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GERMAN BROADSIDES, 1479-1516, FROM THE FIRM OF JACQUES ROSENTHAL

A list of ten items from the firm of the famous antiquarian bookseller Jacques Rosenthal (1854-1937) in Munich, nine from his *Katalog 92* (c.1931). This was a catalogue of 124 incunable and post-incunable broadsides (subtitled *Einblattdrucke von den anfängen der druckkunst bis sum tode Maximilian I 1455-1519*) which, extraordinarily, began with a fragmentary copy on vellum of the indulgence printed by Gutenberg in 1455 for raising money for the war against the Ottoman Empire.

The present list includes indulgences or related material for Turkish campaigns. One item here is an incunable in its sole recorded copy. Our list also includes post-incunables that we have not located in libraries, and indeed no copy of any item in our group has been found outside Germany. One subject here is the army of the Holy Roman Emperor Maximilian I (1459-1519). Various imperial mandates show the use of printed goods in the important work of raising men and money and enforcing exclusive loyalty amongst the Emperor's troops. In our new nationalist era, it is interesting to see the work of one of the original Early Modern state-builders.

A work of scholarship, with introduction by the great incunabulist Konrad Haebler (1857-1946), Rosenthal *Katalog 92* is a great resource to write a 'sub-catalogue' from, although we have in places sought to supplement or amend its information.



INDULGENCE TO BUILD A CHURCH

1. **[Sixtus IV, Pope]:** [Begins:] Summarium bulle Nördlingen. [Summary of an indulgence directed to the leaders of the church of Nördlingen]. [Augsburg] [Johann Bämler] [1479].

Broadside fragment, 26.8 cms. x + -22.2 cms. Fine woodcut initial and 26 and a half (of 37) lines of text. A few wormholes, slight loss along old fold-line, very good.

German-language summary of a papal indulgence of 9 February 1479 designed to raise money for the building of a new church, dedicated to Saint George and Saints Mary and Mary Magdalen, in the Bavarian town of Nördlingen. The extant printed output of Johann Bämler dates from 1470 to 1495. The printer was also a scribe (from at least 1452), a rubricator, and a compiler of chronicles (he published a 'Chronik von allen Kaisern, Königen und Päpsten' on his own press in 1476).

ISTC is00583750, GW M44513 (Augsburg, Bamberg, Stuttgart (2), Tübingen (def.)). Rosenthal Cat. 92 #19. On Bämler, see reproduced marginal note to the 1962 facsimile edition of the BM (BL) curators' own copy of BMC.

[ref: 3028] **£1500**



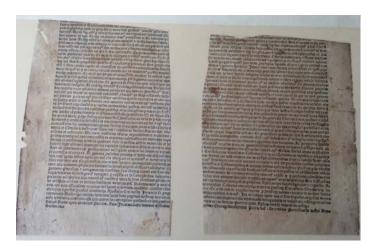
INDULGENCE CERTIFICATE - AGAINST THE TURKS

2. **[Sixtus IV, Pope] [Püpfel, Ludovicus]:** Forma confessionalis [...] Forma absolutionis [...] [Indulgence for promoting the war against the Turks]. [Nuremberg] [Printer of the Rochus Legend] 1482.

Fragmentary broadside, 17.6 cms. x 23.4 cms., lacking c.3 cms. of text to right. 21 lines. Blank space filled out with name (see below). Impression of old seal. Some strengthening to margins from verso, extended with blank paper to right. Light soiling and age-yellowing, a few wormholes, but very good.

Fragment of this rare indulgence certificate. A digital image of the example at Munich (BSB) shows it filled out in MS, like ours, by one Ludovicus Püpfel of the convent of Ingolstad. ISTC is00568400, GW 36 (Freiberg and Munich). Rosenthal Catalogue 92 #36.

