" ad for those desirous of the job of canvassing for sales.

 $\P$  Not in OCLC.



#### Planting Endemic Crops in Mexico to Avert Famine

10. (FAMINE in Mexico: corn.) El Conde de Galvez. La Junta de Ciudadanos que mandé formar en esta Capital...remedio de las necesidades y consecuencias que dimanan de la escaséz de Semillas experimentada for la perdida de las cosechas. Mexico City: 1786.

Bifolium: 30cm x 21.3cm (folded). [1 - printed], [1 - blank], [2 - manuscript] pp. Unbound. \$1200.00

A fine copy of the FIRST & ONLY EDITION of this UNRECORDED report on a meeting held with a board of citizens in Mexico City. Pages [3-4] include a letter in manuscript written by the Count of Galvez from 1786.

According to the report, there had been a major seed shortage the previous year due to the loss of crops. The citizens were asked to come up with a solution that would help to avert the consequences of seed scarcity and they recommended planting more corn. Bernardo Vicente de Gálvez y Madrid (1746-1786) was made Viceroy of New Spain in 1785. Prior to that year, Mexico had been experiencing drought conditions and with the great freeze in 1785 came crop failure and famine in 1786.<sup>1</sup>

In the manuscript portion of this document, Galvez is writing to the mayor of Tecali which is a town in Puebla, Mexico. In the left margin of the letter is a notation which states that "the mayor of Tecali acknowledges the receipt of the testimony of professors requested by the citizens' board on corn planting in hot climates." The letter is dated 3 February, 1786, and signed Exmo. S. Vinnci Conde de Galvez. It appears to be confirming that corn may be the only plant that can survive the extremes of heat and ice in Mexico.

In very good condition.

¶ No locations listed in OCLC (although the title does appear).

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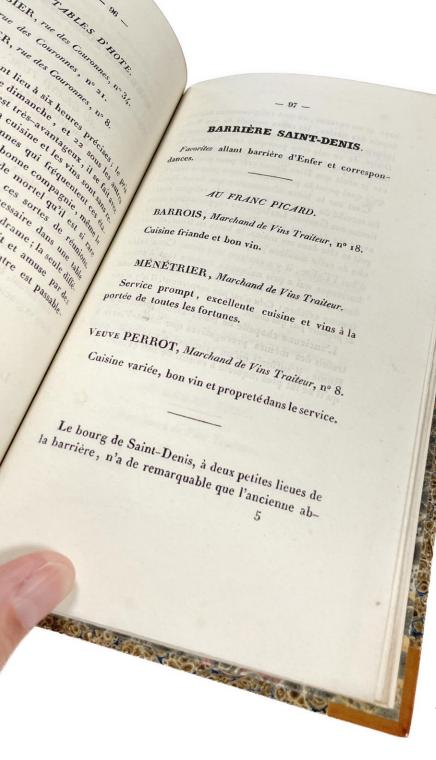
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Dios guarde á V. muchos años. México 16 de Enero de 1786.

El Conde de Galvez

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For more information on the brief life of the Count of Galvez go to https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bernardo\_de\_G%C<sub>3</sub>%A<sub>1</sub>lvez.



An Extremely Rare & Early Guide to the Restaurants & Wine Bars Just Outside of Paris

#### 11. (FRENCH GASTRONOMY.) R\*\*\*, Auguste. L'éclaireur des barrières. Paris: Dépôt général, 1841.

12mo. 120 pp. Original printed wrappers bound in handsome recent half calf over marbled boards, title in gilt on spine, upper edge gilt, marbled endpapers, expert repairs to the lower margins of pages 31-52. \$2500.00

The extremely rare FIRST & ONLY EDITION of this 19<sup>th</sup>-century guide to the "principal restaurants, caterers, wine merchants and other public establishments of the *barrières* of Paris."<sup>I</sup>

This is a picturesque guide intended "for hardworking people who seek on Sundays, outside Paris, the happy relaxation...[after] a week of solicitude, fatigue and boredom." In the preface, the author restrains himself from detailing the "customs and manners peculiar to people who live outside Paris." He then bemoans the fact that the only low-cost transportation to these establishments that he can recommend is the "voitures-omnibus" (coaches), in which "one is squeezed like a bunch of asparagus."

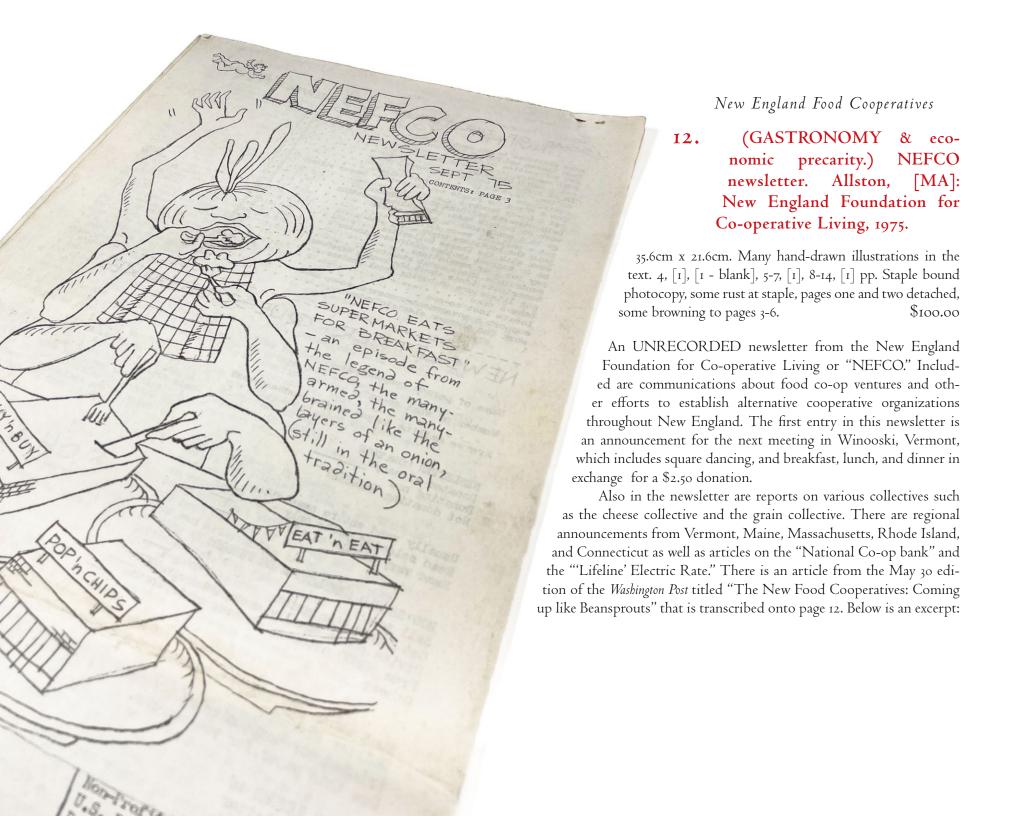
The author begins with the Barrière d'Enfer (Gate of Hell) then guides the reader through thirty-seven more *barrières*, each of which includes several restaurants and cafes. Peppered throughout are historical notes on monuments to be found in these locales; anecdotes; farces; critiques; as well as philosophical, moral, and religious reflections. At the beginning of each new *barrière* section, there is also information on how to get there by coach.

Judging by the restaurant reviews written in this book, it would have been easy to find excellent food and wine, a garden setting, and good service just outside of Paris.

In excellent condition.

¶ OCLC records only one copy (Bibliothèque nationale de France).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The *barrières* of Paris were toll houses set up around the perimeter of the city center in order to enforce higher taxation on goods coming into Paris. As a result, outside of the *barrières*, prices were cheaper, there was a more relaxed atmosphere, and restaurants and brothels abounded.



The food coop may afford us the only road leading back toward the real tomato. The degeneration of the quality of our food has been slow enough to allow the chain stores and the manufacturers and extruders of near-food to educate our plates and stomachs to want, or at least not to regurgitate, industrial substitutes, but the tomato is a different story. It left us so quickly. It's just been in the last few years that they've changed a once noble, tasty, and nutritious vegetable into a color additive in our salads. — Nicholas Von Hoffman, *Washington Post*, 30 May, 1975.

There are recipes under the heading "LE'SEAT" which were compiled during a co-op feast in Rhode Island. Included are "curried rice salad;" "cockeyed carob cake;" "lightning cake;" and "quick upside-down cake."

"Born out of the ideas and philosophies of the 1960s counterculture, [food co-operatives of the 1960s and 1970s]were opened by young and idealistic members. They set up [the stores] to fit their beliefs in equality, not to follow their ...predecessors. Most of the new co-ops sold only whole, unrefined, and bulk foods. Their operating practices were diverse and experimental."

With a drawing on the verso of page 14 of a tomato-headed being with six arms cutting into and eating large department stores. The heading reads "NEFCO EATS SUPERMARKETS FOR BREAKFAST."

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The film shows what organic farming as an alternative looks like, including family farms, barnyard eco-system, and in one case a processing plant for organic cheese. But most important it talks about the loss of quality in some of the food products from our "farm factories" and dangers from higher and higher use of chemical control of pests and chemical fertilization. It gives a credibility to organic farming in terms of nutritional quality (and benefits) of food, a way of restoring and conserving healthy soil, increased sophistication and methods, and an expanding market making organic farming financially feasible to farmers.

It is good for all who are interested and concerned about necessary trends in food production and agriculture, such as environmental groups, high school and college classes, food co-ops, community groups, etc. We recommend that a speaker or resource person go with it wherever possible... someone who is familiar with recent data on organic techniques, since it raises a lot of questions that you might want to explore more fully in discussion or study.

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Real Cheese news: The New York aged cheddar lig/pound blocks are very popular, though the price has risen once and will rise again soon. It's consistently sharp, tasty, and has a firm yet creamy texture, something we haven't seen since the Irish cheddar of last winter. Mos t imported cheeses have been rising steadily except for Swedish Fentina which went down 2¢. We've started getting a new American cheese (blah!): it's creamier than Land-Clakes, has a cheddar taste, and it's 2¢ cheaper than L&OKL.

We have Cheese Collective meetings the third week of each month, alternating Wednesdays and Thursdays as meeting day. The next one is 17 September at Cheryl's hous e. If you want information on this Less el some contact with people in

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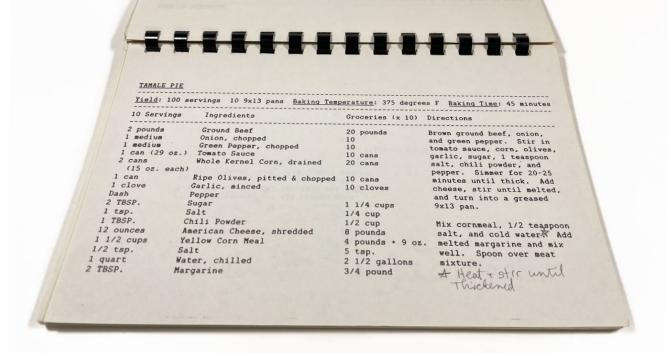
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>I</sup> For more history on food cooperatives go to: https://www.grocery.coop/food-coops/history-of-co-ops.



Recipes Accompanied by a Meditation on Gratitude

#### 13. (GASTRONOMY & economic precarity.) The banquet. Pierre, South Dakota. c.1987.

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An UNRECORDED soup kitchen cookbook describing how to prepare and cook charitable meals for "those in need." "The Banquet is love in action – an opportunity to provide a safe place where people can gather, receive nourishment, and a moment of caring." Included is a basic rundown of how a regularly scheduled "Banquet" is organized, along with the location, average attendance (100 people), date, time, and roster of servers. This is followed by instructions on how to organize and prepare a meal so that there are no health-code violations.

The cookbook is divided into five sections: entrees, soups and salads, vegetables, breads, and desserts. Included are recipes for "Tamale Pie" (which has a short manuscript annotation); "Three Bean Salad;" "Mashed Potatoes;" "Corn Bread;" and "Chocolate Zucchini Cake."

There are many quoted prayers and meditations printed along with the recipes, most of which are taken from the bible, but there are also quotes from the Arapaho Nation, Nikolai Berdyaeu, Theodore Roosevelt, Albert Schweitzer, and Ralph Waldo Emerson.

The final leaf contains a blank form for the host to fill out.

In very good condition.

¶ Not in OCLC.

#### Vegetables as Medicine

#### 14. (GASTRONOMY & medicine.) Dr. Strong's vegetable stomach pills. c. 1850-c.1870.

Broadside: 23.1cm x 15.1cm. Printed on thin bright yellow paper, double black border around two separate areas of text, light wear and rubbing, signs of having been folded four times, faint brown fingerprints.

\$150.00

An extremely rare relic from the Bowery in New York City announcing a medicine made from vegetables that is a miracle cure for "dyspepsia in all its forms." The broadside is an exceptionally rare example of the ephemera printed around the use and distribution of popular medicine.

According to the leaflet, hundreds of people in New York who were at death's door were saved by this vegetable medicine and would be happy to attest to that fact. Dr. Strong's pills can cure consumption; dyspepsia; asthma; coughs, colds, and bronchitis; pains in the side, chest or stomach; indigestion; and distress from overeating. In cases of "female weaknesses and chronic diseases," the pills have "extraordinary strengthening powers.... They never fail of curing all those diseases so peculiar to the sex."

"ADVICE GIVEN FREE OF CHARGE" is advertised at the foot of the handout. The free advice from the doctor is available "at all times" at the principal office located at 85 1-2 Bowery, New York.

Although fragile, in remarkably good condition.

¶ OCLC: University of Rochester Medical Center and Library Company of Philadelphia.

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#### Recipes and Advice for a Young Wife

### 15. GENLIS, Stéphanie Félicité du Crest, comtesse de. Manuel de la jeune femme. Guide complet de la maîtresse de maison. Paris: Charles-Béchet, c.1820s.

12 mo. Three engraved plates (including title page). 1 p.l., 391, [1 - blank] pp. Bound in a Romantic style binding by Laurenchet made of green half calf over marbled boards, spine gilt and blindstamped in five compartments, marbled endpapers, faint foxing throughout. \$1200.00

An unrecorded edition of this handbook by Madame la comtesse de Genlis, written to instruct *jeunes femmes de ménage* in the art of housekeeping. Despite its popularity, all recorded editions of this work survive in one or two copies only (all of which are in European libraries).

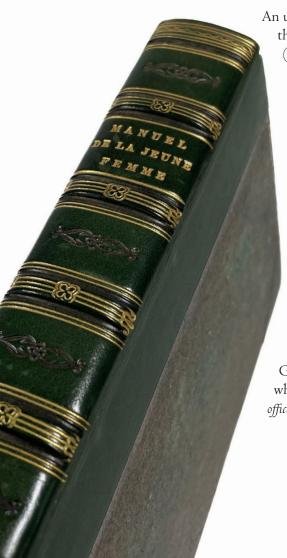
Although today a "jeune femme de ménage" usually translates to "housekeeper" or "maid," this book is addressed to young wives. The work begins with instructions on how to assemble and care for different rooms in the house (with the husband's rooms being the most important), including the dining room, the antechamber, and the salon. In the section for the *Chambre de Madame*, there is a 2-page description of how the wife should have a library of her own:

Une petite bibliothèque est sans doute un meuble qui n'est point superflu dans la chambre d'une femme; mais il faut que cette bibliothèque soit judicieusement composée, et que vous la visitiez dans vos loisirs. La vie la plus pure, la plus utilement occupée, a besoin de ces lumières de l'esprit développées dans quelques excellents ouvrages.

#### Roughly translated to:

A small bookcase is undoubtedly a piece of furniture which is not superfluous in a woman's room; but this library must be judiciously composed, and you must visit it at your leisure. The purest life, the most usefully occupied, needs these lights of the spirit developed in some excellent works.

Genlis goes on to note that reading will help a woman with her elocution and conversation. She then lists ten works which a young woman needs to read (and reread) often. The final part of the house that is described is that of the office (pantry), where one stores jams, "started" liqueurs, groceries, cheeses, fruits, soap, and linens.



Much of the book is devoted to various aspects of the kitchen, from recipes to how to hire a cook to advice on shopping. Over 200 recipes are included as well as instructions for carving meats, advice on how to obtain various foodstuffs, and the names and addresses of the best bakers, grocers, charcutiers, chocolate makers, and confiseurs in Paris. Genlis notes that "Paris est le lieu de l'Europe où se trouvent les approvisionnemens de la meilleur qualité" (Paris is the place in Europe where the supplies of the best quality are found) – p. 307.

The instructions on hiring domestic help indicate that this book is written for a smaller, although well-to-do family as they are expected to have at minimum a cook and a maid. Also indicative of the intended audience of this book is the fact that the cook is a woman. As noted by the culinary historian Henry Notaker, "Starting in the eighteenth century, many cookbooks were intended for middle-class households with fewer servants, where the kitchen was managed by a female cook with cook-maids to assist her." The basic description of the prospective cook is that she should be a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Notaker. History of cookbooks, p. 192.



woman between the ages of 35 and 40; thoroughly familiar with good home cooking; be able to read, write, and count; and have basic sewing skills so that she can mend any linens that she uses.

There is also a section on how to seat dinner guests and the order in which dishes and wines should be served as well as a lengthy chapter on carving and plating. Carving should be done in a way that "is pleasing to the eye" and there are instructions for cutting up and serving beef; veal; roast lamb; wild boar; hare; chicken; turkey; goose; duck; pigeon; partridge; woodcock; hot pastries such as *tourtes* and *vol-au-vents*; *paté*; and melon. This is then followed by a two-page section on preparing and serving coffee.

Next is a discussion on how to entertain during the long winter evenings. The author recommends preparing everything beforehand and suggests serving simple cakes, brioche and jams, rum punch, and tea. There are also instructions on the care and cleaning of the home, including a lengthy discussion on the prime importance of keeping the kitchen and cookware immaculate.

The "Traité de la cuisine" section occupies more than half of the book. Genlis states that it was written for the purpose of enlightening the young wife in the ways of cooking – not so much so that she can prepare food – but so that she can converse intelligently with the cook and ask the right questions. The recipes are divided into the following sections: soups; rice; pasta; hot and cold *hors-d'oeurves*; sauces; meat dishes including beef, veal, lamb, pig, and fowl; fish dishes including sturgeon, salmon, trout, sole, dab, plaice, ray, merlin, mackerel, mussels, pike, carp, ell, and barbel; vegetable dishes including potatoes, carrots, turnips, artichokes, asparagus, cabbage, green beans, white beans, peas, lentils, and fava beans; eggs including *beignets* and souffles; confitures; syrups; and ratafias.

