



Modern Literature & First Editions, Children's, Private Press & Illustrated Books (KID19b)

Thu, 12th Dec 2019

Viewing:

Tuesday 10 December 2019 from 9.00am to 6.00pm,
Wednesday 11 December 2019 from 9.00am to 6.00pm and
on the morning of the sale from 9.00am onwards.

Lot 584 *

Estimate: £150 - £250 + Fees

Blyton (Enid, 1897-1968). Autograph letter signed, 23 October 1950

Blyton (Enid, 1897-1968). Autograph letter signed, 'Enid Blyton', letter of Hotel Grosvenor, Swanage, Dorset, 23 October 1950, to Mr Holbrow, 'Your Christmas supplement has arrived here today, and I have had much pleasure and amusement in reading through it, though I think that the tiresome Enid Blyton is, as usual, too much to the fore! It's all very well-done and you seem to have got some first-class reviewers or "summers-up" (to quote my 14 year old, who has a penchant for coining peculiar words!); continuing to talk about the supply of Enid Blyton books to booksellers and quoting some figures, 'Macmillan alone had prints totalling 620,000 in the Spring, or that Sampson Low must have had about half a million EB books or Hodder even more...'; referring to Holbrow and his troubles because of the printer's dispute and commenting on how lucky modern children are 'in their supply of first-class authors - Johns, Noel Streatfield, K. Fidler, M. Saville, and many others', giving an enthusiastic endorsement for the author Stephen Mogridge and sending her congratulations to Holbrow, small closed tear to upper margin and minor rust mark from pin holes where previously inserted to upper margin, 2pp., 8vo, together with a contemporary carbon copy typed transcript of the letter, plus a carbon copy of Holbrow's reply dated 26 October 1950, both a little creased, one page, 4to

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