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## The Portraits of the Forty-Seven Ronin

#### Large format woodblock printed book by Tanaka Umesaburo

with the Biographical Sketch of each 'Ronin'. Price One dollar.

Edited and Published by Tanaka Mumesaburo [Umesaburo]. Yokohama. Meiji 18 (1885).

First and largest edition of this book which also was later published on crepe paper in 1893. We have seen a variant that shows Tanaka's given name as Usaburo but the correct name is Umesaburo. Apparently, 'Umesaburo' was actually pronounced, 'Mumesaburo' so the fact that both romanized spellings are given in this book may not be so surprising. Contains 48 colour woodblock prints, 47 being of the Ronin along with their brief biographies and one print of their master, Lord Asano. Some prints have metallic accents to the swords. The large woodblock printed foldout in the rear measuring approx. 74 x 38cm is also very impressive. Woven patterned cloth over wood covers. An impressive volume.

58pp. 25.8 x 18.5cm.

In very good condition. Spine covering not present though holding tight by inner paper over mull spine. Lower corners of wooden covers bumped with minor loss. Internally very good with just a couple of pages separated at leading edge. Some minor transfer of metallic paint used to facing page. Gift inscription on ffep to, 'Alice Milton from Aunt Blanche. Yokohama, Japan. March 3rd'. b33010825

**Price:** \$2,970

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### Twelve Bronze Falcons

#### **Exhibited at the World's Columbian Exposition Chicago**

[Japan] Scarce, complete portfolio containing arto-type photo prints of the Twelve Falcons crafted in bronze by Suzuki Chokichi at the request of Paris-based, Japanese art dealer Hayashi Tadamasa. The 12 falcons apparently took 4 years to make and were highly commended at the exposition. There is is also one image of all 12 falcons together on display and each bird measured up to 52cm in height. The portfolio also contains the original booklet of press reports, a double-sided page with remarks by Hayashi, along with an image of Suzuki, Hayashi and a falconer. The falcons were acquired by The National Museum of Modern Art in Tokyo in 1986 and were designated an Important Cultural Property in 2019.

Tokyo. Tadamasa Hayashi. 1893.

Each page 27.2 x 20.3cm.

Folder with wear and some separation at top and bottom on both sides. Old tape has been used to hold the left side. Internally very good with only some transfer of the fold-up flaps on the title sheet which also has a crease at the lower corner. nb33020002

**Price:** \$1,490

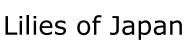
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#### by The Yokohama Nursery Company Co., Ltd.

[Japan] Lovely book containing 40 colour lithographs of 40 different Japanese lilies available at The Yokohama Nursery Company (Yokohama Ueki Kabushiki Kaisha) which was founded in 1890 and is still in business today.

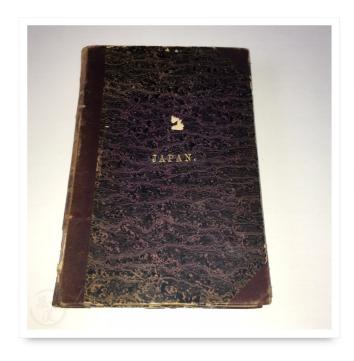
Yokohama. The Yokohama Nursery Company. 1907.

44pp. 26.2 x 18.6cm.

Overall in very good condition. Rear cover is detached (but this can be repaired at cost). Front cover a little chipped at edges and corners with some minor loss. Internally very good. b33010823

**Price:** \$1,590

https://www.bakumatsuya.com/shop-description.php?ID=1614279851&La=E











## Labor and Porcelain in Japan

#### by Thomas Van Buren

Labor in Japan - together with - Pottery and Porcelain Industries of Japan. Thomas Brodhead Van Buren (1824-1889) was a nephew of the eighth U.S. president Martin Van Buren. In 1874 he was sent to Japan to be the Consul General by president Ulysses Grant and stayed until 1885.

Yokohama. Printed at the Japan Gazette Office. 1882.

[6], ii, [2],59pp + 10pp and 11 actual hand-coloured albumen photographs (almost certainly by Felice Beato).