[ref: 3030] **£1800**



UNICUM

3. **[Sixtus IV, Pope]:** [Bulla 30 Nov. 1482 "Fidei catholicae" indulgentiarum, for promoting the war against the Turks]. [Nuremberg] [Fratres Ordinis Emeritarum] 1482. Fragment in 2 horizontal pieces, +/-14.3 cms. x +/-21.8 cms., and +/-14.8 cms. x +/-19.5 cms. Between 43 and 46 lines of text from bottom, a small amount of text lost between the two pieces. Light or medium browning and soiling, touch of worming, very good.

Unique survival from a large folio broadside, known only from its reference in Rosenthal's catalogue. It is described in ISTC as "Breve 30 Nov. 1482, concerning indulgences issued by Bartholomaeus (de Camerino?)". A comparison with a photograph of an edition of a bull of Sixtus IV from the same press and year (ISTC is00554800; unique copy in Munich BSB), shows more precisely that this is a different setting of the text of the same bull, which was for promoting the war against the Turks. Bartholomaeus de Camerino is here named as commissary in promoting the war. He undertook this work in Germany, Poland and Hungary. He was subsequently to use this same Nuremberg Augustinian press, which has only a small extant output, to print papal indulgences to fund the campaign.

ISTC is00537785, GW M42525 (citing Rosenthal; no copies located). Rosenthal Cat. 92 #40 (this copy).

[ref: 3029] **£3500**



SCHOEFFER BROADSIDE

4. **[Innocent VIII, Pope]:** Diss synt die artickel dess ablass am aller kurtzten bergiffen gantzer krafft und macht. [= Articuli abbreviati indulgentiarum lubilaei et Cruciatae, 11 Dec. 1488 [German]]. [Mainz] [Peter Schoeffer] [c.1489-90].

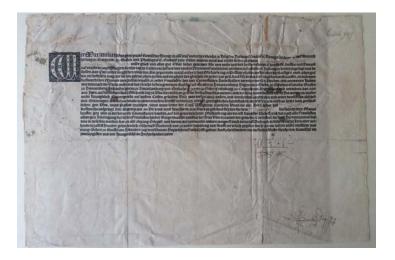
COMPLETE BROADSIDE, 36.3 cms. x 24.7 cms. 62 lines. Staining and some worming (three or four words particularly affected in bottom right-hand corner), else very good.

Complete example of this late production of the printing pioneer Peter Schoeffer of Mainz (c. 1425-c.1503), who had been in business (in partnership or on his own) since 1457 and who had apprenticed to Gutenberg. He uses here a set of type first recorded in his German 'Hortus sanitatis' of 1485 (cf. Rosenthal).

The text comprises a set in vernacular of abbreviated articles for a papal crusade bull against the Turkish Empire, of December 11th 1488.

ISTC ii00100300, GW 2703 (10 copies, all in Germany, of which one defective). Rosenthal Catalogue 92 #59.

[ref: 3031] **£4500**



LOW COUNTRIES PRINTING

5. **Maximilian I, Holy Roman Emperor:** Wir Maximilian von gots gnaden Romischer kuning [...] [Mandate for contributions in soldiers or money to the Emperor's war against Hungary]. [Brussels?] [Thomas van der Noot?] 1505.

Folio broadside, 41.6 cms. x 27.9 cms. 20 lines text, large woodcut initial. Blank spaces for MS additions. Small amount of loss at centre of text block (caused by peeling away of seal on verso), copy with spotting, slight marginal damage and (to verso) repairs. With blank spaces filled in in MS, with MS signatures and seal, fold-lines, and inscription to verso.

A rare piece of Low Countries post-incunable printing, and an example of Maximilian's military administration of the Holy Roman Empire, this imperial mandate, dated Brussels, 7 September 1505, requests its recipient either to send a number of soldiers to Passau, as fixed at the Diet of Cologne, or to contribute a sum of money to the Emperor's war against Hungary. The printer has been suggested (see Rosenthal cat.) as the Brussels-based Thomas van der Noot, from whom some 40 identified publications survive, printed between the years 1505 and 1523. We tentatively identify our copy's addressee as one Ludwig, Graf zu Eisemberg (we differ from the Rosenthal cataloguer who sees recipient as Ludwig Graf zu Schaumburg).