### PREPARATION DES ALIMENS.

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It est indispensable qu'une jeune femme sache comment se fait une bonne cuisine bourgeoise. Elle ne la fera point ellemême; mais alors elle pourra la commander.

Voici sur ce sujet un catalogue que je erois assez complet.

Des potages.

On Bonisson gras.

Les cuisiniers, les femmes cordonseus, font assez souvent de mauvais uillon. La raison en est qu'ils en metTe la quene par elle la peine el sur elle la (261) Camproie, prenez-la d'une couleur brune, grasse ame l'anguille. Capin. Tatez les jointures des pieds de devant; si vous y trouvez une petite grosseur mme une lentille, c'est un jeune lapin. Ciépre. nêmes signes distinguent les le-Meson. le pédoncule soit gros, court, shale un peu d'odeur, qu'il ne, et résiste à la pression l'il a une odeur très-forte,

There is also a section on home winemaking and tending to the cellar with the directive not to "entrust the keys of the cellar to [the] servants." The author recommends keeping wines of good quality for the sake of good health and that it is better to have only one kind of wine than a variety of expensive and highly

sought after wines. Genlis writes that the best ordinary wines come from "Màcon, de Joigny, de Beaune, de Thoris, [and] de Beaugency."

This is followed by a 25-page section on medical concerns. Included are directions for where to have surgery for a hernia; various remedies; a section on milk; common ailments; illness in children; dental care; and how to treat

different types of inflamation. At the end of the book, Genlis reveals her broad understanding of gastronomy when discussing shopping in Paris: she recommends the pharmacist Bauve "who makes the chocolate so much praised by the witty author of *la Physiologie du goût*" (Brillat Savarin).

Madame la comtesse de Genlis (1746-1830) was a fascinating woman who was originally from Burgundy.<sup>2</sup> She was a prolific writer. After her husband was executed during the French Revolution, she was able to support herself and her family on her writing and by working as a governess.

The publisher Charles-Béchet, Libraire Editeur operated from Quai des Augustins nos. 57 and 59 from 1818 to 1830 (according to the BnF catalogue).

The three lovely engravings (two of which are signed by Rouargue) depict a mom with her adolescent children (in front of a painting and holding books); tending to an infant in a bassinet; and serving guests at a soirée.

In good condition.

¶ Not in OCLC. OCLC does record editions from 1820, 1827, and 1829, and one undated edition listed as "1800s." All are extremely rare: each survives in only one or two locations and none are located in the United States.

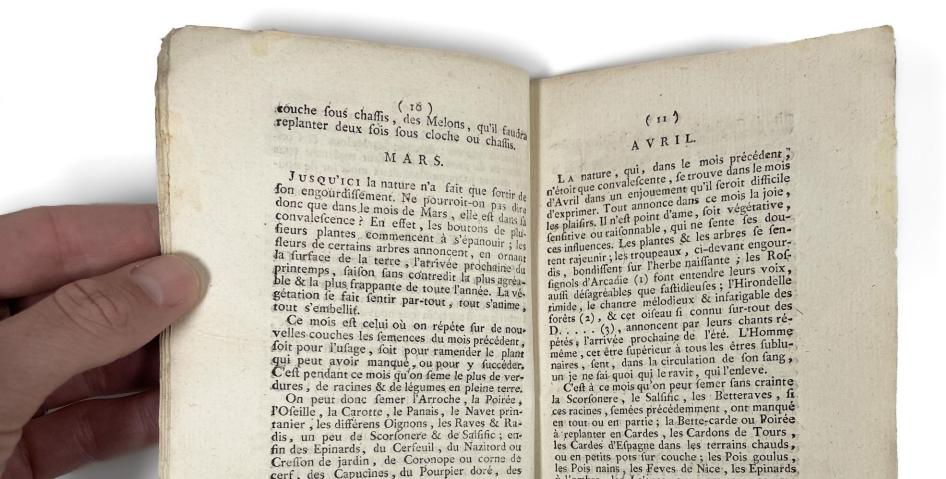
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For more on Genlis and her amazing life, see wikipedia.com.

#### Seeds for a Kitchen Garden & A Recipe for Ratafia

#### 16. GOFFRES. Catalogue des plantes de potager, pour la pharmacie et pour fourrages. Toulouse: Goffres, 1782.

12mo. in 6s. 36 pp. One title page woodcut vignette and one woodcut tailpiece. Contemporary marbled wrappers, stitched as issued, wrappers slightly worn and dog-eared, small piece of lower wrapper torn away, faint marginal dampstains to a few leaves, small hole to upper margin of the last several leaves (not affecting text), small hole (natural paper flaw) in lower margin of leaf C¹ (not affecting text). \$7500.00

An UNRECORDED seed catalogue, in original wrappers and stitched as issued. This is the extremely rare FIRST & ONLY EDITION of this guide to vegetable gardening. The first 9 pages cover the planting and care of the garden, organized month by month. This is followed by an extensive seed catalogue of culinary plants and a recipe for making *ratafia*. The seeds from nearly 150 different plants are offered and Goffres provides information regarding how each foodstuff is to be cultivated, in what part of the world it is eaten, and its qualities.



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Les plus propres à semer les Graines mentionnées dans ce Catalogue.

#### DÉCEMBRE.

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From the title page we learn that Goffres was a *marchand grainier* (seed merchant) whose shop was located in front of the large Carmelite church in Toulouse. (You could identify which place was his by locating the sign of the dove – perhaps the same bird that is depicted on the title page.) The only other known Goffres catalogue survives in a single example in Toulouse and is 4 leaves long.

In Goffres' AVIS for this work, he writes that his seeds do not degenerate easily as he only sells seeds that have been gathered from their native lands. As further proof, he cites the origin of nearly every seed on his list. For example, the asparagus seeds are from Holland; basil from Italy; balm from Peru; celery from Spain; beets from Castelnaudary (France); cauliflower from England; chicory from Portugal; leeks from Germany; regular melon seeds are from Turkey but winter melons seeds are from Barcelona; cauliflower from the Levant (Middle East); red cabbage from Strasbourg; kohlrabi from Siam (Thailand); broccoli from Malta; and turnips from Belleville (northeast Paris).

At the end of the publication, Goffres provides a recipe for an herb and spice *ratafia* that can be made from the seeds offered in the catalogue:

On prend de la graine d'Anis, d'Anet, de Carvi, de Coriandre, de Carotte jaune musquée & de Fenouil de Florence, de chacun une once, avec deux gros d'Angélique de Boheme. On met le tout dans une bouteille de verre, ou dans un cruche avec un péga d'eau de vie, qu'on laisse infuser pendant quinze jours en été, & pendant trois semaines en byver. On doit avoir soin de remuer tous les jours la bouteille, pour empêcher la liqueur de se graisser, & de l'exposer au soleil s'il est possible. Ensuite on passe l'infusion à la chausse ou manche, dans laquelle on jette de six à huit onces de sucre par péga, fondu dans un ucheau d'eau. Si on trouve que cette quantité de sucre n'est pas suffisante, on en met un peu plus, suivant le goût d'un chacun: ensuite on repasse le tout à la manche. Je fournis ces Graines fraiches & de la meilleure qualité, criblées, mêlangées & toutes prêtes à infuser.

#### Roughly translated to:

We take one ounce each of Anise Seed, Dill, Caraway, Coriander, Yellow Musk Carrot & Florence Fennel, with two large Bohemian Angelica. We put everything in a glass bottle, or in a jug with a péga<sup>I</sup> of eau-de-vie, which we let infuse for fifteen days in summer, and for three weeks in winter. Care must be taken to shake the bottle every day, to prevent the liquor from getting oily, and to expose it to the sun if possible. Then we pass the infusion through a sieve, in which we add six to eight ounces of sugar per péga, melted in hot water. If we find that this quantity of sugar is not sufficient, we put a little more, according to the taste of each one: then we pass the whole thing through a sieve. I provide these Seeds fresh & of the best quality, screened, blended & all ready to infuse.

Although the bulk of the catalogue in concerned with vegetable garden cultivation and seeds, there is also a short section at the end for seeds for the pharmacist and for plants to feed livestock, all of which are also available at Goffres' store in Toulouse.

A remarkable survival for such a practical guide. There are a few contemporary manuscript text corrections such as in the case of a red eggplant from Italy that is described as long, but is corrected to say "round."

In good condition.

¶ Not in OCLC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A péga was a pre-Revolutionary measurement of volume in Toulouse that equalled approximately 3.2 liters.





## 18th Century Wine Improvements In Lombardy

17. LANDI, Eraclio. Dissertazione sopra il quesito se vi siano mezzi opportuni di migliorare I vini mantovani. Mantova: Alberto Pazzoni, 1781.

Large 8vo. Woodcut device on title page. 74 pp. Green marbled stiff wrappers. \$4500.00

The very rare FIRST & ONLY EDITION of Eraclio Landi's study of the wines of Mantua (in Lombardy, in the north of Italy). Adopting scientific criteria and referring in particular to wine's chemistry, Landi carefully describes the various wines of Mantua: its characteristics, its quality, the fermentation process used, as well as the market for the wines. Included is a description of fourteen different grapes that can be cultivated in this region of Italy. There is also a section on how to conserve the wines and to transport and export them by sea.

The work was written for presentation to the Reale Accademia di Scienze, e Belle Lettere di Mantova, an academic society which was founded by Maria Teresa, Empress of Austria, in 1768. Landi was a Franciscan from Siena who was appointed by the Austrian government to be the royal agrarian inspector in Milan and the surrounding area.

A very good, large-margined copy. With the initials "G M" on the lower board.

¶ B.I.N.G. 1077; OCLC: University of California (Davis) and two locations outside of the United States; Hennsler p. 413; Sormani, *Opera di enologia*, pp. 70-71 "Raro."

### How to be a Proper Limonadier

# 18. LEBLOND, F. L'art du limonadier. Paris: Servière, [1803].

12mo in 6s. x, 192 pp. Contemporary quarter speckled sheep over speckled boards, spine gilt, faint yellow edges, four leaves coming loose from the binding, a few tiny wormholes in the upper margin of several leaves.

\$2000.00

The extremely rare FIRST & ONLY EDITION of this lovely little work by Leblond on the art of the *limonadier* (lemonade-maker). Sections describe how to work with sugar; provide recipes for syrup, ice cream, *eau-de-vie* (a clear brandy made from fruit), and *ratafias*; and various ways to prepare fruit juices, coffee and chocolate. Also included is helpful advice on how to find and purchase the best ingredients for the sophisticated café of a *limonadier*.

Lebond goes into great detail on where the best coffee beans come from (Yemen and Senam); on the cultivation of coffee; and what defines a good coffee bean. He provides information on how to roast coffee beans and prepare the beverage. He also writes in detail on cacao, citing Mexico as the best place to get cacao from. He says that good quality chocolate should only contain "cacao, sugar, vanilla, and a few beneficial spices," as opposed to lesser chocolate which is mostly composed of inferior cacao, crushed and roasted sweet almonds, brown sugar, and storax instead of vanilla. (Storax is a resin derived from the bark of the liquidambar tree.)

Leblond writes that tea comes from provinces in China, Japan, and "la Tartarie" (a region that encompassed parts of India and Persia). He does not describe how to brew tea as he says that this method is already known well enough. He also takes a dig at the people of Holland

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De l'origine du Cacao et de ses propriétés.

Le cacao est le fruit qui est composé de soixante à quatrevingts amandes singulièrement arrangées; son odeur n'est pas bien remarquable; mais par sa saveur grasse et onctueuse, il fait la base du chocolat.

Plusieurs sortes d'arbres portent le cacao; ils viennent tous dans l'Amérique, sur-tout au Mexique. La différence des arbres fait qu'il y a différentes espèces de cacao, entr'autres le gros et le petit caraque, ainsi nommés de la province de Miaraque, où ils croissent tous deux. Il vient aussi Domi il est

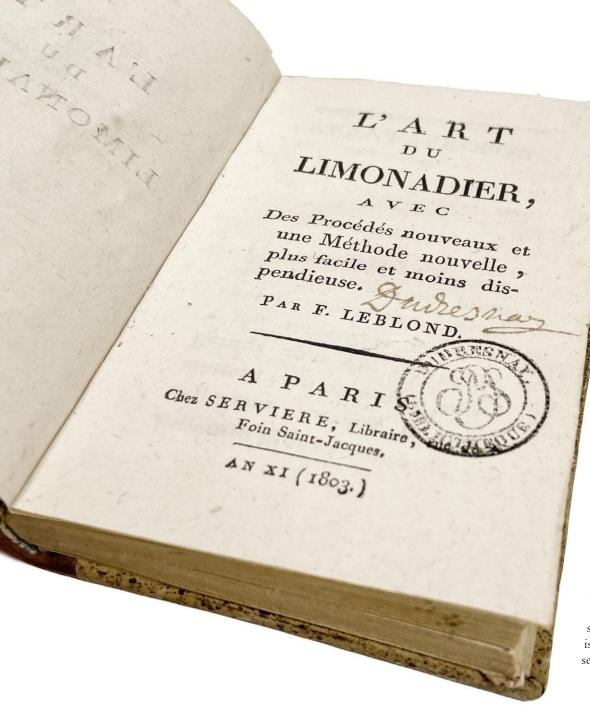
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and England for their excessive tea drinking: "où l'on fait usage de cette boisson pendant tout le jour et une bonne partie de la nuit sans discontinuer" (where this drink is used throughout the day and a good part of the night without stopping). He then goes on to describe cinnamon, cloves and mace, including their medicinal properties and the best places to get them from. He also recommends purchasing cider from the town of Isigny in Normandy and explains how to preserve fruit in eau-de-vie.

In the forward, Leblond despairs that there are too many *limonadier* establishments in France. In his opinion, such businesses must be shining examples of cleanliness, have a refined menu, and serve with gracious hospitality. Unfortunately, he feels that many of the people who call themselves *limonadiers* are not worthy of the name as their beverages, food, and accommodations are not up to par. Those *limonadiers* who find themselves unable to sell coffee, chocolate, or fresh liqueurs are called "rogomistes" by Leblond. "Rogomistes" are basically merchants of spirits. For these people, Leblond has provided profitable ratafia recipes.

With a contemporary inscription on the title page of "Du Dresnay" as well as the Du Dresnay library stamp. The speckled binding is an excellent example of scratting.<sup>1</sup>

In good condition.

¶ Vicaire: col. 506. Not in OCLC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "Scratting is splattering droplets of a pigment (or an acid) over a surface to leave a spotted pattern on the surface....a popular way of finishing off...patterned paper." — Sidney E. Berger, *The dictionary of the book*, second edition. London: Rowman & Littlefield, 2023, p. 411.

## From a Pea & Meat Soup Recipe for the "Industrious Poor" to an "American Cure" served in Sassafras Tea

## 19. (MANUSCRIPT: English cookery & medicinal remedies.) 18th century.

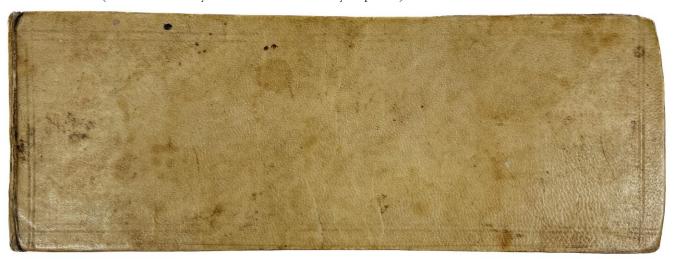
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\$7750.00

An interesting collection of nearly 100 manuscript recipes, bound in an unusual oblong vellum binding, the type that is usually found on carving books from the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> centuries. Three different names appear on the verso of the first leaf: "Mrs Fordham No.13 Saint Ann Place, Commercial Road, Limehouse [London];" "Mrs Johnson, no.22 Hanable row, London;" and "Mrs Partridge" with the note "to be left at the Universal Office Regent Circus till called for."

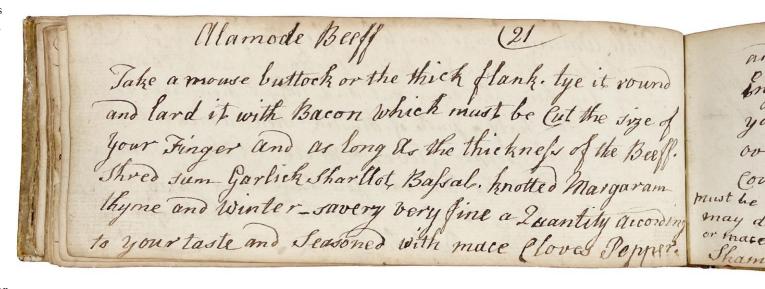
The second leaf contains a series of names and dates for the Peachey family. At the foot of the page it is explained that these are the "Sons & Daughters of Rich & Elizabeth Peachey Born 14 Octob. 1736 and the 2 Jan 1736." Of the eight children named, the first two were twins and six of the children survived. The birth (and death, when young) dates of the children range from 1759 to 1774.

All of the recipes are written in legible hands and they include directions for making "Donut Cakes;" "Soda Scone's;" "Mince Pies;" "To Rost a Pigg;" "To Bake Maycrill;" "To Pot Cheese;" "To Pickle Small Onions;" "Pickle Walnutts;" "A la mode Beeff;" "To Make Shrub;" "Orringe Wine;" "White Mead" (to which one may add a sliced lemon "if you plase"); "To make Stale Beer Mild;" "To make Bitters;" "Spruce Beer;" and "Rice Cakes."



Among the medicinal receipts is "The famous American Cure, for the Rheumatism" which is made of garlic and gum ammoniac and is to be drunk with a very strong sassafras tea. There are several recommendations for ready-made tinctures with notes on how effective they are, where the tinctures can be bought, and for how much. On the verso of leaf 55, is written "Clarke of Swafham told me

that Reynolds Specific drops cured him of gout & Rheumatism after he had payd to Norton 40£...may be had at Rogemer Newmarket." (Swaffham is in Norfolk and Newmarket is in Suffolk; they are about 35 miles apart and northeast from London.) There is a simple remedy for bee sting which is to apply a slice of onion that has been salted to the wound. There are also several Christian incantations and charms against illness. At about 3/4 of the way through the manuscript is a recipe "For



Cancerou's Houmowr's" that is dated July 23, 1762.

