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ANIMAL HUSBANDRY

1. (Sheep.) BARD, Samuel. *A Guide for Young Shepherds; or, facts and observations on the character and value of merino sheep. With rules and precepts for their management, and the treatment of their diseases, as well as of sheep in general.* New-York: Collins & Co., 1811. 8vo, early half-calf and pink paste-paper boards. Pp. vi, [7]-112. Illus. Spine rubbed, rear cover detached, fine within. \$575.00

First edition, by the distinguished physician and founder of Columbia Medical College, who with his friend Robert Livingston, was an early proponent of merino sheep in America, and among the first to import them. A scarce book, the second on its subject published in this country. Imprints 22298; Rink 16077.

2. (Sheep.) BENTON, C. and Samuel Barry, compilers. *A statistical view of the number of sheep in the several towns and counties in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, and Ohio: a partial account of the number of sheep in Virginia, Maryland, New Jersey, Delaware, and Kentucky, in 1836. And an account of the principal woollen manufactories in said states: To which is added, a short sketch of the introduction of the merino and Saxony sheep into the United States, and the mode of treatment pursued by some of the principal growers of wool in New England.* Cambridge: Folsom, Wells and Thurston, 1837. 12mo, contemp. marbled boards, calf spine. Pp. vi, [1], 8-143, [1]. Binding worn; some foxing; otherwise internally very good. \$200.00

3. (Sheep.)BLAIKIE, Francis, 1770-1856? Scottish agriculturist, writer and manager of Thomas William Coke's estates at Holkham. **15 ALs, one to Richard Mackenzie Bacon, editor of the Norwich Mercury, the remaining to Bacon's son and editorial successor, Richard Novare Bacon.** Holkham and Melrose, 1821-56. 63 pages, some tears, minor loss. With complete typed transcription. \$1,650.00

An important 35 year correspondence from one of the ablest Scottish agriculturists of the 19th century, who was for 12 years manager at Holkham, the world renowned experimental estate of Thomas William Coke, Earl of Leicester, recognized as one of the great achievements in English agriculture. The earliest letters are written during Blaikie's tenure at Holkham, and deal mostly with the publication of R. N. Bacon's *Report of the Transactions at the Holkham Sheep Shearing*. Following Coke's death in 1842, Blaikie retired to Scotland and the remaining letters are written from his farm at St. Helens, Melrose. Bacon's proposed history of Coke and Holkham elicits from Blaikie several substantial letters regarding the estate and those who contributed to its success. There is lengthy comment on the controversy regarding the placement of Coke's memorial, and the in-fighting and goings on at Holkham following Coke's death. In response to Bacon's request for biographical details for his work, Blaikie supplies a long and detailed account of the introduction of the turnip into England and his own contributions to perfecting its culture as a field crop. Blaikie himself was the author of a handful of scarce pamphlets, published by Coke primarily for distribution among the Holkham tenants, and in one of the letters he discusses these works. Another letter is devoted to his theories regarding an unsolved Norfolk murder making news at the time. Active well into his eighties, Blaikie writes with clarity and a wry sense of humor. These are the

letters of an energetic and articulate individual, full of keen observation on politics and affairs of the day, agricultural and economic policy, as well as more purely rural matters. Altogether a fine batch of primary material regarding a crucial period in English agriculture.

4. (Sheep) DANDOLO, Vincenzo. *Del governo delle pecore Spagnole e Italiane e dei vantaggi che ne derivano*. Milan: Luigi Veladini, 1804. 8vo, contemp. 1/4 sheep, marbled boards, spine ruled and titled in gilt. Pp. 327 (misnumbered 227), uncut. 3 folding tables + 4 folding plates. Binding moderately rubbed, small hole at base of spine; a fresh, clean copy. \$375.00

First edition of this treatise on sheep raising and its importance to the Italian economy by the noted chemist and agricultural writer (1758-1819,) illustrated with handsome engraved plates.