Rosenthal Cat. 92 #84. Weller Suppl. I #26 (citing copy in Germanic Museum, Nuremberg). NB 20840 (citing same). Not in OCLC.

[ref: 3037] **£2500**



MINING

6. **[Philip the Upright, Elector Palatine]:** [Mining regulations]. [Oppenheim] [Jakob Köbel] 1507.

Fragmentary broadside. 28.8 cms. x 21.2 cms. 25 lines of text with some fragments of lines above, part of woodcut armorial at bottom. Worming, staining, some repair at top from verso.

Part of an otherwise unlocated broadside of regulations for mining, an early product of a press of which 30 items are noted in VD16 - dating from 1503 to 1525. Not in VD 16. Rosenthal Catalogue 92 #88. [ref: 3032] **£700**



ARMY-BUILDING

7. **Maximilian I, Holy Roman Emperor:** [Begins:] Maximilian von Gots gnaden. E. Römischer Kayser zü allenntzeiten merer des Reichs &c. Wir haben dich unnd annder unnser und des heiligen Reichs stennde durch unser Jungste ausschrieben [...] [Augsburg, Johann Otmar?] [1510].

Folio (25.3 cms. x 37.3 cms.), pp. [6]. 57, 55, 54, 53, 56 and 11 lines, two woodcut facsimile signatures at end. Slight dustiness, single wormhole in blank of last leaf, strengthening to inner margin at last page. Very good indeed, with MS added at beginning and end.

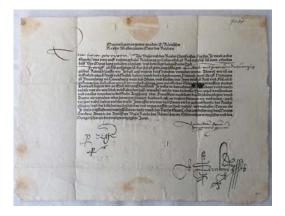
Fine folio pamphlet, comprising an imperial mandate, dated Strasbourg 25 November 1510, advancing before the estates of the Reichstag a decision made at the Diet of Augsburg, to build an imperial army of 50,000 men.

The text bears relation to that in VD16 ZV 30905, a pamphlet believed printed in Strasbourg of which there is one copy known (Munich BSB). That other pamphlet carries the printed note that it was addressed to Jakob II von Baden (1471-1511), Archbishop-Elector of Trier. Ours, differently, is designed for being directly inscribed in MS to different people, perhaps other members of the estates. A blank space at top left is filled in in MS (the pamphlet is also signed in MS). Unlike that other publication, our well-margined document also includes woodcut facsimile signatures at end. With these differences, ours seems possibly more an "official" copy of the mandate, while the other seems more a copy (of a slightly different, perhaps manuscript version), made as a report.

Johann Otmar (d. 1514) was a printer first in Reutlingen (1482-1496) and Tübingen (1497-1501), before settling in Augsburg in 1502. He began an Augsburg printing dynasty, being followed in the trade by a son Sylvan Otmar (d. 1539) and a grandson Valentin Otmar (d. 1566).

Not in VD 16. Not in OCLC. Rosenthal Cat. 92 # 99, which appears to give an erroneous reference in Weller.

[ref: 3033] **£2850**



POST-INCUNABLE MAILING CIRCULAR - MILITARY FUNDING

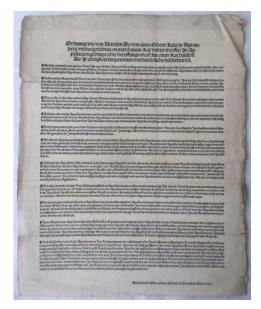
8. **Maximilian I, Holy Roman Emperor:** [Begins:] Maximilian von Gottes gnaden e Römischer Kayser zü allen zeiten Merer des Reichs &c. [Blank space] Als unser und des Reichs Churfürsten fürsten [...] [Cologne?] 1512.