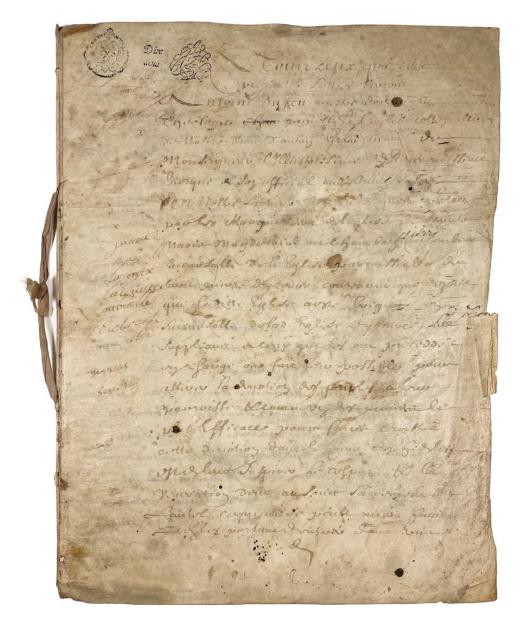
There are occasional commentaries on the recipes. In a receipt for "Green Gooseberry Wine" from Mrs. Richard Gardiner, the author notes that adding a little brandy and an extra half pound of sugar is an improvement on the original recipe. At the end of the recipe for "Pan Cake Pudding" our anonymous author has written "tis a very Cheap & Acceptable Puding, being less offensive to the Stomack then fry'd." In the recipe for "pretty Crust for Tarts," the author opines that "it keeps Crisper and longer then Crust for most Pies." There is a recipe that may be reflective of the author's own financial status: "For Industrious Poor. A Comfortable Meal for Six Person's."

Take a Gallon of Water, half a pint of Split-Pase. A pound of Lean-Beeff cut in pieces. Six Potatoes, two Onyon's, two Ounces of Rice, With some pepper & salt — Put the Whole into a Pot and Bake it Well in An Oven

Among the attributions for the recipes appear the names of Emma Gardiner, Mrs. Levet, Mrs. Jennings, and Mrs. Partridge.

With a contemporary index squeezed into a few of the preliminary leaves. At the bottom of one is written "Turn O'ver the Alfabate is Continued." On recto of the first leaf is a curious note: "The Surip of Squills" and occasionally there are a few small later notations in pink ink.

Other than the one excised leaf, the manuscript appears to be complete. The irregularity in pagination and foliation is due to errors in numbering. In good condition.



### With Many Offal Recipes

## 20. (MANUSCRIPT: French cookery.) 18th century.

25.4cm x 19.2cm. [28] pp. Contemporary stitched vellum wrappers made from recycled 17<sup>th</sup> c. manuscript vellum, wrappers stained and worn at edges, stitched together with a pale pink silk ribbon, one leaf attached with a pin to a stub where a leaf had been excised (included in the pagination), paper lightly stained in places, deckles remaining on the outer and lower edges. \$2000.00

An unusual French cookery manuscript, comprising 61 savory recipes and 5 sweet recipes, all written in a single legible hand and charmingly bound in an earlier manuscript leaf stitched together with a (now faded) pink silk ribbon. What is of particular note is the large number of offal dishes, even for a French cookery book (offal is the parts of an animal that are usually discarded).

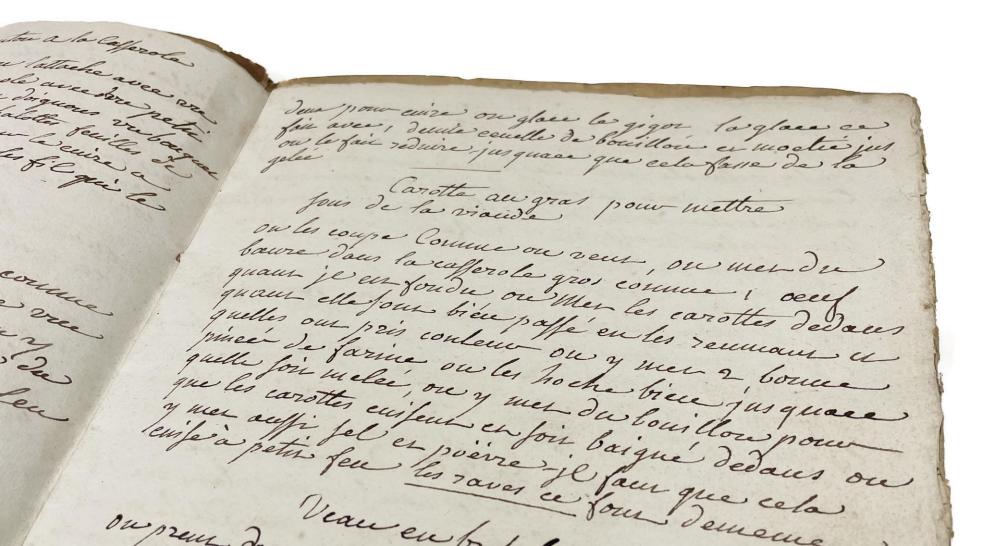
Many of the dishes have a *mirepoix* base (in this case made with onions, carrots, parsley, salt, and pepper), and are examples of humble home cooking. There is a classic *garbure* which is a traditional hearty soup from Gascony made with ham and vegetables that is known to have been a daily source of nourishment for the peasants of that region. The offal recipes include *mamelle de vache* (cow udders); *langues de mouton* (mutton tongue); *pied de veau* (calves feet); *fraise de veau au gratin* (veal intestine au gratin); *cervelles de mouton* (mutton brains); *farce a l'oreille* (stuffed ears); and *oeuf à la tripe* (eggs with stomach lining).

Also included are *rissoles* (savory stuffed pastry); *carotte au gras pour mettre sous de la viande* (prepared carrots for laying meat on top of); potato dumplings; Flemish waffles; *gigot a litiere d'oignon* (leg of lamb on a bed of

onions); pain au écrevisse (crayfish loaf); perdrix au choux (partridge with cabbage); tanche a la tourtiere (tench baked in a double-crusted pie – tench is a fish that is found in fresh or brackish water); petit pot au caramel (caramel custard); oeufs à la neige (meringues floating on a bed of custard); carpe en ragout (carp stew); and brochet au court bouillon (pike poached in a light broth).

Bound in a 17<sup>th</sup>-century vellum leaf that is a manuscript contract to establish a foundation to pay for administering the sacrament to the poor at the Sainte Magdeliane church in Moulins. The foundation was established by the "Sieur Moret" and his wife and the document is dated 1684. Gilbert More, captain of the militia of Chambon Colombeau (Moulins), died in 1680 and bequeathed money for the foundation. The document is written by Louis Gabriel Girault, Doctor of Theology and Canon of the collegiate church of Notre Dame. On the upper wrapper is an ink stamp of "dix sous" with two official ciphers; on the lower wrapper are the remains of a wax seal.

In good condition.



### Absolutely Lovely

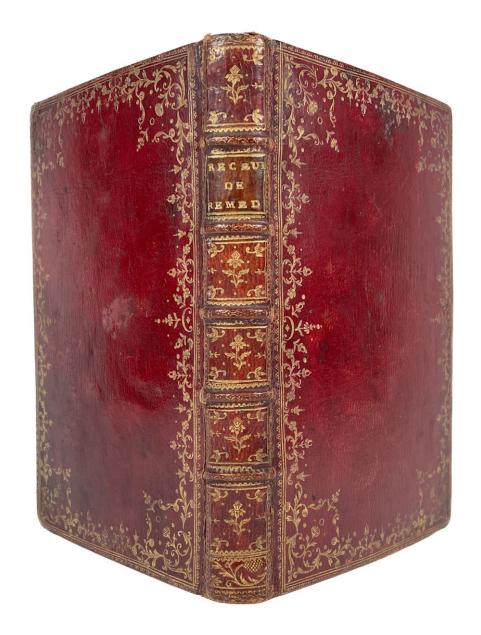
# 21. (MANUSCRIPT: French medical, art, & cookery receipts.) Receuil de remedes. 18th century.

18cm x 12.5cm. [3] p.l., 250, [2], 252-306, [5] pp. (40 pp. of which are blank except for their page numbers). Contemporary red morocco, decorative gilt border on boards, spine richly gilt, edges of boards with single gilt fillet, blue silk endpapers, gilt dentelles, gilt edges ( lower edge gilt and marbled). \$7500.00

A STUNNINGLY BEAUTIFUL EARLY 18TH-CENTURY FRENCH COOKERY & MEDICINAL MANUSCRIPT Written primarily in one legible hand and bound in contemporary gilt red morocco.

The illustrated section pages are particularly spectacular. They divide the manuscript into three subjects: "Receuil de Remedes," "Recettes pour Vernis et Couleurs," and "Recettes pour l'Office." The first is drawn with a border of flowers, ivy, animals, birds, and a cherub at the top. The second, for "Recettes pour Vernis et Couleurs," shows a moth at the top above a tied ribbon held by two cherubs, with a border of ribbons and flowers, two birds at the bottom. The third and final divider is for the "Recettes pour l'Office." The drawing depicts a heart made of flowers, large imaginary butterflies at the corners of the page, and an ornate flower pot, out of which the floral vines emerge, at the bottom of the page. The drawings are unsigned, but are clearly the work of an experienced artist.

Many of the recipes – whether they relate to medicine or gastronomy – come with a provenance and their effectiveness is attested by testimonials. Of the 218 recipes preserved in the manuscript, 133 are for medicinal receipts, 35 are for art materials; and 50 are culinary. The only date that appears is for a recipe for a medicinal oil that is dated 1704 (bottom of page 149).







Among the medicinal receipts in the "Receuil de Remedes" section are remedies for bile; cholic; dysentery; chest pain; fever; heavy blood flow; sore throat; gangrene; gout; kidney stones; hemorrhoids; dropsy (the swelling of soft tissue due to excess of water in the body); jaundice; paralysis; pleurisy (an inflamation of the tissues surrounding the lungs); rheumatism; sciatica; smallpox; and burns & abrasions.

The directions for making art supplies are contained in the "Recettes pour Vernis et Couleurs" section. Some of the recipes included are those for making Chinese varnish; red varnish; *Vernis de Martin*; how to color bricks; *Vernis a l'Esprit de Vin*; how to give an object the look of bronze; and how to marble surfaces. Many of the 35 recipes specify the country from which the recipe originated.

Included in the culinary recipes in the "Recettes pour l'Office" section are instructions for making *craquilin* (a cookie-like dough that can be placed on top of a pastry and then baked to give the surface a crackled top); macaroons; *oeufs a la neige* (meringues floating on a bed of custard); *Gateau de Savoye*; currant syrup; strawberry syrup; different *ratafias*; different lamb, ham, chicken and beef dishes; how to eat walnuts during the winter; and several vinegar recipes.

Some of the culinary recipes are in a second, slightly later hand. A few originate from the seaside village of Hyères (near to the Spanish border) and others are attributed (e.g. to Mademoiselle Vernon, Madame Pousui, M. Lepay, and M. Renaud). Recipes include those for various preserves; a recipe for Irish sea moss jelly (a thickening agent for food); vinegar; a few syrups; a recipe for biscuits; and a recipe for a quinine wine.

With the woodcut bookplate of Le Rouge, which includes the French revolutionary emblems of the Phrygian cap and the Gallic rooster.

In very good condition.

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## Written by a Friend to Famous French 18th-century Apothecaries

# 22. (MANUSCRIPT: French medicinal and culinary receipts.) c.1730-c.1780.

18.7cm x 11.5cm. [100] pp. of manuscript (including the verso of the upper free endpaper) followed by [118] blank leaves. Contemporary richly gilt morocco, spine richly gilt, edges of boards in gilt roll pattern, gilt dentelles, bronzed floral Dutch endpapers, gilt edges, dampstaining to the endpapers, possibly an early remboîtage (see below). \$4500.00

A COMPELLING MANUSCRIPT, bound in a lovely binding, and written by at least three successive owners roughly between 1730 and 1780. Although the authors are anonymous, they were close to famous pharmacists of the time and their recipes capture the diverse responsibilities of the apothecaries of the time.

Of the 60 recipes included, 41 are medicinal and 19 are culinary. Included in the culinary receipts are several *ratafias*; a cherry compote with *eau-de-vie*; "cresme veloutée" (a sweet cream dessert with cinnamon and coriander); *crème brûlée*; marzipan; currant syrup; preserved apricots; and a *marmelade de fleurs d'oranges* (marmalade of orange flowers).

Among the medicinal receipts are remedies for indigestion; rheumatism; hot red eyes; fever; sore throat (attributed to Mr. Morand); kidney stones (attributed to M. elle Jeane Stephens); and many remedies for afflictions of the chest. Below the remedy "Pour les fievres intermitante sur tout accompagnées de douleurs de tete et chaleur d'urine" (for intermittent fevers accompanied by headache and hot urine), one of the later hands notes that it would be a good idea to consult a letter written by Dr. Francisco Selva on the subject of women's illnesses that is to be found in a catalogue from 1779. In that same hand, after a remedy for dysentery,

"T" writes "Un paysan du Vilage de Kjsoc près Lesnevers En Basse Bretagne a guérie plusieurs personnes avec Le remède suivant qu'il a Composé devant moi" (a peasant from the Village of Kjsoc near Lesnevers in Lower Brittany cured several people with the following remedy that he composed in front of me). This note is dated 20 August, 1780.

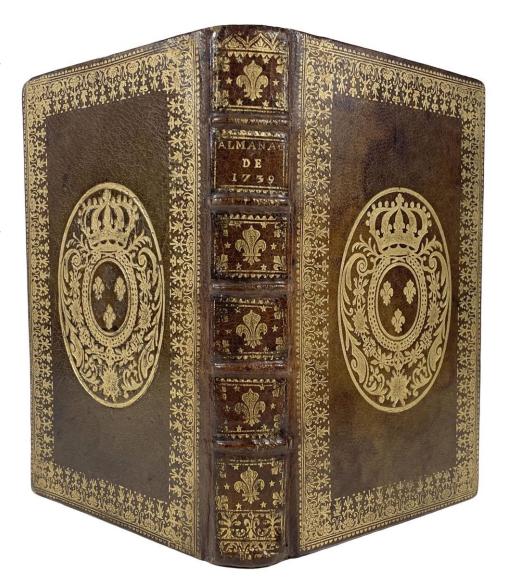
A note on the verso of the upper free endpaper reads: "Je tiens presque tous les remedes qui sont dans ce livres du grand Mr Grosse et quleques uns de Mr Boulduc mes bons amis" (I got almost all of the remedies that are in this book from the great Mr. Grosse and some from Mr. Boulduc, my good friends). The Boulducs were a famous French apothecary family of the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> century. Gilles-François Boulduc (1675-1741) was a well-known French pharmacist and chemist as well as a member of the apothecaries' guild. Jean Grosse was a chemist of German origin and a member of the Academy of Sciences who arrived in France towards the end of the reign of Louis XIV. When in Paris, he frequented the laboratory and the dispensary of Simon and Gilles-François Boulduc. Grosse died in 1744.

With the bookplate of Ludovic-Damas Froissart (1925-2018), an avid collector of works from France, with a focus on those from Nord-Pas-de-Calais, Picardy, Brittany and Maine.<sup>1</sup>

A lovely copy in a beautiful contemporary binding with the coat of arms of Louis XV emblazoned in gilt on the upper board and with bronzed floral Dutch endpapers. On the spine, "Almanac de 1739" is stamped in gilt in the second compartment. It is likely that this fancy almanac binding was reused in the 18<sup>th</sup> century to protect the current manuscript. (That is, this binding may be an early *remboîtage*.) All markings indicate that this was if not the manuscript's first binding, then, at the least, it was attached to the manuscript at a very early date.

In very good condition.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For more information on Ludovic-Damas Froissart's collection go to https://francearchives.gouv.fr/findingaid/9826ce4da5e50a755efe2564751117084cab25d6. We traced his bookplate via https://bibale.irht.cnrs.fr/59073.



## A French American Revolutionary War Hero Plans a Banquet

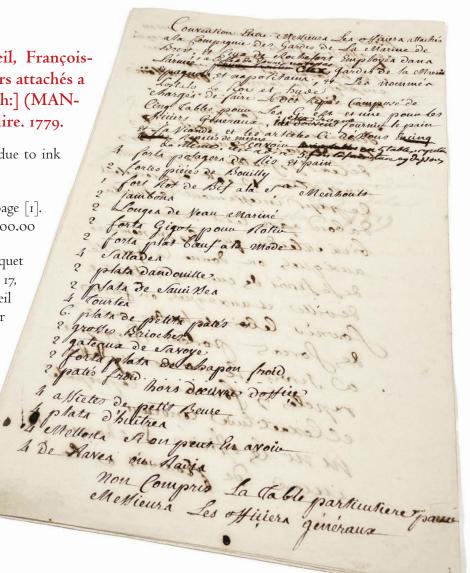
23. (MANUSCRIPT: French naval officer's banquet.) [Monteil, François-Aymar, chevalier de.] Convention Entre Messieurs Les officiers attachés a la Compagnie Des Gardes de La Marine de Brest. 1779. [With:] (MAN-USCRIPT: Report on the banquet.) Detail Du Répas Militaire. 1779.

I. Bifolium: 31.6cm x 20cm. [3], [1 - blank] pp. On laid paper, minor damage due to ink "burning" through the paper.

II. Bifolium: 31.5cm x 20.1cm. [3], [1 - blank] pp. On laid paper, small hole on page [1]. \$3000.00

A REMARKABLE SURVIVAL AND AN AMERICANUM. Two documents concerning a banquet in Brest for officers of the French, Spanish and Neopolitan navies on October 17, 1779. These are from the personal archives of François-Aymar, chevalier de Monteil (1725-1787), one of the most brilliant French naval officers of the American War of Independence and a founding member of the Society of the Cincinnati. On May 4, 1779, after an active military career that included fighting the English in

The Society of the Cincinnati is the nation's oldest patriotic organization, founded in 1783 by officers of the Continental Army who served together in the American Revolution. Its mission is to promote knowledge and appreciation of the achievement of American independence and to foster fellowship among its members. Now a nonprofit educational organization devoted to the principles and ideals of its founders, the modern Society maintains its headquarters, library, and museum at Anderson House in Washington, D.C." – https://www.societyofthecincinnati.org/.



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Newfoundland, Monteil was promoted to Chief of Squadron and commanded the Marine Guards in Brest. It was in this capacity that he was put in charge of organizing this banquet which was intended to strengthen the ties between these navies who were allied against England. This banquet was organized shortly before Monteil's departure for America, where he was to distinguish himself to such a degree that he ended his career as the second highest ranked officer in the French Navy.