In good to very good condition. Covers worn with minor damage above title 'Japan'. Some loss to lower part of spine covering. Binding a little weak but holding nicely. Edges a bit bumped and worn. Internally very good with only general age wear. With compliments of the author inscribed on ffep. b33010824

**Price:** \$1,980

https://www.bakumatsuya.com/shop-description.php?ID=1613604729&La=E



## The Great Earthquake of 1894

#### A Complete Report of the Effects of the Recent Great Earthquake

Very scarce report with five photographic illustrations showing some of the damage inflicted by this earthquake. The earthquake struck at about 2pm on June 20, 1894, affecting Tokyo and Yokohama with 31 deaths and many injured. The report details some specifics on who was killed and whose properties were damaged and how.

Yokohama. Japan Gazette Office. 1894.

18pp + 3 single-sided plates of photographic illustrations.  $23.6 \times 16.4$ cm.

In good condition. Covers faded and worn with chipping at edges. Internally very good. b33020841

**Price:** \$890

https://www.bakumatsuya.com/shop-description.php?ID=1615126278&La=E











### The Mitsui Ginko - A Handbook for 1897

#### **Scarce English edition**

[Japan] Mitsui Bank's first handbook to include an English description of its business activities. The handbook contains a history of the company, organization and managers, financial situation, and information for clients on the banking services provided. The English text is 21 pages and the remainder is in Japanese with illustrations.

Tokyo. Edited & published by Sato Shozaburo. 1896.

Frontispiece of Head Office, 21pp[1], [4], 38pp, [5], 56pp, [5], 70pp, [4] + 6pp of illustrated plates.  $17.8 \times 11.8 \text{cm}$ .

In very good condition. Minor wear and darkening to edges of cover. Top and bottom of spine a little chipped. One short (5mm) closed tear at bottom centre of rear cover. Internally very good to fine. b33010819

**Price:** \$790

https://www.bakumatsuya.com/shop-description.php?ID=1613430244&La=E





## Strangers in Strange Lands

#### Translated by Dr. Humour

[Japan] Interesting and rather obscure work that tells various anecdotes of Japanese people while in Europe or the US. Most are referred to with just the first letter of the surname (i.e. Mr. K\_ or Dr. T\_ etc.) but some names are mentioned including Komyoji Saburo, Hoshi Toru, Maruyama Sakura, and Kubota [Beisen]. This is the first edition and there was even a 5th edition published in the same year so it seems to have been a popular book.

Tokyo. Bunrokudo. 1902.

[3] 91pp, 31[1]. 15 x 11.2cm.

Original wrappers, browned and with a few light marks, minor chip to lower edge of upper wrapper and first few leaves. Spine chipped. Ex-ownership stamps to front free endpaper and title. Very minor occasional marks to text, but overall near fine to fine. Includes two fold-out ads, for the book itself and what is presumed to be the Japanese edition of the same text. b32110735

**Price:** \$500

https://www.bakumatsuya.com/shop-description.php?ID=1613130043&La=E











## Japanese Travel Passport Issued to Mr. Alfred Kent

#### **Very scarce document**

An original certificate issued on June 5th, 1889, to a Mr. Alfred Kent for specific travel in Japan. Approval was given to travel, 'From Yokohama to the thirteen Provinces around Fujisan and via Tokaido to Kioto [sic], Kobe & back.' Such passports are very scarce because, 'The Bearer must surrender this Passport on returning to the Port or place from whence he set out...'. It is unknown who Kent was and how he managed to hold on to this particular travel document. The passport is also signed by Hugh Fraser, who was in charge of the British Legation in Japan from May 1889 until his death in 1894.

6pp (last page blank as issued). 29.3 x 20.2cm.

In very good condition. Has been folded across in three places (probably as issued). Original wax seal still present. Minor age wear only. e33020837

**Price:** \$990

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## Scroll in Dutch written by Rangaku Scholar Yoshio Shunzo

#### Signed and dated

[Japan] Handwritten scroll in Dutch by Yoshio Shunzo (1787–1843), who was the grandson of surgeon Yoshio Kogyu (1724–1800). Shunzo was a Rangaku professor and doctor, teaching Western medicine and astronomy. He was born in Nagasaki and apparently died in an explosion during a chemical experiment. His given name was Naosada. He also used the name Nanko, was commonly known as Shunzo, and later Josan. Part of the old script written on the rear of the scroll reads, 'Nanko Sensei' and the scroll is dated Bunsei 8 (1825), 2nd month and signed, 'this text by Ziosan' [Josan].

Text area (brown paper) 98.5 x 28.8cm.