5. (Sheep) DANDOLO. **The same**. 8vo, modern wraps. Pp. 327 (misnumbered 227), uncut. 3 folding tables, but lacking the plates. A fine, partly unopened copy. \$125.00

6. (Sheep - Maine) [HOLMES, Ezekial.]. *The Northern Shepherd, Being a Report of the Kennebec County Agricultural Society, Upon the Diseases and Management of Sheep*. Winthrop: William Noyes, printer, 1835. 12mo, orig plain paper boards, leather spine. Pp. 132; illus. Running stain at the rear; a very good copy. \$325.00

Sole edition. Written to encourage sheep and wool manufacture in Maine, in part in response to epidemics that had destroyed numerous flocks in 1832. A rare Maine imprint. Imprints (under Kennebec) 32449 (DNAL, MB and MeU); Williamson 4599.

7. (Sheep) LIVINGSTON, Robert., *Essay on Sheep: Their Varieties - Account of the Merinoes of Spain, France, &c. Reflections on the Best Method of Treating Them, and Raising a Flock in the United States. Together with Miscellaneous Remarks on Sheep and Woolen Manufactures*. Concord, N.H.: Daniel Coolidge, 1813. 12mo, contemp. marbled boards, calf spine, morocco label. Pp. 143. Cut of sheep on title. Boards rubbed, lightly foxed throughout; lacking front fly. A very good copy. \$185.00

Third edition, first published in 1809. The first important American work on the subject, by a pioneer importer of merinos and breeder and important figure in NY State affairs. Imprints 28966; Rink 1612.

8. (Sheep.) TESSIER, [Alexandre-Henri.]. *A complete treatise on merinos and other sheep, with plates: Recently published at Paris, by order of the government, compiled by Mr. Tessier, inspector of the Rambouillet Establishment and others, in France; Containing the method of forming good flocks, of increasing them, and of treating them properly both when healthy and diseased. Followed by documents, extracts, and short explanatory notes, not contained in the original, which were deemed necessary to make this important work complete, and to render it more instructive to the agriculturalists of the United States; Translated from the French, and dedicated to the agricultural societies of the United States*. New-York: Printed at the Economical School Office, 1811. 8vo, contemp full tree calf, morocco label. Pp. v, [3], 9-158 (i page misnumbered,) 17, [3]. 3 engraved plates + 1 folding table. Extra engraved leaf tipped in at front. Binding worn, leaves browned, water stain to first few leaves; small hole at fold of folding chart. A good, sound copy within. \$575.00

Translation of Tessier's *Instruction sur les bêtes à laine, et particulièrement sur la race des mérinos*, published the previous year.

9. (Cattle and Sheep) [ROBERTS, Jonathan, Timothy Pickering and John Hare Powell.] *Hints for American Husbandmen, with Communications to the Pennsylvania Agricultural Society. By order of the directors*. Philadelphia: Clark & Raser, 1827. 8vo, original stiff wrappers, printed title label. Pp. [178]. Folding frontispiece and 3 plates (of 4). Spine worn, some browning, but a nice copy in original, uncut state. \$850.00

Sole edition, very scarce. A compilation from original and published sources both English and American, almost entirely devoted to short-horn cattle and sheep and their food crops. The large folding engraved frontispiece showing "Matilda, one of Mr. Whitaker's Improved Short Horn Cows" in a rural setting with sheep and agricultural implements in the foreground, is a handsome piece of work by the noted engraver Francis Kearny, after the original work of Philadelphia landscape and still-life painter John Woodside. Rink 1333; Imprints 30185.

10. (Cattle.) MILLS, John. *A Treatise on Cattle. Shewing the most approved methods for breeding, rearing, and fitting for use, horses, asses, mules, horned cattle, sheep, goats, and swine; with directions for the proper treatment of them in their several disorders: To which is added, a dissertation on their contagious diseases.* London: for J. Johnson, 1776. 8vo, early 3/4 calf, marbled boards (hinges cracking). Pp. viii, 498, 1, [16]. With Samuel Vaughan's engraved bookplate and ms. note on title. \$600.00

First edition, by the author of the influential *New System of Practical Husbandry*. Not in the Perkins or R.A.S. Catalogues.