I. Written in the hand of François-Aymar, chevalier de Monteil, and signed by him at the end, this is the preparatory draft of a contract for the above-mentioned banquet. The document is an agreement between Monteil and the caterers and contains the number of tables; the content and quantities of food to be had at each table; and the cost and method of payment for the banquet.

The feast was arranged around five large tables, each of which seated more than fifty people. At each table, the following items were served: 4 large soups made of rice and bread; 2 large pieces of bouilly (boiled beef); 1 large Rot de Bif a la Ste Menhoult (roast beef served with a sauce made from chicken broth, mushrooms, parsley, flour, butter, shallots, and lemon juice, then converted it into a glaze with the addition of egg yolks and bread-crumbs); 2 hams; 2 marinated veal loins; 2 large roasted legs of lamb; 2 plates of boeuf à la mode (larded and marinated beef cooked in cognac, spices, onions, carrots, red wine, garlic, and pork rind); 4 salads; 2 platters of andouille sausage (sausage stuffed with chopped up pieces of intestine); 2 sausage platters; 4 tourtes (covered pies); 6 platters of mince pies; 2 large brioches; 2 Savoy cakes (French sponge cake); 2 platters of cold capon; and 2 cold pâtés. Separated out as "hors doeuvre doffice," the menu includes 4 plates of butter; 4 platters of oysters; 4 melons (if they are available); and 4 platters of turnips or radishes. This is then followed by a description of how much is to be paid for the banquet; when payments are to be made and how; where the foods will be prepared and served; the cost of cooking coal and the "convict porters" (presumably from the navy); the linen and crockery; and the level and nature of the service.

II. The second document is written by an anonymous author in the employ of Monteil and it contains a detailed report on the banquet and the ball which followed. There are descriptions of military protocol, organization of the tables, and the order in which the gathering of three hundred military personnel of varying ranks conducted themselves into the banquet and thence to the ball.

According to this account, the guests comported themselves with great civility and expressed pleasure in the food presented to them. Our author interpreted this cordiality as a reflection of "the harmony which Reigns among the Spanish and French leaders" and "the connection that their Majesties desired in their respective Navies." During the time of this manuscript, the French were providing ammunition and naval support to Washington's Continental Army and, two years later, they were crucial in the British surrender of Yorktown.

Both documents are legible and in very good condition. Preserved in a paper folder made of early laid paper.

### English Sweets, Wines, and Pickles

## 24. (MANUSCRIPT: English cookery.) F. Norris her Book. 1781.

19.9cm x 16.2cm. [110] pp. (of which three pages are blank). Contemporary vellum, double blind fillet around boards, heavily stained, head of spine worn, slightly warped, outer margins of first five leaves browned, light spotting and thumbing throughout. \$5750.00

A manuscript of 133 numbered recipes for the pantry, the barrel, and the sweet tooth, written in a few different hands. The initial six pages are devoted to a careful index that directs the reader to (all but one) of the numbered recipes. There then follows a collection of 19 wine recipes, 57 ways to preserve and pickle fruits and nuts, and 57 dessert recipes. On the upper pastedown is written "F. Norris her Book, 1781" and on the lower board of the vellum binding are the faded remains of "F. Norris her book" followed by two words that we have been unable to decipher (one may be "Lincolnshire").

The manuscript begins with directions on how to make English wines. Among the instructions are recipes for elder flower wine both "Mrs. Godins's way" and "Mrs. Irelands Way;" balm wine; white currant wine "Mrs Smiths way which is very good;" birch wine; clary wine (a flowering sage); cowslip wine; and British Madeira (made with raisins, sugar, yeast, and cochineal). There are also recipes for numerous dried fruits, preserves and pastes made from quince, barberries, plums, peaches, apricots, apples, oranges, lemons, gooseberries, oranges, pippins, cherries,

Currant wine Me Way which is very good To every Gallon of Current June the stalks and full are Squeesed one Gallon of ospring half Nater, Teling the stand to three or four hours. Ihen stram well, and I every fallon of Lynor so prepo, fint you Three found & half of lump c I tir it well to gether, and ac the seum rigeo take it of upon a vieve and what I rains from That, put it in again, put it

To preserve green almondo Gather your almonds before they are stones which is known by running a fin through them put them in boiling vater till the shin will come. off get them over a to slow fine to green, make a syrup with their weight of sugar, and boil them a littles it you and when call pour it up on the almon almond Cakes Take half a found of almonds blanchis in cold water slie them as thin as possible and sift of Jugar over them to prevent their oiling Bail half a Pound of double refind sugar to a cand hight, stir in The almonds as fast as you can the take it of

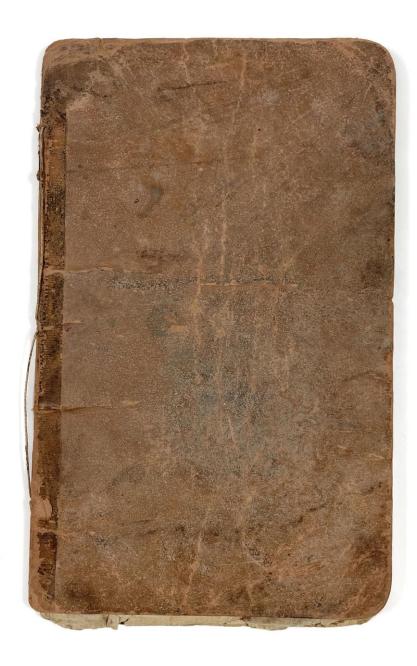
raspberries, almonds, and walnuts. Among the pickle recipes are those for artichokes, cucumbers, quince, and lemons. Prior to modern refrigeration, preserves and pickles were an important component of people's diets as they were a means to make the bounty of harvest periods available during winter when fruits and vegetables were scarce.

The desert recipes are especially appealing and they represent a nice cross section of sweets in 18<sup>th</sup> century England. Included are those for cakes; drops; jumballs; shives (i.e. slices); clear cakes; puffs; ratafia drops; flavored butters; creams; candies with almonds; an elderberry rob (a condensed syrup); a lemon omelet (which is baked); cheesecake; Nun's biscuits; Queen cakes; seed cake; syllabub; "cheap plumb cake;" "paradise pudding" (eggs, bread crumbs, brandy, lemon peel, currants, and butter<sup>1</sup>); gingerbread; "spunge biscuits;" and wigs (enriched, leavened tea cakes). Below is the recipe for "cracknells:"

Take half a pound of flower, half a pound of powder sugar, two eggs, some Caraway seeds, mix these together, take two Oz of Butter melt it to oyl in a sausepan pour it hot on, work them together, roll it out with a rolling Pin thin, cut it with a tin mould, bake them on tins in a slow oven, beat the white of an egg with a little white wine, rub them over with a paste brush, it gives them a pretty gloss, rub the tins with a bit of Butter, and warm them at the oven before you put them on.

Although slightly worn and stained, in good condition and easy to read.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This recipe ends with the quote "Adam tasted the pudding, it was wondrous nice, So Eve cut her husband another large slice." I guess this recipe was known in the Garden of Eden (hence, the title)!



### A Shaker Cookery Manuscript

# 25. (MANUSCRIPT: American cookery.) [Betsy Wright, Canterbury Shaker Village, c.1890.]

16.5cm x 10cm. 32, 35-36, pp. Contemporary brown board wrappers, stitched as issued, some leaves loose, leaves chipped around edges, stained and worn, written on laid paper ruled in red and blue. \$4500.00

A REMARKABLE SURVIVAL. In more than 30 years of dealing in cookery manuscripts, we have never had a Shaker cookery manuscript before. The Shakers believed in a simple lifestyle as a means to godliness. They believed in equality between men and women and were pacifists. Mealtime was an important moment when the community came together. Many were vegetarians and they emphasized food being simple and locally raised and procured. In addition to being famous for their furniture, they were well-known for their seed catalogues encouraging others to make their own kitchen garden.

This Shaker cookery manuscript has a legacy of having been in the hands of Charles "Bud" Thompson (1922-2021). In his pursuit of undiscovered American folk music, he met with the Canterbury Shaker Village in New Hampshire and stayed to live with them and work for them, eventually founding a museum for the colony. Most likely, this manuscript came from the same colony as it has written in pen on the upper right margin of page one "A-176" (which is consistent with the Canterbury Shaker inventory numbering system). Tipped in is a note that says "Early-Handwritten Recipe Book Canterbury Sister Betsy Wright - ect. [sic]."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For more information on Charles "Bud" Thompson go to his obituary at https://www.chadwickfuneralservice.com/obituary/charles-thompson.

Betsy Wright (1867-1940) was born in Worcester, Massachusetts, and was indentured to the Canterbury Shakers in 1876. All told, there are 64 recipes, most of which are sweet, although there is a pork pie, a tomato pickle, and a chili sauce. Other recipes include Feather Cake, Cup Cakes, Yankee Cakes, Apple Cake, multiple recipes for doughnuts, Harrison Cake, ginger snaps, black cake, Tapioca Pudding, and soft ginger bread.

As further testament to the American nature of the recipes, there are three separate entries for "Indian Pudding" made with cornbread (two just call for "meal" and one for "Indian meal"). Molasses also features in many recipes (during the 19<sup>th</sup> century, it was a cheaper alternative to sugar). There are a few recipes that highlight the need for thrift (e.g. "poverty cake" and "Cheap cake") and all of the recipes are relatively simple and have few ingredients. Below is the recipe for chili sauce:

10 ripe tomatoes large

1 tablespoon salt

2 tablespoon sugar

l teaspoon ginger

2 peppers chopped fine

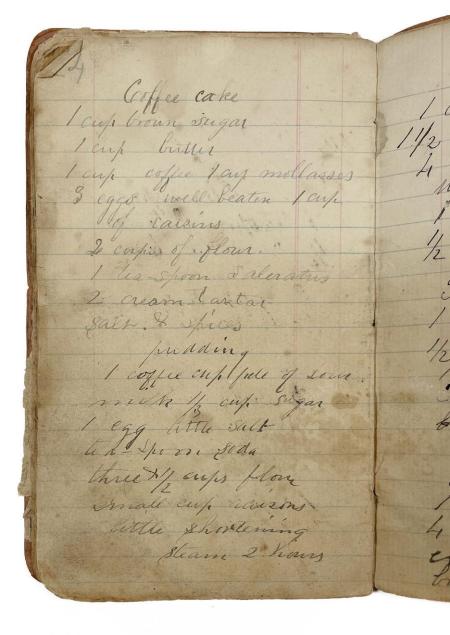
1 large onion

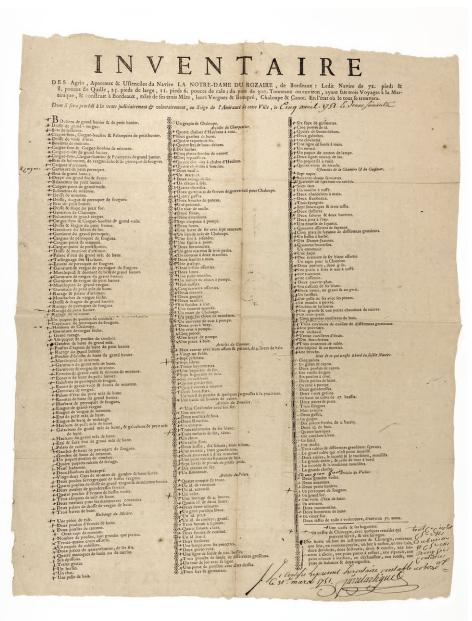
2 cups vinegar

One of the recipes is attributed to Anna Saunders and one of the recipes is for a medical remedy for catarrh (postnasal drip).

This manuscript was previously in the collection of Frannie Ness and Gary Oleson, proprietors of Waiting for Godot Books.

Although largely written in pencil, lacking one leaf, and quite worn, this is a rare glimpse into the culinary history of an early alternative community in the United States.





## An 18th-Century French Merchant Ship's Kitchen Inventory

# 26. (MARITIME gastronomy.) Inventaire des agrès, apareaux & ustenciles du navire La Notre-Dame du Rozaire, de Bordeaux. 1751.

Broadside: 54.5cm x 41.8cm. Printed in three columns, an ornamental border between the columns, signs of having been folded two times, contemporary ink annotations, lightly browned, deckles remaining. \$1750.00

An UNRECORDED broadside of the sale in 1751 of a merchant ship equipped for trade between Bordeaux and Martinique. There are more than 320 pieces of rigging, instruments, and kitchen utensils inventoried. This document is remarkable both in terms of vocabulary and what it reveals of life on board an 18<sup>th</sup>-century merchant ship. At the top of the broadside it is noted in manuscript that the sale of the ship and its contents took place on April 5<sup>th</sup>, 1751.

The broadside is divided into sections including those for the rigging; the carpenter's supplies; the gunner's supplies; those of the cooper; and the pilot's tools and materials. The list ends with roughly thirty miscellaneous objects that remained onboard (e.g. a pump hook, a grapple, 2 capon hens, 5 hoists, a big bell, and a big anchor) followed by the contents of the "ship's surgeon's chest," which include various remedies and instruments.

The section that is of particular interest to the culinary historian are the "utensils for the bedroom and the cook." This list of kitchen supplies helps us understand what the gastronomic life was like on board a French merchant ship in 1751. Among the 45 items are table tops; tablecloths; napkins; tea towels & aprons; cups & saucers; teapots; salt shakers; pepper mills; water jugs; 10 forks; 5 earthenware plates of different sizes; frying pans; coffee pots; torte pans; casserole dishes; dish covers; 13 pewter spoons; tin pots; sieves; bellows; and an iron shovel & tongs.

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Deus grandes voiles.

La grande cloche.

Deux grandes voiles. de variation. n id. renverlé. Deux mizennes. Deux petits huniers. Un perroquet de fougues. Un grand foc. Une voile d'étai de hune. Un artimon. de couleur, grand. Deux tourmentins. is fanaux à fignaux. Deux bonnettes de hune. natre fanaux clairs. Detitre Un vieux foc. Deux fanaux de combat. Deux restes de toile à voileneuve, d'environ 50. aunes. Un id. fourd. Deux huilieres. Un coffre de Chirurgie, avec quelques remédes qui leur coffre de Chirurgie, avec quelques remédes qui leur control de Chirurgie, avec quelques remédes qui leur control de chirurgie, contenant control de control de control de corbin, un tire-bale, control de corbin, un coucent courbe, un bec à corbin, un tire-bale, coette à abcès, une paire pinces à reffort, une espatule, une paire de balances & deux aiguilles. Une lampe avec fes pincettes. + Une caisse & ses baguettes. Ine ligne de sonde de 120. briffes. Trois plombs de sonde de différentes grosseurs. Un tour de loc avec sa ligne. Une pome de pavillon avec deux driffes. Trois fers de girouettes.

During the reign of Louis XV, Bordeaux supplied a large part of Europe with coffee, cocoa, sugar, cotton and indigo, and became the leading French port and the second largest in the world (after London). The increase of merchant fleets and the progression of trade with lands within the French Colonial Empire made Bordeaux one of the main French ports for colonial trade.

The French Colonial Empire included parts of North and South America, the West Indies, West Africa, and India. Because of the inventory listed on this ship, the *Notre-Dame du Rozaire* was most likely engaged in "straight" trade with the West Indies (exchanges of regional commodities such as wine for colonial products). This is in contrast to the infamous "triangular trade" which involved trading food, cloth and arms from France for slaves taken in East Africa who were then brought to Haiti to trade for sugar, cocoa, tobacco and cotton, which was then brought back to Bordeaux.

It is indicated in the title that this 300-ton frigate, armed with eight cannons and built in Bordeaux, had already made three transatlantic voyages. These expeditions would have been carried out while maritime traffic benefitted from a short period of peace between the War of the Austrian Succession (1744-48) and the Seven Years' War (1755-1762).

With a manuscript signature vowing that the inventory printed on this document is complete as of 31 March 1751. There are Xs in manuscript checking off each item on the list. On the verso in manuscript is written "8 May =."

Preserved in a nice folder made of early paper.

In good condition.

¶ Not in OCLC.

### A Lovely Copy of the Gastronome's Handbook

## 27. [MARTIN, Alexandre]. Bréviaire du gastronome. Paris: Audot, 1828.

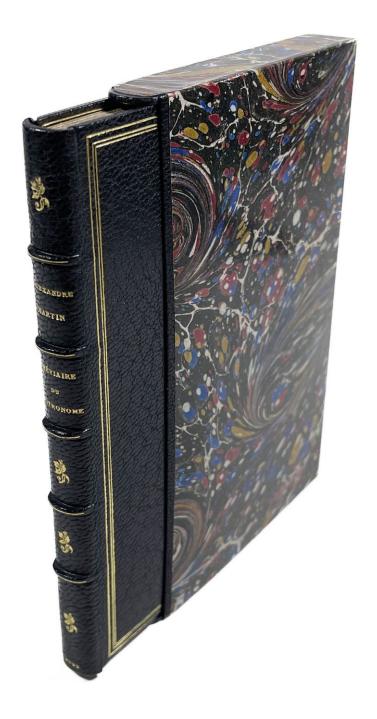
12mo in 6s. Folding hand-colored lithographed frontispiece. 2 p.l., 122, [3], "124," 12 pp. Original printed blue wrappers bound in black morocco with triple gilt fillet on boards, spine gilt in six compartments, gilt edges, triple gilt fillet dentelles, marbled endpapers, untrimmed. \$1200.00

The Second Edition of Martin's (b. 1795) introduction to gastronomy. Although the first edition was printed earlier in the same year, the second edition is the most complete as it has been expanded to include new menus and 16 additional pages.

After a discussion of the history of cuisine (with frequent reference to earlier writers), Martin describes the tools needed in the kitchen and how to care for them; how to select a good chef; and how to maintain one's health through eating well. The rest of the book is comprised of menus; suggested dishes (divided according to one's income, "cuisine bourgeois" or "grand cuisine"); and which foods to consume during each month.

In the section on how to find a chef, Martin argues for the connection between gastronomy and the social order through a reference to the famous chef Marie Antoine Carême (who had been chef to the French statesman Talleyrand and, at the time of the book, was chef to the Rothschild family):

M. Carême regarde un bon cuisinier comme la pierre angulaire de l'édifice social, et il a raison; cest à table que furent arrêtées les bases du traité d'Amiens; la capitulation de Paris fut signée dans un brillant déjeuner d'empereurs, et plus d'un de nos budgets fut présenté, arrêté, emporté entre la poire et le fromage. Or sans cuisiniers point de dîners et sans dîners plus de lois, de traités, ni de budgets: anarchie complète.



