



Printed Books, Maps & Documents (SEP19)

Wed, 11th Sep 2019

Viewing:

Tuesday 10 September 2019 from 9.00am to 6.00pm and on the day of the sale from 9.00am onward.

Lot 149

Estimate: £5000 - £8000 + Fees

Boccaccio (Giovanni). Il Decamerone, Florence: Giunta, 1527

Boccaccio (Giovanni). Il Decamerone. Nuovamente corretto et con diligentia stampato, Florence: heirs of Filippo di Giunta, 1527, [8], 284 leaves, signatures 2A8 (2A8 blank), 2A8 a-z8 &8 [con]8 [rum]8 A-H8 I12, woodcut Giuntine device to title-page and verso of final leaf, italic types, spaces with printed guide letters, title-page somewhat damp-stained, tipped to initial blank and slightly marked from erasure of 2 old ownership inscriptions, small spot to following leaf 2A2, small damp-stain to lower margins of f3 and s1-2, closed tear in l4 touching a few letters both sides to no effect on legibility, faint tide-mark to final 50 or so leaves, first appearing at head of gutter in quire F, gradually becoming stronger and extending into upper outer corners of text, endpapers sometime renewed, inner hinges tightened. Contemporary Italian binding of dark brown goatskin over pasteboard, sewn on 3 cords, spine with 3 thick raised bands alternating with 4 narrow false bands, compartments with simple floral centrepieces within thick-and-thin blind rules, interlacing rectilinear strapwork design in gilt and blind to covers incorporating central lozenges lettered 'Di Michele da Prato', edges gilt gauffered with ropework pattern, traces of 4 pairs of ties, spine-bands and joints rubbed, headcap torn but largely intact, board-edges slightly rubbed, corners worn, 4to in 8s (21 x 13.6 cm)

Qty: 1