

# CHRISTIE'S

## Valuable Russian Books and Manuscripts King Street – Thursday, 30 November, 2006

[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

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| Sold: | <b>£979,260</b> | \$1,911,515       | €1,448,324        | Sale No: 7295   |
|       |                 |                   |                   | \$1.952/ €1.479 |
|       | Lots Sold: 168  | Lots Offered: 212 | Sold by Lot: 79 % | Sold by £: 69%  |

| Lot | Price                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Estimate         | Buyer            |
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| 55  | <b>£62,400</b><br>\$121,804/€92,289<br>Arms of The Towns of The Russian Empire, <i>Risunki gerbam gorodov Rossiiskoi Imperii prinadlezhashchie k Imu sobraniu zakonov</i> , 1843                                                            | £20,000 - 30,000 | UK Trade         |
| 46  | <b>£40,800</b><br>\$79,641/€60,343<br>Alexander I, Rechberg, Charles de, and George Bernhard Depping. <i>Les Peuples de la Russie, ou description des moeurs, usages et costumes des diverses nations de l'Empire de Russie</i> , 1812-1813 | £15,000 - 20,000 | UK Private       |
| 104 | <b>£38,400</b><br>\$74,956/€56,793<br>St. Petersburg, Beggrov, Karl Ioakhim, <i>Sobranie vidov S.-Peterburga i Okrestnostei</i> . Collections of Views of St. Petersburg and its environs, <i>circa</i> 1820s-1830s                         | £12,000 - 18,000 | European Private |
| 48  | <b>£31,200</b><br>\$60,902/€46,144<br>Alexander III -- <i>Description du Sacre et du Couronnement de leurs Majestés Impériales l'Empereur de toutes les Russies Alexandre III et l'Imperatrice Marie Féodorovna en l'année 1883</i> , 1883  | £10,000 - 15,000 | UK Private       |
| 116 | <b>£28,800</b><br>\$56,217/€42,595<br>Alexandra Feodorovna, Empress, Skalon, D.A. <i>Stoletie Voennogo Ministerstva, 1802-1902</i>                                                                                                          | £8,000 - 12,000  | European Private |
| 42  | <b>£26,400</b><br>\$51,532/€39,045<br>Geissler, Christian Gottfried Heinrich (1770-1844), <i>Représentation des uniformes de l'Armée Impériale de la Russie</i> , 1793                                                                      | £8,000 - 12,000  | UK Trade         |
| 90  | <b>£26,400</b><br>\$51,532/€39,045<br>Nicholas I, Adam, Victor, <i>Vues des cérémonies les plus intéressantes du Couronnement de Leurs Majestés Impériales L'Empereur Nicolas I et L'Impératrice Alexandra, a Moscou</i> . Paris, 1828      | £12,000 - 18,000 | US Trade         |
| 67  | <b>£25,200</b><br>\$49,190/€37,270<br>Dostoevskii, Fyodor Mikhailovich (1821-1881), Photographic portrait of Dostoevskii, 16 December 1880                                                                                                  | £8,000 - 10,000  | UK Trade         |
| 86  | <b>£24,000</b><br>\$46,848/€35,496<br>Military Uniforms, <i>Mundiry Rossiiskoi Imperatorskoi Armii: Collections des Uniformes de l'Armée Impériale Russe</i> , 1823-24                                                                      | £7,000 - 10,000  | UK Trade         |
| 3   | <b>£22,800</b><br>\$44,505/€33,721<br>Bible, Slavonic, <i>Biblia sirech knigi vetkhago i novago saveta</i> , 1581                                                                                                                           | £10,000 - 15,000 | Anonymous        |

**Sven Becker, specialist in charge of the sale:** We are delighted with the results of the first dedicated auction of Russian books to take place at Christie's in London. Both the pre-sale exhibition and the auction were well attended as predominantly private buyers from Russia and the United Kingdom, a number of them new to Christie's, bid competitively for high quality material that is rarely seen on the market, both in and out of Russia. Every one of the lots in the top ten sold well above their pre-sale estimates and the entire sale was subject to energetic and enthusiastic interest and bidding. These strong results reflect the long-established and sophisticated tradition of Russian book collecting. Combined with yesterday's sales of Russian Pictures and Works of Art, the Russian sales at Christie's this week have realised £29.2 million.

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