11. (Cattle.) ALLEN, Lewis F. *The American Herd Book, Containing Pedigrees of Short Horn Cattle. To which is prefixed, a short history of English and American Short Horns, compiled from the best authorities.* Buffalo, N.Y.: Press of Jewett, Thomas & Co., 1846. 8vo orig quarter morocco, raised bands, ruled in gilt; at center of front board a morocco roundel over lay, stamped in gilt "Awarded by the New-York State Agricultural Society" with a figure of Ceres at center. Pp. xxiv, [9]-240. Frontis. + 3 plates. Moderately rubbed at extremities, a few spots on cover, mild foxing within; a very good sound copy. \$275.00

The scarce first year of the *American Herd Book*, in a handsome prize binding. Lewis Allen, who founded the series, was one of the foremost breeders of the time, and was friends with Daniel Webster, Gen. Winfield Scott and Henry Clay. "His 600-acre farm and the neighboring settlements on Grand Island in the Niagara River became the center not only of breeding operations with Shorthorn and Devon cattle and Southdown sheep, but also of experiments in cooperative human societies..." -DAB. AI 154.

12. (Cattle - Herefords) MILLER, T. L. *History of Hereford Cattle... With Which is Incorporated A History of the Herefords in America.* Chillicothe, Missouri: T. F. B. Sotham, 1902. 4to, original pictorial cloth, gilt. Pp. 592. Frontis., profusely illustrated. Robbed, a little shaken; a very good copy. \$325.00

13. (Cattle.) KING, Samuel. *The Hand of the Lord Upon the Cattle, considered and imprived. In a Sermon, preached at Northampton, Dec. 7, 1749. On the occasion of the present mortality amongst the cattle.* London: J. Buckland, 1750. 8vo, removed. Pp. 36. Cropped close at top, tops of letters touched. Good. \$60.00

Sole edition. Regarding the cattle murain, an outbreak of deadly bovine disease. Loosely laid is a 4 pp. *A Form of Prayer in Almighty God, for relief from the plague now existing among the cattle, and for protection against cholera.* London, 1865, issued by the Queen's printers, along with a few clippings regarding the same subject. ESTC.

14. (Horses.) HINDS, John. *The Veterinary Surgeon; of, Farriery Taught on a New and Easy Plan; Being a treatise on all the diseases and accidents to which the horse is liable.* Philadelphia: John Grigg, 1836. 12mo, early calf, morocco label. Pp. xiv, 274. Folding frontis. and 3 folding plates; illus. Front cover detached, rubbed; very good within. \$225.00

An English work, edited with "considerable additions and improvements, particularly adapted to this country," by Philadelphia veterinary surgeon Thomas Moore Smith. Imprints 3803.

15. (Horses.) *The Farmers' receipt book; and pocket farrier: being a choice selection of the most approved and valuable receipts, designed for the benefit of farmers, and heads of families generally.* Concord, N.H.: Published by Fisk & Chase, 1831. 12mo, contemp. marbled boards, calf spine; pp. vii, [2], 10-214. Boards quote rubbed, leaves foxed and browned, but a sound copy. \$225.00

First edition. Imprints 7011.

16. (Horses.) [SLOAN, Walter B.]. *The Complete Farrier or Horse Doctor: Also The Complete Cattle Doctor; containing full an complete directions for choosing, breeding, rearing and general management; together with accurate descriptions, causes, peculiar symptoms, and the most approved curing all diseases to which horses and cattle are subject. Fourth edition, enlarged and improved.* Chicago: W. B. Sloan, 1851. 12mo, original printed boards. Pp. 160. Frontispiece. Rubbed, first signature starting. \$225.00

Scarce midwestern guide, first published in 1848, self-promotion for Sloan's Ointment, with numerous regional endorsements. The frontispiece is a wood engraved view of Sloan's establishment and the American Temprance (sic) House on Lake Street in Chicago, where Sloan was king of the patent medicine trade. Byrd 1432.

