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The William E. Self Library Part II, Important English and American Literature

New York – Friday, December 4, 2009

Sale no: 2153 – Top Ten

[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

Sold:	\$4,896,625	£2,949,774	€3,242,798
Lots Sold: 144	Lots Offered: 197	Sold by Lot: 73%	Sold by \$: 86%
Exchange Rate: £ = \$1.66/ € = \$1.51			

Lot	Description	Estimate (\$)	Purchase Price	Buyer
171	Poe, Edgar Allan. Autographed manuscript verses. New York: 1849. WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR 19TH CENTURY LITERARY MANUSCRIPT	50,000-70,000	\$830,500 £500,301 €550,000	U.S. Private
155	Poe, Edgar Allan. <i>Tamerlane and Other Poems</i> . Boston: Calvin F.S. Thomas, 1827. WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR 19TH CENTURY BOOK OF POETRY	500,000-700,000	\$662,500 £399,096 €438,741	U.S. Private
154	Poe, Edgar Allan. Autographed manuscript of two poems. 1827.	60,000-80,000	\$362,500 £218,373 €240,066	U.S. Private
66	Dickens, Charles. <i>A Christmas Carol</i> . London: Chapman & Hall, 1843. WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR A CHARLES DICKENS BOOK	120,000-180,000	\$290,500 £175,000 €192,384	U.S. Private
196	Whitman, Walt. <i>Leaves of Grass</i> . Brooklyn: 1855.	80,000-120,000	\$218,500 £131,627 €144,702	U.S. Private
166	Poe, Edgar Allan. <i>The Raven and other Poems</i> . New York: Wiley ad Putnam, 1845.	100,000-150,000	\$182,000 £109,639 €120,530	U.S. Trade
59	Dickens, Charles. <i>The Life and Adventures of Nicholas Nickleby</i> . London: Chapman & Hall, 1839.	70,000-100,000	\$158,500 £95,481 €104,967	U.K. Trade
80	Dickens, Charles. <i>The Personal History of David Copperfield</i> . London: Chapman & Hall, 1850.	80,000-120,000	\$158,500 £95,481 €104,967	U.S. Private
40	Darwin, Charles. <i>On the Origin of the Species by Means of Natural Slection</i> . London: W. Clowes and Sons, 1859.	80,000-120,000	\$146,500 £88,253 €97,020	U.S. Private
83	Dickens, Charles. <i>Bleak House</i> . London: Bradbury and Evans, 1853.	60,000-80,000	\$134,500 £81,024 €89,073	U.S. Private

Francis Wahlgren, International Head of Books and Manuscripts comments: "We are delighted with the solid results of the second dedicated auction of William E. Self's Library. Both the pre-sale exhibition and the auction were well attended as predominantly private buyers from the U.S. bid competitively for high-quality material that is rarely seen on the market. Many auction records were set, most significantly a rare, first edition of Edgar Allan Poe's *Tamerlane and Other Poems*, which at \$662,500 represents a new world auction record for a 19th century book of poetry."

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Date and Location of Next Sale	New York, December 9, 2009