In good condition. Two old stains in upper right area. Otherwise age wear and creasing but nothing serious. Paper a bit toned. \$32120800

**Price:** \$1,980

https://www.bakumatsuya.com/shop-description.php?ID=1614460473&La=E











## Chikuto Kacho Gafu

#### Woodblock printed birds & flowers by Nakabayashi Chikuto

[Japan] Lovely folding book (orihon) with 20 double-page woodblock printed illustrations of birds and flowers by Nakabayashi Chikuto (1776-1853). This is a late Meiji era edition of his work.

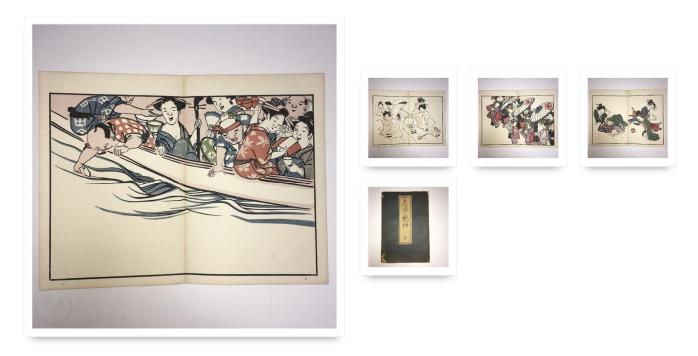
Tokyo. Aoki Tsuzando (Aoki Tsunesaburo). 1909.

42pp. 24.2 x 16.2cm.

In very good condition. Some minor age wear and a couple of pages have some minor creasing. b33020846

**Price:** \$690

https://www.bakumatsuya.com/shop-description.php?ID=1614464129&La=E



## Playful Illustrations of High Class Courtesans

#### **Illustrated by Saito Shuho**

[Japan] A fun orihon showing oiran entertaining clients in various settings. This was first published in 1803 in 3 volumes under the title, 'Kishi Enpu'. This is a Meiji era edition containing 12 double-page, woodblock printed illustrations complete as issued. The Japanese title is 'Kakuchu Enpu'.

[Kyoto, Unsodo]. ND (1903).

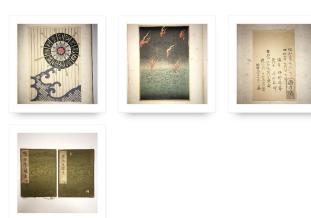
28pp. 25.2 x 16.9cm.

In very good condition. Covers worn at edges and corners with minor loss to outer paper covering. Internally very good to fine condition. b33020838

**Price:** \$690

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# Two Folding Albums with Lovely Array of Book Cover Designs

#### Containing 100 tipped in woodbock printed designs

[Japan] Lovely pair of silk-covered, folding albums containing an amazing range of book cover designs from times past. Edited by Kano Shuho.

Kyoto. Mariya Gabo. 1927.

One album contains 48 prints (with 3 blank pages where prints should be) and the other 52. Each 24.2 x 18cm.

In good condition. The silk covers are worn at edges. Internally good with some minor spotting to paper that the prints are tipped in on. b33020839

**Price:** \$1,090

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## Lovely, manuscript book of famous women in Japanese history

#### with 19 finely drawn illustrations

Impressively hand drawn and hand-coloured manuscript of famous women including Murasaki Shikibu, Ono no Komachi and Sei Shonagon. Title on front cover in Japanese, 'Meifuden' ['Record of Famous Women'].

Dated 1920 on the rear cover with the name Jimbo Takamine though the illustrations look to have probably been done much earlier.

20pp (including covers). 26.4 x 19.4cm.

In good condition. Covers are worn at edges and front cover has a very fine cut across measuring about 9cm. Slight darkening. Internally very good with minor wear and a few bent corners. m33020840

**Price:** \$890

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### The Twelve Divine Generals

#### 12 Large, Hand-drawn illustrations

[Japan] Drawn on extremely fine paper that is basically transparent. In Buddhism, the twelve are the protective deities of the Buddha of healing. Each is identified by its zodiac character. The final image shows the reverse side of the second last image and the thinness of the paper can be seen. Artist unknown. c1890.

Each approx. 39 x 27.5cm.

Overall in very good condition. Some creasing and wear mostly at corners. A few stray marks and the first illustration has two small holes at upper right. m33020845

**Price:** \$790

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## Oyuchasan - Scarce plain paper edition

#### by Lieutenant F.M. Bostwick, US Navy

[Japan] The first and only edition of this book on plain paper. Crepe paper editions followed in 1892 and 1893 with completely different illustrations. A lovely book.

