

CHRISTIE'S
Valuable Printed Books and Manuscripts
 London –Wednesday, 13 June 2012
 Sale no: 5334 – Top Ten
 [All sold prices include buyer's premium]

Sold:	£3,175,988	\$4,935,485	€3,944,577
Lots Sold: 176	Lots Offered: 219	Sold by Lot: 80%	Sold by £: 85%
Exchange Rate: £ = \$1.554 £ = €1.242			

Lot	Description	Estimate (£)	Purchase Price	Buyer
36	BACH, Johann Sebastian (1685-1750), Autograph Letters And Manuscripts	120,000 - 160,000	£337,250 \$524,087 €418,865	US Private
12	ANTIPHONAL OF ELISABETH VON GEMMINGEN, in Latin, ILLUMINATED MANUSCRIPT CHOIRBOOK ON VELLUM	150,000 - 200,000	£289,250 \$449,495 €359,249	European Institution
11	BOOK OF HOURS, use of Rouen, in Latin and French, ILLUMINATED MANUSCRIPT ON VELLUM	100,000 - 120,000	£121,250 \$188,423 €150,593	European Institution
23	RICHARD III (1452-1485), King of England, Signed letter on paper WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR A BRITISH ROYAL DOCUMENT	10,000 - 15,000	£109,250 \$169,775 €135,689	UK Trade
80	SCHADEL, Hartmann (1440-1514). Liber Chronicarum, in German: Das Buch der Chroniken und Geschichten mit figuren und pildnussen.	45,000 - 65,000	£91,250 \$141,803 €113,333	European Private
57	COPERNICUS, Nicolaus (1473-1543). De revolutionibus orbium coelestium. -- Georg Johann RHETICUS (1514-1574) WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR A COPERNICUS SECOND EDITION	40,000 - 60,000	£85,250 \$132,479 €105,881	European Private
10	BOOK OF HOURS, use of Rome, in Latin, ILLUMINATED MANUSCRIPT ON VELLUM, [central France, c.1460]	30,000 - 50,000	£79,250 \$123,155 €98,429	European Institution
106	DICKENS, Charles. The Personal History of David Copperfield. London: Bradbury & Evans, 1850.	30,000 - 50,000	£61,250 \$95,183 €76,073	UK Private
162A	GASTALDI, Giacomo (c.1500-1566). La Discrittione dell prima parte dell'Asia. Rome: Antonio Lafreri, 1561.	20,000 - 30,000	£49,250 \$76,535 €61,689	US Trade
126	Symbola et Emblemata Jussu atque aspiciis Petri Alexeidis. [Simboly i emblemata ukazom i blagopovedenii imperatora Petra Alekseevicha.] Amsterdam: Henricus Wetstein, 1705.	3,000 - 4,000	£46,850 \$72,805 €58,188	European Trade

Comment: Margaret Ford, Senior Director, Head of Department, Books and Manuscripts:

"The sale of 'Valuable Printed Books and Manuscripts' saw spirited bidding throughout a buoyant auction. The much-admired Bach manuscript (Lot 36) achieved a record price for a musical manuscript in this sale season. It was followed closely by the impressively beautiful Antiphonal of Elisabeth Von Gemmingen (Lot 12). In a moment of exhilarating bidding the Richard III document sold for ten times its pre-sale estimate and achieved a world auction record for a British royal document. The success of this sale sets the scene for the auction of 'Fine Books and Manuscripts' in South Kensington on 19 June 2012."

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