### Roughly translated to:

Mr. Carême regards a good cook as the cornerstone of the social edifice, and he is right; it was at table that the bases of the Treaty of Amiens were laid down; the capitulation of Paris was signed in a brilliant lunch of emperors, and more than one of our budgets was presented, stopped, carried away between the pear and the cheese. But without cooks there are no dinners and without dinners there are no more laws, treaties, or budgets: complete anarchy.

The colored frontispiece by Henri Monnier (1799-1877) is of a gastronome conversing with a cook in her kitchen. After working as a French bureaucrat, Monnier became an illustrator, author, and actor famous for his lampooning of high culture. His many gastronomic scenes are both intimate and humorous and drawn and colored with a light touch.

In a sumptuous binding by Lutrel and preserved in a matching slipcase made of marbled paper with black morocco edges.

¶ Oberle, 201 (reproducing the frontispiece); OCLC: Cornell University, New York Academy of Medicine, Library of Congress, Indiana University, Harvard, Johns Hopkins University, and six locations outside of the United States.



## Recipes for the Modern Chef

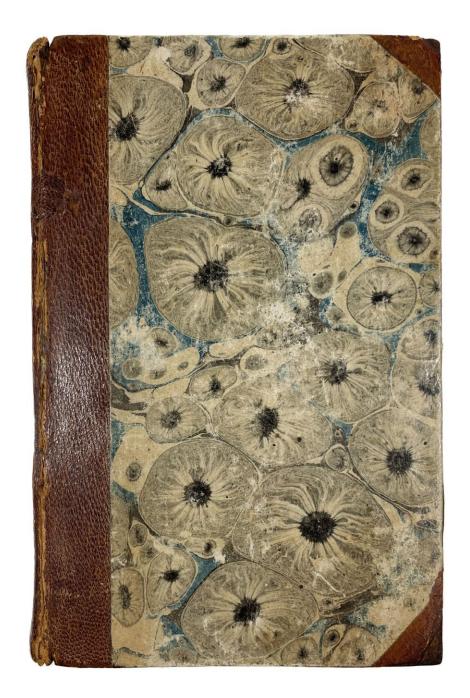
# 28. MARTIN, Alexandre. Le cuisinier des gourmands, ou la cuisine moderne. Paris: Froment, 1829.

12mo in 6s. Engraved frontispiece. 2 p.l., 320 pp. Contemporary half calf over marbled boards, spine richly gilt, light rubbing overall, blue-speckled edges. \$1500.00

The extremely rare FIRST EDITION of Alexandre Martin's cookbook written for the "modern" cook of the early 19<sup>th</sup> century. In the introduction, the author disparages such works as *Le cuisinier des cuisiners* (Lecointe), *Le cuisinier royal* (Viart), and *Le cuisinier parfait* (Raimbault), as being "too backward to meet the needs of the present generation." He assures the reader that in compiling the recipes for this book he consulted "the Beavilliers, the Carêmes, the Vérys, the Véfours, the Provençal Brothers...the Lemardelets, the Grignons and all the luminaries of our century."

This work begins with 15 pages of basic culinary vocabulary ("langue culinare"), going from *abaisse* (a sheet of rolled out dough) to *mijoter* (simmer) to *zestes* ("skin of fragrant fruits"). This is followed by 405 recipes organized alphabetically. Included are recipes for cooking with various meats and vegetables; conserves; egg dishes; sauces; *pâtes*; soups; *ratafias*; pasta; cakes; and custards. Included is this hearty cheese soup from Provence:

Faites blanchir des choux et jetez-en la première eau; faites-les cuire dans une eau bouillante dans laquelle vous ajouterez un morceau de beurre, un peu de sel et poivre et une cuillerée à bouche de bonne huile d'olive. Lorsque vos choux seront presque cuits, écoulez-en l'eau, et les nourrissez avec du bon bouillon gras passé au tamis.





Coupez ensuite votre pain dans la soupière: le pain de ménage est le meilleur; vous placerez une couche de pain et une couche fromage de gruyère coupé par petites tranches fines, et ainsi alternativement un lit de fromage jusqu'aux deux tiers de la soupière; arrosez-en le dessus avec de l'huile d'olive environ deux cuillerées à bouche; trempez-la ensuite avec votre bouillon de choux jusqu'à ce qu'il surnage le pain; placez votre soupière sur un feu de charbon assez doux, et la laissez mitonner à petit feu jusqu'à ce que le fromage soit bien fondu et mélangé avec le potage; et lorsqu'il commencera à se prendre, garnissez-en le dessus avec les choux et un de poivre, et servez-le bien chaud.

#### Roughly translated to:

Blanch the cabbages and throw away the first water; cook them in boiling water to which you will add a piece of butter, a little salt and pepper and a spoonful of good olive oil. When your cabbages are almost cooked, drain the water and mix them with good fatty broth that has been passed through a sieve.

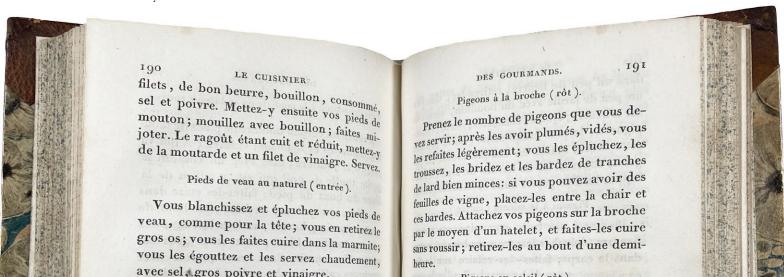
Then cut your bread in the soup tureen: household bread is the best; you will place a layer of bread and a layer of gruyère cheese cut into small thin slices, and thus alternately a bed of cheese up to two-thirds of the tureen; drizzle the top with about two tablespoons of olive oil; then soak it with your cabbage broth until the bread floats; place your soup tureen on a fairly low charcoal fire, and let it simmer on a low heat until the cheese is well melted and mixed with the soup; and when it begins to set, garnish the top with the cabbages and a little pepper, and serve it hot.

Following the recipes is a section devoted to seasonal menus for six to forty guests. The final section describes methods for carving various meats and their service at the table. The chapter begins "L'art de disséquer les viandes n'est ni aussi facile ni aussi commun qu'on se l'imagine" (the art of dissecting meats is neither as easy nor as common as one would imagine).

With a frontispiece by "Adam H." depicting a kitchen with a fierce looking chef in the foreground; he appears to be speaking with either a customer or the owner of the household. In between them is a table laden with food. In the background is a cooking fireplace and a frightened kitchen boy.

On the upper pastedown and free endpaper are three bookplates, one of which is that of Jean Paul Lacombe, the famous chef from Lyon. In very good condition.

¶ OCLC: Indiana University and four locations outside of the United States.



### A Few Remedies for Overeating

# 29. [MARTIN, Alexandre.] Dardanus. Traité medico-gastronomique sur les indigestions. Paris: Audot, 1828.

12mo. in 6s. One colored lithograph frontispiece. 2p.l., 94, 12 pp. Original printed blue wrappers bound in dark green morocco with decorative gilt borders, spine gilt in five compartments, gilt roll pattern on edges of boards, gilt dentelles, gilt edges, marbled endpapers, faint foxing throughout. \$1500.00

The FIRST & ONLY EDITION of this work on the indigestion caused by the gastronome's tendency to overeat. Sections cover the different types and causes of indigestion and its various cures (with a considerable amount on enemas). This is a particularly handsome copy.

An apothecary and prolific writer, Alexandre Martin wrote a dozen works relating to gastronomy published under his name or various pseudonyms, as in the case of the *Traité medico-gastronomique*. On the title page it is described as a posthumous work "De Feu Dardanus, Acien Apothicaire."

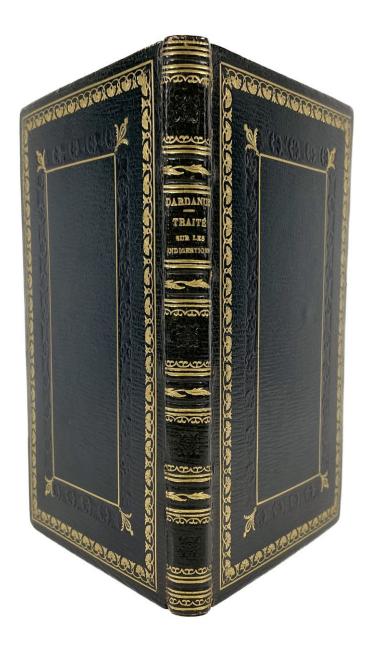
One of the treatments recommended is drinking salt water to induce one to vomit. This remedy is described with a nod to Grimod de la Reynière who is said to have suggested carrying a few grains of salt on one's person so as not to be caught unawares (see page 38). Otherwise, if one is so full of gourmet food and wine that they cannot even swallow, it is recommended to rub the back of one's mouth in order to induce vomiting.

A large portion of the book is devoted to enemas: their application; medical enemas; cleansing and washing oneself; and how enemas can be safely used by young people. The last chapter is on the causes of obesity.

With a colored lithograph frontispiece depicting "the author" by Henry Monnier. Prepared for a night of grand consumption, our author is on his way to a meal with an enema syringe under his arm.

In good condition. With the lovely original wrappers preserved in a handsome binding by Yseux, successor to Thierry-Simier.

¶ OCLC: Cornell University, Yale Medical Library, University of Chicago, Indiana University, National Library of Medicine, and six locations outside of the United States.





## On Coffee

# 30. [MARTIN, Alexandre.] Manuel de l'amateur de café, ou l'art de prendre toujours de bon café. Paris: Audot, 1828.

12mo. in 6s. One folding colored lithograph frontispiece and one large folding hand-colored engraved plate. vii, [1 blank], 79, [1 - blank], [1], "84," [1], [1 - blank], 12 [of a publisher's catalogue from Audot] pp. Original printed blue wrappers bound in faded green boards with the title embossed on the spine, early repair to upper wrapper, moderate foxing throughout, corner of one of the advertisement pages torn away. \$1750.00

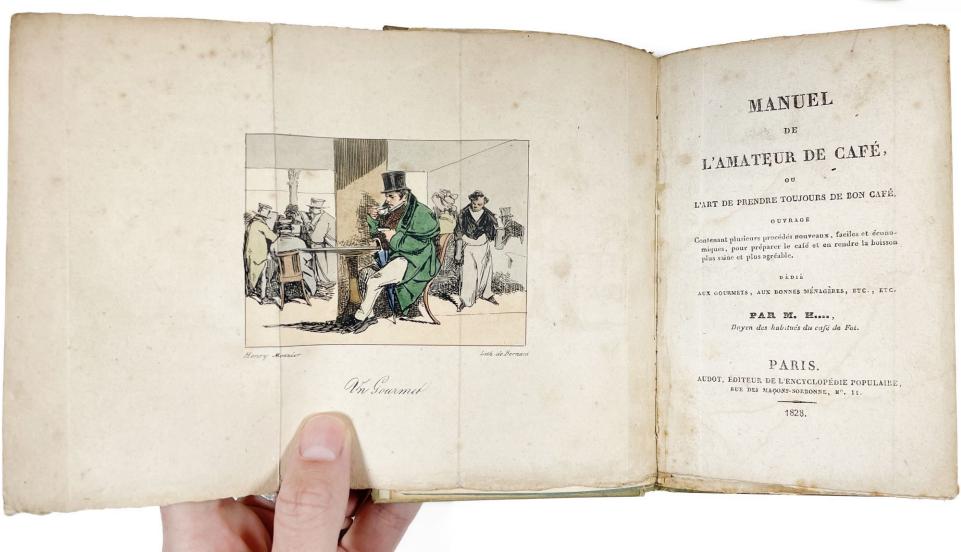
The rare FIRST EDITION of Martin's well-known guide to the drinking and appreciation of coffee. The eleven chapters give an account of the history and cultivation of coffee; varieties of coffee; a chemical analysis of coffee; methods of its preparation; how to serve and drink it; the effects it has on the consumer's mind and stomach; ways to take coffee (café au lait or à la créme); on Turkish coffee; on the café's of Paris; and coffee's medicinal qualities.

The lovely hand-colored frontispiece of "Un Gourmet" depicts a man drinking coffee in a Parisian café and is drawn by Henry Monnier. After working as a French bureaucrat for many years, Monnier (1799-1877) became an illustrator, author, and actor famous for his lampooning of high culture. His many gastronomic scenes are both intimate and humorous and are drawn and colored with a light touch. At the end is bound a handsome carefully hand-colored engraving of the coffee plant in full bloom, its seed, and structure. The engraving is drawn by P. Bessa and engraved by Maria Gabriel Coignet.

The black-ink stamped grey boards binding is interesting. Near the foot of the spine is a Star of David inside of which is a swastika. On the upper pastedown are two bookplates, one of which is that of Gaston Prinet. This may be Gaston Auguste Lucien Prinet (1858-1933) who worked in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Prinet was an avid collector of engravings and a member of numerous different societies. Regarding the unusual symbol, we have been unable to find any information.

¶ Cagle 309; Mueller p. 140; OCLC: University of California (Berkeley), Indiana University, New York Public Library, University of Chicago, to which should be added Los Angeles Public Library, and one location outside of the United States; Vicaire cols. 569-70. Note: as ususal, pp. 81-82 are mistakenly bound after pp. 83-84 but the work collates complete.





### Oysters

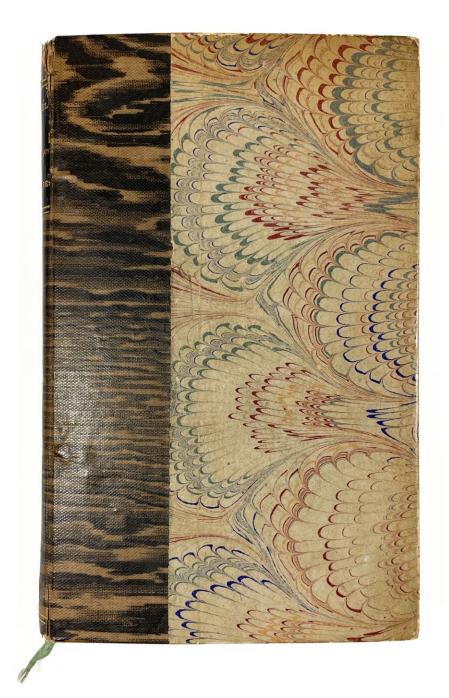
## 31. MARTIN, Alexandre. Manuel de l'amateur d'huitres. Paris: Audot, 1828.

12mo. in 6s. One folding hand-colored engraved frontispiece and one folding engraved plate. viii, 84 pp. Original printed blue wrappers bound in later 19<sup>th</sup>-century quarter decorative cloth over marbled boards, decorative gilt endpapers, wrappers a bit aggressively glued at gutters, upper corner of 1<sup>5</sup> cut away and upper edge of 1<sup>5-6</sup> torn away (not affecting text), small paper flaw on leaf 6<sup>3</sup> just touching two letters on each side (sense still clear), lightly foxed.

The FIRST EDITION of Alexandre Martin's (b. 1795) study of the oyster, its natural history, cultivation, perfection as a foodstuff, and medical properties. The frontispiece is by Henri Monnier (1799-1877), one of the period's most celebrated caricaturists and especially famous for lampooning Parisian gourmands.

Although Martin is clearly in favor of fresh oysters, he makes a concession to those who like them cooked. In a brief section on the cooking and marinating of oysters, Martin includes the following recipe for a dozen oysters:

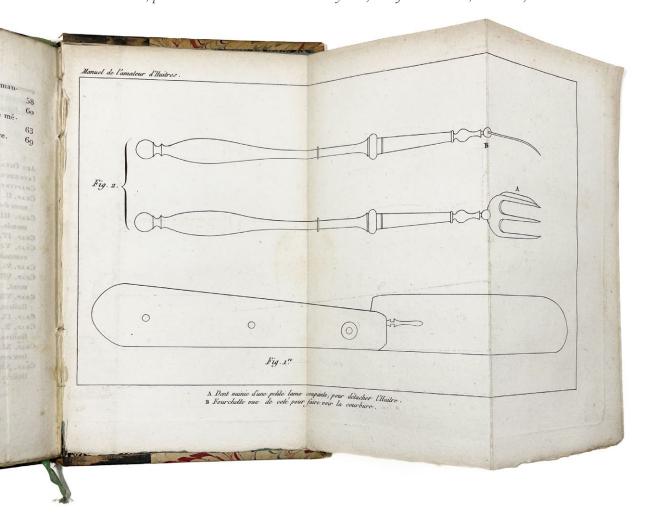
mettez dans une casserole un morceau de beurre, en raison de la quantité de vos Huîtres; ajoutez-y des champignons, du persil, des échalotes hachées et une pincée de poivre faites revenir vos fines herbes; singez-les d'un peu de farine; mouillez- les avec l'eau de vos Huîtres et un peu de bouillon; faites cuire et réduire le tout à consistance de sauce; retirez votre casserole du feu, mêlez-y vos Huîtres; sautez-les ; ajoutez-y un jus de citron; goûtez-les ; mettez-les dans vos coquilles ; panez-les avec de la chapelure ou de la mie de pain; et mettez dessus gros comme une noisette de beurre, séparé en plusieurs morceaux; posez-vos coquilles sur un plat creux; mettez-les au four ou sous un four de campagne, avec feu dessous; faites-leur prendre couleur, dressez-les et servez.