Small folio (29.5 x 21.5 cms.) containing text of 21 lines (including 2 lines heading) + 2 woodcut facsimile signatures. Manuscript additions for blank spaces (filled in), MS signature also at bottom. Some repairs to verso, very good. Old fold-lines, traces of wax to verso, old address (rubbed away), one small inscription to verso still visible.

Formal request for a contribution to pay for the four-month stationing of troops in Augsburg and Frankfurt, after the dissolution of the Cologne Imperial Diet of that year. The unidentified recipient is being billed 192 Rhenish gilders to pay for the billetting of 12 men (these two numbers added in MS in blank space provided). Presumably it was felt that this recipient could afford this. This document providing insight into military financial administration is really a mailing circular, traces of wax and an old inscription to verso showing how it was sealed and addressed.

Not in VD16. Rosenthal cat. 92 #110. Weller Suppl. I 82 (listing a copy in Strasbourg archives).

[ref: 3034] **£1500**



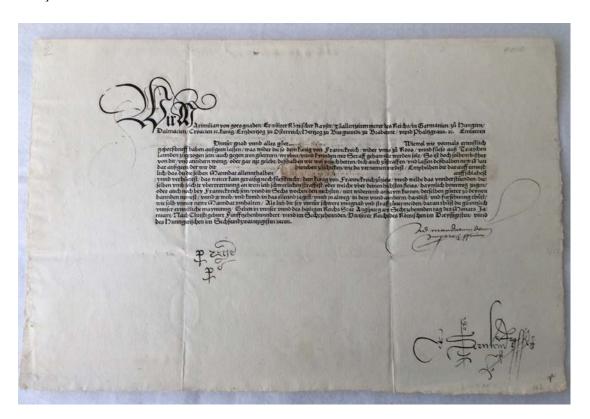
CITY STATUTES BROADSIDE

9. [Nuremberg, City of]: Ordnung wie von urteylen so von eines erbern rats zu Nuremberg undtergerichten on mittel einem rat undterworffen in appellacion gedings oder beruffungs weyss: sur einen rat daselbst als ir obrigkeyt furgenomen & verden: solichs beschehen sol. [At end:] Decretum in Consilio quinta post Lucie. 16 Decembris Anno 1512. [Nuremberg] [1512].

Folio broadside, 58 lines including title and dating at foot. Light browning and slightly dusty, some short splits to blank (only) of margins, very good indeed. Pencil notes on back include "97/228" (i.e. from a later Rosenthal catalogue, 97?), "Dupl." and "Nürnberger Appellationsgerichtsordnung".

Rare set of instructions on judicial procedure, this is an official proclamation from the city council of Nuremberg regarding legal appeals. Eleven points govern formalities of making an appeal with specific attention given to the timing of the process. An impressive survivor. Not in VD 16. Weller 728 (citing two copies in Nuremberg, archive and Germanic Museum).

Not in OCLC. [ref: 3035] **£2850**



WITH A COMPLETE SEAL

10. **Maximilian I, Holy Roman Emperor:** [Begins:] Maximilian von gots gnaden erwölter Römischer Kayser zü allen zeiten merer des Reichs in Germanien zü Hungern Dalmacien Croacien &c. Künig [...] [Augsburg?] [Johannes Otmar?] [1516].

Small folio, 38 cms. x 25 cms., 16 lines printed text, facsimile signatures, fine woodcut introductory initials, spaces for filling in. Some repair at top margin from verso, a couple of small holes in blank, a very good copy indeed, with MS signature at bottom, fine woodcut introductory initials overworked with pen, original foldlines, and complete seal to verso.

Fine copy, with complete seal, of another interesting document in the history of the imperial army, the Emperor here renews a mandate forbidding German soldiers from taking service in foreign armies. Soldiers already serving in the French army had to leave it within six weeks.

Not in VD 16. Rosenthal cat. 92 #119. OCLC shows what appear to be copies of this broadside, at Munich BSB and Augsburg Staats- und Stadtsbibliothek.

[ref: 3036] **£2000**

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