Tokyo. The Kobunsha. 1890. (Hasegawa Takejiro listed as publisher on Japanese colophon page).

18pp. 18.5 x 12.6cm.

In very good condition. Covers a little worn at edges and corners a little bumped. Internally very good to fine. b33010820

**Price:** \$1,390

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## Street Scenes of Old Japan - Calendar for 1909

#### Stunning crepe paper book with art by Hiroshige

Very beautiful calendar by Hasegawa showing various scenes in Tokyo (Yedo) and other places. The colours and quality are superb.

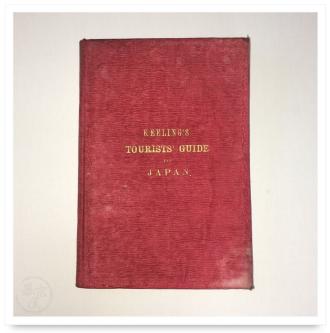
Tokyo. Hasegawa Takejiro. 1908.

24pp. 19.5 x 13.9cm.

In very good condition. Covers a bit worn with some minor creasing and minor spots. Small stain at top left of rear cover. Internally very good. b33020854

**Price:** \$1,190

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## Keeling's Guide to Japan - 2nd edition

#### the First Comprehensive English Guidebook Published in Japan

Very scarce. Later editions (especially the 4th edition of 1890) occasionally appear but the first or second editions rarely turn up anywhere.

Tourists' Guide to Yokohama, Tokio, Hakone, Fujiyama, Kamakura, Yokoska [sic], Kanozan, Narita, Nikko, Kioto, Osaka, Kobe, Etc. together with Useful Hints, Money, Measures, Distances, Roads, Festivals, Etc., Etc. Compiled by W.E.L. Keeling, M. A. 2nd Edition Revised, and Enlarged.

Yokohama. A. Farsari & Co. 1884.

Original red covers. 114pp+ads. 16.7 x 11.4cm

In very good to fine condition. Wear to covers with some discolouration. A few pages with straight pencil lines drawn down margin. Folding map of Japan separating but holding. Easily repairable. Pages bright and clean. b33010818

**Price:** \$1,980

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## The Japan Railway Directory with General Appendixes

#### Compiled and published by K. Zaitsu

Very scarce folding map in original boards showing the various railway lines in Japan along with distances between places. Smaller inset railway maps of Tokyo, Yokohama, Osaka, Kyoto, Hiogo [Hyogo] & Kobe, Hakodate, Nagasaki and Niigata. Zaitsu's given name is difficult to read but appears to be Kenzaburo though we can find no reference to him. Appears to be unrecorded. Unclear whether the 'General Appendixes' are the distance tables on the map or something else. Nothing appears to be missing or removed. Printed on very fine but strong paper.

Nunobiki, Kobe. K. Zaitsu. 1890.

Map measures  $41.7 \times 53$ cm  $(10.9 \times 16.6$ cm when folded).

Covers stained. Map itself is in very good condition. Minor age wear and darkening. m32120785

**Price:** \$990

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## Superb Copperplate Printed, Coloured Map of Tokyo

#### with Train Lines and inset map of Yokohama

Detailed, folding map of Tokyo in fine condition. Illustrated at edges with 17 images of well-known buildings and temples. On either side of the title are images of the Meiji emperor and empress. This appears to be the first printing of this map with subsequent issues in 1890 and 1891. Edited by Omura Tsuneshichi and printed by Wada Yonezo.

Nihonbashi [Tokyo]. Fukuda Kumajiro. 1889.

Large single sheet. 50.4 x 72.3cm.

In very good to fine condition. Just six small, short holes at some folds. Small remnant of sticker at top of front cover. Otherwise minor age wear only. m32120783

**Price:** \$790

https://www.bakumatsuya.com/shop-description.php?ID=1610476645&La=E



## Copperplate Printed, Coloured Map of Osaka

#### with inset maps of Kobe, Sakai, and Nara

Lovely, detailed, folding map of Osaka in fine condition. Illustrated at edges with 10 images of famous buildings. Upper right is an inset map of Sakai, lower right Nara, and upper left Kobe (Hyogo). Edited by Sakakibara Eikichi.

Osaka. Kitamura Hikosuke. 1887.

