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RESULTS:

BOOKS AND MANUSCRIPTS

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TOTAL: \$ 3,367,250



JOHN FORBES NASH, JR., 1994
THE 1994 NOBEL PRIZE IN ECONOMIC SCIENCES
AWARDED TO JOHN FORBES NASH, JR. FOR HIS
CONTRIBUTIONS TO GAME THEORY.

PRICE REALIZED: \$735,000

SOLD IN PART TO BENEFIT THE JOHN C.M. NASH
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MARIA SIBYLLA MERIAN
DISSERTATIO DE
GENERATIONE ET
METAMORPHOSIBUS
INSECTORUM
SURINAMENSIIUM (1719) & DE
EUROPISCHE INSECTEN
(1730).

PRICE REALIZED: \$225,000



ALEXANDER HAMILTON, 1792
AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED
AS SECRETARY OF THE
TREASURY TO WILLIAM
SETON, PRESIDENT OF THE
BANK OF NEW YORK,
PHILADELPHIA, 25 MARCH
1792.

PRICE REALIZED: \$162,500



JOHN FORBES NASH, JR., 1951
"NON-COOPERATIVE GAMES."
OFFPRINT FROM: ANNALS OF
MATHEMATICS, PP. 286-295,
VOL 54, NO 2, SEPTEMBER
1951.

PRICE REALIZED: \$137,500

New York— On Friday, 25 October Christie's New York **Fine Printed Books & Manuscripts** sale realized **\$3,367,250**. This sale marked the first time the category was presented during Christie's Classic Week, which runs through 29 October.

The top lots of the sale were the 1994 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences awarded to [John Forbes Nash, Jr.](#) for his contributions to Game Theory, which sold for **\$735,000**, [Maria Sibylla Merian's](#) *Dissertatio De Generatione Et Metamorphosibus Insectorum Surinamensium* (1719) & *De Europische Insecten* (1730), which sold for **\$225,000**, and the 1994 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences awarded to [Reinhard Selten](#) for his contributions to Game Theory, namely as the first person to "refine the Nash equilibrium concept for analyzing dynamic strategic interaction," which sold for **\$225,000**.

Another highlight from **John Forbes Nash, Jr.** included "Non-Cooperative Games." Offprint From: *Annals Of Mathematics*, Pp. 286-295, Vol 54, No 2, September 1951, formulating the theory of non-cooperative games and describing the Nash equilibrium, which achieved **\$137,500** against a pre-sale estimate of \$3,000 – 5,000. Additionally, *Quentell's Low German Bible, with brilliant contemporary color, in low German, ca. 1478* realized **\$43,750** against a pre-sale low estimate of \$8,000 and *A secret anti-Puritan polemic — a rarity of printed Americana, Samuel Groom, 1676* realized **\$137,500** against a pre-sale low estimate of \$20,000.

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