17. (Horses.) FRANKLIN, Augustus. *The American Farrier: Adapted for the Convenience of the Farmer... Gentleman...and Smith; being a sure guide to prevent and cure all maladies and distempers that are incident to horses, of what kind soever.* Strasburg [Pa.]: Printed and sold by Brown & Bowman, 1803. 12mo, contemp full calf. Pp. iv, [5]-290. Binding worn, pieces missing from spine; top edge of title cropped; a sound, generally clean copy within. \$300.00

First edition. The most substantial American work on the subject at the time. Imprints 4222; Austin 793.

18. (Horses.) BROWN, Thomas. *Biographical Sketches and Authentic Anecdotes of Horse, and the Allied Species.* Edinburgh: Daniel Lizars, 1830. Thick 12mo, orig. cloth, paper label. Pp. 580, uncut. With 8 plates. Cloth faded, worn at hinges, light offsetting and foxing within, 1st signature loosened. \$325.00

First edition. A scarce compilation of horse lore, with sections on Asian, African, European, and American horses, and related species. OCLC records 3 copies, at the National Sporting Library, the Commonwealth Library of Pa., and the National Library of Ireland.

19. (Horses.) *Catalogue of Norman-Horses Owned by Dillon Bros. Importers and Breeders, Normal, McLean County, Ill. Catalogue No. 2.* Bloomington, Ill.: Pantagraph Stock-Printing Establishment, 1885. 8vo, orig. color printed illus. wrappers. Pp. 51, (1); illus. Minor rubbing; a very good copy. \$200.00

A handsomely illustrated catalogue of French draft horses from a leading breeder, including a chapter on Percherons.

20. (Poultry) PIPER, Hugh. *Poultry. A practical guide to the choice, breeding, rearing and management of all descriptions of fowls, turkeys, guinea-fowls, ducks and geese for profit and exhibition. Fourth edition.* London: Groombridge & Sons, 1877. 8vo, pictorial cloth gilt. Pp. 152. Eight chromolith plates. Early library stamp variously throughout. A bright copy. \$60.00

21. (Poultry) CORBETT, [Adolphe.]. *The Poultry Yard and Market; Or, A Practical Treatise on Gallinoculture.* New York: Orange Judd Co., (1875). 8vo, original illustrated wrappers bound into early cloth boards (hinges cracked.) Pp. 83. Library stamp on title. \$85.00

First edition of a scarce Orange Judd publication. Corbett invented a "hot-bed" incubator, using manure for heat, illustrated on the covers.

22. STORKE, E. G. *The Gardens, Poultry and Bees. Embracing I. The Kitchen-Garden; II. The Fruit Garden; III. The Flower-Garden; IV. Poultry; V. Bees. From the latest and best authorities.* Auburn: Auburn Publishing Co., 1862. 8vo, original cloth. Pp. 18, illustrated. A fine copy. \$50.00

A scarce compilation. The section on bees features illustrations of Phelp's combination hive. Not in Johannson.

23. BUC'HOZ, Pierre-Joseph. *Dictionnaire Vétérinaire, et des Animaux Domestiques. Nouvelle Édition.* Paris: Chez Brunet, 1789. 6 vols, 8vo, contemp. calf, raised bands, morocco label. With 53 fine folding engraved plates by Fessard after Desmoulins. Bindings broken on 3 vols, remainders worn but secure; very good and tight within. \$525.00

Rare edition of this beautifully illustrated veterinary compendium by the noted naturalist and physician. The folding plates are unusual for illustrating named breeds of such domestic animals as dogs, cats, chickens and other fowl, sheep and goats. They are the work of Étienne Fessard (1714-1774,) engraver to the king, and exhibit great technical and stylistic flair. A set in need of rebinding, and priced accordingly.