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## Fine Printed Books and Manuscripts Including Americana New York - June 19, 2007

[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

Sold: \$3,560,220 £1,798,091 €2,656,881 Sale No: 1851

Lots Sold: 213 Lots Offered: 313 Sold by Lot: 68% Sold by \$: 83%

*f*: \$1.98 €: \$1.34

 Lot
 Price
 Estimate
 Buyer

 239
 \$360,000
 £181,818
 €268,357
 \$100,000-150,000
 US Trade

 Declaration of Independence, The Pennsylvania Evening Post, Number 228, July 6, 1776.

**227** \$312,000 £157,575 €232,836 \$200,000-300,000 US Trade John Wilkes Booth, Autograph manuscript, draft of Secession Crisis speech, December 22 and 27, 1860.

**223** \$168,000 £84,848 €125,373 \$150,000-250,000 US Private John Adams, Autograph signed letter to Dr. Benjamin Rush, January 8, 1812.

**267** \$**144,000** £72,727 €107,463 \$20,000-30,000 Anonymous John F. Kennedy, Autograph letters signed to Inga Arvad, 1943

**111** \$120,000 £60,606 €89,552 \$70,000-90,000 US Trade John Woodhouse Audubon, *Illustrated Notes of an Expedition through Mexico and California*, 1852

**263** \$108,000 £54,545 €80,597 \$100,000-150,000 US Trade Thomas Jefferson, Autograph signed letter, June 4, 1804.

**264** \$102,000 £51,515 €76,119 \$50,000-70,000 US Trade Thomas Jefferson, Autograph letter signed, February 14, 1806

**310** \$102,000 £51,515 €76,119 \$60,000-80,000 US Private George Washington, Document signed as Commander in Chief to Samuel B. Webb, January 8, 1777.

**312** \$84,000 £42,424 €62,687 \$15,000-20,000 US Private George Washington, Letter signed to General James M. Varnum, October 26, 1777.

**185** \$84,000 £42,424 €62,687 \$80,000-120,000 US Trade Thomas L. McKenney and James Hall, History of the Indian Tribes of North America, 1837-1842-1844.

"Manuscript and printed Americana continued to achieve strong results in today's sale. The Pennsylvania Evening Post printing of the Declaration of Independence, the first newspaper printing of the Declaration, received heavy competition and realized \$300,000. John Wilkes Booth's manuscript draft of his Secession Crisis speech on the break-up of the Union and threat of Civil War, sold to benefit the Hampton-Booth Theatre Library, brought \$260,000. Outstanding among the printed books was the \$100,000 result for the excessively rare Illustrated Notes of an Expedition through Mexico and California by John Woodhouse Audubon, inscribed to the poet William Cullen Bryant. The selection of modern literature that opened the sale included a fine copy of the first edition of James Joyce's Ulysses, selling for \$40,000. The afternoon concluded with the sale of The Jerome Shochet Collection of Signed Historical Photographs, which included fine signed images of a wide range of historical figures including Robert E. Lee, Abraham Lincoln, Charles Darwin and Karl Marx," said Thomas Lecky, Head of Books and Manuscripts, Christie's New York.

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