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[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

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The Nicholas Falletta Collection of Lewis Carroll Books and Manuscripts

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Total: £**201,168** Lots Offered: 126 Lots Sold: 78 Sale No: 5056
\$345,607 Sold by Lot: 62% Sold by £: 76% \$ 1.718/ € 1.456
€292,901

Comment: Sven Becker, Specialist in charge of the sale:

“We were delighted to handle this fine collection which included many of the great Carrollian rarities in addition to the familiar Alice books. It attracted determined institutional and private buyers from America and the UK. Well-read Christmas shoppers snapped up Alice's own copies of Alice in Wonderland for between £500 and £1,200. For those that missed out, there will be a further opportunity to buy Lewis Carroll books in the Duke of Gloucester sale on 27th January at Christie's King Street”.

LOTS	£	\$	€	Estimate	Buyer
25	£36,000	\$61,848	€52,416	£35,000-45,000	UK Trade
Lewis Carroll's annotated copy of the suppressed 60 th -thousand issue of <i>Through the Looking Glass and what Alice Found there, 1893</i>					
19	£21,600	\$37,109	€31,450	£20,000-25,000	UK Trade
First edition, <i>Through the Looking Glass and what Alice Found there, 1872</i> , presentation copy from John Tenniel with two fine pencil drawings by him.					
7	£15,600	\$26,801	€22,714	£14,000-18,000	UK Trade
First edition, <i>Alice's Adventures in Wonderland</i> , 1866					
45	£10,800	\$18,554	€15,725	£10,000-15,000	US Trade
Letter from Lewis Carroll to Princess Alice, embossed with an image of a spider, dated 10 August 1893					