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The Albin Schram Collection of Autograph Letters

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[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

Sold: **£3,832,488** \$7,730,128 € 5,664,417 Sale No: 7411

Lots Sold: 500 Lots Offered: 568 Sold by Lot: 88% Sold by £: 96%

£: \$2.017 £: €1.478

Lot	Price		Estimate	Buyer	
435	£276,000	\$556,692	€407,928	£30,000-50,000	Anonymous
NAPOLEON I (1769-1821), <i>Emperor of the French</i> . Autograph letter signed ('B[ona]P[arte]') to Josephine de Beauharnais, n.p. [Paris], '9 heures du matin' [1795/6]					
529	£204,000	\$411,468	€301,512	£30,000-50,000	Anonymous
NEWTON, Sir Isaac (1642-1727). Autograph manuscript, n.d., notes of differing classical views on gravity and the structure of the universe					
247	£156,000	\$314,652	€230,568	£12,000-18,000	Anonymous
MALEVICH, Kazimir Severinovich (1878-1933). Autograph manuscript with diagrams					
142	£144,000	\$290,448	€212,832	£30,000-50,000	Anonymous
PUSHKIN, Alexandr Sergeevich (1799-1837). Autograph letter signed ('P'), in Russian, to Baron E. Rosen (editor of the almanac <i>Altsiona</i>)					
153	£120,000	\$242,040	€177,360	£40,000-60,000	European Trade
RIMBAUD, Jean Nicolas Arthur (1854-1891). Autograph manuscript signed ('A. Rimbaud') of a sonnet, 'Vénus Anadyomène'					
54	£114,000	\$229,938	€168,492	£80,000-120,000	European Trade
DONNE, John (1572-1631). Autograph letter signed ('J. Donne') to Lady Kingsmill Bridget] (née White), 'At my poore house at S: Pauls', 26 October 1624					
55	£102,000	\$205,734	€150,756	£6,000-8,000	Anonymous
DOSTOEVSKII, Fedor Mikhailovich (1821-1881). Autograph letter signed ('Th Dostoevskii') to Nikolai Petrovich [Vagner], [St Petersburg], 7 January [18]76					
341	£84,000	\$169,428	€124,152	£15,000-20,000	Musee international de la Réforme, Geneva
CALVIN, Jean (1509-1564). Autograph document signed, a deposition to the authorities of Geneva on the circumstances of the attempted suicide of Jean Vachat, n.p. [Geneva], 23 January 1545, in French					
356	£84,000	\$169,428	€124,152	£10,000-15,000	Anonymous
CROMWELL, Oliver (1599-1658). Autograph letter signed ('O. Cromwell') to Richard Mayor ('Deere Brother', the father-in-law of his son, Richard), Alnwick, 17 June 1650					
85	£78,000	\$157,326	€115,284	£25,000-35,000	Anonymous
HEMINGWAY, Ernest (1899-1961). Autograph letter (signed 'Yours in Christian Science, Mother Eddy') to Ezra Pound, Burguete, Spain					

Thomas Venning and Susannah Morris, Specialists in charge of the sale: "Today's remarkable results pay a fitting testament to a great collector, the late Albin Schram. Assembled over a period of 30 years, this very private collection drew enormous interest from around the world and today's auction saw over 250 registered bidders fight for the manuscripts on offer in a packed saleroom. The international appeal of the collection was also illustrated by 80 clients who bid by telephone, and 40 clients who registered through Christie's LIVE and acquired 33% of the sale by value via the internet. Letters and manuscripts throughout the sale sold far above their pre-sale estimates, and we are particularly pleased with the

result achieved by Napoleon's love letter to Josphine which was subject to substantial pre-sale interest before selling to a telephone bidder for £276,000, establishing a new record for a letter by Napoleon.”

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