

# CHRISTIE'S

## Valuable Russian Books & Manuscripts

London – Thursday, 27 November 2008

Sale no: 7551 – Top 3

[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

<b>Sold:</b>	<b>£703,463</b>	<b>\$1,080,519</b>	<b>€837,121</b>
Lots Sold: 85	Lots Offered: 132	Sold by Lot: 64%	Sold by £: 68%
Exchange Rate £:=\$1.536 1.190€			

Lot	Description	Estimate (£)	Purchase Price	Buyer
24	Alexander III-- Opisanie Sviashchennago Koronovaniia Ikh Imperatorskikh Velichestv Gosudaria Imperatora Aleksandra Tret'iago i Gosudaryni Imperatritsy Marii Feodorovny vseia Rossi, St. Petersburg, 1883	£50,000-70,000	£73,250 \$112,512 €87,168	Russian Private
121	Lissitzky, Lazar Markovich, 'El' (1890-1941), Chad Gadya, Kiev: Kultur Lige, 1919	£28,000-35,000	£55,250 \$84,864 €65,748	UK Trade
55	Kondakov, Nikodim Pavlovich (1844-1925), Histoire et Monuments des Emaux Byzantins, Frankfurt: A, Osterrieth, 1892	£22,000-30,000	£49,250 \$75,648 €58,608	Russian Private

**Comment:** “Strong private bidding was seen throughout the sale of *Valuable Russian Books & Manuscripts*, resulting in some lots selling 10 times above estimate, such as Konstantin Piratskii’s *Collection of lithographs from Rossiiskie Voiska* (lot 77), selling for £25,000 against a pre-sale estimate of £2,500-3,500. This sale reaffirmed Christie’s leading position in the Russian book market,” commented Sven Becker, Specialist in charge of the Russian book sale

**Press Contact:** Alexandra Kindermann 020 7389 2289 akindermann@christies.com  
**Next Sale Date:** The next book sale will be in Spring 2009