### Roughly translated to:

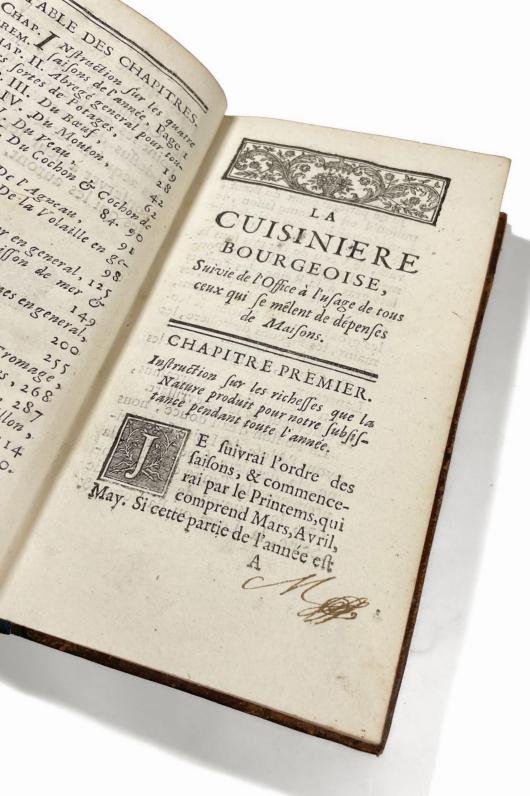
put in a pan a piece of butter, according to the quantity of your Oysters; add mushrooms, parsley, chopped shallots and a pinch of pepper sauteé your fine herbs; dust them with a little flour; moisten them with the water from your oysters and a little broth; cook and reduce to sauce consistency; remove your saucepan from the heat, mix in your Oysters; sauteé them; add lemon juice to them; taste them; put them back in their shells; top with breadcrumbs; and add a big knob of butter, separated into several pieces; put your shells on a deep dish; put them in the oven or under a country oven, with fire underneath; color them, dress them and serve.



There are many medical uses for the oyster according to Martin who – in addition to being a prolific writer – was also an apothecary. He writes that oysters are good for ailments such as diarrhea; scurvy; chronic consumption; poor digestion; morning sickness; and gout. He also explains how one can grind up oyster shells with oyster water to make a paste that can cure ulcers and "pestilential buboes."

The hand-colored frontispiece is entitled "De l'influence des Comestibles sur le moral des convives" (On the influence of edibles on the morale of the guests). It depicts three men around a table happily eating oysters with six bottles of wine sitting on the table. On the floor are three discarded baskets that have the names of the types of oysters being eaten. Bound at the end is a folding engraving of the utensils needed to successfully consume your oyster.

¶ OCLC: Lilly Library (lacking one of the plates), Cornell University, New York Public Library, University of California (Berkeley), University of Chicago, Harvard, University of Maryland, University of Minnesota, New York Academy of Medicine, and five locations outside of the United States.



## "The Great French Bestseller;" Incredibly Important

# 32. MENON. La cuisiniere bourgeoise. Paris: Guillyn, 1746.

12mo. in 8s & 4s. Woodcut device on title page, woodcut head and tailpieces, woodcut decorative initial. vii, [1], 384, 389-400, [4] pp. Contemporary cats-paw calf, spine gilt in six compartments, red morocco lettering piece on spine, edges of boards with a gilt roll pattern (partially worn away), edges stained red, marbled endpapers, light wear overall, corners slightly bumped. \$7500.00

The VERY RARE FIRST EDITION (see below) of the best-selling cookbook of 18<sup>th</sup>-century France. With more than twenty 18<sup>th</sup>-century editions alone, *La cuisiniere bourgeoise* contributed greatly to the accessibility and simplification of grande cuisine. It was also the first French cookbook written for a female chef.

The approximately 350 recipes are broken into chapters covering "sur les richesses que la Nature produit," how to cook seasonally, and various menus; recipes for soups; beef; mutton; veal; pork and suckling pig; lamb; fowl; game; saltwater and freshwater fish; vegetables; eggs; recipes with dairy products and a section on spices; pastry; sauces; and of the pantry (e.g. recipes for fruit, jams, syrups, fruit juices, ratafias, waffles, ice creams, and marzipan).

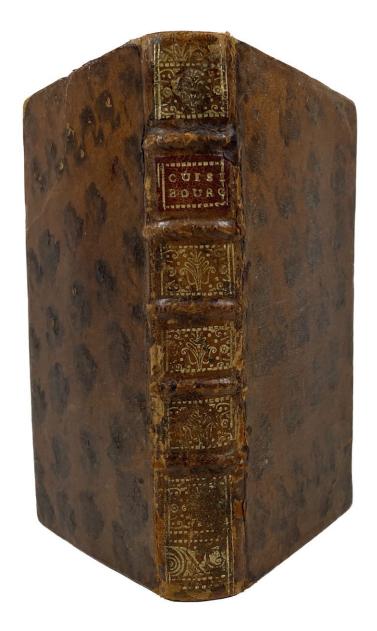
As noted by Stephen Mennell in his culinary history All manners of food, eating and taste in England and France from the Middle Ages to the present:

Menon undertook more wholeheartedly the task of enabling the bourgeoisie to participate in the culinary grande monde. The word bourgeoise in the title has the sense of "domestic" as well as "middle-class" and "town dweller." Menon claims that many great lords, especially those concerned for their health, had asked him to produce a book of simpler and plainer cookery. Nevertheless, the gender to the word cuisinière gives it a quite unambiguous social meaning; only the less well-to-do members of the middle class would, by that date, make do with a woman cook in charge of their kitchen.

Menon's book then follows the familiar layout, with chapters on foods in season, soups, the various kinds of meat, poultry, game, fish, vegetables, dairy-produce and pastries. The repertoire of recipes is very much scaled-down in comparison with Menon's earlier Nouveau traité de cuisine...And the recipes themselves are often simplified...Menon even mentions the availability of "portable boullion" from a shop in the Boulevard St Germain, intended for use by soldiers in the field but, for the bourgeois kitchen, no doubt as useful a short cut as the modern stock cube. Even so, though they are simplifications, Menon's simplifications are quite clearly simplifications from courtly models — pp. 82-3.

The great bibliographer and culinary historian Henry Notaker writes in his *History of cookbooks*, "Starting in the eighteenth century, many cookbooks were intended for middle-class households with fewer servants, where the kitchen was managed by a female cook with cook-maids to assist her. The transition from male to female cooks is documented in the title of the great French bestseller *La cuisinière bourgeoise* (1746)" – p. 192. It is interesting to note that the first cookbook with a woman's name on the title page appeared in Germany in 1597 (Anna Wecker's *Ein köstlich neu Kochbuch*). The first cookbook in Italy with a woman's name on the title page didn't appear until 1900. It was Giulia Ferraris Tamburini's *Come posso mangiar bene? Libro di cucina con oltre 1000 recette di viande*.

With Menon's manuscript cipher at the foot of page [1].

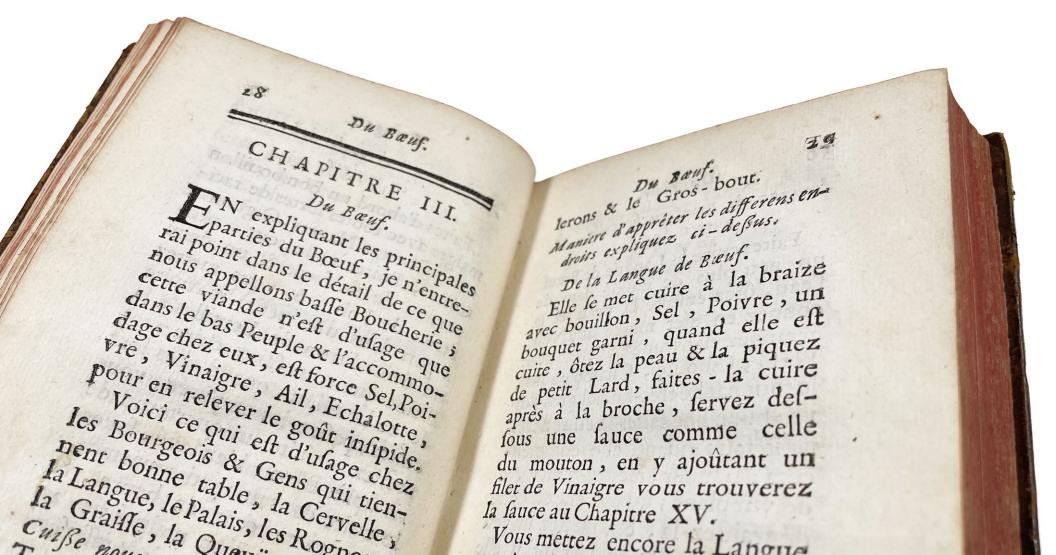


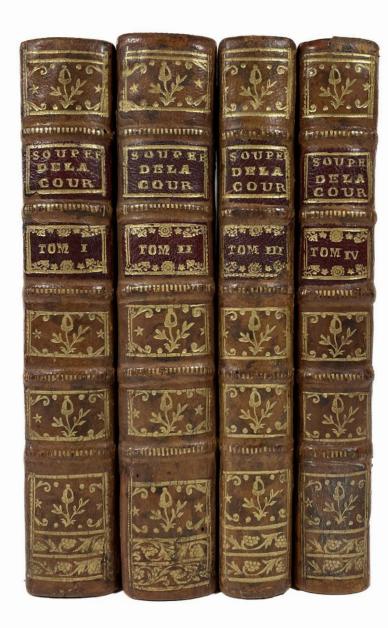
Another edition, equally rare, appeared in 1746 with a slightly different title and very different pagination: La nouvelle cuisiniere bourgeoise (also Paris: Guillyn, pagination [2 - blank], v, [1], 322, [18] pp.). Although both La cuisiniere and La nouvelle cuisiniere have the same approbation date of 29 April 1745, La nouvelle cuisiniere does not have the errata page present in La cuisiniere. From a study of the errata page in La cuisiniere and the recipes of La nouvelle cuisiniere bourgeoise, the errata corrections have been made to La nouvelle cuisiniere bourgeoise and, therefore, I think one can argue that La nouvelle is, in fact, a later edition published in the same year.

With some early pencil annotation for recipes in the index.

In very good condition.

¶ Bitting p. 320; Cagle no. 336; OCLC: Lilly Library, Williams College, Schlesinger Library, Library of Congress, and the Bibliothèque nationale de France; Vicaire col. 589.





#### "The Most Celebrated of Menon's Works"

33. [MENON.] Les soupers de la cour, ou l'art de travailler toutes sortes d'alimens, pour servir les meilleurs tables, suivant les quatre saisons. Paris: Guillyn, 1755.

8vo. Four volumes. xii, xxii, [2], 404 pp.; 1 p.l., xxii, 460 pp.; 1 p.l., xxii, 264, 269-302 (misnumbered as "300") pp.; 1 p.l., 367, [1 - blank] pp. Contemporary mottled calf, spines gilt in six compartments, red morocco labels, marbled endpapers, occasional minor spotting.

\$15,000.00

A very good copy of the FIRST EDITION and a famous rarity in the market, especially with the fourth volume. This is a particularly nice, unsophisticated set of this collection of more than 2000 recipes, "the most celebrated of Menon's works and one of the most important among the culinary works of the 18<sup>th</sup> century...rare and difficult to obtain in complete form." — Bitting, p. 321 (lacking a complete set).

Menon begins in his *Avertissement* by noting that many chefs scorn cookbooks and believe that a knowledge of cuisine can only be found in the kitchen. Menon argues that the development of *la cuisine nouvelle* is best achieved by working in the kitchen and reading theory. "Voit-on un Médecin, un Jurisconsulte, un Architecte, rougir de lire des Ouvrages qui concernent sa Profession?" (Do we see a Doctor, a Lawyer, an Architect, blush to read Works which concern his Profession?) He goes on to note that the art of cooking has its own rules, principles, and practice, and that only the union of practice and theory, can lead to the perfection of cookery.

Later, in the *Avertissement*, Menon notes how some of the recipes have come from others and how it is important to put them to print to more broadly share the art of cookery. He also explains that readers of *Le soupers de la cour* should take the liberty to adapt the recipes as they see fit and that the designs on the table (i.e. *pièces montées*) should be left to the imagination of the artist.

The four volumes are well indexed and organized. Volume one covers menus for the different seasons; broths during fasting days; soups for *jours gras* (non-fasting days); soups for *jour maigres* (fasting days); sauces; and recipes for cooking beef, veal, and lamb.

In volume two, there are recipes for pork; mutton; birds; turkey (including forty-five recipes for domestic pigeon); ducks, ducklings, geese and gosling; de la venaison ou viande noire; wild boar; different types of deer including fawn; game in general; wild pigeon; collared dove; woodcock; larks; des oiseaux de rivere, rouges et sarcelles (riverside birds, red and teal); and partridges.

The third volume has sections devoted to ragout and rissole; roasts; carp and bream; barb and pike; eel; lamprey; perch; monkfish; *trenches*; trout; barbel, *goujon* and frogs; salmon; sturgeon; brill, turbot and *turbotin*; dabs, *carrelets*, plaice, and *flayes*; sole; shad; *de la vive*; sea bass, tuna, grey mullet, and mullet; whiting; mackerel; herrings and sardines; cod, salted cod and hake; and skate. This is followed by recipes for pastry; pies (cold and hot, with different meats, for small dishes, and for large dishes); cakes; cookies; tarts; and food cooked in ramekins.

The final volume, which is often lacking, includes *entremets* made of creams and vegetables; recipes for truffles; egg dishes (including twenty-four different types of omelets); fruit dishes; conserves; compotes; ice creams; candies; waffles; sweets; gelatine; desserts made from almonds and pistachios; syrups; macaroons; *fromages glacés*; ratafias; chocolate; coffee; and *confitures au liquide*. Also in the fourth volume is a recipe for cooking potatoes in a mustard sauce. This is especially early for a French cookbook (Parmentier wouldn't popularize the root vegetable until about fifty years later). Entitled *Des chervis*, *salsifix*, *pommes de terre & taupinambours* (skirrets, salsify, potatoes & Jerusalem artichokes), the recipe translates to:

The skirrets, you scrub them & cook them with water, a piece of butter mixed with flour, salt; it only takes a quarter of an hour to cook; you drain them & dip them in a wine batter, & fry them to a beautiful color; the salsify, you scrub them, cook them in the same way or simply with water; it takes much longer; drain them & serve in a good white sauce; potatoes & Jerusalem artichokes are cooked in the same way; being drained, you remove the skin & put them in a spicy white sauce, or a mustard sauce — p. 150.

LES SOUPER'S ront pour garnir la table avec. 18 Come pottes ou Affiettes. Menus de l'Automne. Table de vingt-cinq à trente couverts; servie à vingt-trois en gras. Premier service. I Dormant. 2 grosses Entrées pour les deux r d'une culotte de bœuf aux choux. 1 d'un quartier de veau à la broche, une blanquette dans le cuisseau. 2 Ouilles pour les deux contre bouts. I au ris. I à la Crecy. 2 Potages pour les deux flancs? I à la Chartre. I aux choux. 16 Entrées & Hors-d'œuvres de poulets à la folette. 1 de petits pâtés en gondole. I de mincés de poularde aux truffes. 1 d'un pâté de lapreaux. 1 de côtelettes de faisan, comme les 1 de croquettes de palais de bœuf. 1 de pigeons à la charmante.

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Skirrets and salsify are thin root vegetables that were common in Europe since Roman times. Skirrets taste somewhere between parsnips and potatoes and, for some, salsify tastes like oysters and for others, like artichokes.

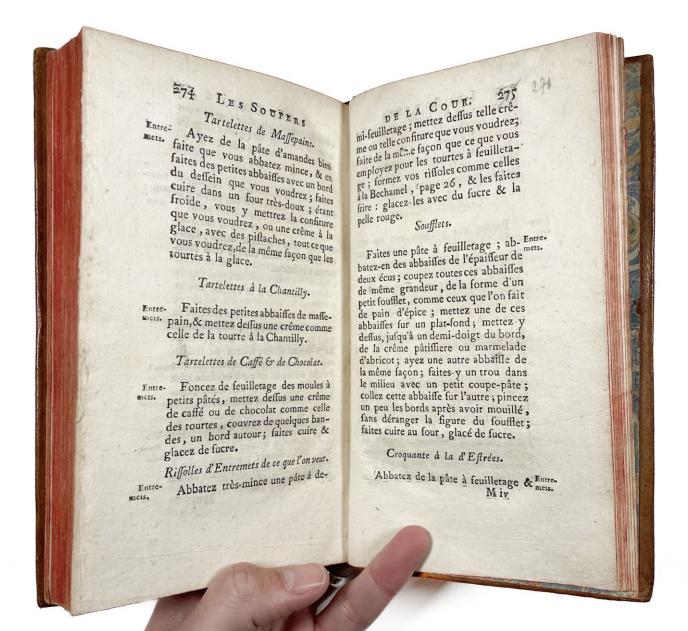
Anne Willan, in her history Great cooks and their recipes, compares Menon to another important 18th century French cookbook author, Marin, and notes the importance of Menon's contribution to culinary history.

For some reason Marin's polished work [Dons de Comus] did not enjoy a lasting success and it was a similar three-volume book written by Menon in 1755, Les Soupers de la cour, which held the stage until the French Revolution swept away all demand for such lavish productions. To modern tastes the profusion of dishes Menon describes is overwhelming — a typical menu for thirty lists well over a hundred dishes, served in five courses. After the first and third courses, the whole table was cleared and a completely fresh set of dishes laid out in an established geometric design. The second and fourth courses were smaller, complementing the twenty to thirty dishes already on the table. The appointments of the table were just as elaborate as the food. Centerpieces such as china soup tureens, branched candelabra, and bonbonnières proliferated. Instead of the single glass or goblet and knife and spoon, used a century before, there was an array of cutlery and crystal for each place setting. Plates were changed between each course - even, remarked a bewildered observer, when they were not dirty - p. 87.

Later, in The cookbook library (2012), Willan and her husband Mark Cherniavsky describe Les soupers de la cour as "Menon's most elegant and approachable book." They note that the work is important because "Menon describes himself as a chef rather than a cook, the first to assign the term to the head of the kitchen" (p. 219). They also note that Menon is one of the first cookbook authors to combine the functions of the maître cuisinier with that of the chef d'office.

Menon's cipher appears in manuscript on the first page of the *Avertissement* (as a form of authorization and to prevent counterfeit editions). A very handsome set.

¶ Cagle 344; *Livres en bouche*, p. 211; OCLC: Library of Congress, University of California (San Diego), Newberry Library, University of Chicago, Indiana University, Harvard, and six locations outside of the United States (most entries do not specify if they have the 4<sup>th</sup> volume); Vicaire col. 591. Not in Oberlé, Pennell, or Simon.



#### Chinese Food in Cuba

#### 34. (MENU.) "Charley Sing" Cuban American and Chinese Restaurant. Havana: La Campana, [c.1920s.]

Bifolium: 27.6cm x 18cm (folded). Printed pink paper. [4] pp. with another leaf laid in that is hand-typed on printed rice paper, some spotting. \$250.00

The UNRECORDED menu from a Cuban American and Chinese restaurant in Havana, Cuba, called "Charley Sing." As a colony of Spain, Cuba began to see its first Chinese immigrants via the Philippines, also colonized by Spain, in the 1830s. They either traveled or were brought against their will to Cuba to work the sugar cane fields. In the late 1800s many Chinese Americans fled to Cuba to es-

> an infusion of capital into the Chinese community in Cuba. Although there is a long-standing history of Cuban Chinese fusion food, this menu is pure-

ly Chinese and American. There are no Cuban influences on the dishes (although the translation for "eggs and omelettes" is "huevos y tortillas).

