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Valuable Manuscripts and Printed Books

London – Wednesday, 2 June 2010

Sale no: 7854 – 'Top Three'

[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

Sold:	£ 1,612,100	\$2,371,399	€1,939,356
Lots Sold: 70	Lots Offered: 90	Sold by Lot: 78%	Sold by £: 85%
Exchange Rate £:= \$1.471/ € 1.203			

Lot	Description	Estimate (£)	Purchase Price	Buyer
206	The book of John Mandeville, or, Sir John Mandeville's travels, in middle English, illuminated manuscript on vellum, <i>circa</i> 1440.	150,000 - 200,000	£289,250 \$425,487 €347,968	European Trade
209	Moral and theological treatises written by the one-eyed scribe Peter Meghen for Christopher Urswick, almoner to Henry VII, in Latin. <i>Circa</i> 1502	25,000 - 35,000	£121,250 \$178,359 €145,864	UK Trade
240	Braun, Georg (1541-1622) and Hogenberg, Franz (<i>c.</i> 1538-1590). <i>civitates orbis terrarum. cologne: p. Von Brachel, 1618-1625.</i>	20,000 - 30,000	£97,250 \$143,055 €116,992	European Trade

Comment: Margaret Ford, Director and Head of Books and Manuscripts, Christie's London: "The auction saw strong results throughout with a number of new clients bidding in the sale, and particularly notable prices for atlases and illuminated manuscripts. We look forward to the auction of *The Arcana Collection: Exceptional Illuminated Manuscripts and Incunabula Part I* on 6 July."

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