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The Frank S. Streeter Library: Important Navigation, Pacific Voyages, Cartography, Science New York – April 16-17, 2007

[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

Sold: \$16,421,820 £8,252,170 €12,164,311 Sale No: 1820
 Lots Sold: 552 Lots Offered: 544 Sold by Lot: 98.6% Sold by \$: 99.4%
 \$: £1.99 \$: €1.35

Lot	Price			Estimate	Buyer
166	\$824,000	£414,070	€610,370	\$250,000-350,000	US Private
Sir Robert Dudley, <i>Arcano del Mare</i> , Florence, 1661					
148	\$779,200	£391,558	€577,185	\$400,000-600,000	US Private
Joseph F. Wallet Des Barres, <i>The Atlantic Neptune</i> , London, 1774-1779					
349	\$768,000	£385,929	€568,888	\$80,000-120,000	US Trade
Peter Martyr, <i>The Decades of the newe worlde or west India</i> , London, 1555					
426	\$576,000	£289,447	€426,666	\$50,000-70,000	European Private
Samuel Purchas, <i>Purchas his Pilgrimes</i> , London 1626					
243	\$456,000	£229,146	€337,777	\$40,000-60,000	US Trade
Richard Hakluyt, <i>The Principal Navigations</i> , London, 1589					
178	\$288,000	£144,724	€213,333	\$60,000-90,000	US Trade
Martín Fernández de Enciso, <i>Suma de geographia</i> , Seville, 1519					
325	\$288,000	£144,724	€213,333	\$100,000-150,000	US Private
Meriwether Lewis and William Clark, <i>History of the Expedition</i> , Philadelphia, 1814					
101	\$264,000	£132,663	€195,555	\$90,000-120,000	US Private
Samuel de Champlain, <i>Les Voyages del a Nouvelle France occidentale</i> , Paris, 1632					
534	\$264,000	£132,663	€195,555	\$40,000-60,000	US Private
Edward Wright, <i>Certain Errors in Navigation</i> , London, 1657					
254	\$228,000	£114,573	€168,888	\$25,000-35,000	UK Trade
John Harrison, <i>The Principles of Mr. Harrison's Time Keeper, with Plates of the Same</i> , London, 1767					

"The sale of the *Frank S. Streeter Library: Important Navigation, Pacific Voyages, Cartography, Science*, which consisted of an evening session on April 16 and two day sessions on April 17, was one of the landmark sales that find their way straight into the annals of the book collecting community. The Streeter Library auction gloriously exceeded expectations by doubling the high presale estimate. 16th and early 17th century travel accounts sold consistently well, with considerable attention especially paid to the many early English works. Most notable among these were Peter Martyr's *The Decades of the Newe World*, originally owned by Roger North who had sailed with Sir Walter Raleigh to Guiana in 1617, and the superb set of Samuel Purchas's *Purchas his Pilgrimes*. Several important atlases achieved record prices, notably the very fine copy of Robert Dudley's *Arcano del Mare* and Joseph W. Wallet Des Barres's *The Atlantic Neptune*. The entire sale was supported by enthusiastic bidding from the phones, the international bidders in the room, and strong online participation through Christie's LIVE™," said **Francis Wahlgren, International Head Books and Manuscripts** and **Tom Lecky, Head of Books and Manuscripts, Christie's New York**.

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