Large single sheet. 47.6 x 70.6cm.

In fine condition. Minor age wear only. '9th Sept. 1889' written neatly on circular pink area center right that housed military barracks. m32120782

**Price:** \$690

https://www.bakumatsuya.com/shop-description.php?ID=1610464337&La=E



## One Thousand Familiar Phrases in English and Romanized Japanese

#### by the Rev. John Liggins

John Liggins (1829-1912) first came to Japan in May 1859 but left in February 1860 due to ill health. He published the first edition of this book in Shanghai in 1860. A second edition came out in New York in 1867 and then this third and revised edition in Tokyo in 1870. All editions are very scarce. The Hokumonsha was a school that operated in Waseda from 1869-1872 and was founded by Yanagida Tokichi, who employed Hori Tatsunosuke to teach English. The site of the school later became part of Okuma Shigenobu's villa.

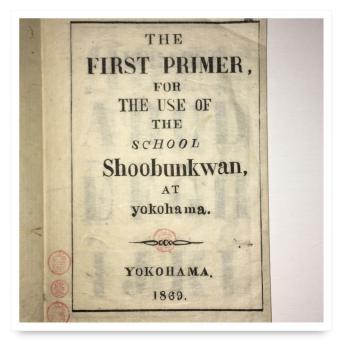
Tokiyo [Tokyo]. Hokumonsha, Washeda [Waseda] Street. 1870.

[2]+71pp[1]+2pp errata. 16 x 11.7cm.

In very good condition. Covers a little marked and worn. Pages slightly darkened. b33010830

Price: \$1,390

https://www.bakumatsuya.com/shop-description.php?ID=1612734220&La=E





## Eigaku Nyumon - Early English Study Book - Shubunkan

#### Published by the school S.R. Brown taught at

Very scarce and one of the earliest language study books published in Japan solely in English. Samuel Robbins Brown taught English at Shubunkan from 1870-1873.

The First Primer for the Use of the School Shoobunkwan [Shubunkan] at Yokohama

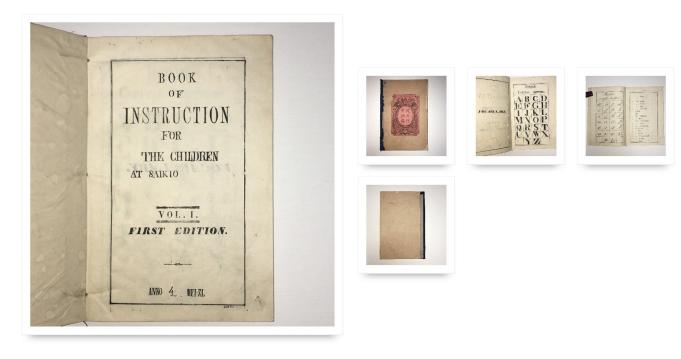
Yokohama. [Shoobunkwan]. 1869.

26pp. 18.1 x 12.7cm.

In very good condition. Original title slip. A few pages with very minor creasing at top corners. A few stray marks. No worming. Previous (original?) owner named Kumagai has put his small seals on title page. Also has written, 'Kumagay' once on the front cover and five times on the rear cover, presumably for practice. Still in very good condition. b32110768a

**Price:** \$790

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## Zoho Igirisu Tango Hen [English Vocabulary Book]

#### First edition of this early vocabulary book

Book of Instruction for The Children at Saikio. Vol. I. First edition. Anno 4, Mei-zi [Meiji 4 - 1871]. Interesting book that was also published in French and contains a list of 1490 English words. The Japanese title is Zoho Igirisu Tango Hen [Enlarged English Vocabulary Book]. No further volumes appear to have been published.

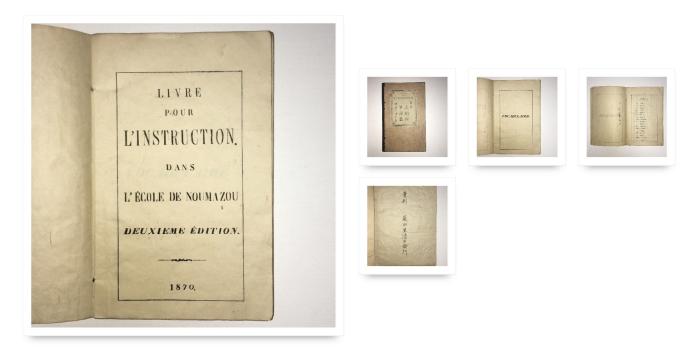
[Kyoto]. NP. 1871.