This menu is printed in English and Spanish, and has "Chinese Dishes' Mandarin Style" such as "Shop-Suey;" "Chow-Main;" "Eggs-Foyong;" "Yor-O-Main;" various fried rice dishes, and soups of meat, vegetables and eggs.

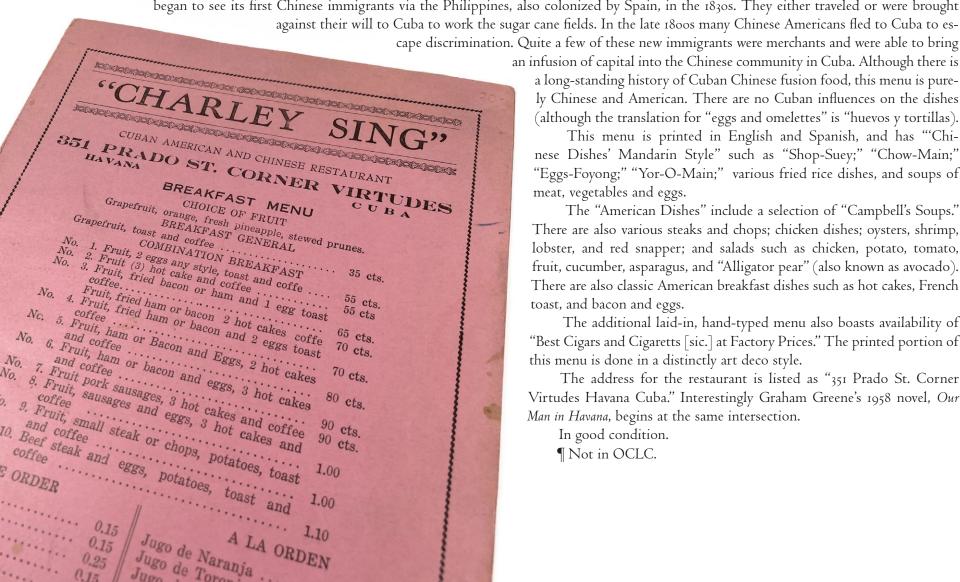
The "American Dishes" include a selection of "Campbell's Soups." There are also various steaks and chops; chicken dishes; oysters, shrimp, lobster, and red snapper; and salads such as chicken, potato, tomato, fruit, cucumber, asparagus, and "Alligator pear" (also known as avocado). There are also classic American breakfast dishes such as hot cakes, French toast, and bacon and eggs.

The additional laid-in, hand-typed menu also boasts availability of "Best Cigars and Cigaretts [sic.] at Factory Prices." The printed portion of this menu is done in a distinctly art deco style.

The address for the restaurant is listed as "351 Prado St. Corner Virtudes Havana Cuba." Interestingly Graham Greene's 1958 novel, Our Man in Havana, begins at the same intersection.

In good condition.

¶ Not in OCLC.



#### The Great American Banquet

## 35. (MENU) The Grand Pacific Hotel. Twenty-Second Annual Game Dinner. Chicago: Shober & Carqueville Litho. Co., [1877].

Bifolium: (when folded) 22.8cm x 14.1cm. Two lithograph plates, one is hand-colored, colors have run through to color all [4] pages, signs of having been folded twice, small tear to center of lithograph, small tears to head and tail of fold.

\$300.00



The UNRECORDED hand-colored lithograph menu for the twenty-second annual game dinner presented by the Grand Pacific Hotel on 10 November 1877. This particular copy is heavily water damaged in a way that has caused the colors to run. When opening the menu, the inside appears as a psychedelic Rorschach test. All text is still clear and legible, however.

The tradition of this massive game dinner was begun at the Tremont House in Chicago by hotelier John Burroughs Drake (1826-1895). It then moved with him to the Grand Pacific Hotel when the hotel opened in 1874. The final banquet was held in 1893. (OCLC records digital copies only of the 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, and 34<sup>th</sup> dinner.) Typically these menus included large American game such as buffalo, moose,

antelope, elk, and bear as well as smaller woodland creatures such as opossum, "coon," woodchuck, various squirrels, hare, and rabbit. They also contained a great host of songbirds and shore birds such as teal, grouse, quail, widgeon, partridge, wild pigeon, plover, and sand snipe.

Dubbed "Chicago's great feed" by the New York Times, this unrivaled game dinner was a celebration of America's vast abundance. Nevertheless, as time went on, it became increasingly difficult to procure such a wide variety of wild game to feed over five hundred guests each year. In the early 1880s, just as the last of the free-ranging bison were disappearing from the Great Plains, a few states began to strengthen their wildlife laws, belatedly realizing that the country's natural resources were limited.<sup>1</sup>

This particular dinner came from an earlier time, when there was still an abundance of wildlife to choose from for this yearly feast. The menu begins with "oysters in shell" then is divided into choices of soup, fish, boiled meat, roasted meat, broiled meat, vegetables, entrées, salads, cold ornamental dishes, pastry, dessert, and then "Bon-Bons and Flowers."

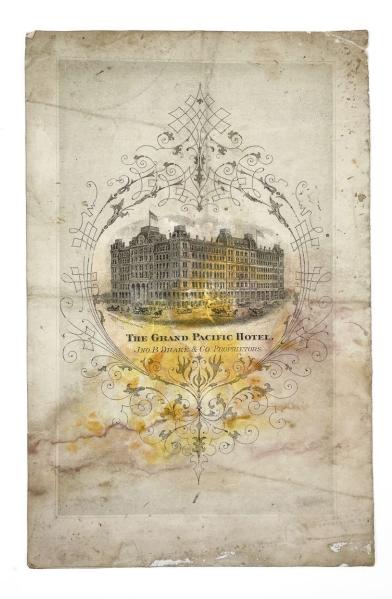
Some of the dishes featured are boiled "Leg of Mountain Sheep, Ham of Black Bear, [and] Buffalo Tongue;" roast "Saddle of Antelope, Loin of Buffalo, Coon, Woodchuck...Prairie Chicken...Green-Winged Teal, [and] Opssum; " and broiled "Jack Snipe... Fox Squirrel...Partridge, Plover, [and] Sand Snipe." There is also "Venison Pie, Hunter Style;" "Buffalo Steak, with Jelly;" "Stewed Terrapin, en Caisses;" and "Stuffed Coon, au Naturel."

Pictured in the lithograph are hunters, fishermen, and camp cooks. There is a great pile of dead animals in the foreground and a few others who are running or flying away. This tableau is imposed on a background of forest, with a mountain range in the background and a distant train with a stream of smoke billowing behind it.

Although worn and with watercolor bleeding through the pages, this remains a fascinating piece of American dining ephemera.

¶ Not in OCLC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Taken from the blog The American Menu, written by Henry B. Voigt. https://www.theamericanmenu.com/2010/03/annual-game-dinner.html



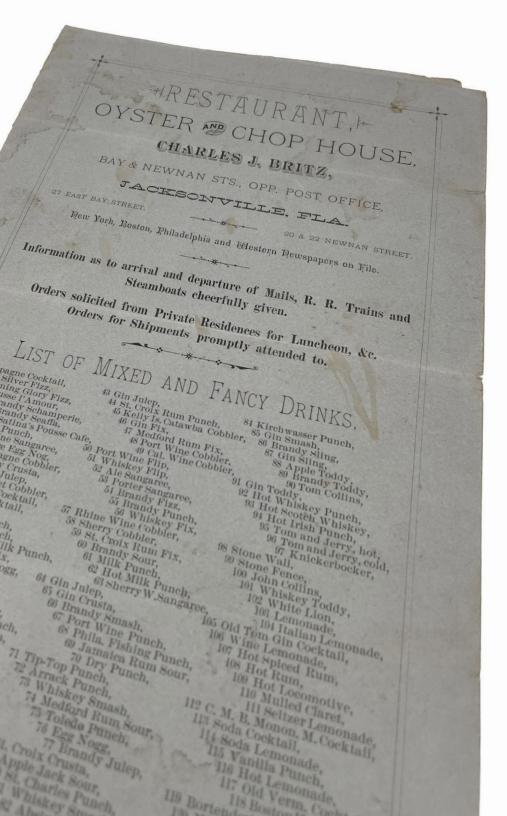
#### An Exhaustive Early Florida Menu, Handsomely Designed

#### 36. (MENU.) Restaurant, oyster and chop house, Charles J. Britz. Jacsonville, Florida: Ashmead Brothers, [c.1881-1901].

Bifolium: 24.6cm x 15.2cm (folded). [4] pp. Light dampstaining, short tear at bottom edge (not affecting text), signs of having been folded. \$350.00

An incredible survival of an UNRECORDED menu from Charles J. Britz's dining establishment. The restaurant opened in 1881 and then burnt down in the massive 1901 fire that took place in Jacksonville, Florida; the Ashmead Brothers printing house (where the menu was printed) was located about a block down the street and also perished in the fire. We were able to find an entry in Webb's Historical, Industrial and Biographical Florida (1885) which describes the restaurant in great detail.

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The establishment of Mr. Britz is a genuine new York-German lunch-counter and restaurant and the only one of the kind in this section....From Bay Street one enters through large glass-panelled doors, upon which appears the name of the proprietor in gilded letters, into a spacious apartment 48 by 23 feet in area, with handsomely frescoed walls and ceiling, and containing a number of small tables upon which are found the latest newspapers and periodicals. One side of the room is occupied by a semicircular lunch-counter loaded with all the delicacies of the season, and a handsomely furnished bar and refrigerator — p.132.

As it states on the first page of the menu, mail, train, and steamboat schedules were readily available at the restaurant, and "orders solicited from private residences for luncheon &c. orders for shipments promptly attended to."

The menu begins with 125 "mixed and fancy drinks" on offer. Then follows a list of items which are "cooked to order." There is "Florida Sirloin Steak;" "Kidney Saute, with Wine Sauce;" "Vienna Schnitzel;" "Welsh Rarebit;" "Quail on Toast;" "Larks;" "Plover Snipes;" "Fresh-water Trout;" "Rum Omelette;" "Potatoes, boiled...fried...French fried...Lyonaise...mashed...[and] stewed;" "Bowl of Milk and Crackers" "German Bretzel;" and "Corn Bread," among many others.

Next are "Cold Luncheon" items such as sandwiches, salads, pickled and preserved foods, various cheeses, and oysters prepared in multiple ways.

On the final page is the "Wine List" which also contains beers, liquors ("put up in flasks"), cordials, mineral water, and "imported segars" from Acker, Merrall & Condit, as well as Park & Tilford. White wines included are "Table Hock;" Laubenheimer; Hockheimer; Liebfrauemilch; and Forster Riesling. Red wines are represented by a "Table Claret;" Bordeaux from St. Estephe, St. Julien, and Chateau la Rose. Champagnes are from Piper Heidsick and G.H. Mumm.

Although this menu has clearly seen some practical use in the restaurant, it remains legible and in good condition.

¶ Not in OCLC.

#### A Rich Menu Printed During a Famine

#### 37. (MENU.) Speise-Karte au Cafe Royal. Berlin, 8 June 1849.

Broadside: 44.8cm x 28cm. Large woodcut vignette, printed in four and five columns, lightly browned, signs of having been folded, expert paper repairs at the folds.

UNRECORDED. A lovely menu from the celebrated Cafe Royal at 33 Unter den Linden in Berlin. This *Speisekarte* is dated and priced in print and manuscript so that the proprietor, C. Schott, could update dishes on a daily basis. At this time, Prussia was going through political upheaval and social unrest: in 1844-1845, there had been famine due to a series of bad harvests and a potato blight which, in part, contributed to the Revolutions of 1848 and extensive protests in Berlin. Our menu is not long after these events.

Schott offers 121 different dishes (starting with soups and ending with fresh fruit) and 90 drinks (organized into 13 categories). In 1822, Heinrich Heine (1797-1856), a German poet, writer, and literary critic, wrote a glowing review of the Cafe Royal. "I can't pass by [the Cafe Royal] without looking in for a moment....A meeting place of the elegant, educated world. You can often see the most interesting people here....But what do I care about all these gentlemen, I'm hungry. Garçon, *la charte*! Look at this multitude of wonderful dishes....There are secret magic formulas that unlock the spirit realm for us. And champagne at the same time!" I

The first four columns consist of soups; hors d'oeuvres; fish; relevés (main meat courses); vegetable dishes; entrées; entremets (small dishes served between courses); various braten (marinated pot roasts); salads; compotes; pickled items; preserved fruits; dessert; cheeses; fruit in eau-de-vie; marmalade; jellies; and fresh fruits.

The following five columns contain the drinks available, including wines from Bordeaux, Burgundy, Champagne, and the Rhine and Mosel valleys. Some of the Burgundies include those from Chablis, Volnay, Chambertin, and Montrachet, and the Bordeaux include the wines of Chateau Margeaux, Chateau Lateur, and Chateau Lafitte. Six years later these Bordeaux would be identified as first growths (in the classification of 1855). There are also warm beverages including <code>glühwein</code> (mulled wine), <code>punsch</code>, <code>grog</code>, bouillon, coffee, tea, and hot chocolate, as well as fruit juices, beer, and various liqueurs. It is interesting to note that some of the wines are listed and priced by the bottle whereas others are by the glass; this is very unusual for a menu from this period. All items offered are priced in Neuer Reichsthaler (Rst) and Silbergroschen (Sgr), a currency that was used in Prussia from 1821-1873. At this time Berlin was the capital of Prussia.

With a handsome woodcut engraving of an eagle clasping a banner in its beak that has the name of the restaurant emblazoned upon it. In good condition.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In a letter reprinted in his Gesammelte Werke. Dritische Gesamtausgabe, Berlin: 1887, vol. VIII, p.14f.



#### On the Taxation of Food & Wine From Europe to Mexico

#### 38. (MEXICAN food & beverage import taxes.) El Baylio D. Antonio.... A Consecuencia de haver resuelto. Mexico City, 1777.

Broadside: 42.7cm x 31.3cm. One woodcut decorative initial. Signs of having been folded twice.

\$1000.00

An extremely rare FIRST & ONLY EDITION of this document written to overrule a law that had been written in 1754 which allowed for tax exemptions for items being imported in to Mexico that fell under the label of "gifts" or "domestic consumption." This law had apparently been being abused for the last 23 years by people who would claim items to be gifts and then sell them at great profit.

The following items will no longer be able to be imported into Mexico free of tax:

Efectos de China, texidos de ropa hecha, ó por hacer que se haya conducido de Europa, Vidrios, y Cristales azogados, ó por azogar, Muebles costosos de casa, é Instrumentos, ó Utensilios de Artesanos,ó de diversion; Alhajas de mercería, quinquillería, y jollería fina, comprehendida la reloxería, y pedrería en qualesquiera diferencias; Azeytes, Vinos, Aguardientes; y otros Licóres Européos, inclusa Cidra, y Cerbeza; Pasa, Almendra, Escaveches, Azúcares, y otros comestibles usuales, y Bugías de cera, y esperma.

#### Roughly translated to:

Effects from China, fabric for clothes made, or to be made that have been brought from Europe, glass, and crystals gilt in silver, expensive household furniture, and instruments, or utensils for craftsmen, or for entertainment; hat decorations, ironmongery, and fine jewelry, including watches, and precious stones of any kind; oils, wines, aguardiente; and other European liquors, including cider, and beer; raisins, almonds, pickles, sugars, and other usual edibles, and wax Bugías, and whale oil

This document was to be sent to all official government offices within cities of Veracruz and Puebla.

Signed in manuscript (most likely by an official in Veracruz or

Puebla), by Diego Joseph

Sanchez Perez.

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EL BAYLIO D. ANTONIO MARIA BUCARELI, YURSUA,
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Consecuencia de haver resuelto el REY Muestro Sei (que Dios guarde) anular el Arrículo 71. de las Ordenanzas con que se gobierna la Real Aduana de la Promoting Wheat Farming & Tax-free Flour Exportation for the Indigenous People of Mexico

39. (MEXICAN wheat cultivation and flour exportation.) Don Bernardo de Galvez....El Bando de 28 Junio de 1783 sobre la libertad de alcabala á las harinas. Mexico City: 27 de Setiembre de 1785.

Broadside: 43.4cm x 31cm. One historiated initial. Signs of having been folded three times. \$1000.00

The extremely rare FIRST & ONLY EDITION of this edict to promote wheat cultivation as well as tax-free transportation of flour. This law was originally passed in 1783 by the father of the Count of Galvez, who had been the previous viceroy of New Spain. The "proclamation of June 28, 1783 on the freedom from taxation on flour, was published to root out the encumbrances and difficulties with which the measures dictated up to then... and for the increase in commerce of flours and dried foods." Now, in 1785, the newly appointed viceroy of New Spain is having to re-iterate the laws, as it seems various corrupt personages in positions of power had been applying false taxes to line their own pockets. The broadside also explains that there is a punishment of one thousand pesos plus loss of office for any governors, mayors, or other people in high ranking positions who attempt to tax anyone who is transporting flour.

This law states that the indigenous people ("Indios") must be encouraged and helped in any way possible by the local justices to cultivate, harvest, and transport wheat, and they are allowed to deliver their flour to Veracruz free of tax. Also, anyone transporting flour and other dried foods must be accompanied by a guard so that they need not fear the seizure of their "pack animals, herds or other goods being transported for the King" (Requas, Atajos ó Bagages para el Rey).

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#### Parmentier Sings His Praises of Seine Water

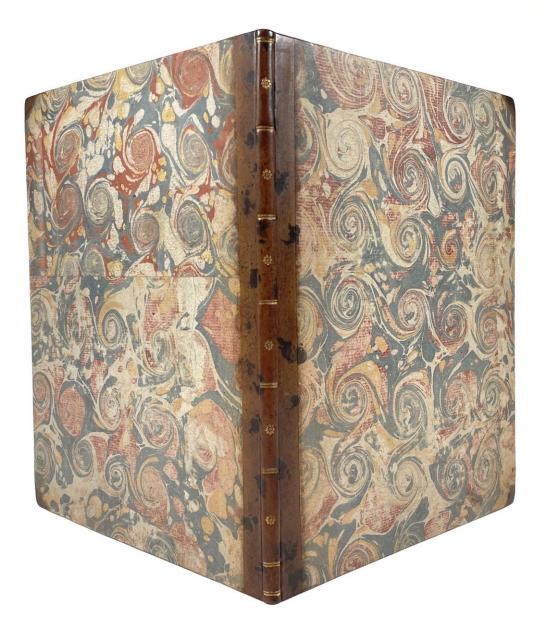
40. PARMENTIER, Antoine Augustin. Dissertation physique, chymique, et économique, sur la nature et la salubrité des eaux de la seine. Paris: Clousier, 1775.