84pp. 17.5 x 11.8cm

In very good condition. Some wear to cover. Original title slip. Internally very good. Title page with some old white spotting. Otherwise very good. b32110768c

**Price:** \$690

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## Livre Pour L'Instruction - Early French Vocabulary Book

#### One of the earliest French study books published in Japan

Dans L'Ecole De Noumazou [Numazu]. Deuxieme edition [2nd edition]. Scarce vocabulary book that was also published in English. The first French edition was published in 1866.

Tokyo. Kurataya Seiemon. 1870.

78pp. 18.3 x 11.8cm.

In good to very good condition. Covers with wear but original title slip intact with minor loss. Internally very good with general age wear and a few stray marks. b32110768d

**Price:** \$890

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## **Dutch Language Study Manuscript Book**

#### by Oba Sessai & Katata Tetsuzo

[Japan] Very good example of Japanese rangaku studies at the end of the Edo era. This manuscript was originally written by Ooba Sessai (1805-73) and the title is, 'Yaku Oranda Bunten' ['Translation of a Dutch Grammar']. The book is based on a Dutch grammar published by Hendrik Ravekes in Amsterdam in 1822. This manuscript would have been copied in the mid to late 1850s. The preface is dated 1855. This book (the first volume only) contains parts 1 and 2 and a second volume was published by 1857 containing 3 more parts.

No place. c1855.

30pp preface, Part 1 - 106pp, Part 2 - 148pp. 25.7 x 18.2cm.

In very good condition. Minor age wear only. No worming at all. b30120264

**Price:** \$1,490

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## Large format photo of Nihonbashi

#### Unmounted, uncoloured albumen photo

[Japan] Lovely photo showing the warehouse area of Nihonbashi and boats. Tokyo's main fish market used to be located near here (prior to Tsukiji).

Attibuted to Stillfried. c1880.

25.7 x 20.3cm.

In good to very good shape. Unmounted. Two very short (7mm & 2mm), closed tears at lower left. Otherwise very minor wear only. nb32120010

**Price:** \$890

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## Medium format photo of Mizonokuchi [Kawasaki]

#### Very scarce, early photo

[Japan] Rare, hand-coloured albumen photo showing seven men in Mizonokuchi (in Kawasaki). Titled, 'Mezonokutehi' [Mizonokuchi] in the negative at lower right. This could well be a photo by Kanamaru Genzo as it was from an album that contained a photo of a young girl known to be in other Kanamaru photos. The spelling also indicates a Japanese photographer took this photo. The killers of Baldwin and Bird in 1864 were known to have passed through Mizonokuchi on their way back to Edo.

Photographer unknown (tentatively attributed to Kanamaru Genzo). c1875.

13.3 x 8.7cm.

In very good condition. Mounted on card. Only a hint of age wear. p32100700

**Price:** \$1,190

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## Medium format photo of Four Sumo Wresters and Referee

#### Very scarce, early photo

[Japan] Rare, hand-coloured albumen photo showing four sumo wrestlers (rikishi) and a referee (gyoji). Possibly taken by Kanamaru Genzo as it was from an album that contained a photo of a young girl known to be in other Kanamaru photos.

Photographer unknown (tentatively attributed to Kanamaru Genzo). c1875.

13.7 x 9.0cm.

In very good condition. Mounted on card. Only a hint of age wear. p32100703

**Price:** \$590

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## CDV of Japanese Family

#### Unusual photo of group on small bridge

Very interesting and unusual CDV of four Japanese men and two women standing on a small bridge. The young man on the right looks to be wearing a Western-style military uniform. We believe the second lady has appeared in at least one other photo by Beato and possibly the older man with his hand on her shoulder. Captioned, 'Japanese Family sent by Joseph Cowell form Yokohama 1873', neatly on rear. One would think Cowell knew these people personally if he was sending such a photo home.

Photographer unknown (possibly Felice Beato). c1873.

8.6 x 5.5cm.

In very good condition. A few small marks on mount. Sharp image with good contrast. p32120795

**Price:** \$790

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### CDV of Kanda Naibu

#### Signed by Kanda in English and Japanese

Very nice CDV portrait of Kanda Naibu (1857-1923) who first went to the US in 1871 at just 14 years of age. He graduated from Amherst College in 1879 and became well known in Japan for writing numerous books on English language studies. Later made a Baron. This photo was taken in Japan just after he returned from the US. Inscribed, 'Yours faithfully, N. Kanda. March 1880', on front at bottom of mount. On rear inscribed in Japanese with the place (Tokyo), his name and date.

Tokyo. Tokyo Printing Bureau Photo. 1880.

8.8 x 5.8cm.

In very good condition. Minor age wear and a tiny bit of darkening. p32120794

**Price:** \$1,190

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## CDV of Foreign Sailor

#### taken by Sakurada Yasutaro

[Japan] Very nice CDV of an unidentified Western sailor in his uniform. Sakurada was related to Shimooka Renjo (whose family name at birth was also Sakurada) and learned photography from him. He took over Renjo's studio in 1881. The rear side reads, 'Sakurada. Photographic Artist, Corner of Otamachi Gochome, (Bashamichi), Yokohama.'

Yokohama. Sakurada [Yasutaro]. c1885.

9.6 x 5.3cm.

In very good condition with only some very minor age wear. p33010814

**Price:** \$790

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## Large format photo of the City of Tokio [Tokyo]

#### Scarce image

[Japan] Very unusual, beautifully composed, hand-coloured albumen photo showing an unidentified area of Tokyo next to a river. A fire ladder can be seen in the centre and the whole scene is reflected on the water. Titled, 'No.136. CITY OF TOKIO' at lower right in negative and numbered '136' at lower left in negative.

Photographer unknown. 26 x 20.5cm.

In very good condition. Mounted on card. What first look like scratches on the photo in the water may actually have been made in the negative to show debris floating in the water. Photo of temple and monk on rear side. p33020842

**Price:** \$990

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# Woodblock Printed Triptych of the Mass Murder at the Sugitoya Brothel

#### by Yoshu Chikanobu

A superb colour, woodblock printed triptych depicting the shocking murder of seven people at the Sugitoya brothel in Tokyo that occurred in July 1880. Tokunaga Bin, a 28-year-old ex-samurai and client, was offended by being charged more than he expected so he returned the following morning and killed the proprietor, five courtesans including a 16-year-old, and the young man who probably had asked for the extra charge. Each victim is named and we can see Tokunaga finishing off the last two victims. Even Tokunaga's bloody footprints can be seen. The print was made just a few weeks after the incident. The Japanese title is, 'Sugitoya Shichinin Kiri no Zu'.

Published by Yamamura Kinzaburo. Drawn by Hashimoto Naoyoshi (Chikanobu). August 1880.

Each panel approx. 37 x 24.5cm.

In very good condition. Minor age wear at edges and corners. Unbacked and unjoined with nice bleedthrough.

Price: \$1,090

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# Woodblock Printed Triptych of Six Japanese Ladies in Western-style Dresses Sewing

#### by Adachi Ginko

[Japan] Lovely, colour triptych showing Japanese ladies in beautiful Western dresses busy at work sewing, ironing and cutting fabric. The Japanese title is 'Kijo Saiho no Zu' ['Illustration of Women Sewing']. Adachi Ginko (aka Shosai Ginko) was born in 1853 and was jailed in 1889 for 1 year for insulting the Meiji Emperor by drawing him as a skeleton. He died in 1902.

Kyobashi [Tokyo]. Sasaki Toyokichi. September 3rd, 1887.

Each panel approx. 36.4 x 25.1cm.

In very good condition. Some very minor creasing and wear at edges. A few very small marks. Unbacked with nice bleedthrough. u33020847

**Price:** \$990

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## Woodblock Printed Advertising Poster for Wakyogan medicine

#### Large, coloured print in very good condition

[Japan] Impressive, high quality woodblock printed poster promoting medicine called 'Wakyogan' made by Tenmeido that is good for both adults and children. The company was based in Onomichi, Bingo province (present day Hiroshima). Descriptively illustrated with people showing the various ailments the medicine could treat, such as depression, drinking bad water when travelling, stomachaches, food poisoning, drinking too much, chest pain, vomiting and so on.

Large, single sheet. 48.5 x 34.5cm.

In very good condition. Minor wear to margins and pinprick-sized holes at corners. Folded across at centre (probably as issued) and right side separated about 4cm at fold. Unbacked and with nice bleedthrough. u33020850

**Price:** \$1,090

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