4to. One woodcut vignette on title page, one folding engraved leaf. 1 p.l., 34 pp. Half calf over marbled boards, spine gilt, upper and lower edges stained red. \$2000.00

The very rare FIRST SEPARATE EDITION of Antoine Augustin Parmentier's (1737-1813) dissertation on the excellent qualities of the water of the river Seine which flows from Dijon to Paris and onward to the seaport of Le Havre.

Although some chemists of Paris had analyzed the water of the Seine and found it to have bad qualities, Parmentier strongly defends it. He writes that although the Seine is affected by tanners, cloth-dyers, butchers, and other manufacturers who pour their waste into the river (not to mention the effluvium from the sewers!), it is being constantly refreshed and renewed by its own force and flow.

In addition to popularizing the potato, Parmentier was famous for being the first modern nutritionist in French history. To that end, he discusses the healthful qualities of water. He writes that although he would rather not pit water drinkers against wine drinkers, it is his observation that people who primarily drink water enjoy particularly good health.





Parmentier sings high praises for the water of the Seine. In his conclusion he writes that "the water of the Seine, which is used in Paris, whether it is brought to us by public fountains, or by newly built pumps or hydraulic machines, has a character of goodness and healthiness that it would be much to be desired for the Nation and the human race." (Que l'eau de la Seine enfin, dont on fait usage à Paris, soit qu'elle nous soit apportée par les fontaines publiques, ou par les, pompes ou machines hydrauliques nouvellement construites, a un caractère de bonté & de salubrité qu'il seroit bien à désirer pour la Nation & le genre humain) — p.34.

With a folding engraved leaf depicting Seine water being pumped to Versailles. Note that the plate is numbered "2." This is because it was also printed for the *Journal* (described below), which included other engravings for other essays. Our Parmentier pamphlet is complete.

This dissertation was also published in 1775 in volume V of the Journal de physique, de chimie et d'histoire na-

In very good condition.

¶ OCLC: Yale Medical Library and three locations outside of the United States; Oberlé, no. 452.

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#### On Wheat, Flour, and Bread; An Americanum

## 41. PARMENTIER, Antoine Augustin. Expériences et réflexions relatives a l'analyse du bled et des farines. Paris: Monory, 1776.

8vo. Woodcut device on title page, head and tailpieces. iv, 194, [2] pp. Mottled calf, edges of boards in gilt roll-pattern, spine richly gilt, gilt red morocco label on spine, red edges. \$2500.00

A nice copy the FIRST EDITION of Parmentier's study of wheat, flour and bread. Chapters cover general information on wheat; the maladies that affect wheat; how to know the quality of flour; how to remove gluten from wheat flour; on starch; wheat flour; bran in wheat flour; bread; rye and other flours that different nations make into bread; and general observations on the different ways to analyze bread (e.g. using methods from chemistry to study bread).

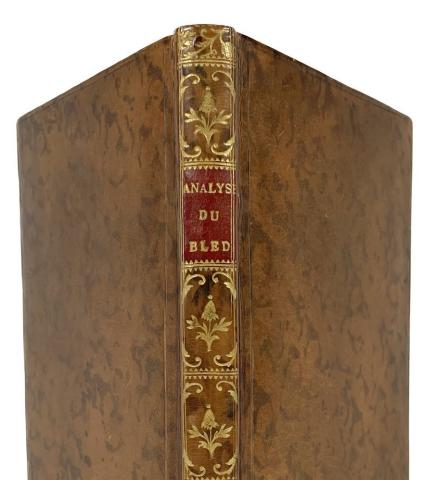
In the chapter about the breads made in different nations, Parmentier mentions breads made with potatoes; bananas; corn meal; sagu; cheese; and chestnuts. He also mentions the silk cotton tree (*Ceiba*) and how Christopher Colombus was taken with them when he was in *l'Amerique* (i.e. the West Indies). Colombus was especially interested in how the tree could be used for making canoes, but in the context of bread, Parmentier is probably referring to the seeds and flowers which were dried and pounded to be used in bread-making and as a thickener in soups.

Antoine Augustin Parmentier (1737-1813) was famous for his introduction of the potato into the French diet, for establishing a free baking school in Paris (along with Cadet-de-Vaux), and for being the first modern nutritionist in French history.

Page 140 is misprinted as "150" and 141 as "151."

In very good condition.

¶ OCLC: Library of Congress, Boca Raton Public Library, University of Minnesota, Science History Institute (PA), University of Wisconsin (Madison), Oak Spring, and eighteen locations outside of the United States. There is another issue of the same year with the publisher as Paris: Chez Nyon, with the same pagination. Priority hasn't been established. I suspect that it is the same edition with a different title page. Locations are at the University of Kansas and two in Europe.



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jets, qui, lisant ce que M. Sage a avancé à ce sujet, pourroient entraîner dans des dépenses ruineuses, une Compagnie, sous le fol espoir de trouver dans trois cents muids d'eau grasse, & peutêtre plus, que l'on jette chaque jour, de quoi bénéficier immensément. Je veux croire que l'Auteur de l'Analyse n'auroit point avancé toutes ces affertions, s'il eût présumé qu'elles pussent avoir de pareilles conséquences.

#### DE LA FARINE DE FROMENT.

LA farine est une poudre végétale, qui contient en plus ou moins grande quantité les différentes parties dont est composé le grain d'où elle provient: celle du bled, par exemple, quelque blanche qu'on la suppose, renferme cependant toujours une portion de son, qui s'est réduite en poudre assez fine, pour s'y trouver confondue d'une maniere imperceptible; mais qu'on apperçoit aisément au fond de l'eau où l'on délaie la farine: ainsi, on peut dire ranon de son jen suis cause j'en fuis cauri j'en fuis de l' page 130 de l' terre, j'ai avant économique, ou économique, ou dans la farine. fondie de cette & la comparail de faire de ses autres moutui Royaume, me rence à la mouti d'ailleurs tous I cette opération Roi vient d'agr prouve que, lo manger le son contraire, l'ar rine, d'en tir

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## "The World's Only Socialized Industry;" With a Tomato Soup Can Label Tipped-In

#### 42. (RADICAL food systems.) Three publications from the Columbia Conserve Co. 1931-32.

I. The Columbia Conserve Co. of Indianapolis. A 'business without a boss' The Columbia Conserve Co. of Indianapolis packers of Columbia Products here present the story of their efforts to achieve food quality...by establishing human equality...as told by Boyd Gurley, editor, Indianapolis Times. Indianapolis: Allied Printing, Union Label Trades Council 75, [1931]. 20.3cm x 9cm. [12] pp. Original printed wrappers, staple bound, some browning to lower wrapper.

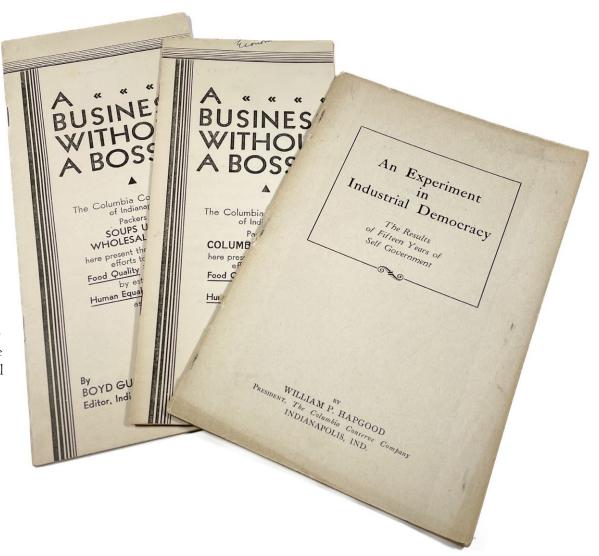
II. The Columbia Conserve Co. of Indianapolis. A business without a boss' The Columbia Conserve Co. of Indianapolis packers of soups under wholesale labels here present the story of their efforts to achieve food quality...by establishing human equality...as told by Boyd Gurley, editor, Indianapolis Times. Indianapolis: Allied Printing, Union Label Trades Council 75, [1931]. 22.3cm x 9.8cm. [20] pp. Original printed wrappers, staple bound.

III. Hapgood, William. *An experiment in industrial democracy*. Yellow Springs, OH: Antioch Press, 1932. 20.5cm x 13cm. [8], 61 pp. Original printed wrappers, staple cound, pages 53-61 slighly dog-eared, lower wrapper slightly worn.

Price for all three:

\$250.00

I. & II. These UNRECORDED informational pamphlets were proudly issued by The Columbia Conserve Co. in order to explain their pioneering business plan that was designed to put the power of running the business into the hands of the laborers, a policy that they viewed as "industrial





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\*NOTE - Since this pamphlet was printed originally we have made some adjustments in our program. Anyone interested in obtaining more detailed information about these changes can obtain same by writing to the factory.

### Preface

#### WHAT IS DEMOCRACY?

It is an old question, this of the true nature of democracy, and will still remain with us a long time, not only in politics, but also in industry, until we have proved that it can be a success or admitted that it is the road to failure.

Conservatives have always said that democracy would fail, because large bodies of men and women, without training, would not be able to act in unison or to follow and support their more informed leaders. Progressives, on the other hand, have maintained that with experience the majority would develop the same qualities of skill, leadership and support of the selected leaders that a smaller class has shown. They have admitted that if freedom did not develop restraint and teamplay it would fail, but they have also strongly hoped that liberty would mean as good leadership as despotism, or better, and as much loyalty in the rank and file to their leaders, or more.

In politics there have been some interesting examples of late. After the war there was more confusion than usual in Italy, and more obstruction to effective business, with the result that a movement toward despotism was successful, and met little resistance. No doubt the Fascist dictatorship will be overthrown before many years, but whether the more democratic regime to follow turns out to be permanent depends on how efficient it is. Democracy is safe in countries like Denmark, Norway and Switzerland, where the people are trained to sound methods, but whether it will be able to work in Spain, with many uneducated and discordant elements, remains to be seen.

Russia is a specially instructive example. Democratic rule in industry was something in which the leaders were keenly interested. They arranged, therefore, that representatives of the unskilled masses, which they call the proletariat, and we call the rank and file, should have the final power in the factories, the technicians being subject to their orders. The comdemocracy." The preface begins with "Fourteen years ago the Hapgood brothers inherited a canning factory, and as an experiment they turned it over to the employees to run...Today it stands as the world's only socialized industry, where wages are determined by personal need and not by efficiency, and where the most menial laborer may criticize the way every superior handles his job."

Included in this publication is an article written by the editor of the Indianapolis times, Boyd Gurley, which details the methods of the business from an eyewitness' perspective. He describes a typical 150-strong "bosses" meeting in which the employee-owners discuss the state of the business for two hours and then go on to the "human relations" portion of the meeting in which they review workers who are either not doing their fair share, or have otherwise shown themselves to not be team-players. It is a "session devoted to...a frank, cold, full and free discussion of the workers themselves, their needs, their deficiencies, their promotions in rank."

Gurley sums up his article with a few quotes from the company regarding the success of this experiment in "approximate equality of income." They write that "individually our incomes have increased, our education has been broadened by the social as well as by the business problems with which we deal, and most of us are happier than we should be in a less democratic society."

> The differences between the two pamphlets lie in the final pages. In one, the company writes a note to the consumer regarding their products. They packed sixteen soups: "tomato, vegetable, chicken, green pea, vegetable beef, tomato beef, tomato vegetable, beef bouillon, pepper pot, consomme, mock turtle, navy bean, ox tail, beef, celery, and mulligatawney." They also describe their methods for thickening soups and write that although by law packers are allowed to include beef in their "chicken" soups, their policy is to use no other meat than chicken and they slaughter the birds themselves. This is followed by a list of "Regal Stores" which are independently

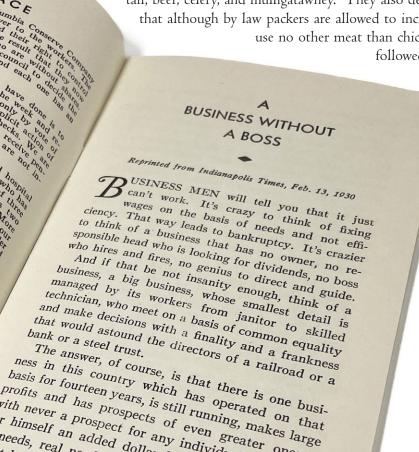
> > owned shops that carry their products. There is a final statement printed on the lower wrapper, compelling the reader to "DEMAND COLUMBIA PRODUCTS AT REGAL

STORES."

The other pamphlet does not contain the note to the consumer, but has a long list or "key" to the many private brands under whose labels the Columbia Company packs their products.

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III. An early edition of William P. Hapgood's review of his pioneering business plan to put the management and ownership of The Columbia Conserve Co. into the hands of the employees. Included is a detailed report on the last fifteen years of the business. Hapgood writes on the concept of "industrial self government" and "democracy vs. autocracy." He also discusses irregular employment; income; social equality among workers; employee ownership; financial problems; and advertising and publicity.

Above the preface there is a rubber-stamped message noting that changes to the company's organization had taken place since publication.

Mounted onto the verso of the upper wrapper is a pristine label for the company's tomato soup cans, with the slogan "A Business Without a Boss" printed below the company's name as well as a short description of how the business is run.

For details of the company's unprecedented experiments in "industrial democracy," its years of success, and its eventual schism and sale to a larger company, see Kim McQuaid's 1976 article in Labor History, "Industry and the co-operative commonwealth: William P. Hapgood and the Columbia Conserve Company, 1917-1943."

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## 43. (RESTAURANT history.) Arrêt de la cour de Parlement, qui, entr'autres dispossitions, permet aux traiteurs-restauranteurs de recevoir du monde dans leurs Salles, & y donner à manger jusqu'à onze hures en hiver. Paris: Simon & Nyon, 1786.

4to. Woodcut headpiece. 7, [1 - blank] pp. One folded signature, unopened and untrimmed.

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The extremely rare FIRST & ONLY EDITION of this document concerning the first restaurants that emerged in Paris during the French Revolution. The act authorizes restaurateurs to serve food and "receive people in their rooms" until eleven o'clock in the evening in winter and midnight in summer. This was an extension of the rights of restaurants at an important moment in culinary history when the restaurant was still emerging. These hours were longer that those offered by caterers and wine merchants, both of whom were not permitted to serve food at a table, and innkeepers, who at this time, did not offer individual tables to eat at or dishes on a menu to choose from.

Restaurants began in Paris during the French Revolution as noble households were broken up and chefs were looking for work. Originally set up as establishments which offered a restorative broth, *restaurants* prior to the Revolution were prohibited from selling anything other than broth by the guild of *traiteurs* (cook-caterers) who saw the *restaurants* as competition. The abolition of the guilds during the Revolution changed all that. For more on this story, see Sprang, *The Invention of the restaurant*.

This law came about due to several (named) restauranteurs in Paris going to Parliament to challenge a raid that had occurred on a Paris restaurant. One evening, a contingent of the Paris guard invaded a restaurant during hours when they claimed that the restaurant should be closed. The guard abruptly evicted all of the guests and refused to let them bring their already purchased food with them. The

restauranteurs before Parliament not only won their case against the guards – the document

closes with the ruling that by order of the "King's Attorney General...Soldiers of the Paris Guard [are forbidden] to enter...restaurants on the pretext of haste or otherwise" – but they got their opening hours extended.

With an ornate woodcut headpiece signed Papillon and dated 1765. Signed (in print) by Dufranc, with a contemporary manuscript notation to the first page of "28 juin 1786" (28 June 1786.)

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#### How to Make Sure that the Best French Wines Come to England

44. (WINE.) [Drop-title:] Reasons humbly offered to the consideration of the honorable the house of commons, against part of a bill...whereby the importation of wine in bottles is proposed to be prevented. [London: William Bowyer, 1728.]

Bifolium: 30.8cm x 19.5cm (folded). [4] pp. Signs of having been folded twice.

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The FIRST and ONLY EDITION of this early argument concerning the care and handling of French wines being sold in England. Our anonymous author is trying to stop Parliament from passing a law that will prohibit bottled French wines from coming into England. He argues that in order to preserve the taste and quality of French wines, wines must be bottled in France before they are sent to England. The pamphlet begins:

All French Wines, especially Burgundy, Champagne, Cote-rotee, and Hermitage, are so difficult to be dressed, purged, and then preserved in their full Taste, Flavour, and Fineness, unless bottled off at the critical Time, that they often elude the Skill of the greatest Artists, of which many are daily convinced by costly Experience.

When he writes that they "elude the Skill of the greatest Artists," he is referring to the wine merchants in England who bring the French wine over in bulk and then bottle it in England. The pamphlet argues that there is neither the skill nor the taste among the wine merchants in England to handle French wines correctly; furthermore, he also warns that many English-bottled French wines are, in fact, adulterated with wines from Spain and Portugal.

The document argues that the law would result in "prime old Claret" only being available "at most extravagant Prices" in England due to the monopoly that would ensue from the law. The author is clearly appalled that "the Nobility and Gentry of the Countrey should subject themselves to such a Monopoly, which must certainly raise the Price of their Wines, already high enough, and bring them in Danger, nay almost under a Necessity of drinking Wines that are adulterated, or of entertaining a Wine-Cooper in the House as well as a Butler."

The plea went unanswered and the bill was signed into law by George II just days after this pamphlet was printed. The ban on bottled wine imports stood relatively unaltered until 1745 and, in practice, restricted the importation of French bottled wine until 1800.

Docket title on final page: Reasons humbly offered to the consideration of the honourable the House of Commons, against prohibiting the importation of wine in bottles, &c. According to the ledgers of William Bowyer, he printed this document for someone named "Hamilton" on 14 and 20 May, 1728. A total of 700 copies were printed.

In very good condition.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Bowyer Ledgers, the printing accounts of William Bowyer Father and son...1699-1777 is available in pdf format at https://zenodo.org/record/1342527#.ZD8ACnbMKM9 through the website for the Bibliographical Society.

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